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COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS  
*Department of International & Global Studies*

**Informed Consent**  
**Globalization and Youth in Africa**

You are being asked to participate in a research study. Before you give your consent to volunteer, it is important that you read the following information and ask as many questions as necessary to be sure you understand what you will be asked to do.

**Investigators**

This study is being conducted by  
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**Purpose of the Research**

This research study seeks to assess and analyze some of the effects of globalization on youth lifestyles & livelihoods in Africa through pictures. The data from this research will contribute to the growing body of scientific knowledge on the impact of the different dimensions of globalization on youth around the world.

**Procedures**

If you volunteer to participate in this study, you will be asked to submit one photograph and complete a short online survey. Your participation will take approximately 15-30 minutes.

**Potential Risks or Discomforts**

There are no foreseeable risks associated with the study. All names will be removed from photo entries before they are entered into the photo database for analysis. The photos will also be de-identified when research findings are being shared or displayed.

**Potential Benefits of the Research**

Your participation in this study will contribute very important information regarding how current global processes are impacting the lives of youth in Africa.

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### **Confidentiality and Data Storage**

All information obtained will be held in strict confidentiality and will only be released with your permission. The results of this study may be published but your information such as your name and other demographic information will not be revealed. The results of this study will be kept in a locked file within the state of Georgia for 3 years in Dr. Obidoa's office.

### **Incentives to Participate**

All participants will be entered into a photo contest to win one of three prizes.  
1<sup>st</sup> prize – 50, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize – 75, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize - \$100.

### **Participation and Withdrawal**

Your participation in this research study is voluntary. As a research subject you may refuse to participate at anytime. To withdraw from the study please contact Dr. Obidoa by email at obidoa\_c@mercer.edu.

### **Questions about the Research**

If you have any questions about the research, please contact the researcher Dr. Obidoa Dr. Obidoa by email at obidoa\_c@mercer.edu.

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Signature of Research Participant

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Participant Name (Please Print)

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Signature of Person Obtaining Consent

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