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CoLab Research Participation Consent Form

# About this research

The [CoLab.online](https://www.CoLab.online) platform provides support to both students and instructors engaging in collaborative group learning activities. We have designed it both to help provide an enjoyable experience and to hone collaborative skills. We achieve these goals, not only by applying the latest research on collaboration, but by using the data we collect to further our understanding of fostering group skills, sharing that information with interested scholars, and then integrating those ideas into this platform.

By clicking “I agree” below, you grant us permission to use the data you provide to improve our understanding of collaboration. Specifically, you agree that you have read and understood this entire form:

## Benefits

By participating in this research, you:

* Help us to develop a deeper understanding of collaboration;
* Help to improve the [CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) platform for future users (including, possibly, yourself).

## Questions

You know that, should any questions or concerns arise, you can contact one (or more) of the following:

* CoLab Support: [research@CoLab.online](mailto:research@CoLab.online)
* Principal investigator: Micah Gideon Modell ([micah.modell@stonybrook.edu](mailto:micah.modell@stonybrook.edu))
* SUNY Korea IRB: [research@sunykorea.ac.kr](mailto:research@sunykorea.ac.kr)
* Your instructor

## Voluntary Participation

Your participation is entirely voluntary. At any time, you may navigate to the *Research* section of your profile on [CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) to:

* Review this (and any other) consent forms;
* Download a copy of this (and any other) consent forms;
* Change your decision to participate (i.e. withdraw or provide your consent).

If you decide not to participate, your decision:

* Will not affect your standing in any [CoLab](https://www.CoLab.online)-supported courses;
* Will not affect your standing at SUNY Korea;
* Will not be made known to your instructor(s) until after the semester has completed;
* Will not be made known to the researchers until after the semester has completed.

## Risks

Participation in this research involves only your participation in course activities as required by your instructor. Therefore:

* Choosing to participate only involves allowing us to use the data you’ve provided in our research efforts, including (in anonymized form):
  + CoLab profile data,
  + All data provided as part of CoLab activities,
  + Emails to [Support@CoLab.online](mailto:Support@CoLab.online) or [Research@CoLab.online](mailto:Research@CoLab.online), and
  + Emails to any CoLab researchers regarding collaboration.
* We make every effort to protect the security of the data you provide for the lifetime of the [CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) platform, regardless whether or not you choose to allow us to use your information for research purposes.
* No personally identifiable information will be published – all data in any publications will be reported in aggregate or otherwise anonymized.
* We are subject to Korean law and it is possible (though unlikely) that Korean law enforcement officials might compel us to disclose our records to them.

## Future Research

[CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) may email you in the future using contact information provided within [CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) to ask for your participation in future studies:

* Such a request would provide a full explanation of the research and how you might participate;
* Participation would be entirely voluntary;
* Choosing not to participate will not affect your relationship with [CoLab](https://www.CoLab.online), SUNY Korea or any of your instructors;
* Such requests would come directly from [CoLab](https://www.colab.online/) – we will not provide your contact information to anyone else without first gaining your permission to do so.
* You would not be contacted more than 2 times about the same study if we did not receive a response from you.