

**UKZN HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE
(HSSREC)**

**APPLICATION FOR ETHICS APPROVAL
For research with human participants**

INFORMED CONSENT RESOURCE TEMPLATE

Information Sheet and Consent to Participate in Research

Date:

Greeting: Dear Participants

My name is Collins Dumisani Morgan Motai who is a doctoral student at the University of Kwazulu-Natal. My contact details are 0736530616 and my email address: motaomorgan@gmail.com or 224010919@stu.ukzn.ac.za. The study is supervised by Dr. Claire Gaillard who may be contacted on this email: Gaillardc@ukzn.ac.za

Study title: Exploring the Interrelationship Between Initial Teacher Training Students' Perspectives on Social Justice in Higher Education and their Choices of Particular Higher Education Institutions.

You are being invited to consider participating in a study that focuses on the exploring the interrelationship between initial teacher training students' perspectives on Social Justice in Higher Education and their Choices of Particular Higher Education Institutions. This research aims to establish a conceptual framework demonstrating the relationship between students' understanding of social justice in higher education and students' higher educational institutional choices. The study is expected to enroll 40 participants, 20 from the University of Kwazulu-Natal Edgewood Campus and the other 20 from the IIE's Varsity College, Durban, Westville Campus. Data in the study will be collected through focused group discussions that will be arranged in the form of three meetings by the principal researcher. The duration of your participation, if you choose to enroll and remain in the study, is expected to be a maximum of 2 hours per focus group meeting.

The study does not involve any risks and/or discomforts, however, should you feel that your participation in the study presents any risks, you are free from withdrawing from the study. The study will not provide any benefits to the participants as the main aim of the study is to contribute to the body of knowledge. Participants will not be compensated in any form for their participation in this study. The study will contribute significantly to the body of knowledge in terms of social justice in higher education and through the framework it is believed that institutions of higher learning will have a guiding tool towards social justice and what contributes to students' institutional choice.

Participation in this study is voluntary and withdrawal from participating in this study can be at any point in this case as a participant you will not incur any penalties or any form of treatment. Additionally, there will be no incentives or remuneration provided to participants who will participate in this study.

In terms of confidentiality and anonymity, the principal researcher will be the only person who has access to the raw data as it will be saved in a password-protected personal computer and online drive that is password protected. For anonymity, your names will not be included in any of the research findings or interpretations. Once the researcher has analysed the data, the researcher will destroy the recording

In the event of any problems or concerns/questions you may contact the researcher at (provide contact details) or the UKZN Humanities & Social Sciences Research Ethics Committee, contact details as follows:

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CONSENT

I (Participant's name)_____ have been informed about the study entitled (provide details) by (provide name of researcher/fieldworker).

I understand the purpose and procedures of the study, I fully understand that I need to avail myself for the scheduled focus group meetings.

I have been allowed to ask questions about the study and have had answers to my satisfaction.

I declare that my participation in this study is entirely voluntary and that I may withdraw at any time without affecting any of the benefits that I usually am entitled to.

I have been informed that there is NO compensation or medical treatment if injury occurs to me as a result of study-related procedures.

If I have any further questions/concerns or queries related to the study I understand that I may contact the researcher on his cell number: 0736530616 or email: motaomorgan@gmail.com.

If I have any questions or concerns about my rights as a study participant, or if I am concerned about an aspect of the study or the researchers then I may contact:

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Additional consent, where applicable

I hereby provide consent to:

Audio-record my interview/focus group discussion YES / NO

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Witness
(Where applicable)

Date

Signature of Translator
(Where applicable)

Date