



Informed Consent

You are invited to participate in the research project titled “PROJECT NAME HERE”. The intent of this research study is to “STATE PURPOSE CLEARLY AND SIMPLY HERE.”

Your participation will entail “SAY WHAT IS EXPECTED OF PARTICIPANTS – HOW MANY TIMES WILL THEY BE REQUIRED TO MEET, WILL THEY BE INTERVIEWED? FILL OUT QUESTIONNAIRES? HOW MUCH TIME ARE THEY EXPECTED TO SPEND (APPROXIMATE DURATION OF EACH SESSION FOR DATA COLLECTION)? ETC.”

In addition

- You are free to choose not to participate in the research and to discontinue your participation in the research at any time without facing negative consequences.
- Identifying details will be kept confidential by the researcher. Data collected will be coded with a pseudonym, the participant’s identity will never be revealed by the researcher, and only the researcher will have access to the data collected.
- Any and all of your questions will be answered at any time and you are free to consult with anyone (i.e., friend, family) about your decision to participate in the research and/or to discontinue your participation.
- Participation in this research poses “STATE THE RISK OF PARTICIPATION HERE.”
- If any problem in connection to the research arises, you can contact the researcher “NAME at PHONE NUMBER and by email at EMAIL ADDRESS” or Lesley University sponsoring faculty “INSTRUCTOR’s INFO HERE.”
- The researcher may present the outcomes of this study for academic purposes (i.e., articles, teaching, conference presentations, supervision etc.)

I am 18 years of age or older. My consent to participate has been given of my own free will and that I understand all that is stated above. I will receive a copy of this consent form.

Participant’s signature

Date

Researcher’s signature

Date

There is a Standing Committee for Human Subjects in Research at Lesley University to which complaints or problems concerning any research project may, and should, be reported if they arise. Contact the Committee Chairpersons at irb@lesley.edu

Online Survey Research Consent Example

Survey research still requires informed consent and that can consist of giving the key information needed for consent to respondents at the beginning of the survey and then letting them “agree” by moving forward with the survey as the example below indicates. Note that the example text below indicates that no identifying information will be collected and uses XXX for details that researchers need to fill in about their specific projects.

You are invited to participate in a research project titled “xxx.” The intent of this research study is to identify attitudes, strengths, and limitations in the field of xxx to identify implications for training, research, and practice. Your participation will entail participating in an online questionnaire consisting of xxx questions and should take no longer than xx minutes.

- Former knowledge about xxx is not necessary.
- Participation is strictly anonymous
- You are free to choose not to participate in the research and to discontinue your participation in the research at any time by quitting the survey.
- No identifying details will be collected by the researchers.
- If any problem in connection to the research arises, you can contact the researchers: xxx at xxx or by email at xxx.

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Participation in this online questionnaire by clicking "next" will constitute consent.