**[[1]](#endnote-14567)Exploring the positioning of multilingual Kaaps and Cape Flats English-speaking university students' linguistic choices and identities.**

Dear student,

My name is Salaamah Ariefdien, and I am a master's student in the School of Education at the University of Cape Town. I would like to invite you to participate in my research study which aims to understand how students in Western Cape, Cape Town who speak Kaaps (also referred to as Kombuis Afrikaans/English or Mengels) and/or Cape Flats English (which are varieties of English and Afrikaans particular to Cape Town or the Western Cape) think about their language identities and the language choices they make.

Extensive research has been conducted to explore the vital role of language in shaping individual and collective identities, as well as the effects of colonialism on languages and language use. However, limited research has been done on the implication of colonialism on indigenous language varieties and their speakers, specifically focusing on Kaaps and CFE-speaking individuals' language identity and language choices in South Africa particularly in Cape Town. Therefore, I believe this research study is important as through this study, we can raise awareness of how indigenous languages are viewed and highlight the influence of colonialism on language choices and the formation of language identities. Through this study, I aim to empower the preservation and revitalisation of indigenous languages and language varieties.

As part of this study, a pre-interview survey will be used to select participants who are suitable for the research study. Participants eligible for the study will be selected students ranging in the age group of 20- 45 years with the ability to speak and are familiar with Kaaps and or Cape Flats English or who have lived in for a while or grown up in Cape Town/Western Cape in a household, or family or community that predominantly speaks these language varieties. Should you be willing to participate, you will be required to complete a short 5-10 min pre-interview survey. Once completed there will be an option to indicate if you’d like to and are willing to participate further in an individual and group interview for this research study.

Participation in this study is completely voluntary and you may withdraw at any time. Your responses and name will be kept fully confidential as you will be given a pseudonym (different name) which will be used in the writing up of the research.

**If you are interested in completing the survey, please use the following link:** [**https://forms.gle/5bpEFFjAUYpnnpmA8**](https://forms.gle/5bpEFFjAUYpnnpmA8)

**Please fill out and email me the attached consent form should you wish to participate further in this study.**

If you have any queries regarding this study, please contact me at:

**Email**: [ARFSAL001@myuct.ac.za](mailto:ARFSAL001@myuct.ac.za)

Thank you for your time!

**Salaamah Ariefdien: Researcher**

**Participants Consent Form (General): Pre-interview survey.**

**Name:**

**Date:**

**I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_understand that my participation is voluntary and that I can withdraw my participation at any time. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_understand that the confidentiality of my name and responses will be maintained.**

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| **For this research study I consent to:** | **Yes** | **No** |
| 1. Participating in completing the pre-interview survey. |  |  |
| 2. Participate further in an individual interview |  |  |
| 3. Audio recording of individual interview |  |  |
| 4. Participate further in a group interview/workshop |  |  |
| 5. Audio recording of group interview/workshop |  |  |

**Signature:**

**Date:**

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