

## Invitation to Participate St. Francis Xavier University

**Title of the Study:** fill in title of study

**Researchers:** (fill in name), Honours Student, Department of fill in department, St. Francis Xavier University and Dr. fill in name, fill in position e.g., Associate Professor, Department of fill in department, St. Francis Xavier University, etc.

### What is the Study About?

- You are invited to participate in our study titled fill in title of study. The purpose of this study is to describe purpose of study.
- This study is being conducted as a part of the requirements for an undergraduate degree in the Department of fill in department at St Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, NS.
- Your participation is voluntary. Consenting to participate does not waive any rights to legal recourse.
- Include a statement about funding for the study, if any.

### What Will I be Expected to do and How Much Time Will It Take?

- You will be asked to describe what participants will be expected to do.
- The study will take approximately fill in length of time participation is expected to take minutes to complete.
- Indicate whether participants will be audio or video-recorded, if intended.
- We thank you for your consideration and participation. Describe compensation participants will receive, if any.

### Will Anyone Know What I Said or Did?

- Describe whether data will be identifiable, anonymous or anonymized (e.g., The data will be entirely anonymous and presented in aggregate form only. You will only be identified by a code number.)
- Describe how the data will be disseminated (e.g., The aggregate data will be presented at conferences and will be published in academic journal articles.)

### Where and How Will My Data Be Stored?

- Describe how both electronic and paper data will be stored. (e.g., The data will be kept on a password protected computer for five years after publication, which can only be accessed by the two researchers. After that it will be permanently deleted. No paper copies of the data will be made.)

### **What Happens If I Change My Mind and Wish to Withdraw?**

- Participation is voluntary. Describe how participants can withdraw their participation (e.g., You may withdraw at any time before the survey is submitted simply by closing your web browser.)
- Describe what will be done with any data collected up to the point of withdrawal. (e.g., If you wish to drop out of the study, please feel free to close your internet browser. Any data collected up to that point may be kept and used by the researchers.)
- Describe what participants should do if they wish to decline a question. (e.g., If you wish to decline answering a question, please feel free to leave the question blank.)

### **What are the Potential Benefits and Risks Associated with Participation in the Study?**

- Describe the benefits of participation to participants, the group to which they belong OR society more generally.
- Describe the possible risks/costs/or harms to participants. If there are no harms identified, you may say “There may be costs that we do not know about yet.”

### **Where Do I Get Questions Answered?**

- If you have any questions or concerns regarding this study, please direct them to provide institutional contact information (i.e., email addresses, phone numbers) for all researchers.
- If you have any concerns about research ethics, please contact the Chair of the St. Francis Xavier University Research Ethics Board (or other individual outside of the research team who can be contacted in the event of ethics concerns), provide contact information for that individual.