

# **Perceptions, Observations, Experiences of Higher Education Faculty on Emergency Remote Teaching in the State of Maryland During COVID-19**

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## **Consent to Audio or Video Recording & Transcription**

### **Audio/Video Recordings** (Interviews)

This study involves the audio or video recordings of interviews with the primary researcher. Participants are able to volunteer to participate. Neither your name nor any other identifying information will be associated with the audio/video recordings or the transcript. Only the research team will be able to listen or view the recordings. Recordings will be transcribed by the researcher and erased once the transcriptions are checked for accuracy.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the study is to gather the perceptions, observations, and experiences on Emergency Remote Teaching(ERT) in the State of Maryland during COVID-19. Findings from the study will help to improve policies, programs, and services for emergency remote teaching. Findings will help to justify additional state funding for faculty and staff development, technologies for online teaching and learning, laptop purchases and mental health resources, and the hiring of additional staff who strategically plan for unforeseen events.

### **Benefits**

The knowledge gained from faculty participation will provide evidence to state and institutional administrators the justification for additional funding in the areas of faculty and staff professional development, accessible mental health resources, equitable distribution of pandemic resources among public institutions, promotional opportunities in the area of emergency remote teaching and planning, additional laptops for vulnerable populations, and targeted trainings designed to support students motivation and academic achievement in an online environment.

### **Volunteer Participation**

Participants who choose to participate in the study is accomplished by volunteering.

### **Compensation**

There is no compensation for participating in the study.

### **Right to Withdraw**

Participants have the right to withdraw from the study at any time without negative consequence.

### **Risks/Discomforts**

There are no physical, psychological, or economic risks with this study. Participants should allow about twenty minutes to complete the questionnaire. For oral interviews, transcripts will not use names and any details that could reflect participants' identity will not be disclosed. The primary researcher will use a secure website to store the questionnaire. After the analysis phase, questionnaires will be expunged and audio/video recordings will be eradicated using a data-wiping software.

### **Statement of Data Confidentiality**

All questionnaire submissions and information gained from oral interviews are strictly confidential. A secured website will be used for the web-based questionnaire. For oral interviews, transcripts will not reveal names or any detail that could reflect a participant's identity. The questionnaire is password protected.

### **Participants Age**

Participants must be at least 21 years old to participate in the study.

By signing this form, I am allowing the researcher to audio or video record me as part of the research study. I also understand that this consent for recording is effective until December 31, 2025.

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Participant's Signature      Date

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Participant's institutional email

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Primary Researcher      Date

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