

# Research Ethics – UFS

Applications submitted on Research Ethics Information Management System (RIMS)

## Institutional Research Ethics Committees

**Human Health**

**General Human**

**Animal**

**Environment and Biosafety**

**Health Sciences Research Ethics Committee (HSREC):**  
All health/medical-related research.

**General Human Research Ethics Committee (GHREC):**  
All research that is NOT health-related, animal-related, or biohazardous.

**Animal Research Ethics Committee (AREC):**  
All research involving the use of animals in any form/shape.

**Environment and Bio-safety Research Ethics Committee (EBREC):**  
All environment and biological or hazardous material-related research.

Application Types

**DESKTOP STUDY**

- Typically law studies
- Review of publicly available data
- Journal articles, laws, books, etc.
- Absolutely no human participation
- Typically reviewed by two reviewers and approved by the chair of the ethics committee

**DATA COLLECTION**

- New data being collected
- Methods include: questionnaires, interviews, surveys, etc.
- Informed consent must be obtained prior to data collection
- All relevant research-related documents must be reviewed and approved by the applicable ethics committee
- Must serve at the ethics committee meeting

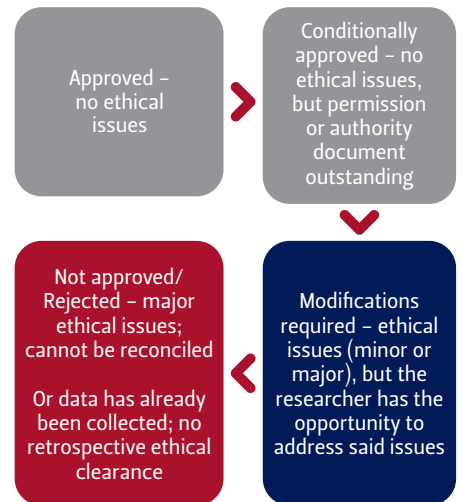
**SECONDARY DATA ANALYSIS**

- Data collected for another study or other purpose. Findings not published
- Treated the same as the data collection application type
- No data collection tools required – unless the study involves the introduction of new data collection methods
- Ethical clearance of the original study and permission letter to use the data must be attached to the application

## Ethics application process on RIMS



## Ethics Application Outcomes



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