

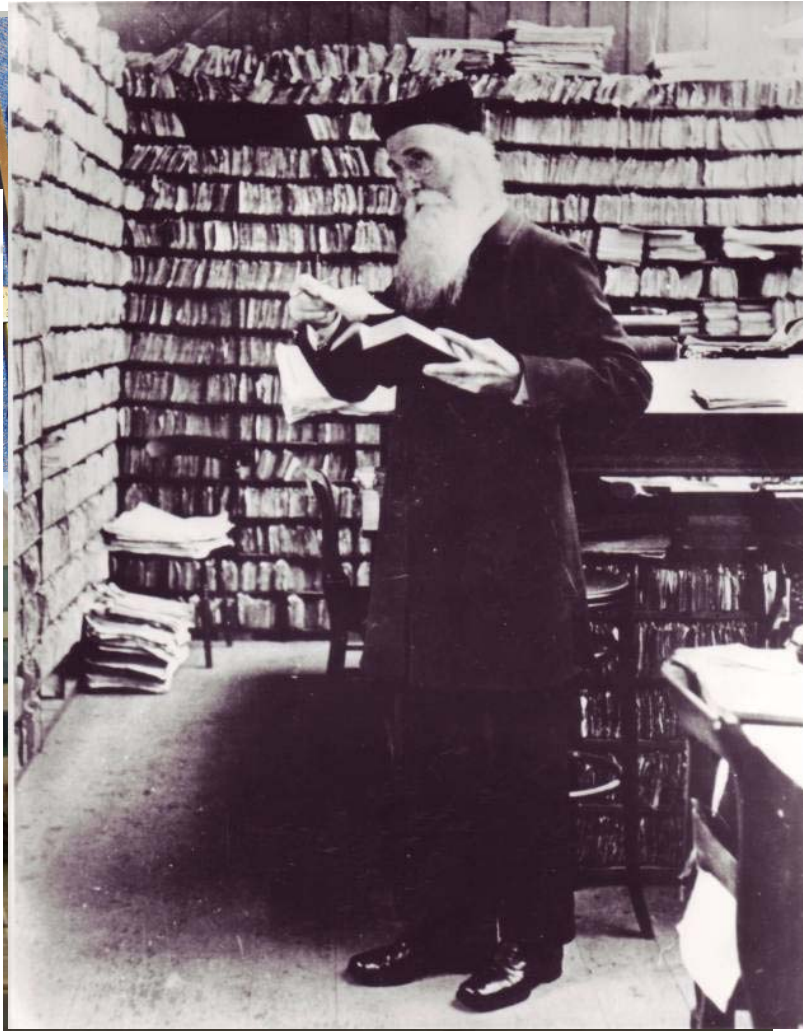


Research Ethics in the Historiography of Linguistics



Andrew Linn

New office...



Johan Storm...



- ▶ “Do you ever take copies of your letters? I have started to do it with letters which have some scientific content. It is good for me with my wretched memory. I go to someone who has a copying press and get it done in just a few minutes” (Letter to Vilhelm Thomsen, 4 January 1874)



Johan Storm...



- ▶ “Your reference to my wife amuses me. Altho the daughter of a learned man, she speaks an excruciating Cockney dialect... I have got her out of her worst vulgarisms, I am happy to say. (These details are, of course, strictly confidential, + not intended for publication)” (Letter from Henry Sweet, 18 February 1889)



J.A. Lundell...



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- ▶ Karl Brugmann
- ▶ Hermann Paul
- ▶ Paul Passy
- ▶ Otto Jespersen
- ▶ Holger Pedersen
- ▶ J.M. Keynes
- ▶ August Strindberg





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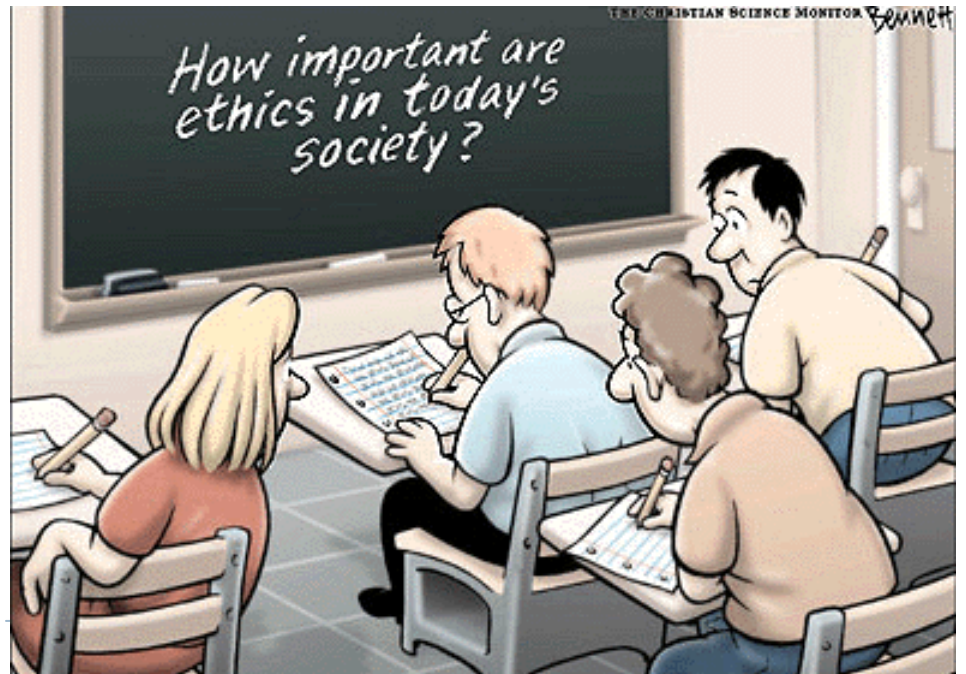
"So, gentlemen, how's the dollar trading
against the immortal soul, today?"



Ethics is...

- ▶ ...the philosophical discussion of assumptions about right and wrong, good and bad, considered as general ideas and as applied in the private life of individuals (D.D. Raphael 1994, *Moral Philosophy*, (OUP) p. 9)





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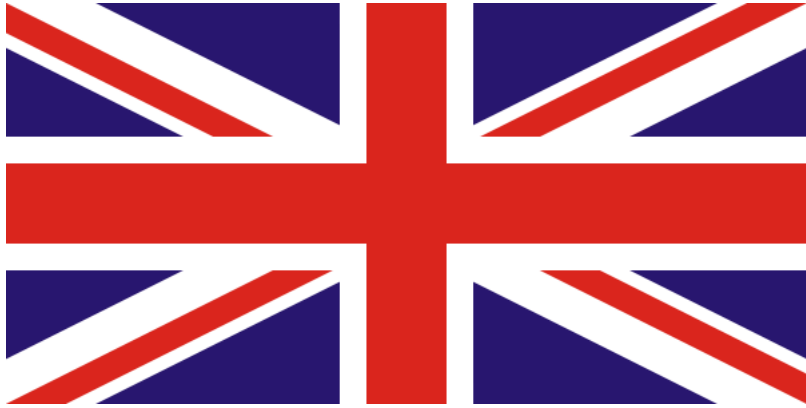
‘Research ethics’ refers to the principles of appropriate conduct that govern research, as defined above. The principles of research ethics apply to all types of research.

Research ethics may also inform decisions about what types of research an organisation will support; these decisions concern organisational ethics.

The University of Sheffield’s Research Ethics Policy, however, applies only to research involving human participants, personal data and human tissue (*Research Ethics: General Principles and Statement*)



Arts and Humanities Research Council...



“Ethical issues should be interpreted broadly and may encompass, among other things, the involvement of human participants in research, the use of animals, research that may result in damage to the environment and the use of sensitive economic, social or personal data.”

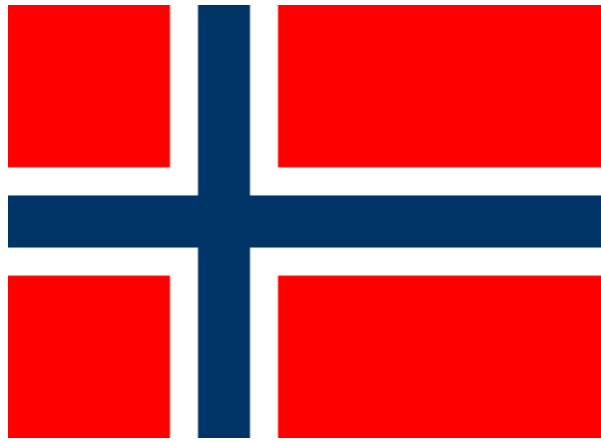


History...

- ▶ Royal Historical Society Statement on Ethics 2004
- ▶ American Historical Association Statement on Standards of Professional Conduct 2011



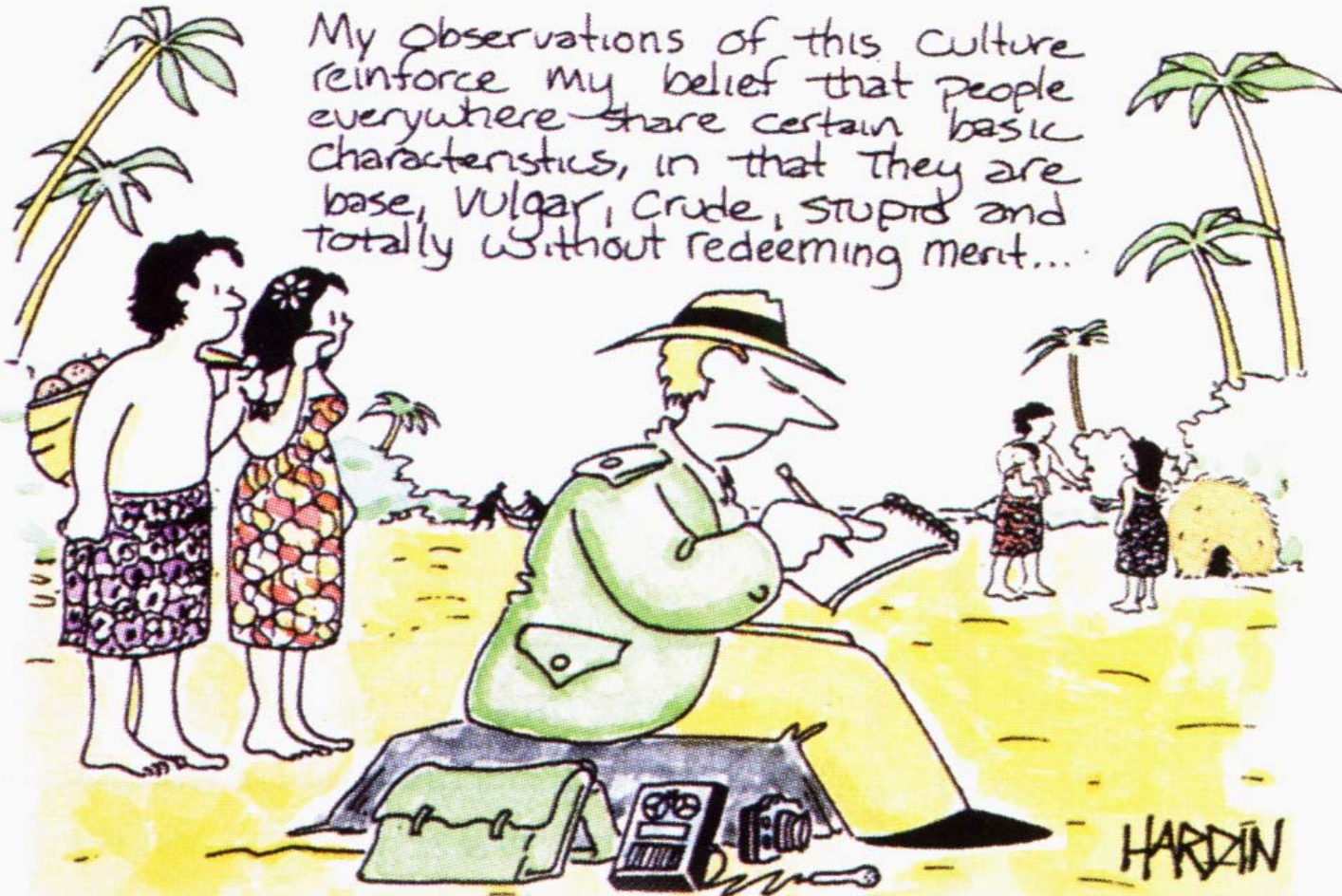
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*Guidelines for Research
Ethics in the Social
Sciences, Law and the
Humanities 2000-2006*



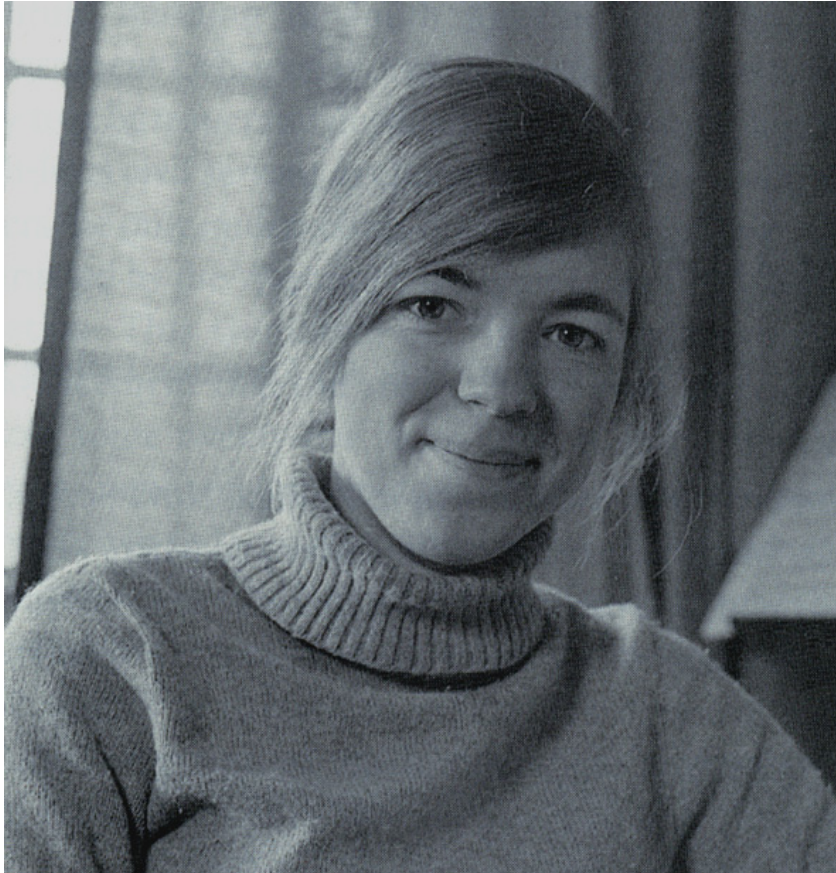
My observations of this culture reinforce my belief that people everywhere share certain basic characteristics, in that they are base, vulgar, crude, stupid and totally without redeeming merit...



HARDIN

MISANTHROPOLOGY

The final word...



The more conscious you can become of what you are doing and its possible – and actual – effects in the world, the more responsible and the more insightful you will become, both as a historian and as a human being.

(Law 2003:283)

