



**Consent for Exempt Research**  
The Pennsylvania State University

Title of Project: Food Safety Short Course Program for the NULES in Kyiv, Ukraine.

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You are being invited to volunteer to participate in a research study. This summary explains information about this research.

- The purpose of this research is to introduce and increase students' understanding of basic food safety principles and to develop, implement, evaluate, and provide a sustainable model for a comprehensive FSSC program at National University of Life and Environmental Sciences (NULES) in Kyiv, Ukraine. This program will explore the food safety skills, knowledge, behaviors, and attitudes of the NULES' students.
- You will be asked to fill out the questionnaire (consisting of approximately 40 questions) before the beginning of the first lecture as a pre-assessment and again after the completion of whole course as a post-assessment. Both the pre-assessment and post-assessment will be available to you in-person. Case studies related to specific teaching modules will be administered after completion of each module to gauge students' food safety knowledge, critical thinking skills, and their perception of learning through survey (consisting of approximately 25 questions). In the beginning, pre-assessment questions will be asked in conjunction with some demographic questions, and questions exploring food safety behavior and attitude (consisting of approximately 20 questions). You also will be asked to demonstrate your hand washing skills before and after the training. You will be videotaped for this activity. Approximately 20 questions will be asked to test your knowledge after completion of each sections in the training. For this in class quiz, paper questionnaires will be provided to you by one of the research investigators.
- Your participation in this research is confidential. Your confidentiality will be kept to the degree permitted by the technology used. No guarantees can be made regarding the interception of data sent via the Internet by any third parties. In the event of a publication or presentation resulting from the research, no personally identifiable information will be shared.

Please contact Dr. Catherine Cutter at (814) 865-8862 or via email at [cnc3@psu.edu](mailto:cnc3@psu.edu) with questions, complaints or concerns about this research. You can also call this number if you feel

this study has harmed you. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject or concerns regarding your privacy, you may contact the Office for Research Protections at 814-865-1775.

Your decision to participate in this study is voluntary. You can stop at any time. You do not have to answer any questions you do not want to answer. Refusal to take part in or withdrawing from this study will involve no penalty. Your participation implies your voluntary consent to participate in the research.

You must be 18 years of age or older to consent to take part in this research study. If you agree to take part in this research study given the information outlined above, please sign your name and indicate the date below.

Please provide your birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

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Participant Signature

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