FEtC-H assessment procedure for new research

registration of new study in the FEtC-H web portal: affiliated with General or Linguistics Chamber?

clearly subject to the requirements of the WMO?

YES → • refer: to MREC
• MREC decision must be delivered to FEtC-H

NO

criteria for standard research in Humanities

probably standard research in Humanities

YES → assessment by 2 committee members *(within 2 weeks)*

NO — NO → standard research in Humanities?

assessment in General or Linguistics Chamber meeting *(within 4 weeks)*

YES → • decision: OK
• filing of registration & decision in FEtC-H archives

revision of the web portal criteria if necessary

consensus?

YES → • decision: OK/not OK/to MREC
• filing of registration & decision in FEtC-H archives

N)

consult with internal or external parties *(within 4 weeks)*

→ • decision: OK/not OK/to MREC
• filing of registration & decision in FEtC-H archives
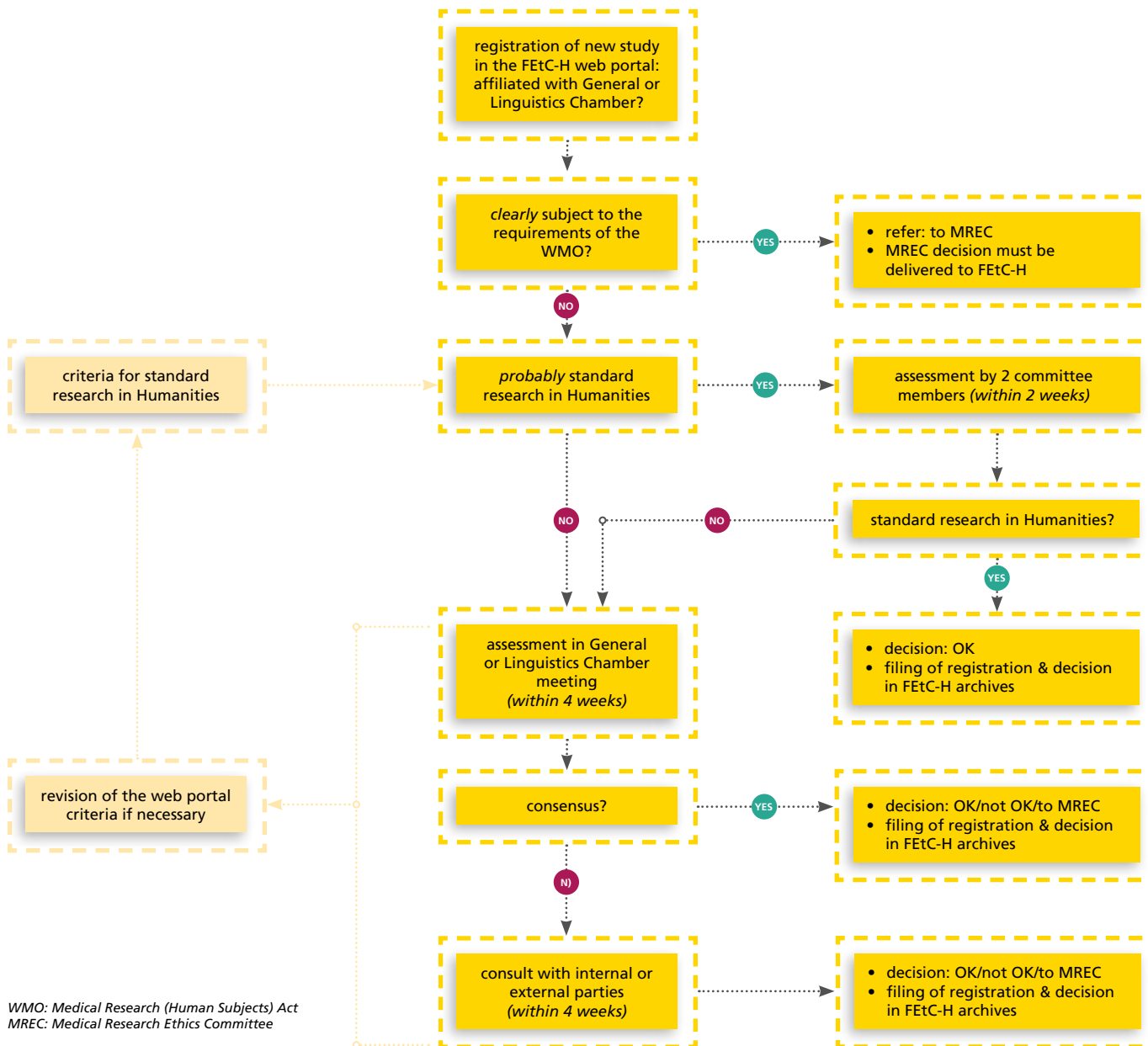
WMO: Medical Research (Human Subjects) Act
MREC: Medical Research Ethics Committee

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Faculty **Ethics assessment Commitee** Humanities

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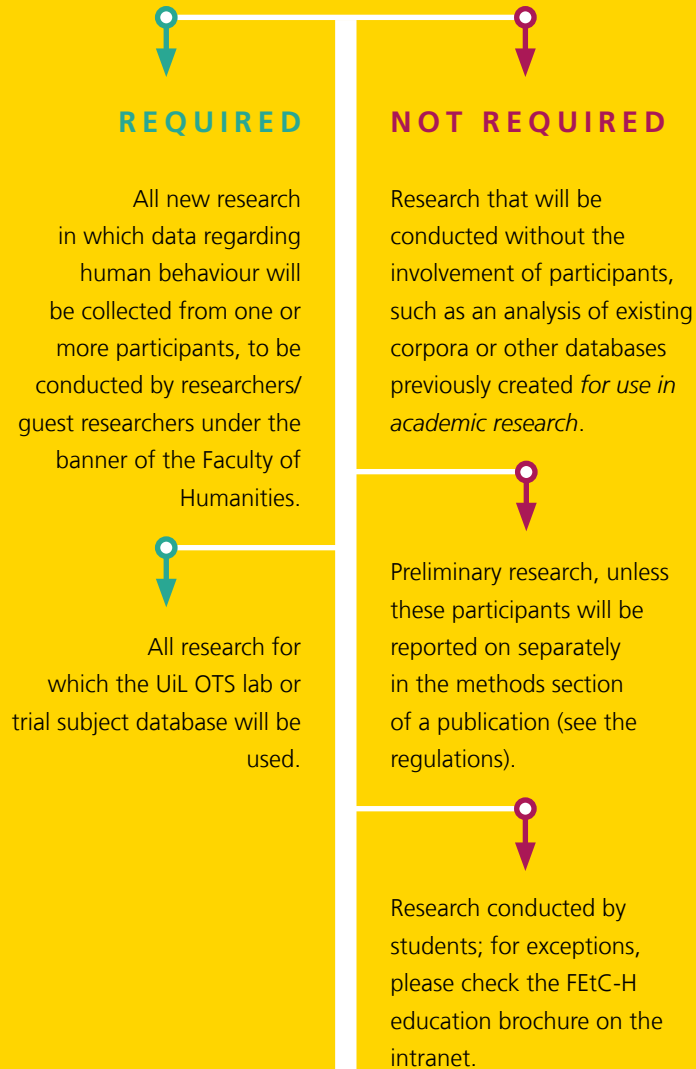
Why?

To an increasing degree, researchers are expected not only to weigh up the ethical acceptability of their research themselves, but also to submit their research to the competent committee for prior ethical assessment. While such a formal ethical assessment may sometimes be required due to changes in the legal frameworks, it is increasingly stipulated as a condition by grant providers and the editorial staff of journals.

The Faculty Ethics assessment Committee – Humanities (hereinafter: FEtC-H) was established to assist Faculty of Humanities researchers in complying with these changing quality requirements and to ensure that all Faculty of Humanities research is carried out according to similar, proper and ethically responsible procedures.
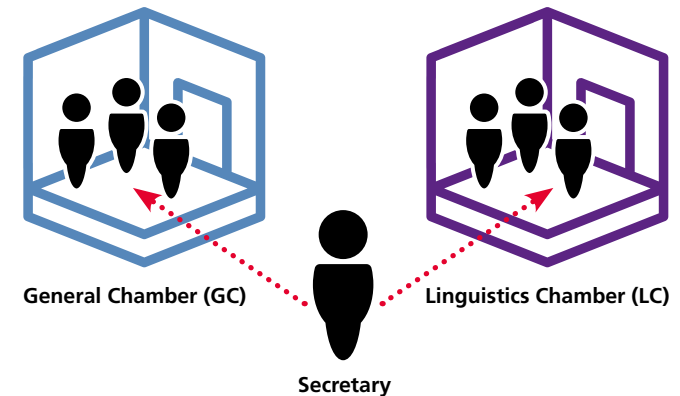
Who?

Researchers affiliated with one of the Faculty of Humanities research institutes (the Institute for Cultural Inquiry (ICON), the Research Institute for Philosophy and Religious Studies (OFR), the Research Institute for History and Art History (OGK) and the Utrecht Institute of Linguistics OTS (UiL OTS)).

Which research must be registered?

REQUIRED

All new research in which data regarding human behaviour will be collected from one or more participants, to be conducted by researchers/ guest researchers under the banner of the Faculty of Humanities.

All research for which the UiL OTS lab or trial subject database will be used.

NOT REQUIRED

Research that will be conducted without the involvement of participants, such as an analysis of existing corpora or other databases previously created *for use in academic research*.

Preliminary research, unless these participants will be reported on separately in the methods section of a publication (see the regulations).

Research conducted by students; for exceptions, please check the FEtC-H education brochure on the intranet.

How?

The FEtC-H has two chambers: the General Chamber (GC) and the Linguistics Chamber (LC). The chambers each have their own committee members, but they have a single, joint secretary (see the website).

General Chamber (GC)   **Secretary**   **Linguistics Chamber (LC)**

You can register your research via the FEtC-H web portal. All the information you need in order to register your research can be found on the FEtC-H website, uu.nl/fetc-h