



# Expression of Interest for CDU-HREC Volunteer Position: Pastoral Care Member

Research is major strength of Charles Darwin University, and the University prides itself on research carried out that benefits the Northern Territory's people, animals, and environment.

The Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) of the Charles Darwin University reviews projects and other activities undertaken at the University which involve research conducted with or about people. The committee consists of a mixture of University staff and community members covering various areas of expertise and membership categories as determined by the [National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research](#).

The University is currently seeking applications from **Pastoral Carers**.  
Essential criteria:

- A person who performs a pastoral care role in a community, for example, an Aboriginal elder, a minister of religion.
- Ability to recognise and to discuss ethical issues,
- Prepared to express their views,
- Availability to attend scheduled CDU-HREC Meetings,
- Availability to undertake up to six hours reading preparation per meeting,
- An interest in human research ethics.

The HREC meets seven times each year (on a Wednesday, approximately every six weeks), from 9am until approximately midday, depending on the number and quality of projects.

Whilst members receive no remuneration, the responsibilities are not onerous, and the experience can be extremely rewarding. The meetings are held at [CDU Casuarina Campus](#); however, they can also be attended via Zoom.

For more information, visit [Human research ethics | Charles Darwin University \(cdu.edu.au\)](#)

Please send your Expression of Interest to [ethics@cdu.edu.au](mailto:ethics@cdu.edu.au) with a brief explanation of why you are interested in joining the Committee and what you believe you can contribute.

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