

University of California, San Diego
Consent to act as a Research Subject

Studying retention in UCSD majors

You are being invited to participate in a research study titled "Pilot study to support Inclusive longitudinal peer mentoring for community building and retention". This study is being done by Mia Minnes, Joe Politz and Amari N. Lewis from the University of California - San Diego (UCSD). You were selected to participate in this study because you are a UCSD student in a participating class.

The purpose of this research study is to research retention and sense of community in UCSD majors. If you agree to take part in this study, the following will happen: your data from this class, including grades, homework and exam submission, and interactions with your course team, will be included in the analysis to inform studies on retention in majors.

Your participation involves only agreeing to let us use your anonymized data in our analysis. It will require no time on your part in addition to your usual activities without agreeing to this study.

There may or may not be any direct benefit to you from this research. The investigators, however, may learn more about why and how to work towards more inclusive programs.

There are minimal risks associated with this research study. There is a potential for the loss of some confidentiality. We will not share your personally identifying data with people outside the research team. Data will only be kept in anonymized form for research purposes. Data will be rendered confidential by removing any identifiers before analysis. Your instructors will not know whether or not you are participating in this study. Data from students who opt out of the study will be removed prior to data analysis. Research records will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law and may be reviewed by the UCSD Institutional Review Board.

Your participation in this study is completely voluntary and you can withdraw at any time by emailing the research contact at retentionstudy@cs.ucsd.edu. Choosing not to participate or withdrawing will result in no penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled.

You will not be compensated for participating in this study. There will be no cost to you for participating in this study.

If you have questions about this project or if you have a research-related problem, you may contact the researcher(s), Mia Minnes (minnes@eng.ucsd.edu 858-822-2459). If you have any questions concerning your rights as a research subject, you may contact the UCSD Human Research Protections Program Office at 858-246-HRPP (858-246-4777).

If you consent to participate in this study, no action is needed. If you DO NOT consent to participate in this study, or you choose to opt-out at any time during the academic year, sign and submit this form to the research contact at retentionstudy@cs.ucsd.edu.

[] I am not 18 years or older OR I do not consent to anonymized research use of my data for this study.

Name: _____

PID: _____