**Consent Form for Participation in a Cultural Interview**

As part of the course GCAP 633, **Sociocultural and Systemic Influences on Counselling**, students are required to talk to an individual about their culture. We define culture broadly to include ethnicity, Indigeneity, gender, gender identity, age, social class, sexual orientation, ability, religion and the various intersections of these identities. The student will then write a paper about what they have learned about that your identity, beliefs, community, and other aspects of your culture. The purpose of the assignment is to help students appreciate different ways of looking at things and different experiences based on culture. After the interview, the student will write a paper to submit to the course instructor.

Before you talk with the student about your culture, please carefully read each statement below:

* I understand that the interview will take about 2 hours.
* I understand that I can stop the interview any time I want without any consequences for doing so.
* I understand that normally only the instructor will see the completed paper. If the student is unhappy with their grade, the Course Coordinator, an alternative grader, and/or the Director may also see the paper.
* I understand that the student will give me the paper to read before it is handed in to the instructor.
* I understand that there will be no way for others to identify who I am. I will be asked to make up a fake name for myself to be used in the paper.
* Only the instructor will see the signed consent form, and my name or other information that might reveal who I am will not be used in the paper.
* I understand that all of the notes and/or recordings from the interview will be destroyed one month after the class ends.

Before you talk with the student about your culture, please choose *yes* or *no* for each statement below:

* I give my permission for the student to write notes during the interview. Yes\_\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_
* I give my permission for the student to use an audio or video recording device during the interview. Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

If you need more information about the cultural interview or the student’s program of study, please contact the Program Director, Dr. Paul Jerry, Athabasca University at paulj@athabascau.ca

By signing this form, I am providing written consent to participate in the cultural interview and consent to the terms listed above.

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Participant’s Name (Please print) Participant's Signature Date

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