

# Ethical Release Pre-Ethics check for Project/Thesis on Taught Programmes

Please be aware that this is **NOT** an ethics application, but rather an pre-ethics check/release to assess your project for any potential risks with Vulnerability, Sensitivity, and Potential Harm to the environment i.e., habitat or controlled products, Confidentiality, Electronics and Data Storage, and Code of Conduct. If your project is found to require a full ethics application, your case will be referred to the ethics sub-committee or you will be asked to submit a full UAL ethics application for your project.

## Project Status:

**Approved - Project is below minimal risk, you do not need the educational ethics application.**

## Project Details

Project Title: **Color, Food, and Sound Perception: Exploring Multisensory Design for Inclusive Experience**

Brief Description of Project: **This project explores how visual and auditory cues influence people's perception of food and color comfort. The study involves a short, anonymous online questionnaire and simple perception tests where participants are asked to evaluate colors, food images, and sound-image pairs. Data collected are limited to non-identifiable survey responses (e.g., preferences, ratings, and general comments). No personal or sensitive information is gathered. The participants are adult volunteers recruited through general calls, and participation is entirely optional. The project is conducted solely by myself, and no vulnerable groups are targeted.**

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Level: **7**

College/Institute: **Creative Computing Institute**

## Ethics Release Checklist

1. Will this project be part of an existing project(s)? - **No**
2. Will the project involve human participants other than the investigator(s)? - **Yes**
  - o Will the project involve vulnerable participant such as young, disable people, elderly, people with declare mental health issues, prisoners, people in health or social care setting. Those with learning difficulties or cognitive impairment either contacted directly or via gatekeeper (either through professional- i.e., a caregiver, individual – i.e., relative or guardian or organisation – i.e., charities or care provider etc.)? - **No**
  - o Will the Project use a control group or the use of deception? - **No**
  - o Will the project involve any risk to participant health (for instance, intrusive intervention such as drugs administration, substances or vigorous exercise)? - **No**
  - o Will the project be carried out by individuals unconnected with the University but who wish to use the University's staff and/or students as participants? - **No**
  - o Will the project involve financial inducement offered to participants other than reasonable expenses and compensation for time? - **No**
  - o Will the project involve any risk to the participant health (e.g. intrusive intervention such as the administration of drugs or other substances or vigorous physical exercise), or involve psychological

stress, anxiety, humiliation, physical pain or discomfort to the investigator(s) and/or the participants?

- **No**

3. Will any parts of the project involve the use of live animals? - **No**
4. Will any parts of the project have or cause any detrimental impact on the environment habitat or species? - **No**
5. Will any parts of the project involve sensitive material or topics that might be considered offensive, distressing, politically or socially sensitive, deeply personal or in breach of the law (such as criminal activities, sexual behaviour, ethnic status, personal appearance, violence, addiction, religion, and financial status)? - **No**
6. Will any parts of the project the project involves the creation of controlled goods regulated by the Export Control Organisation (ECO)? (This specifically refers to military goods, dual-use goods (which are civilian goods but with potential military applications), products used for torture and repression, and radioactive sources). [Further information from the Export Control Organisation](#). - **No**
7. Will any parts of the research involve the storage or records on a computer, electronic transmissions or visits to websites, which are associated with terrorist or extreme groups or other security-sensitive material? [See commissioner's office for more information](#). - **No**

## Declarations

I/We confirm that the information in this checklist is correct.

I/We have assessed the ethical consideration in relation to the project in line with the University Ethical Policy.

I/We understand that the ethical considerations of the project will need to be re-assessed if there are any changes to it.

I/We will endeavor to preserve the reputation of the University and protect the health and safety of those involved when conducting this research/project.

If personal data is to be collected as part of this project, I confirm as principal investigator that I will adhere to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. I also confirm that I will seek advice on the DPA as necessary by referring to the [Information Commissioner's office \(ICO\)](#).

If your project entails collecting personal data, I confirm as principal investigator that I will adhere and legally obliged to follow the Data Protection Act 2018 and UK GDPR. Find more information and support on [Records Management and Information Governance at UAL](#) and via the [Information Commissioner's office \(ICO\)](#).