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Gomal University Research Ethics Policy

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Purpose

This policy aims to ensure that all research conducted at Gomal University is carried out with the highest standards of ethics, integrity, and responsibility.

Scope

This policy applies to all researchers, faculty members, staff, and students conducting research at Gomal University.

Key Principles

- 1) **Integrity and Honesty:** Researchers must conduct research with integrity, honesty, and transparency.
- 2) **Respect for Persons:** Research involving human subjects must respect participants' rights, dignity, and welfare.
- 3) **Informed Consent:** Researchers must obtain informed consent from human participants before conducting research.
- 4) **Confidentiality and Privacy:** Researchers must protect participants' confidentiality and privacy.
- 5) **Avoidance of Harm:** Researchers must minimize risks and avoid harm to participants.
- 6) **Research Misconduct:** Gomal University prohibits research misconduct, including fabrication, falsification, and plagiarism.

Research Involving Human Subjects

- 1) **Ethics Review:** Research involving human subjects must be reviewed and approved by Gomal University's Research Ethics Committee (REC).
- 2) **Informed Consent:** Researchers must obtain written informed consent from participants.
- 3) **Vulnerable Populations:** Extra precautions must be taken when researching vulnerable populations.

Research Misconduct and Complaints

1. **Reporting Misconduct:** Allegations of research misconduct should be reported to the REC or university administration.

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2. **Investigation and Action:** Gomal University will investigate allegations of misconduct and take appropriate action.

Responsibilities

- 1) **Researchers:** Researchers are responsible for conducting research ethically and complying with this policy.
- 2) **Research Ethics Committee:** The REC reviews and approves research involving human subjects and oversees research ethics compliance.

Implementation and Review

- 1) **Training and Awareness:** Gomal University will provide training and promote awareness of research ethics.
- 2) **Policy Review:** This policy will be reviewed periodically to ensure it remains effective and up-to-date.



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