

Guidelines for External Research Projects

The following guidelines apply to all external research projects involving Triton College. An external research project is defined as any research project or study not conducted directly by Triton College itself.

1. Normally, the College does not allow external persons or groups to conduct human subjects research, including surveys and focus groups, on its students and/employees. The College does not provide facilities of any type for external research projects.
2. Any external research project must demonstrate a direct benefit to the College in order for permission to be granted.
3. Before permission is granted, a written proposal must be submitted to the Executive Director of Research and Institutional Effectiveness. The proposal will include brief summaries of the rationale for the study, the methodology to be used, and the expected outcomes.
4. Unless the college feels that participation in a particular project is both educationally valuable and a natural part of the course content, class time will not be used for any project. In any event, the faculty member's permission must be obtained before class time will be used.
5. Participation in any project must be voluntary, and all participants should be informed as to the purpose of the project, as well as to what precisely participation will involve.
6. Students, faculty, or staff involved in any research project will not be identified when the findings of that project are published.

All inquiries and proposals should be submitted to:
Executive Director of Research and Institutional Effectiveness
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River Grove, IL 60171
Email: research@triton.edu