

Community Interactions/Engagement/Resources

In general, please keep in mind that sharing information and building relationships of trust and friendships in the community are what's important – being open and outgoing, and looking for ways to be useful in the community and ways to build links with people. This can happen in many ways, depending on the circumstances: participating in community social events; volunteering; going out on the land with local hunters; visiting elders, making presentations to community groups and school classes; being available to answer questions about research; hiring local outfitters and guides.

What is appropriate depends on the project and the relationship that has been developed at the community level. It is strongly recommended that students and/or their professors seek local partners to determine what is appropriate.

Below you will find important resources regarding conducting research in the Territories.

Northwest Territories

Northwest Territories Science Agenda (priorities in the NWT): <https://nwtresearch.com/about-us/nwt-research-policies/nwt-science-agenda>

Scientific Research Licence

<http://nwtresearch.com/licensing-research/scientific-research-license>

Communicating Research

<http://nwtresearch.com/licensing-research/communicating-research>

NWT Research Database

<http://nwtresearch.com/licensing-research/nwt-research-database>

Aurora College Research Ethics Committee

<https://nwtresearch.com/licensing/aurora-college-research-ethics-committee>

Yukon

Yukon Government has produced a Guidebook on Scientific Research in the Yukon that has information on the application process and license requirements. Contact:

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http://www.tc.gov.yk.ca/scientists_explorers.html

The Yukon Government's Science Advisor has extended an invitation to meet with researchers to assist researchers with making connections within Government and/or help identify opportunities to apply and/or communicate the knowledge developed through their work. Yukon Government is currently developing a research agenda that will provide some guidance for students looking for research topics (available next fiscal year). Contact:

Dr. Aynslie Ogden, Senior Science Advisor
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The Yukon Research Centre hosts a number of programs and services with the common goal to develop collaborative research, innovation and outreach that meets the needs of northerners. YRC also provides a number of services supporting research and innovation. These services include: research funding, laboratory space, support space, a residence for researchers, and logistics support. The Research Centre also has protocol guidelines for doing research with Yukon First Nations. For more information contact:

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Nunavut

The link to all information when conducting research in Nunavut can be found through the Nunavut Research Institute at:

<http://www.nri.nu.ca/>

Other

Association of Canadian Universities for Northern Studies, Ethical Principles for the Conduct of Research in the North:

<http://acuns.ca/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/EthicsEnglishmarch2003.pdf>

The Canadian Network of Northern Research Operators (CNNRO) is a network of research support facilities providing specialized technical services to academic, government, private and international scientific research sectors. The member facilities provide the know-how and infrastructure that make research possible in the nation's Arctic and sub-Arctic regions.

<http://cnnro.ca/>