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**An Exploratory Analysis of the Ethical Protocol in Ph.D Theses Submitted  
to the Department of English and Literature at Batna 2 University**

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**Abstract**

Ethical dimension is a fundamental consideration in any academic research activity and scholarship. However, recent studies have indicated that doctoral students, when embarking on their theses, are confronted with the challenges of undertaking original research and ethical concerns, which they insufficiently address in their work. Against this background, the present paper focuses on whether (or not) PhD researchers in the department of English and Literature at Batna 2 University have carefully considered and later on applied the various potential ethical issues and principles that have been refined by a number of notable research experts and scholars in academic writing including D'Angelo (2018), Farrimond (2012), Gregory (2003), Koepsell (2017), Shrader-Frechette (2000) and many others, since little is known about the quality of research ethics in the aforementioned research studies. The findings of this study may hopefully contribute in far-reaching pedagogical implications and encourage critical reflection upon the inescapable ethical dimensions of the conduct of research.

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