Research Committee Charter
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Overview
The SOM Research Committee provides oversight and operational coordination of the research data available to the SOM community, including the approval of funding (partial or wholly) for the initial purchase or subscription, and ongoing availability to the SOM research community. The Committee acts in a data governance role for SOM.

Objectives
- The Committee oversees the portfolio of data subscriptions available to the SOM research community, aligning the data use to research usage to prioritize its' renewal and rationalize its' use to avoid unneeded or redundant subscriptions and fosters continual use of the data and coordination of the data use across faculty members.
- The Committee reviews new requests for data sets, and can determine if centralized research data funding can be applied.
- The Committee supports collaboration across the SOM organization, ensuring the data purchased can be used by the research community.
- The Committee ensures the Yale appropriate contractual process is followed by shepherding requests to the Office of the General Council for approval.
- Manages the renewal process of the subscription providing the data is being used and adds value to research being conducted at SOM.

Responsibilities
- Govern the research data portfolio
- Ensure the process for new data requests is followed and all contractual obligations are met
- Bring data subscriptions together under a common budget for renewal purposes
  - Oversee the community of individuals who participate in purchasing research data
  - Maintain the subscriptions of the data sets
  - Improve the negotiating of the prices by centralizing the purchase process
- Manage the central research data budget
- Review annual renewals holistically

Membership
The SOM Research Committee is comprised of a representative cross-section of SOM faculty and service providers.

Chair: Heather Tookes, Professor of Finance and Professor (Adjunct) of Law

Member, Peter Schott, Juan Trippe Professor of International Economics

Member, Jiwoong Shin, Professor of Marketing

Member, Gabriel Rossi, Assistant Dean for Faculty and Curriculum

Member, Leigh Anne Clark, Director International Center for Finance

Member, Kenneth Wieler, SOM IT Chief Information Officer

Member, Matthew Jerviss, SOM IT Research Systems Administrator

Member, Connie Wilson, SOM IT Director of Client Services

Frequency
The SOM Research Committee meets periodically as requests are submitted, and also on a yearly cadence to review data subscriptions renewals.