Parental/Guardian Permission Form for Department Pool Participants Earning Credit

Attitudes and Romantic Relations IRB-FY2019-2495

Your child, ______________________, is invited to take part in a named Attitudes and Romantic Relations Study. The study is designed to learn more about human thought processes as they pertain to relationships. The research is being conducted by Timothy Valshtein, who is the graduate student investigator. The faculty sponsor of this work is Prof. Gabriele Oettingen in the NYU Department of Psychology.

If you permit participation in this study, your child may be asked to: complete problems requiring critical thinking, describing your relationships, as well as answering basic survey and demographic items. Participation will take about a half hour and will earn 0.5 credit for laboratory participation towards the course research requirement. Your child can fulfill the course requirement in other ways besides participating in this or other studies.

There are no known risks associated with participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, your child may become more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand motivation relationships, as well as critically related thought processes.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing after the study has begun will not affect your child’s grades or academic standing in any way. If your child withdraws from the study, your child will receive credit for the time completed. Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions he/she prefers not to answer. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be provided.

Confidentiality of your child’s research records will be strictly maintained by a random subject code. We may use your child’s email address for the purpose of contacting them about follow-up study opportunities. Information not containing identifiers may be used in future research or shared with other researchers without your additional consent.

The researcher cannot keep information confidential if they have concerns that someone is hurting children or that your child might hurt themselves or someone else. In such cases, the researcher will inform people in authority about their concerns.

If there is anything about the study or taking part in it that is unclear or that you do not understand, or if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact the principal investigator, Timothy Valshtein, at valshteint@nyu.edu, or the faculty sponsor, Prof. Gabriele Oettingen, at (212) 998-7915, gabriele.oettingen@nyu.edu. For questions about your rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), New York University, (212) 998-4808 or ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu, 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, NY 10012.

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Parent's Signature

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Date