Research Study Requirements

Throughout their graduate study, most candidates will be required to conduct one or more research projects. Many research studies require the approval of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) prior to the initiation of the proposed research. For additional information, contact the course instructor.

Institutional Review Board (IRB)

All research investigation involving human subjects, conducted by faculty, staff, or candidates under the auspices or financial support of Georgetown College, must be reviewed and approved by the Institutional Review Board for Review of Research Involving Human Subject (IRB), or be declared exempt from the review by that board. The IRB operates under the policies and procedures of the colleges, established to ensure compliance with the National Research Act (P. L. 93-348) and the regulations set forth in Part 46 of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations (45 CFR 46). The purpose of IRB review is to protect the rights and personal privacy of individuals and assure a favorable climate for conducting scientific inquiry.

More information about the IRB processes may be found on the Georgetown College Portal at https://my.georgetowncollege.edu/ICS/Departments/Institutional_Review_Board/ (login is required). When you click on the 'Submit' button, you will be added to the IRB Canvas site, which includes IRB instructions and forms.

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