

Always consult your Supervisor <u>before</u> completing your ethics application

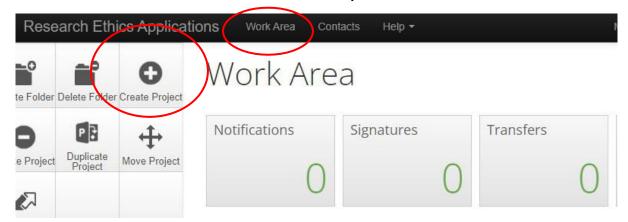
Step One: Accessing the Ethics Application System

Click on the link to access the ethics application platform on Infonetica:

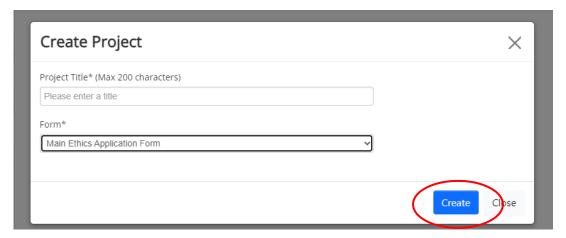
https://ethicsapplication.northumbria.ac.uk/

Step Two: Creating an application

In the Work Area dashboard click the tile Create Project



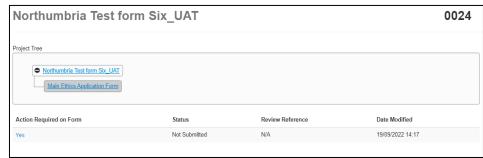
This will bring a pop-up page where you **input the title of your project** and choose the type of form from the **drop-down menu** (N.B. Northumbria currently has only one form – Main Ethics Application Form). Press the blue **Create** button.





You have now successfully created your project's ethics application.

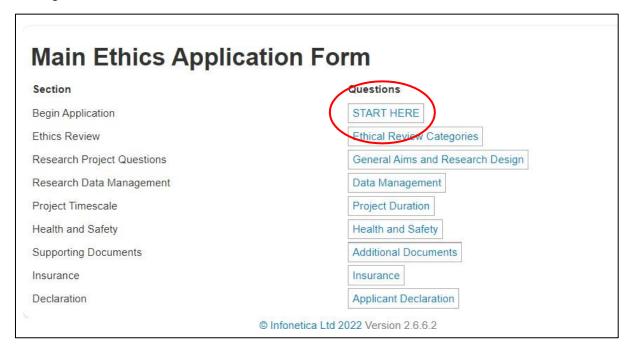
The next page you see is the project tree page.



Step Three: Completing the Ethics Application Form

You can now complete the ethics application form by completing all mandatory sections and chose the ethics review categories that match your research project. You can navigate to any part of the form from here and the form will automatically save.

To begin click the button Click 'Start Here'

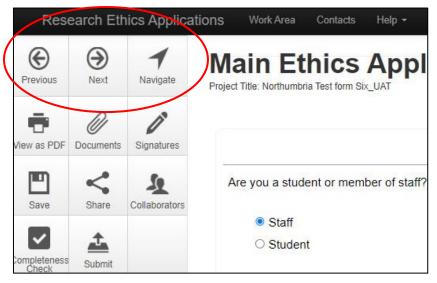


The question sections listed in blue are mandatory sections and must be completed.

You can move backwards and forwards in the from via buttons at the end of each page. The form will automatically save as you populate it.





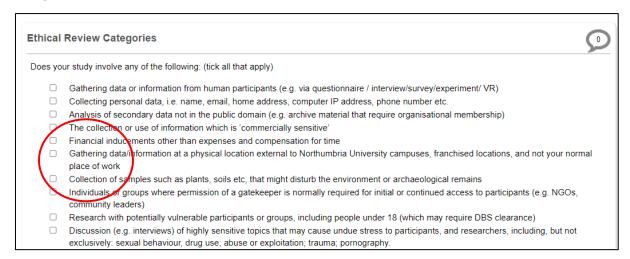


You can use the menu on the <u>left</u> of the page to **navigate** the form (the navigate button will take you back to the main ethics application page where you can work through any questions by your own choice).

You can use the **completeness check** to see what questions you have left to complete.

Step Four: Ethical Review Categories

A key feature of the new ethics system is the smart form, which relies on the user choosing the **correct ethical review categories**. These automatically filter applications through to proportionate or full review. Speak to your Supervisor to ensure you choose the correct categories.



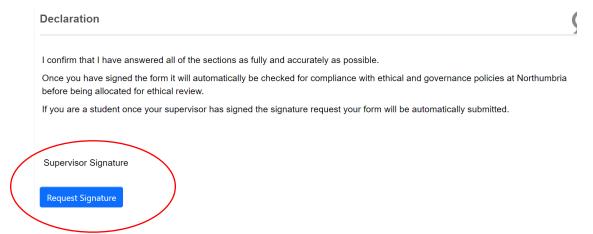
NB. Applicants can track what questions they need to complete from the main form home page (by clicking the **navigation** button). From here you can see all sections to complete for your project (these are highlighted in blue text in the picture below).



Step Five: Submit your application

When you have completed the questions, all students will need to:

(a) Click on the blue box and your Supervisor will automatically receive notification to complete the form.



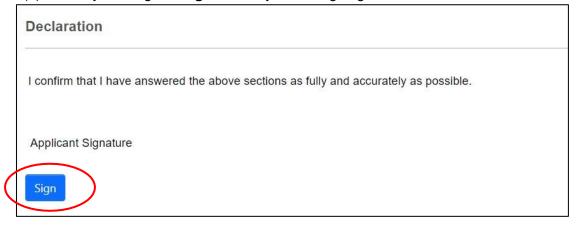
NB If the name of your Supervisor does not appear, it means they have not yet accessed the ethics system and will need to do so by:

Clicking on the clink https://ethicsapplication.northumbria.ac.uk/

The University Single Sign On means their account will be created; they should check their title is there and enter it if it isn't.

They do not need to do anything else other than log back in when they get a signature request via email. You should then 'find' them in the system in order to request their signature on your application.

(b) Then by clicking the **Sign** button, you are signing the form.



Once your Supervisor has reviewed your application, your application will be **automatically submitted** for triage and a completeness check, and then reviewers will be assigned. Your review will be complete within 20 working days.

You will receive an email to confirm the submission of your application. You can download a copy of your application at any time.