



OCAD University Research Ethics Review Self-assessment Form

This form is designed to help determine whether a particular activity is likely to require review by the Research Ethics Board (REB). If your research is likely to require REB review, please schedule an appointment with the REB Manager (cpineda@ocadu.ca) and bring this form with you (or send it in advance by email). If the REB deems that the project requires REB review and approval, you will need to apply on-line through ROMEO and further information may be required.

A. Is what I am doing research or practice?

1. Is your activity primarily research: that is, an undertaking intended to extend knowledge through a disciplined inquiry or systematic investigation? Ref. TCPS2, [Article 2.1](#)
2. Will the focus of your research investigation be concerned with the personal information of groups or individuals who could appropriately be called research participants? Ref. TCPS2, [Article 2.2](#)
3. Is your activity primarily creative practice: that is, the production or interpretation of a work of art? Ref TCPS2, [Article 2.6](#)
4. Does your activity use creative practice to obtain information or produce data that will be analyzed to answer a research question? Ref TCPS2, [Article 2.6](#)

B. Is what I am planning possible?

1. Have you ensured that your proposed activity does not contravene any laws, regulations and/or OCAD U policies and procedure?

For example:

- a. Will your activity involve acts considered illegal by the Canadian Criminal Code? Ref. <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-46/>
- b. Will your activity involve acts that are considered academic misconduct under the OCAD University Academic Misconduct Policy? Ref. <https://www.ocadu.ca/Assets/content/registrarial/1014-academic-misconduct-policy.pdf>
- c. Will your activity involve acts considered non-academic misconduct by the OCAD University Non-academic Misconduct Policy? Ref. <https://www.ocadu.ca/Assets/documents/non-academic-misconduct-policy.pdf>

C. How am I collecting information from human participants?

1. Will your research investigation generate personal information from participants that is not already publically available? (For example, archival research which is not subject privacy restrictions is not subject to REB review) Ref. TCPS2, [Article 2.2](#)
2. Does your proposed project involve personal information that will require assurances of confidentiality and privacy? Ref. TCPS2, [Chapter 5](#)

Personal/identifiable information: Information that may be reasonably expected to identify an individual, alone or in combination with other available information.

D. Who am I working with?

1. Will your research investigation involve the use of living animals?
2. Are any of your participants incapable of giving express consent? Ref. TCPS2 [Chapter 3](#)
3. Could any of your participants be considered vulnerable in the context of your research? Ref. TCPS 2 [Chapter 4](#) and [Chapter 9](#)

E. What are the risks?

1. Is there a risk of psychological, social, or physical harm to human participant/s or animal subject/s?
2. Is there a risk of psychological, social, or physical harm to the researcher/ research team?
3. Does your activity involve any actual or potential conflict of interest?
4. Does your activity involve First Nations, Inuit or Metis peoples of Canada? Ref. TCPS2 [Chapter 9](#)
5. Does your activity involve any vulnerable groups? Ref. TCPS2 [Chapter 4](#)

Provide a brief description of your proposed research project. If you answered yes to any of the questions, provide details: (100-200 words)

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Provide the dates during which this research project will be undertaken	
Provide the location/s where your research will be conducted	

Name:

OCAD U email address:

Links

[Instructions and tutorials for using ROMEO](#)
[ROME0 Research Portal](#)