

ADULT RESEARCH SUBJECT - INFORMED CONSENT FORM
Preservice Teachers Understanding and Importance of Children's Play

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Purpose: You are invited to participate in the research project entitled Preservice Teachers Understanding and Importance of Children's Play which is being conducted at the University of Toledo under the direction of *Dr. Ruslan Slutsky*. *The purpose of the study is to understand how preservice teachers define and understand children's play and its impact on learning and development.*

Description of Procedures: This research study will take place *in a location of your choosing*. *You will be asked to complete one 10-minute survey where you will be asked to complete demographic questions as well as other questions on your understanding of children's play and its impact on learning and developing.*

Potential Risks: The research may present some risks of discomfort, but nothing more than the usual discomfort associated with any completed survey as part of daily life experiences. Breach of confidentiality is low as we are not using any real names so you will not be identified as an individual at any point of the research.

Potential Benefits: The only direct benefit to you if you participate in this research may be that you will learn about how surveys are run and you may learn more about children's play. The field of teacher education may benefit from this research by the ways we engage and utilize play in classroom learning. Others may benefit by learning about the results of this research.

Confidentiality: The consent will be provided as part of an online survey. The principal investigator and his colleagues will have access to your anonymous data only. Data will be kept for 5 years for study purposes and then will be destroyed. The data will be stored online and password protected. Aggregate data will be reported and pseudonyms will be used for any quotes that are utilized.

Voluntary Participation: Your participation in this research is voluntary. Your anonymous data may be used for future research purposes. Your refusal to participate in this study will involve no penalty or loss of benefits to which you are otherwise entitled and will not affect your relationship with your university or any of your classes. You may skip any questions that you may be uncomfortable answering. In addition, you may discontinue participation at any time without any penalty or loss of benefits.

Contact Information: If you have any questions at any time before, during or after your participation you should contact a member of the research team (Ruslan Slutsky, 419-530-4354, ruslan.slutsky@utoledo.edu).

If you have questions beyond those answered by the research team or your rights as a research subject or research-related injuries, the Chairperson of the SBE Institutional Review Board may be contacted through the Human Research Protection Program on the main campus at (419) 530-6167.

CONSENT SECTION – Please read carefully

You are making a decision whether or not to participate in this research study. By clicking 'I accept' you indicate that you have read the information provided above, you have had all your questions answered, and you have decided to take part in this research. You may take as much time as necessary to think it over.

By participating in this research, you confirm that you are at least 18 years old.