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Dear Dr. Crisp, East Lansing, MI 48824-1116

I am very pleased to submit this original article entitled, “Goal Sampling Theory,” to the *Journal of Applied Social Psychology.* In this manuscript, I discuss the core elements of current goal choice theories, unpack their criticisms and weaknesses, and then present goal sampling theory (GST) and describe how it appeases these limitations. Another purpose of the paper is to demonstrate how one might model goal sampling using formulas, it can be thought of as an applied introduction to mathematical modeling.

I recommend Patrick Converse and Jerker Denrell as reviewers. Dr. Converse is familiar with the topics discussed throughout, and pieces of the mathematical model are drawn from prior work on impression sampling by Dr. Denrell. Of course, I trust your judgement when selecting reviewers.

This paper contains original material, not submitted or in press elsewhere in any form. I have no conflicts of interest to disclose.

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Thank you very much for your consideration,

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