

### CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY

Below is a description of the research procedures and an explanation of your rights as a research participant. You should read this information carefully. If you agree to participate, you will sign in the space provided to indicate that you have read and understand the information on this consent form. You are entitled to and will receive a copy of this form.

You have been asked to participate in a research study entitled Teaching the Bioarchaeology of Care Approach conducted by Alyson Caine, a professor in the Department of Anthropology and Archaeology at Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA, and Ihuixaya Tapia, a lecturer in the Social Sciences and Global Studies Department at California State University, Monterey Bay.

#### WHAT THE STUDY IS ABOUT:

The purpose of this research study is to assess the viability of learning about the Bioarchaeology of Care approach. In particular, feedback is sought on the use of the short-form that outlines stages of analysis from the Index of Care and its application for the activity.

#### WHAT WE WILL ASK YOU TO DO:

During this study, the following will happen students will be provided various case studies which outline individuals who may have needed health-related care in the past. Using the provided information, students will complete the form and answer questions associated with the activity. Following the completion of the activity students will then provide feedback on the effectiveness of the activity.

#### DURATION AND LOCATION OF THE STUDY:

Your participation in this study will involve one or more case studies which range from 45 minutes to an hour to complete. This activity will only take place in one class. The study will take place in the assigned classroom for the course.

#### POTENTIAL RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS:

We do not anticipate any risks or discomforts to you from participating in this research. If you wish, you may choose to withdraw your consent and discontinue your participation at any time during the study without penalty.

#### BENEFITS:

You will receive no direct benefit from your participation in this study; however, the possible benefits to others include better teaching of the bioarchaeology of care approach.

**PRIVACY/CONFIDENTIALITY:**

(NOTE: Anonymity means that no identifying information such as name or student ID number is collected, so the privacy of participants is assured. Confidentiality means that the researcher (or perhaps the instructor) will have a record of who participated but the data will be kept private.

Because you will not be providing any information that can uniquely identify you in your feedback questions (such as your name or student ID number), the data you provide will be confidential.

**COMPENSATION/PAYMENT FOR PARTICIPATION:**

There is no payment or other form of compensation for your participation in this study.

**VOLUNTARY NATURE OF THE STUDY:**

Your participation is voluntary and you may refuse to participate without penalty or loss of benefits. Feedback questions are not a part of your grade and therefore not participating will not impact your grade. Furthermore, you may skip any questions or tasks that make you uncomfortable and may discontinue your participation at any time without penalty or loss of benefits. In addition, the researcher has the right to withdraw you from participation in the study at any time.

**OFFER TO ANSWER QUESTIONS:**

Please ask any questions you have now. If you have questions later, you should contact the principal investigator: Alyson Caine at ([cainea@dickinson.edu](mailto:cainea@dickinson.edu) OR [cainea703@gmail.com](mailto:cainea703@gmail.com) ) or Ihuixaya Tapia at ([BTapia@csumb.edu](mailto:BTapia@csumb.edu)). If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a participant in this study, you may contact the Dickinson College Institutional Review Board at (717) 254-8301. Additional contact information is available at: [http://www.dickinson.edu/homepage/78/institutional\\_review\\_board](http://www.dickinson.edu/homepage/78/institutional_review_board)

**I HAVE READ THE ABOVE INFORMATION. ANY QUESTIONS I HAVE ASKED HAVE BEEN ANSWERED. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS RESEARCH PROJECT AND I WILL RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS CONSENT FORM.**

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*PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE*

*DATE*