

## **19. Research Ethics Audit**

The University's Research Ethics Audit is a qualitative audit that examines the research ethics practices which are applied to staff and Post Graduate Research (PGR) student research projects, and undergraduate and Post Graduate Taught (PGT) student research projects in each academic faculty. The audit is a learning process and through checking a sample of research projects enables each faculty to identify areas of good practice, which may be shared with other faculties and to identify any systemic issues that need to be addressed by either the faculty or the University.

The annual ethics audit is a triennial exercise with themed audits taking place in each of the intervening years. The Research and Ethics Committee approve the themes for audits which are normally conducted between June and September.