



**Abbreviated Summary Protocol Form for Academic Department Review  
For Minimal Risk Student Course Related Research Intended Solely for  
Pedagogical Purposes** Office of Research – Research Ethics and Compliance Unit: GM 900– 514.848.2424 ex.

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**This form is recommended for student research projects conducted as part of course requirements.**

This form should only be used for research involving minimal or less risk to the participants. It may be completed either:

- By the instructors who will describe the research carried out by their students.
- By the students themselves. In this case, the form may be reviewed by the instructor and then transmitted to the appropriate Departmental representative responsible for the review of minimal risk course related research intended for pedagogical purposes.

**Part One: Basic Information**

Date: February 4th, 2025

1. Name and Department/Program of Researcher:

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2. Title of Research Project or Activity:

Computer and Electrical Engineering Product Design Project: Safe Alcohol Consumption App

3. Name and Number of Course:

COEN/ELEC 390

4. Type of Research:

- a. ☐ Survey Forms
- b. ☒ Interviews
- c. ☐ Lab experiment
- d. ☐ Anthropological Observations
- e. ☐ Other (explain below):  
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**Part Two: Research Participants**

5. Characteristics: How many participants are involved in this study? 2

Are they primarily:

- a. ☒ College/University Students
- b. ☐ Other adults
- c. ☐ Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

**Part Three: Ethical Concerns**

6. Informed Consent:

Have you developed a means to gain participants informed consent?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Will researchers be using a written form or an oral protocol?

☒ Written ☐ Oral

7. Freedom to Discontinue:

Will you inform participants of their right to discontinue?

☒ Yes ☐ No

8. Confidentiality or Anonymity or Alternatives:

Will your research offer participants anonymity (you will not be able to identify them)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Will your research offer participants confidentiality (you will know who they are but their identities will not be evident in the research reports)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Will the identities of participants be evident in your research reports?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, have you informed them of this fact?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9. Deception:

Are you in any way deceiving participants about the nature of your research?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please describe below the nature of the deception and how you will de-brief participants. *Please attach any relevant information.*

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10. Managing Risky Situations:

If as a result of your research, you discover that a participant(s) is at risk in some way(s) (psychological, physical, reputational), do you know someone to contact to help advise you how to respond?

☐ Yes ☐ No

11. Coercion:

Is there a potential for participants to perceive they are being coerced into participating in this study?

☐ Yes ☐ **No**


If yes, do you have a written plan to prevent this perception?


☐ Yes ☐ No, I will have it on (give a date):

12. Signatures:

Researcher(s):

Date February 4th, 2025

 , Liyan Al-Mosaria ,

 , Hawa Diallo,  
Vincent Nguyen, Nadir  
Chetovani

Instructor:

Date

## APPENDIX I

### CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN SAFE ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION APP INTERVIEW

I understand that I have been asked to participate in a research project being conducted by Mik, Liyan, Sem Axil, Hawa, Vincent, and Nadir of Gina Cody School of Engineering of Concordia University (514-848-2424, ext. 3109; reception.ginacody@concordia.ca). Under the supervision of Dr. William E. Lynch of Electrical and Computer Engineering of Concordia University (william.lynch@concordia.ca).

#### A. PURPOSE

I have been informed that the purpose of the research is to collect information in relation to our safe alcohol consumption app. The team hopes to use the information to refine the app's features.

#### B. PROCEDURES

- I understand that the interviews will be conducted remotely through zoom and that the interviews will last 1 hour.
- I understand that during a zoom call, I will be asked questions related to my alcohol consumption and typical actions whilst drinking. I will be asked about problems I face, how I solve them, how I wish I could solve them,..etc.
- I have access to the necessary resources regarding mental wellbeing should I need them.

#### C. RISKS AND BENEFITS

- I understand that participating in this interview may lead to disclosing personal information about myself and may help the interviewers to develop their project based on the answers I provided.

#### D. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- I understand that I am free to withdraw my consent and discontinue my participation at any time without negative consequences.
- I understand that my participation in this study is:

CONFIDENTIAL (i.e., the researcher will know, but will not disclose my identity)

- I understand that the data from this study may be published.

I HAVE CAREFULLY STUDIED THE ABOVE AND UNDERSTAND THIS AGREEMENT. I FREELY CONSENT AND VOLUNTARILY AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY.

NAME (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

If at any time you have questions about the proposed research, please contact the study's Principal Investigator Liyan Al-mosaria, Gina Cody Computer Engineering student, at liyana@softsim.ca. Under

the supervision of Dr. William E. Lynch of Electrical and Computer Engineering of Concordia University (william.lynch@concordia.ca).

If at any time you have questions about your rights as a research participant, please contact the Manager, Research Ethics, Concordia University, 514.848.2424 ex. 7481 [oor.ethics@concordia.ca](mailto:oor.ethics@concordia.ca)