

# **SUBJECT CONSENT FORM FOR PARTICIPATION IN HUMAN RESEARCH AT MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY**

**Project Title:** Cooperation and Intelligence: An Exploration of Intelligence's Effects on Cooperation

**Purpose of Research Study:** You are being asked to participate in a research study examining the associations between intelligence and cooperation. This research may help us better understand how people in college as well as the workforce interact based on their level of intelligence.

**Procedures Involved:** Participation is voluntary. If you agree to participate, you will take part in an assessment of your IQ range (via a short inventory), a binary selection (Selection between two choices), and a short demographics survey (Age, biological sex, and psychological distress level).

**Compensation:** If you are a student enrolled in PSYX 100, you will receive 2 SONA credits for your psychology class. You may also receive up to \$8 depending on your performance during evaluations. PSYX 100 students are also eligible for the same monetary compensation in addition to course credit.

**Right to Withdraw from the Study:** Participation is voluntary and you have the right to withdraw from the study at any time. If you choose to withdraw at any point before the conclusion of the study, you will still receive course credit. However, withdrawal before the conclusion of the experiment will result in forfeiture of any monetary compensation.

**Risks and Benefits:** We anticipate minimal risk. You may experience mild distress during the binary selection. There is no direct benefit to participating in the study. Your participation may lead to a better understanding of yourself as well as the experimental process. Your participation in this study does provide valuable information concerning the associations between intelligence and cooperation that can be used by researchers as well as practicing psychologists.

**Source of Funding of Project:** Montana State University's Undergraduate Scholars Program Grant.

**Cost to Subject:** None.

**Whom to Contact if You Have Questions About This Study:** If you have additional questions or concerns after the completion of the experimental session, you may contact Brandon Scott (brandon.scott2@montana.edu) or Josiah Shirley (josiah.shirley@ecat1.montana.edu).

**Confidentiality:** Your participation in this research is confidential. All hard copies of the data will be stored in locked files in locked rooms in our laboratory. In addition, data will be stored electronically on a password-protected computer, external hard drive, and the university-encrypted Knox server. Only trained research lab staff will have access to them. No names or contact information will be directly associated with your data. Instead, we will use unique code numbers for confidentiality.

The only time we would release information without your consent is if (a) there are reports that someone is in immediate danger of harming themselves or others, (b) there are indications of child abuse, or (c) there are indications of elder abuse.

Additional questions about the rights of human subjects can be answered by the Chairman of the Institutional Review Board, Mark Quinn, (406) 994-4707.

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**AUTHORIZATION:** By signing your name on the reverse of this page, you confirm the following: I have read the above and understand the discomforts and risk of this study. I agree to participate in this research. I understand that I may refuse to participate, and that I may withdraw from the study at any time. I may keep a copy of this consent form for my own records.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_