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Updated Tri-Council Policy Statement: TCPS 2 (2018) and Course on Research Ethics (CORE)

Welcome to fall, an especially busy time across the college. And this includes research, as applications to the Humber REB are growing in number and complexity. As part of the Humber REB application process, researchers must complete the TCPS 2 and submit the certificate with the application.

This summer, after extensive public consultation, the Secretariat for the Panel on Research Ethics (a Government of Canada agency) based in Ottawa, released the TCPS 2 (2018). It replaces the TCPS 2 (2014) as the official research ethics policy of the federal research agencies (CIHR, NSERC, SSHRC). The Secretariat is now developing a new CORE tutorial that will incorporate many of the changes in the new Policy. A summary of the revisions published in TCPS (2018) is available in the Highlights of Changes.

No fundamental changes were made to the Policy. The three core principles – Respect for Persons, Concern for Welfare, and Justice – continue to be the foundation of both the new Policy and CORE.

If you are registering to complete the certificate, you will be able to access the existing CORE modules through the new TCPS website http://pre.ethics.gc.ca/eng/home.html or directly through this link: http://pre.ethics.gc.ca/eng/education_tutorial-didacticiel.html.

The Secretariat cannot yet confirm when all the modules will be revised. Until then, applicants simply follow the current posted material. No one will be asked to redo any portion of the tutorial when all the modules have been updated.

If you completed the TCPS 2 (2014), your certificate is still valid and does not need to be redone.

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