

TECH3022-18 Social Media Practice

Workshop Eleven – Ethical Research Checklist

- This session is dedicated to undertaking your coursework B activity.
- Collecting data from your chosen site.
- Compiling your blogs that explain how you went about doing this, and what you discovered.
- Updating the TECH3022 wiki research page with a summary of the information you have collected.
- This sheet will assist you to ethically evaluate the process for collecting information.

	Ethical Issues:	Response:
001	What is the process that is being followed by the researcher that will ensure the ethical integrity of the informants?'	
002	In what way will any sensitive issues be managed and maintained?	
003	What will be the working parameters for the data collection?	
004	What and who are being studied, and who is being excluded from the study?	
005	What ethics codes have been made reference to?	

	Is it possible to:	
006	Identify who you are, and what institution you are working on behalf of?	
	Using clear and accessible language, what the research entails and what its intended use would be?	
	Give respondents and participants clear access to further information and links to any supporting documents?	
	Give respondents clear contact details for yourself, and appropriate colleagues who are an independent contact who could act if matters of concern had been raised by the participants?	
	Give respondents clear information about their ability to withdraw from the research if they requested it?	
	Links to any associated research ethics protocols generally applicable as standard practice in the research community?	
	Any permissions required from the De Montfort University Research Ethics Committee?	

	How Will this Research:	
	Avoid harm?	
	Protect under-eighteens?	
	Record and log any issues?	
	Review and respond to any issues?	
	Ensure data is secure?	
	Ensure permission for use has been given?	
	Advise respondents what the research will be used for?	