



CONSENT FORM for ADULTS

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN A RESEARCH STUDY

Below is a description of the research procedures and an explanation of your rights as a research participant. You should read this information carefully. If you agree to participate, you will sign in the space provided to indicate that you have read and understand the information on this consent form. You are entitled to and will receive a copy of this form.

You have been asked to participate in a research study conducted by Suprya/Firuzjon, a graduate student in the Department of Economics at the University of San Francisco. This faculty supervisor for this study is Professor Alessandra Cassar, a professor in the Department of Economics at the University of San Francisco.

WHAT THE STUDY IS ABOUT:

The purpose of this research is to study individual decision making and behavior under different incentive schemes. We are going to measure your preferences with an experiment.

WHAT WE WILL ASK YOU TO DO:

During this study, the following will happen: we will ask you to participate in a series of activities and to complete a final survey. The first activity is comprised of 3 rounds of performing a counting task and some decision-making. The second activity is comprised of one round of decision-making. Each task allows you to earn money (as we explain below). Once all the tasks and the survey are completed, at the very end, we will calculate your earning based on the show-up fee, the second activity, and one randomly selected round of the first task (we will select it by having you pull a number from a bag). At the end of the activities, you will be asked to answer confidentially to a detailed questionnaire about you and your family. All this information will be kept confidential: your name will only be in this inform consent. In the dataset you will be identified by a number ID, so your answers and choices will remain anonymous.

DURATION AND LOCATION OF THE STUDY:

Your participation in this study will involve one session that lasts about two hours. The study will take place in location TBA.

POTENTIAL RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS:

The research procedures described above may involve the following risks and/or discomforts: you might get bored or tired of answering questions. You might get uncomfortable thinking about things that are difficult. You will have a chance to just say that you don't know, whenever you don't want to answer to the questions. If you wish, you may choose to withdraw your consent and discontinue your participation at any time during the study without penalty.

BENEFITS:

You will receive no direct benefit from your participation in this study besides your compensation (showup fee plus your experimental earnings). However, information from this study may benefit other people now or in the future by knowing how different people make decisions in different economic settings. In particular, the results of this study may help policymakers and private business recruit and retain people who are usually hesitant to hold certain well paid jobs.

PRIVACY/CONFIDENTIALITY:

Any data you provide in this study will be kept confidential unless disclosure is required by law. In any report we publish, we will not include information that will make it possible to identify you or any individual participant. Specifically, we will only keep your name in this consent form as required by the IRB. In the dataset you will be identified only as a number ID. Only the researchers in this study will have access to this information. These informed consents will be kept secure and separate from the collected data. The IRB requires researchers to keep consent forms for 3 years, after that we will destroy them.

COMPENSATION/PAYMENT FOR PARTICIPATION:

This study will consist of 3 rounds of activity 1, activity 2 and a final survey. Each round of each activity allows you to earn money. Once all the activities and the survey are completed, at the very end, we will randomly select one round of activity 1 to be the one that is actually paid to you. We will select it by having you pull a number from a bag. Then we will calculate your earnings for activity 2, for which you will also be paid. So, your total earning today will be the sum of 3 factors:

1. Showup fee = NPR 200
2. earnings from 1 round of activity 1 (randomly chosen)
3. earnings from activity 2

If you choose to withdraw before completing the study, you will still receive the X show up fee.

VOLUNTARY NATURE OF THE STUDY:

Your participation is voluntary and you may refuse to participate without penalty or loss of benefits. Furthermore, you may skip any questions or tasks that make you uncomfortable and may discontinue your participation at any time without penalty, you will still receive the X show-up fee. In addition, the researcher has the right to withdraw you from participation in the study at any time

OFFER TO ANSWER QUESTIONS:

Please ask any questions you have now. If you have questions later, you should contact XXXX at XXXX and/or the principal investigator: Prof. Alessandra Cassar at 415-422-5351 or acassar@usfca.edu. If you have questions or concerns about your rights as a participant in this study, you may contact the University of San Francisco’s Institutional Review Board (IRB) at IRBPHS@usfca.edu (Institutional Review Board for the Protection of Human Subjects, University of San Francisco, 2130 Fulton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117).

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE INFORMATION. ANY QUESTIONS I HAVE ASKED HAVE BEEN ANSWERED. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS RESEARCH PROJECT AND I WILL RECEIVE A COPY OF THIS CONSENT FORM.

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE *DATE*