

# Research Ethics

Psychology

The principles a study must satisfy, and what each requires.

*Standard ethical requirements.*

| Principle                        | Requires                              |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>Informed consent</b>          | Knowing what you are agreeing to      |
| <b>Right to withdraw</b>         | At any point, including data          |
| <b>Protection from harm</b>      | No more than everyday risk            |
| <b>Confidentiality</b>           | Data anonymised and secured           |
| <b>Deception</b>                 | Only where justified, with debriefing |
| <b>Debriefing</b>                | Full explanation afterwards           |
| <b>Ethics committee approval</b> | Before data collection                |

Milgram, Zimbardo and Little Albert are the standard case studies precisely because they would not be approved today.