

# Research Ethics and Integrity Sub-Committee – Terms of Reference

2023-24

## Parent body

Research and Enterprise Committee

## Purpose

The overarching responsibility of the Research Ethics and Integrity Sub-Committee (REISC) is to promote a research environment that is underpinned by a culture of integrity and based on good governance, best practice and support for the development of researchers.

Reflecting this, it has the interlinked functions of (a) providing support and advice to researchers and others on matters relating to research integrity<sup>1</sup> and (b) ensuring that any ethics issues associated with research projects conducted by College staff or students of any level (and whether externally or internally funded), have been appropriately considered, addressed, and approved before the projects begin.

All matters listed below for which it gives formal approval or undertakes a monitoring function are reported to Research and Enterprise Committee (REC).

## Terms of reference

1. To keep under review College guidelines on issues related to research integrity, with a view to ensuring that research conducted under the aegis of the College complies with recognised research integrity standards; that the public, staff and students are protected from harm; and that the reputation of the College is safeguarded.
2. To advise and make recommendations to REC concerning changes to relevant College guidelines, policies, and procedures.

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<sup>1</sup> In accordance with The Concordat to Support Research Integrity (Universities UK, 2012)

3. To establish and implement procedures for reviewing and evidencing the integrity of research projects carried out by staff and students within the College.
4. To assess the ethical and other integrity-related issues raised by projects submitted to it for consideration, and to grant or withhold approval from such projects\*.

\* Note: An application will not be rejected without allowing the applicant the opportunity of either discussing the application with the Committee or of making acceptable amendments to the application, whichever is appropriate. Approval of schemes may be subject to the approval of any other institution concerned.

## Members

Composition	Member	Term
Chair: Academic Lead for Research Ethics and Integrity	Vacancy	ex officio
Up to two independent members appointed by the Warden	vacancy	-
	Dr Muriel Swijghuisen Reigersberg (Open University)	to 2023
Research Office representative	Dr Desislava Stoitchkova (Deputy Director for Research and Enterprise)	ex officio
Two early career researchers	Dr Edward Anstead [Computing] (interim)	to 2025 (eot)
	Dr Fay Dennis [Sociology]	to 2024 (eot)
One member of academic staff from each School	Dr Mark Taylor [STaCs]	to 2024 (eot)
	Dr Sarah Cefai [MCCS]	to 2025 (eot)
	Dr Marion Coutts [Art]	to 2023
Up to six additional members of academic staff	Dr Kelly Meng Parnwell [ICCE]	to 2024 (eot)

<b>Composition</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Term</b>
	Dr Caroline Rix [Psychology]	to 2024 (eot)
	Dr Lauren Redhead [Music]	to 2025
	Vacancy	
	Professor Alex Wilkie [Design]	to 2024
	Dr Jean-Paul Martinon [Visual Cultures]	to 2024
Up to two student representatives	Gammorah Britton-Gibson	to 2024
	Nour Matar	to 2024
Secretary	Jennie San	

Terms of office on committees are for three years, renewable for three further years. If the letters "eot" appear against a person's name in a membership listing, this indicates that he or she will reach the maximum term as a member of the body concerned on 31 August in the year specified.