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| **Section 1: Applicant Details** | |
| First Name | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Last Name | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Faculty | Choose an item. |
| Co-researcher Names  (internal and external)  Please include names, institutions and roles. If there are no co-researchers, please state N/A. | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Is this application for a staff or a student? | Choose an item. |
| Student Course details | Choose an item. |
| Name of Director of Studies / Supervisor | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Comments from Director of Studies / Supervisor  *For student applications, supervisors should ensure that all of the following are satisfied before the study begins:*   * *The topic merits further research;* * *The student has the skills to carry out the research;* * *The participant information sheet is appropriate; and procedures for recruitment of research participants and obtained informed consent are appropriate.*   *The supervisor must add comments here. Failure to do so will result in the application being returned* | |
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| **Section 2: Project** | |
| **Section 2:1 Project details** | |
| Full Project Title | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **Project Dates**  These are the dates for the overall project, which may be different to the dates of the field work and/or empirical work involving human participants. | |
| Project Start Date | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| Project End Date | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| **Dates for work requiring ethical approval**  You must allow **at least 6 weeks** for an initial decision, plus additional time for any changes to be made. | |
| Start date for work requiring ethical approval | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| End date for work requiring ethical approval | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| How is the project funded?  (e.g. externally, internally, self-funded, not funded – including scholarly activity)  Please provide details. | |
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| Is external ethics approval needed for this research? | Choose an item. |
| If Yes please provide the following:  For NHS Research please provide a copy of the letter from the HRA granting full approval for your project together with a copy of your IRAS form and supporting documentation, including reference numbers.  Where review has taken place elsewhere (e.g. via another university or institution), please provide a copy of your ethics application, supporting documentation and evidence of approval by the appropriate ethics committee. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **Section 2:2 Project summary** | |
| Please provide a concise summary of the project, including its aims, objectives and background. (maximum 400 words)  Please describe in non-technical language what your research is about. Your summary should provide the committee with sufficient detail to understand the nature of the project, its rationale and ethical context. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| What are the research questions the project aims to answer? (maximum 200 words) | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Please describe the research methodology for the project. (maximum 250 words) | |
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| **Section 3: Human Participants** | |
| Does the project involve human participants or their data?  *If not, please proceed to Section 5: Data Collection, Storage and Disposal, you do not need to complete sections 3-4.* | Choose an item. |
| **Section 3.1: Participant Selection** | |
| Who are your participants? | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Will you be recruiting students as research participants who are from outside your faculty and/or from multiple faculties?  If you plan to recruit student participants from across UWE (rather than solely from your home faculty) your ethics application will be reviewed by UREC instead of the FREC. | Choose an item. |
| Please explain the steps you will take to select your participant sample. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Please explain how you will determine the sample size. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Please tell us if any of the participants in your sample are vulnerable, or are potentially vulnerable and explain why they need to be included in your sample.  NB: Please do not feel that including vulnerable, or potentially vulnerable participants will be a bar to gaining ethical approval.  Although there may be some circumstances where it is inappropriate to include certain participants, there are many projects which need to include vulnerable or potentially vulnerable participants in order to gain valuable research information.  This particularly applies to projects where the aim of the research is to improve quality of life for people in these groups.  Vulnerable or potentially vulnerable participants that you **must** tell us about:   * Children under 18 * Adults who are unable to give informed consent * Anyone who is seriously ill or has a terminal illness * Anyone in an emergency or critical situation * Anyone with a serious mental health issue that might impair their ability to consent, or cause the research to distress them * Young offenders and prisoners * Anyone with a relationship with the researcher(s) * The elderly | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| **Section 3.2: Participant Recruitment and Inclusion** | |
| How will you contact potential participants? Please select all that apply. | |
| Advertisement  Emails  Face-to-face approach  Post  Social media  Telephone calls  Other  If Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| What recruitment information will you give potential participants?  Please ensure that you include a copy of the initial information for participants with your application. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| How will you gain informed written consent from the participants?  Please ensure that you include a copy of the participant information sheet and consent form with your application. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| What arrangements are in place for participants to withdraw from the study? | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |

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| **Section 4: Human Tissue** | |
| Does the project involve human tissue? | Choose an item. |
| *If you answer ‘No’ to the above question, please go to Section 5*  Please describe the research methodology that you will use.  This should include an explanation of why human tissue is required for the project and a description of the information that you and the research team will have access to about the participants/donors. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Please describe how you propose to obtain/collect, process, securely store and dispose of the human tissue. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Please explain if and how samples will be anonymised.  Where samples are not anonymised, please explain how confidentiality will be maintained, including how this information will be securely and appropriately stored and disposed of. | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | |

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| **Section 5: Data Collection, Storage and Disposal** |
| Research undertaken at SSBM by staff and students must be GDPR compliant. guidance see  Please confirm that you have included the SSBM Privacy Notice with the Participant Information Sheet and Consent Form  By ticking this box, I confirm that I have read the Data Protection Research Standard, understand my responsibilities as a researcher and that my project has been designed in accordance with the Standard. |

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| **Section 5.1 Data Collection and Analysis** |
| Which of these data collection methods will you be using? Please select all that apply. |
| Interviews  Questionnaires/surveys  Focus groups  Observation  Secondary sources  Clinical measurement  Digital media  Sample collection  Other  If Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text.  Please ensure that you include a copy of the questionnaire/survey with your application. |
| What type of data will you be collecting? |
| Quantitative data  Qualitative data |
| Please describe the data analysis and data anonymisation methods. |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Section 5.2 Data Storage, Access and Security** |
| Where will you store the data? Please select all that apply. |
| H:\ drive on UWE network  Restricted folder on S:\ drive  Restricted folder on UWE OneDrive  Other (including secure physical storage)  If Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Please explain who will have access to the data. |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Please describe how you will maintain the security of the data and, where applicable, how you will transfer data between co-researchers. |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Section 5.3 Data Disposal** |
| Please explain when and how you will destroy personal data. |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

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| **Section 6: Other Ethical Issues** | | |
| What risks, if any, do the participants (or donors, if your project involves human tissue) face in taking part in the project and how will you address these risks? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| Are there any potential risks to researchers and any other people as a consequence of undertaking this project that are greater than those encountered in normal day-to-day life? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| How will the results of the project be reported and disseminated? Please select all that apply. | | |
| Peer reviewed journal  Conference presentation  Internal report  Dissertation/thesis  Written feedback to participants  Presentation to participants  Report to funders  Digital media  Other  If Other, please specify: Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| Does the project involve research that may be considered to be security sensitive?  For further information | Choose an item. | |
| Please provide details of the research that may be considered to be security sensitive. | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| Does the project involve conducting research overseas? | | Choose an item. |
| Have you received approval from your Head of Department/Associate Dean (RKE) and is there sufficient insurance in place for your research overseas? | | Choose an item. |
| Please provide details of any ethical issues which may arise from conducting research overseas and how you will address these. | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |

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| **Section 7: Supporting Documentation** |
| Please ensure that you provide copies of all relevant documentation, otherwise the review of your application will be delayed. Relevant documentation should include a copy of:    • The research proposal or project design.  • The participant information sheet and consent form, including a UWE privacy notice.  • The questionnaire/survey.  • External ethics approval and any supporting documentation.    Please clearly label each document - ensure you include the applicant's name, document type and version/date (e.g. Joe Bloggs - Questionnaire v1.5 191018). |

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| **Section 8: Declaration** |
| By ticking this box, I confirm that the information contained in this application, including any accompanying information is, to the best of my knowledge, complete and correct. I have attempted to identify all risks related to the research that may arise in conducting this research and acknowledge my obligations and the right of the participants.  Name: Click or tap here to enter text.  Date: Click or tap to enter a date. |

**This form should be submitted electronically to the Mentor/Supervisor/Director of Studies where applicable, together with all supporting documentation (research proposal, participant information sheet, consent form etc).**

**Please provide all the information requested and justify where appropriate.**