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INFORMATION SHEET

You are being asked to voluntarily participate in a research study. We are doing this study to test social psychological theories about how people behave in virtual environments. If you choose to participate, you will be asked to complete some self-report questionnaires and interact with a character in a virtual world. You may view images or situations that make you feel uncomfortable. At the end of the study, you will be provided information to discuss these situations further, if necessary. We anticipate that the study should take no more than 15 minutes to complete.

This research is being funded by Dr. Jon Maner's department funds.

In order to avoid influencing your participation or our study results, we may not provide you with more specific information at this time. That is, at the outset, participants will not be told all information about the study. However, at the end of your participation in this study we will provide you with additional information.

If you agree to take part in this study, you will receive 0.5 SONA credits. Withdrawing from or discontinuing taking part in the study or any study activity will not reduce or preclude you from earning the full credit allotment.

We will securely store your information. Only members of the study team will have access to any identifiable information. We will store any paper files that contain identifiable information or your responses in locked filing cabinets. We will collect, transmit, store and access electronic files in computer systems with password, encryption and other authentication protection. However, we cannot guarantee complete confidentiality.

If you have any questions, please contact [Harrison Miller \(hmill@psy.fsu.edu\)](mailto:hmill@psy.fsu.edu) or Dr. Jon Maner (maner@psy.fsu.edu).

If you have any questions or concerns about your rights as a research participant, or questions or concerns regarding the study and would like to talk to someone other than the researcher(s), you are encouraged to contact the FSU Office for Human Subjects Protection (OHSP) at (850) 644-7900, by email at humansubjects@fsu.edu, or by mail at 2010 Levy Avenue, Research Foundation Building B, Suite 276, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2742.