

Policy:	E-3.1
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# **RESEARCH AT CAMOSUN**

### **Purpose/Rationale**

The purpose of this policy is to establish principles for maintaining high standards for research at Camosun College.

### Scope/Limits

- 1. This policy applies to all Camosun College employees engaged in research.
- 2. This policy does not apply to ongoing information gathering activities that are related directly to the normal administering, evaluating, or improving of an operation, program, service or activity within the College.

### **Principles**

- 1. Camosun College supports an oriented research approach which is a process of discovering, interpreting, applying, and disseminating new knowledge and is directed toward the enhancement and support of Camosun College programs, services, and learning environment. Those involved in orientated research commit to the following:
  - a) Involve students in research activities to provide them with new and enhanced opportunities for learning;
  - b) Work to enhance the knowledge and experience of Camosun staff, and work to enhance Camosun's reputation;
  - c) Strive to create enhanced learning environments through the enriched opportunities oriented research provides;
  - d) Establish collaborative, mutually beneficial arrangements and/or partnerships with local business, academic, governmental and non-governmental organizations wherever possible;
  - e) Any work done will adhere to the highest ethical principles and standards.
- 2. Oriented research will be self-funded through research contracts, such as grants and consultancies, and will adhere to existing College policies and agreements.
- 3. All research activities must receive appropriate College approval prior to the commencement of any research activities associated with the College.
- 4. To ensure human ethical standards have been met, all research activities involving human subjects must be vetted by the Research Ethics Board (REB) prior to commencement to ensure human ethical standards have been met.

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### **LINKS TO RELATED POLICES, WEBSITES AND DOCUMENTS**

## **Supporting Research Policies and Guidelines**

E-3.2 Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Human Subjects

E-3.2.1 Guidelines: Research Ethics Board

E-3.2.2 Guidelines: Free and Informed Consent

E-3.2.3 Guidelines: Privacy and Confidentiality

E-3.2.4 Guidelines: Inclusion in Research

E-3.2.5 Guidelines: Research Involving Aboriginals

E-3.2.6 Guidelines: Conflicts of Interest in Research

E-3.3 Integrity in Research and Scholarship

#### **Related Policy**

E-3.5 Commercialization of Intellectual Property

#### **Oriented Research Office**

Research and Innovation at Camosun

#### **National Document**

Tri-Council Policy Statement: Ethical Conduct for Research Involving Humans (TCPS)

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