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July 13, 2022

Dear Morgan Buterbaugh:

Your proposed research project, "Effects of COVID-19 pandemic instructional delivery methodology on Mathematical learning," (Log No. 22-103) has undergone a limited review by the IRB and is approved. In accordance with Federal Regulation and IUP Policy, your project is exempt from continuing review. While you will *not* be required to request continuing review for this project, you are required to request any changes to this approved protocol and notify our office of any adverse events. This approval does not supersede or obviate compliance with any other University requirements, including, but not limited to, enrollment, degree completion deadlines, topic approval, and conduct of university-affiliated activities.

You should read all of this letter, as it contains important information about conducting your study.

Now that your project has been approved by the IRB, there are elements of the Federal Regulations to which you must attend. IUP adheres to these regulations strictly:

- 1. You must conduct your study exactly as it was approved by the IRB.
- 2. <u>Any additions or changes</u> in procedures <u>must</u> be approved by the IRB before they are implemented.
- 3. You must notify the IRB promptly of <u>any</u> events that affect the safety or well-being of subjects.
- 4. You must notify the IRB promptly of any modifications of your study or other responses that are necessitated by any events reported in items 2 or 3.

The IRB may review or audit your project at random *or* for cause. In accordance with IUP Policy and Federal Regulation, the Board may suspend or terminate your project if your project has not been conducted as approved or if other difficulties are detected.

While not under the purview of the IRB, researchers are responsible for adhering to US copyright law when using existing scales, survey items, or other works in the conduct of research. Information regarding copyright law and compliance at

IUP, including links to sample permission request letters, can be found at http://www.iup.edu/page.aspx?id=165526.

I wish you success as you pursue this important endeavor.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Roberts, Ph.D. Chairperson, Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects Professor of Criminology

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Cc: Daniel Radelet, Faculty Advisor