Institutional Review Board Policy on External Applications for Human Subject Research at Whitworth University.

Review and facilitation of external research projects is not within the responsibilities of the Whitworth IRB. Therefore, Whitworth University's IRB does not accept requests for access to Human Subjects from researcher's not connected with Whitworth University, except in the following conditions. In special circumstances, a waiver of this section of the policy may be appealed to the IRB.

Conditions where external applications are accepted:

Whitworth University's IRB accepts applications from Gonzaga University and Eastern Washington University to conduct research using Whitworth students, faculty or staff. In these cases, a Whitworth application is not required. Applicants should submit letters of approval and applications from their own university for Whitworth IRB review. The IRB will review and approve, approve with suggested changes, or deny as appropriate.

Whitworth University's IRB participates in multiple national surveys such as the NSSE. Each of these types of surveys must have a principle investigator on Whitworth's faculty or staff who will complete Whitworth's IRB application and be responsible for the project on Whitworth's campus.

Whitworth University's IRB will accept research applications from alumni who are conducting research at other institutions as long as there is a Whitworth faculty sponsor who will be responsible for the project on Whitworth's campus.