Parental Permission Form for LGBQs Inclusion in STEM
IRB-FY2020-3930

Your child has been invited to take part in a research study to learn more about the way people understand and perceive science, scientific knowledge, and scientific competency. This study will be conducted by Martina Colombo, who is a research master’s student at Leiden University, Department of Psychology, and a visiting scholar at the Social Justice Lab at NYU, under the supervision of Professor John T. Jost, and by Vivienne Badaan, who is a Ph.D. candidate at the Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS), Arts & Science, New York University, as part of Martina’s Master’s Thesis. Their faculty sponsor is Professor John T. Jost, Department of GSAS - Graduate School of Arts and Science, Arts & Science, New York University.

If you give permission for your child’s participation in this study, your child will be asked to do the following:

- Read two articles describing recent scientific research and answer some general questions on the content of the article. This will help us assess your child’s understanding of scientific information.
- Review and evaluate 6 short resumes of current graduate students applying for a Ph.D. position in the field of Theoretical Physics. This will help us assess your child’s understanding of scientific competency.
- Complete a short memory task about the articles they read. This will help us assess your child’s ability to memorize scientific information.
- Answer some general questions on their perception of science.
- Provide some demographic information.

Please note that this is not a test of your child’s intelligence and it does not require them to have expertise in the particular field of study.

Your child can participate in this research if they are a psychology student at NYU. Participation in this study will take 20-30 minutes, and your child will receive 0.5 credit. Participation in this study is voluntary. Your child may refuse to participate or withdraw at any time without penalty. For interviews, questionnaires, or surveys, your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions they prefer not to answer. Non-participation or withdrawal will not penalize your child’s grades or academic standing at NYU. If your child withdraws before the end of the study, they will receive credits for the time they have completed. If your child chooses not to participate, they can fulfill the course requirement in other ways besides participating in this study. When your child completes the study, a thorough written explanation of it will be provided.

There are no known risks associated with your child’s participation in this research.
beyond those of everyday life. Although they will receive no direct benefits, this research may help the investigator understand the way people understand and perceive science, scientific knowledge, and scientific competency.

Confidentiality of your child’s research records will be strictly maintained by using only unique, non-identifying code numbers. Your child’s data are collected anonymously and will be stored safely by New York University for at least 5 years after publication, as recommended by the American Psychological Association. Furthermore, your child’s data will be processed confidentially, aggregated with the answers of the other participants, analyzed statistically and summarized. The data may be used in scientific and professional publications. No data in potential publications can be traced back to individuals. Identifying information of your child will only be collected to assign the research credit and to receive this parental permission form. We will not save that information and we will only analyze de-identified data. Information not containing identifiers may be used in future research, shared with other researchers, or placed in a data repository without your additional consent, in an anonymized way.

If there is anything about the study or your child’s participation that is unclear or that you do not understand, if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact Martina Colombo at (702) 470-6473, mc8055@nyu.edu, or the faculty sponsor, John T. Jost at (212) 998-7665, john.jost@nyu.edu, 6 Washington Place, New York, NY 10003.

For questions about your child’s rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), New York University, 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, New York, 10012, at ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu or (212) 998-4808. Please reference the study # (IRB-FY2020-3930) when contacting the IRB (UCAIHS).

You have received a copy of this document to keep.

Permission for Child to Participate

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Name of Child

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Parent Signature

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Date