

University of Colorado
Colorado Springs (UCCS)
Consent to be a Research Subject

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Title: User Interaction Metrics for Hybrid Mobile Applications

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Introduction

You are being asked to be in a research study. This form is designed to tell you everything you need to think about before you decide to consent (agree) to be in the study or not to be in the study. **It is entirely your choice. If you decide to take part, you can change your mind later on and withdraw from the research study.**

Before making your decision:

- Please carefully read this form or have it read to you.
- Please ask questions about anything that is not clear.

Feel free to take your time thinking about whether you would like to participate. By agreeing to be in the study you will not give up any legal rights. You may want to print a copy of the consent form for your records.

Study Overview This study plans to learn more about what metrics developers believe will be useful to collect. Ultimately, this research may be published in a journal or presented at a conference.

Procedures You are being asked to be in this research study because you have a background in software engineering. The survey will take around 10 minutes to complete. Once the survey results are collected they will be used in my Masters' project.

Other people in this study: Up to 50 people will participate in this study.

Risks and Discomforts: This survey is low risk. I will not be collecting identifiable information. The survey is completely anonymous. If you feel annoyed at any time, please close the survey.

Benefits This study will identify trends in the community which we believe to be true. Your participation in this survey will provide additional information that we can use to further our hypothesis.

Compensation There is no compensation for participating in this survey.

Confidentiality The survey will not collect any personally identifiable information. The survey is 100% anonymous.

Your confidentiality will be maintained to the degree permitted by the technology used. Specifically, no guarantees can be made regarding the interception of data sent via the Internet by any third parties.

Certain offices and people other than the researchers may have access to study records. Government agencies and UCCS employees overseeing proper study conduct may look at your study records. These offices include the UCCS Institutional Review Board, and the UCCS Office of Sponsored Programs and Research Integrity. UCCS will keep any research records

confidential to the extent allowed by law. A study number rather than your name will be used on study records wherever possible. Study records may be subject to disclosure pursuant to a court order, subpoena, law or regulation.

Voluntary Participation and Withdrawal from the Study

Taking part in this study is voluntary. You have the right to leave a study at any time without penalty. Withdrawal will not interfere with your future care or services at UCCS. You may refuse to answer any questions that you do not wish to answer. If you withdraw from the study, you may request that your research information not be used by contacting the Principal Investigator listed above and below.

Contact Information

Contact (PI's info): *thasting@uccs.edu*

- if you have any questions about this study or your part in it,
- if you have questions, concerns or complaints about the research, or
- if you would like information about the survey results when they are prepared.

Contact the Research Integrity Compliance Program Director at 719-255-3903 or via email at irb@uccs.edu:

- if you have questions about your rights as a research participant, or
- if you have questions, concerns or complaints about the research.

Electronic Consent

Please print a copy of this consent form for your records, if you so desire.

I have read and understand the above consent form, I certify that I am 18 years old or older and, by participating in the survey and clicking the done button, I indicate my willingness voluntarily take part in the study.