



FRESNO PACIFIC UNIVERSITY
INFORMED CONSENT STATEMENT

LANG 310 Field Research Project

What will happen to me in this study?

This is a study about how people learn a second language. Since you are still learning English, I would like to talk to you about your learning. I would also like to see your classroom and find out what things you do that help you to learn English.

If you let me learn about you, three things will happen;

1. I will come and see you in your classroom a few times.
2. I will ask you and your teacher some questions about learning English.
3. I will write down what I learn for my teacher.

Can anything bad happen to me?

No. You don't have to answer any question you don't like. I won't tell anybody in your school about what you said. When I tell my teacher about what I learned, I will never use your name or any information so that people will know who you are.

Can anything good happen to me?

Yes. You might enjoy talking to someone about your learning.

Do I have choices?

Yes. You can choose to not be in this study at any time.

Who can I talk to about the study?

You can talk to anyone you like.

What if I do not want to do this?

You don't have to. Just say no.

What will happen to this information I give you?

I will keep it in a locked file cabinet and destroy it once the semester is finished.

Do I understand this study and do I want to participate?

YES

NO

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Parent, Guardian, School Official
(only if participant is under 18 years of age)

Date

Signature of Researcher

Date

FPU Institutional Review Board Permission Date _____ Signed _____

If you have questions or concerns about this project, contact [INSERT NAME, PHONE NUMBER , AND EMAIL ADDRESS of researcher]

CONSENT FORM

The City and County Housing Authorities of Fresno, along with Fresno Pacific University, are conducting a study about the HOPE VI program. HOPE VI is a program where housing authorities receive money to help them fix up or rebuild units in their developments. We are interested in what is happening in people's lives as their housing developments are fixed up or rebuilt.

The survey includes questions about your apartment/house and your neighborhood, as well as some questions about you and your family. We would like to interview you three times during the research study: now at the beginning, once again during the middle of the study (in approximately two years), and finally at the end of the study (in about four years).

Taking this survey has no effect on any housing subsidy you might be receiving. Any information you provide us will remain confidential; your answers will never be linked with your name or anything that could identify you, except if you should indicate having harmed or intending to harm yourself or someone else. _____ (R's initials)

Your participation in this survey is voluntary, but very important to our work. Your participation will in no way affect any housing benefits you receive or may be applying for. You may choose to complete none, one, or two of the interviews, rather than all three. Although we do not think you will, you may experience emotional reactions to some of the survey questions. If you should have any such reactions, you can choose to skip the question or end the interview itself immediately. You may also wish to contact [INSERT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER] to talk about these feelings. If you have any questions or concerns about the research itself, please feel free to contact the principal research investigator, [INSERT NAME AND PHONE NUMBER], at Fresno Pacific University. Benefits to completing your survey include the improvement of services to all families living in your housing development, including your own, as well as improved services in future housing developments.

Once the surveys are completed, they will be kept in a locked file cabinet in the office of the principal research investigator for five years after the study's end. At that time, all of the surveys will be shredded.

Each interview typically takes less than one hour. At the end of each interview, you will receive a \$20 grocery coupon to thank you for your time.

I understand the nature of the study about the HOPE VI program and voluntarily consent to participate.

Respondent

Date

Interviewer

Date

[Interviewer keeps white copy; respondent keeps blue copy; HUD keeps pink copy.]