

Description of the Study

What is this project studying?

This study is called “Identifying Empirical Links between Interpersonal and Intellectual Dimensions of Multidisciplinary Research Teams.” This study will examine how multidisciplinary research teams in higher education institutions function.

What would I do if I participate?

You will be asked to complete a 28 question web-based survey about your perceptions and experiences with multidisciplinary team research.

Can I quit if I become uncomfortable?

Yes, absolutely. Your participation is completely voluntary. The researchers and the Texas Tech University Institutional Review Board have reviewed the interview questions and think you can answer them comfortably. You can also stop answering or skip questions at any time. Participating is your choice. However, we do appreciate any help you are able to provide.

How long will my participation take?

The survey will take approximately 20 minutes of your time or less.

How are you protecting privacy?

No personal identifying information will be collected in the survey. All survey data will be stored on a password protected storage device and kept in a locked file cabinet when not in use. All findings in the study will be reported in the aggregate.

How will I benefit from participating in this study?

Besides providing the project with valuable information, you are also contributing to research on a national movement that is seeking to perfect methodologies and collaborations so that funding, time, and materials are used effectively through the use of multidisciplinary research teams in higher education institutions.

How can I participate in this study?

You can participate by clicking on the link provided in the email or listserv solicitation for the study.

I have some questions about this study. Who can I ask?

1. If you have any questions about this research study, you can contact Anna Young through e-mail at anna.t.young@ttu.edu.
2. You may also contact Dr. Stephanie J. Jones, who is supervising this study and students, at (806) 834-1380 or via e-mail at stephanie.j.jones@ttu.edu.
3. Texas Tech University also has a Board, the Institutional Review Board, which protects the rights of people who participate in research. You may contact them with questions by calling (806) 742-2064 or email them at hrpp@ttu.edu. You may also contact them by mail at Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects, Office of the Vice President for Research, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409