

Code of Ethics for Research Staff of the Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences

Preamble:

The Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences is a public university that conducts research with a sense of mission and responsibility towards the individual, society, the environment.

The community of the Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences is guided by the fundamental values and ethical principles recognised in our cultural circle as relevant and universally valid.

Core values and ethical principles:

1. The core ethical values that should guide the academic community of the Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences are honesty, care, professionalism, integrity, responsibility, fairness and respect for safety.
2. In their research work, members of the scientific community of the Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences are obliged to show respect for the dignity and autonomy of each person with whom they undertake collaboration.
3. Researchers conduct scientific projects with integrity, in accordance with the principles adopted in the Code of Ethics for Academic Staff of the Wroclaw University of Health and Sport Sciences.
4. When conducting scientific projects involving humans, researchers comply with applicable national and international regulations, in particular the Declaration of Helsinki.

Ethical principles for the conduct of research by the academic staff:

1. When conducting research, the employee should maintain the integrity of the science in such a way as to avoid any unauthorised non-scientific factors that may influence the results obtained.
2. When conducting research, the employee should present a valuable research objective based on a solid scientific basis.
3. When conducting research, the employee should assess the risk/benefit ratio.

4. When conducting research involving human participants the employee should ensure that the selection of research participants is fair and responsible.
5. When conducting research involving human participants, the employee should obtain the informed consent of the research participants or their legal representatives.
6. When conducting research with human participants, the employee should show respect for the rights and interests of the research participants.
7. When conducting scientific research with human participants, the employee should maintain the security of the data acquired in accordance with data protection legislation.
8. When conducting research, the employee should ensure conditions of complete intimacy and privacy for all research participants.
9. When conducting research, the researcher should ensure that communication is appropriate to the developmental level and cognitive abilities of the participants.
10. When conducting scientific research with human participants, the researcher is aware that touch can be interpreted in different ways and therefore uses only those forms of touch that the research requires, communicating this in an understandable way to the participants.
11. When conducting scientific research with animals, the employee shall apply the provisions of applicable international law (in particular Directive 2010/63/EU) and national law (in particular the Act of 15 January 2015 on the protection of animals used for scientific or educational purposes).
12. A researcher conducting research should set an example worthy of emulation for students and doctoral students.
13. When conducting research, the researcher collaborates with others by adhering to high ethical standards and good practice in science.
14. An employee conducting research should obtain approval from the Senate Committee for Research Ethics.

Final provisions:

The academic community of the Wrocław University of Health and Sport Sciences is committed to the values and principles of this Code. In situations not described in this document, the provisions of general law apply.