

Subproject Application

Research Protocol

# Who should use this form?

Please complete this protocol for each new project being added as a subproject under an umbrella approval.

Please provide the following information for review:

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| **1.1.** | **UMBRELLA PROJECT ETHICS ID:** |
|  | **H13152** |
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| **1.2.** | **UMBRELLA PROJECT TITLE:** |
|  | **The evaluation of technology-enhanced learning (TEL) at Western Sydney University** |
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| **1.3.** | **SUB-PROJECT TITLE:** |
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| **1.4.** | **NAME/S OF INVESTIGATORS/STUDENTS:** |
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| **1.5.** | **BACKGROUND** |
|  | Literature review with citations: |
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| **1.6.** | **RATIONALE/JUSTIFICATION** (i.e. how the research will fill any gaps, contribute to the field of research or contribute to existing or improved practice): |
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| **1.7.** | **RESEARCH QUESTION/AIMS/HYPOTHESIS:**  Provide a researchable question that clearly links to the rationale given in the background section |
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| **1.8.** | **EXPECTED OUTCOMES:** |
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| **1.9.** | **STUDY DESIGN:**   * What type of project is it? (qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods) * What is the design? (E.g. cross- sectional study, intervention study, audit, quality assurance, semi-structured interviews, focus group etc.) |
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| **1.10.** | **SITES:**  Name the specific sites in which your data will be collected and the location |
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| **1.11.** | **PARTICIPANTS AND/OR DATA SOURCE:** *copy this section for each group to be included* |
|  | Name of the participant group: |
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|  | Describe the characteristics of your proposed study participants (inclusion and exclusion criteria), and/or where will you get your data from (e.g. analysis of public records)? Explain why these characteristics are relevant to the project. |
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|  | What is the anticipated number of study participants? How did you decide on this number?(e.g. a power calculation for quantitative studies) |
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|  | Describe how will you identify, approach and recruit participants with respect for privacy and the right to decline? (or how will you access information and records?)*Include whether screening takes place before or after consent; who will initially approach the participants; how participants will receive the recruitment documentation; how much time a potential participant will have to consider participation.* |
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| **1.9.** | **METHODS (DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS):** |
|  | Describe the data collection instrument and the types of information will you collect to answer your research question (e.g. interviews, survey, audit etc.) |
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|  | Provide a rationale for the selected data collection instrument – including:   * + Are you using a published and validated instrument? Provide reference   + Are you modifying a validated instrument? Explain why and how? Provide reference   + Are you developing an instrument? Explain why and how?   + Have you piloted the instrument? |
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| **1.10.** | **ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS:**   * What ethical issues does your project raise?e.g. privacy/confidentiality, sensitive topic, emotional risk, special training required, researcher/participant relationship * How will you address them? |
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| **1.11.** | **ATTACHMENTS:**  Please list the names of any attachments (eg Participant Information Sheet, Consent Form etc) |
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