

## Student Research

**Student research or information gathering activities** It is understood that students may engage in research projects or information gathering activities as partial fulfillment for classroom requirements therefore it is considered appropriate for instructors to submit one letter to the IRB chair that covers several exempt research projects involving human subjects and is conducted by students in their course. Please note that this pertains only to student research projects that:

1. Meet the criteria for exempt research, and
2. Do not involve sensitive topics such as drug habits or sexual behaviors, and
3. Are conducted under the close supervision of the instructor, who will review the project descriptions and consent procedures and ensure that students completed the OU IRB-required training on the protection of Human subjects in research (see OU IRB-Required Education for Principal Investigators and Key Research Personnel).

Student projects that do not meet all three criteria listed above will need to be submitted individually for review by the department chair or the OU IRB.