

Parent's or Guardian's Informed Permission Form
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING

A first-hand experience with laboratory procedures is an important part of many courses in psychology. At NYU, we take advantage of our faculty's active research programs to give students that experience. Students in most courses participate in carefully supervised studies, thus gaining otherwise unobtainable experience with original research in psychology.

We have both department and university-wide committees that approve studies for our students. These committees are very exacting in enforcing high ethical standards. Each of the research projects contains safeguards designed to protect the rights and welfare of the students who participate. All records are confidential, so the privacy of the student's data is protected.

The Study: Your child, _____, is invited to take part in a study named Eye Tracker-Scene001. It is being conducted by Dr. Lila Davachi of the NYU Department of Psychology who is the principal investigator. She can be reached at 212-992-9612 or lila.davachi@nyu.edu.

Its Purpose: The study is designed to learn more about how we identify, recognize and make decisions about different types of stimuli.

Its Procedures: If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he or she will be asked to do the following: View a series of words on a computer screen, think about the words they have seen, and make decisions about those words. Participation will take approximately an hour and a half.

Its Risks: There are no known risks associated with this study beyond those of everyday life

Its Benefits: Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make your child more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand of sets of stimuli.

Consent: Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Non-participation or withdrawal will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. Further, once participating, he or she may withdraw at any time and still receive his/her credit offered in exchange for that participation.

Privacy: Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by assignment of a numerical code to all forms and data. If the results are published, the information remains anonymous and disguised so that no identification can be made. Following completion of the study, all data will be archived with the laboratory under the same coding system.

Debriefing: On completing the study your child will receive a thorough written explanation of it that you may ask to see.

The information above has satisfied me such that I agree that my child may participate in your study. If I have any additional questions or want to report a problem, I may reach the principal investigator, Dr. Lila Davachi, at their contacts provided above. For questions about subjects' rights as a research participant, I may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), Office of Sponsored Programs, NYU, (212) 998-2121
I have received a copy of this permission document to keep.

Permission Granted for my Child's Participation

Parent's or Guardian's Signature

Date