

Ethnographic Practicum

Information Sheet and Consent for Group Settings

_____ is conducting
STUDENT RESEARCHER'S NAME
research to fulfill requirements for a university course titled: _____

This research consists mainly of ethnographic fieldwork, which involves observations and interviews, as well as interpretation and analysis of information taken from these activities. The general purpose of ethnographic research is to learn how members of a community (for example, a particular social movement) make sense of their own community and its relationships with other people, communities, and institutions. Ethnography is a kind of research commonly done by scholars in social science fields like Anthropology.

The focus of this project is solidarity and justice across social movements in North America – how different social movements experience solidarity and develop strategies of collective action.

Voluntary Nature of Participation

Participation in this research is completely voluntary. You may decline to participate or withdraw from participation at any time, without any negative effects whatsoever. If you are not comfortable with the researcher's presence in your setting, please express your objection by informing the researcher; the researcher will promptly discontinue the study in your location. Participants must be at least 18 years of age.

Confidentiality

Every effort will be made not to reveal personally identifiable information in reports based on this research. Information identifying you will be kept separately from field notes, interview recordings and transcripts. Data will be destroyed after completion of the class. In public reports your actions or things you say may be presented without specific reference to you, referenced only by pseudonym, or combined anonymously with the actions and words of other participants.

Risks and Benefits

Your participation in this project should not involve risks beyond those of ordinary life. You will not be paid for your participation in this research project, nor is it expected that your participation will bring you any benefits, tangible or otherwise. It is hoped that the student researcher named above will benefit from this project by learning how to do university-level, ethnographic research.

Contact Information

If you have any questions, concerns, or complaints about this research project, please contact the student researcher, the course instructor, or the undergraduate coordinator

Student researcher: tel _____, email _____
Course instructor: _____, tel: _____
Associate Chair: _____, email: _____, tel: _____

If you have any questions about your rights as a participant in this study, please contact the University of Toronto Office of Research Ethics, ethics.review@utoronto.ca

Consent Statement

By reading this document and by no expression of objection, I voluntarily agree for the researcher to conduct observations and casual interactions in this location.