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Ethical Research Guidelines – all visiting scientists and artists are expected to adhere to these

Conducting research with the local communities of Greenland requires an appreciation of their culture, history, and perspectives. The following guidelines can help ensure that your research is culturally responsive and ethical:

Obtain informed consent: Prior to starting your research, it is important to gain the informed consent of the people you plan to work with. This means that they have a clear understanding of the purpose and scope of your research and have voluntarily agreed to participate.

Be culturally sensitive: Be conscious of cultural differences and the local unique history and experiences. Research should not reinforce stereotypes or colonial attitudes.

Foster open communication: Foster open communication and maintain transparent and honest relationships with the communities you work with. Listen to their perspectives, and incorporate their feedback and suggestions into your research process.

Respect sacred and sensitive information: Handle sacred or sensitive information with respect, and do not disclose or use it without the permission.

Ensure data privacy and security: Take steps to protect the personal data and information collected during your research and ensure its security.

Work with community partners: Consider collaborating with community partners, such as local organizations, to facilitate your research and ensure its cultural responsiveness.

Give back to the community: Consider ways to give back to the community, such as sharing your research findings with them or supporting community development initiatives.

Acknowledge and respect traditional knowledge: Acknowledge and respect the traditional knowledge and perspectives of Indigenous Peoples of Greenland, and integrate them into your research where appropriate.

By adhering to these guidelines, you can ensure that your research with the local communities of Greenland is culturally responsive and ethical, and helps to establish positive relationships with these communities in accordance with the principles outlined in Greenland's research strategy.

Read more and find Greenland's National Research Strategy 2022-30 .pdf download here:

<https://nis.gl/en/greenland-launches-first-national-research-strategy/>