

Annual Statement on Research Integrity 2018-19

Statement of Principles

Liverpool Hope University fully embraces the [Concordat to Support Research Integrity in UK research](#) and expects the highest possible standards of research integrity from all those involved in research under its auspices. This includes staff, students and any other individuals working on university premises or using the facilities. Those involved in research are expected to adhere to the principles drawn from [the UK Research Integrity Office Code of Practice for Research](#). These are outlined in the University's Research Integrity Statement of Principles appended to this document and embedded in the University's Scholarship Development Plan 2014-2021. In addition, the University's [Research Ethics Policy](#) explains roles and responsibilities in this area.

Summary of actions and activities undertaken to support research integrity

Research integrity continues to feature within training sessions for academic staff on the research environment, for example in staff development and training sessions on REF and REF Impact workshops.

The University has not to date been involved in any research involving human tissue. It is a subscriber to UKRIO (UK Research Integrity Office)

Process for dealing with allegations of research misconduct

The University policy on [whistleblowing](#) outlines how to disclose general concerns regarding potential unethical conduct of an employee. In addition, the University has clearly defined academic regulations for dealing with allegations of research misconduct. The [Academic Misconduct Regulations](#) cover matters that would arise under the general heading of research misconduct, and include a section *Undertaking research without gaining ethical approval*. There are also specific [PGR Regulations](#) and a [PGR Code of Practice](#) covering Postgraduate Research awards which cover research misconduct and dealing with allegations around ethical approval.

Statement on formal research misconduct investigations

There have been no formal investigation(s) of research misconduct by a research students or member of staff during the 2018-19 academic year.

Contact

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