

UNIVERSITY VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

HREC Member Role Description Researcher

	Researcher, University of Adelaide Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC)
	Office of Research Ethics, Compliance and Integrity, Research Services

Human research encompasses a wide range of activities with an equally wide range of risks and potential benefits. The HREC assists the University to protect the welfare and rights of participants in research. The Committee must ensure the effective consent of research participants in a research project and that any risk which may be involved is acceptable.

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- The Committee meets ten times each year on a Monday.
- Meetings start at 2pm and are approximately 3 hours long.
- Reading and consideration of applications will vary for each meeting (approximately 3-4 hours pre-reading) depending upon the number and nature of applications submitted.
- Non-attendance will require written comments provided to the Committee's Ethics Officer at least 1-day prior to the meeting.
- Regular non-attendance (more than three times per year) may result in membership review.
- Out-of-session reviews will occasionally be required to be completed in your own time.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newly appointed members will be provided induction training. • During their membership on the HREC, members will be given the opportunity to attend training workshops relevant to the work and responsibilities of the HREC. • A member portal is available to provide a variety of reference materials.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting papers are sent seven calendar days before the meeting. • Meeting papers are stored in a cloud and can be accessed via the internet. • Committee meetings are held at the University of Adelaide, Rundle Mall Plaza, Adelaide.
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	For external members only (non-University employed): \$180 per meeting
	Chair, Human Research Ethics Committee Director, Office of Research Ethics, Compliance and Integrity
	None required

- Volunteers on the HREC help to advance leading edge research in an important and practical way by bringing an independent view to the HREC.
- Gain an understanding of the broad range of research activities that are undertaken by the University.
- An Honorarium is offered in recognition of the time given and any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the course of attending meetings.
- Access to the University's online services and library facilities is provided.
- Professional development and training opportunities.