



UCI Undergrads as Research Personnel:

NO IRB REVIEW REQUIRED*

Effective September 2018, UCI researchers conducting minimal risk, local research (within California) and utilizing UCI undergraduate students as research personnel will no longer need to list the UCI undergraduates on the IRB protocol.

Type of Research Impacted

- This change applies to minimal risk or exempt research only
- Includes social behavioral / educational research
- Includes biomedical research
- Research involves UCI undergraduates serving as research personnel
- Applies to research conducted in California only

UCI IRB Review No Longer Required

- Effective September 2018 UCI IRB review will no longer be required to list, add or remove UCI undergraduates on the IRB protocol

Expectations from the IRB

- UCI lead researchers will track UCI undergraduate research personnel themselves
- UCI undergraduate research personnel must still complete the CITI human subject training as required, including HIPAA as indicated
- UCI lead researchers may use the UCI undergraduate research personnel tracking log or create their own version / something similar
- UCI lead researchers can track trainings at: <https://apps.research.uci.edu/tutorialcheck/>
- UCI lead researchers who submit a modification to add or remove UCI undergraduates from a UCI IRB approved study will be asked to agree to have Human Research Protections program (HRP) staff withdraw the modification
- At continuing review, HRP staff will prompt the lead researcher to remove UCI undergraduates from the UCI IRB approved study and use the UCI undergraduate research personnel tracking log (or something similar)
- Through the HRP Education and Quality Improvement Program (EQUIP), UCI lead researchers may be asked to provide evidence of tracking UCI undergraduate research personnel, including evidence of CITI completion

Contact Information

- HRP staff are here to help!
- Contact us at IRB@research.uci.edu