

Online Consent Form

This survey is part of a research study conducted by Oliver Lam, Mike Len, Go Okumura, Dunyang Wang, and Wentian (Jude) Zhu at Carnegie Mellon University.

as a course requirement for
36-303: Sampling, Surveys and
Society

The purpose of the research is to identify trends in major retention and reasons behind major choice as well as changing majors at Carnegie Mellon University.

Procedures

In this experiment, we conduct a sampling and survey by multiple-choice based questionnaire sent out to all applicants in the Carnegie Mellon University C-Book. Emails will be sent out simultaneously. ~~The participant~~ will receive a reminder email, if ~~they~~ ^{you} have not yet responded within a week period. Participation will be voluntary, and any data extracted from individuals will be anonymous. The data will strictly only be used to fulfil the result to this study and will not be released to third parties or any other individuals.

Participant Requirements

Participation in this study is limited to individuals age 18 and older who are undergraduate students at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh Campus.

Risks

The risks and discomfort associated with participation in this study are no greater than those ordinarily encountered in daily life or during other online activities.

Benefits

There may be no personal benefit from your participation in the study but the knowledge received may be of value to humanity.

Compensation & Costs

There is no compensation for participation in this study. There will be no cost to you if you participate in this study.

Confidentiality

The data captured for the research does not include any personally identifiable information about you. Your IP address will not be captured. There is a question where you may provide your Andrew ID so that we can avoid contacting you with reminder emails, but should you choose to provide it, your Andrew ID will not be associated with your responses.

By participating in this research, you understand and agree that Carnegie Mellon may be required to disclose your consent form, data and other personally identifiable information as required by law, regulation, subpoena or court order. Otherwise, your confidentiality will be fully maintained in the following manner:

Your data and consent form will be kept separate. Your consent form will be stored in a locked location

on Carnegie Mellon property and will not be disclosed to third parties. By participating, you understand and agree that the data and information gathered during this study may be used by Carnegie Mellon and published and/or disclosed by Carnegie Mellon to others outside of Carnegie Mellon. However, your name, address, contact information and other direct personal identifiers in your consent form will not be mentioned in any such publication or dissemination of the research data and/or results by Carnegie Mellon.

Right to Ask Questions & Contact Information

If you have any questions about this study, you should feel free to ask them by contacting one of the Principal Investigators now at one of the following email addresses: Oliver Lam (ool@andrew.cmu.edu), Mike Len (mlen@andrew.cmu.edu), Go Okumura (gokumura@andrew.cmu.edu), Dunyang Wang (dunyangw.andrew.cmu.edu), or Wentian (Jude) Zhu (judez@cmu.edu). If you have questions later, desire additional information, or wish to withdraw your participation please contact one of the Principal investigators in accordance with the contact information listed above.

If you have questions pertaining to your rights as a research participant; or to report objections to this study, you should contact ~~the Research Regulatory Compliance Office at Carnegie Mellon University.~~

~~Email: irb-review@andrew.cmu.edu Phone: 412-268-1901 or 412-268-5460~~

replace with my contact information.

The Carnegie Mellon University Institutional Review Board (IRB) has approved the use of human participants for this study.

Voluntary Participation

Your participation in this research is voluntary. You may discontinue participation at any time during the research activity.

The following questions will be included at the beginning of the survey to confirm consent, in addition to displaying the above document.

I am age 18 or older.	Yes	No
I have read and understand the information in the consent form above.	Yes	No
I want to participate in this research and continue with the survey.	Yes	No