TO: Graduate Student Researchers  
FROM: Greg Wypiszynski, Director  
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RE: Research Approval and Requirements

The attached Research Proposal Form was designed to accommodate various types of formal research. Submit the completed form with the necessary attachments and program approvals, to the Graduate Studies office by the middle of the term before the semester in which you expect to graduate.

If your research deals with human participants, e.g. surveys, interviews, etc., you must have the approval of the Institutional Review Board for Protection of Human Participants (IRB) (http://www.uwosh.edu/grants/research_responsibility/human_subjects.php). Similarly, if your research deals with animals, you must have the approval of the University’s Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (http://www.uwosh.edu/grants/research_responsibility/animal_welfare.php). As applicable, this approval must be attached to your research proposal form.

Your brief proposal should include sufficient background to place the proposal in a suitable framework. Elements of this framework may include:

- brief (250 words) proposal of your research.
- title
- statement of the problem
- brief literature review
- objectives
- method of meeting the objectives
- references
- project timetable

Please observe all requirements in the UW Oshkosh Format Policy and Style Manual, in the preparation of your final submission of your thesis, field project or clinical paper. This manual is available on the Graduate Studies website at www.uwosh.edu/gradstudies/current-students. Also, please observe deadlines for format approval and final submission of your thesis, field project or clinical paper. These deadlines may vary and are referenced on the web at www.uwosh.edu/gradstudies/current-students. You may also contact the Graduate Studies office or your program office for any questions about the research approval process.

Note that the research proposal form does NOT constitute registration for your research credit. It is your responsibility to register separately for the appropriate research credits within semester registration deadlines.

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