

Ethical Field Work

Follow these guidelines when you collect data outside the classroom:

- Treat all people as you would like to be treated, with dignity and respect.
- Be courteous and sincerely express gratitude for the opportunity to collect data at the site.
- Respect private property, and be careful to leave a site looking the way it did when you entered it.
- Do not reveal any information in your research that specifically identifies people or places.
- Keep all information you get from people confidential by using pseudonyms and changing unimportant details.
- Honestly explain who you are, what you are doing, and what you intend to do with the data you collect.
- Admit your mistakes and do your best to make them right.