

Our Principles of Responsible Research Assessment



Responsible Research Assessment is the fair, transparent, and expert-led evaluation of research and researchers. It utilises context-sensitive judgement and inclusive values to recognise quality, integrity, and impact across all disciplines.

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▲ Purpose

We assess research with purpose and clarity, ensuring criteria are transparent, context-sensitive, and aligned with the values of our research community.

▲ Engagement

We engage and empower the research community, involving researchers in shaping assessment processes and providing feedback, training, and support to foster shared responsibility.

▲ Integrity

We promote integrity, openness, and trust in assessment, recognising responsible research practices and encouraging open research wherever possible.

▲ Expertise

We apply expert judgement to evaluate research on its own merits, using peer review and narrative evidence to recognise quality, creativity, and disciplinary diversity.

▲ Responsibility

We use indicators responsibly and with care, applying them only where appropriate, well-contextualised, and never as a substitute for expert judgement.

▲ Diversity

We value the full range of research contributions, including diverse outputs, practices, and roles that support and enable research excellence.

Northumbria Research Culture

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