

Recruitment message

Students' understanding and perception of genetics before and after instruction.

Dear Student,

Similar to the start of term, we would like to invite you to complete a ~20 min. survey on your understanding of some genetics concepts as well as your perceptions and beliefs about aspects of genetics.

Your responses will be kept confidential and will be de-identified (your course instructor will never know how you, personally, answered the questions; only the study team will). Data will be encrypted and stored in a password protected computer and/or on a secure UBC server accessible only to the research team.

With your explicit consent only, your de-identified responses will be included in a research study potentially be presented to Faculty members at UBC, as well as disseminated through a peer-reviewed publication or at disciplinary conferences (see Consent Form attached to this message). You will have the opportunity to let us know whether you consent to have your responses used in our research study once you will log into the survey. If you decide to participate in the study, please note that you may choose to discontinue/opt out at any time without providing any reasons. Please also note that if you would like to complete the survey, but not have your answers used in the study, you may do that too.

The survey can be access at:

https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9SPECWLh7qMhC50

Should you have any questions about the survey or the research study, please don't hesitate to contact the PI (Pam Kalas) at: <u>kalas@zoologv.ubc.ca</u>

Thank you very much!

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