**William Carey International University**

**Institutional Review Board (IRB)**

The Institutional Review Board was established by the University to ensure the protection of the rights and welfare of human subjects who are recruited to participate in research activities associated with William Carey International University. Please review the University’s Statement of Institutional Commitment to the Protection of Human Subjects below.

All research involving human subjects that is conducted by William Carey International University’s students or personnel is submitted to the IRB for review.

There are three different mechanisms used by the IRB to review research projects:

1. Full board review
2. Expedited review
3. Exempt review

Investigators can find instructions on how to submit documents for IRB review in Appendix A. All required materials (application form, proposal, consent form, letters of agreement, instruments, etc.) are to be submitted by the Principal Investigator (PI) – i.e., the student conducting the review – to the respective Program Director (for MA DS and MATUL) and Dean of Doctoral Studies (for PhD students).

For more information regarding what activities do not require IRB review, please see IRB’s Guidance on Determining Whether IRB Review Is Required in Appendix B.

If you have any questions or are unsure whether your research requires review, please contact the IRB through your Program Director or Dean of Doctoral Studies or IRB@wciu.edu