

Chico State Enterprises Announcements
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Human Subjects in Research Committee (HSRC) Website Launch

Chico State Enterprises (CSE) provides the administrative support for the California State University, Chico, Human Subjects in Research Committee (HSRC). In this capacity, CSE is pleased to announce that the HSRC has launched a new website within the Division of Academic Affairs! Please visit [Protection of Human Subjects](#) to see our new look and user-friendly navigation. The new site is designed to make it easier to learn about our services and efficiently locate the information you need. These services and information currently include the following:

- Principal Investigators (PIs) are now encouraged to use the *Is My Activity Research?* tool to determine whether their planned activities require HSRC approval.
- PIs may wish to take advantage of the forthcoming *HSRC Review Category Wizard* to identify the most appropriate level of HSRC review for their research. The *Wizard* will be available on the HSRC website at the beginning of the Fall 2020 semester.
- Several online ethics courses are available for our research community. The courses are delivered through the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Program and are now viewable using the *CITI Training* button. Please note that ethics training is currently not required for HSRC approval.
- We are also proud to offer resources to prospective participants who wish to learn more about participating in research and making informed decisions via the *About Research Participation* button. The federal Office for Human Research protections has developed and compiled these resources to help the public answer some common research questions and learn about the regulations that protect their rights, welfare, and well-being.

CSE staff member Sharon Ruggirello serves as the HSRC Coordinator and works in consultation with the HSRC Chair. Sharon is available to answer general questions regarding the protection of human subjects and can be reached at irb@csuchico.edu.