



## **Appendix F- Interview Consent Form**

**Project Title:** Study of Remote Team-based Learning Experiences using Zoom vs. Gathertown during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

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Please take the time to read this carefully and to ensure you understand all the information.

This consent page should give you the basic idea of what this research is about and what your participation will involve. If you would like more detail about something mentioned here, or information not included here, you should feel free to contact Amy de Jaeger (amy.dejaeger@umanitoba.ca).

You are being asked to participate in an interview of Zoom vs Gather.town remote learning experiences. This interview aims to gather in-depth information about your experiences using each platform and your preferences for learning across platforms. We will ask you questions about how well you were able to communicate your ideas and develop your social network among your classmates. We will ask you about differences in the team-based learning experiences at gather.town tables vs. working together in Zoom breakout rooms. Risks to participating in this study are no greater than in everyday life. The benefits of this research are the possible development of better technologies to

support online team-based learning and a chance to reflect on the modes of learning and team-based interaction online.

Participation in this study is voluntary. Completing the interview will take approximately 30 minutes. You will receive a \$15.00 CAD gift card to Tim Horton's for your participation.

We will create de-identified transcripts from the interview using a Webex audio recoding obtained during the interview. We will delete the audio recording from our secure research folder immediately after transcription has taken place (within 7 days of the interview). De-identified transcripts from the interview will be retained indefinitely on password-protected and encrypted computers or USB keys, to which only researchers associated with this research have to access. The data on this server will be accessible to all researchers except that Dr. Celine Latulipe, who is the instructor for the course, will not get access to the raw, anonymous data until after the grade amendment period has passed (January 2021). Downloaded survey results will be stored on the investigator's password protected laptops in password-protected files. The survey data will be kept indefinitely. After 3 years, it will be archived on an encrypted USB key and stored. The laptops belong to the investigators and are password protected and also full-volume encrypted. The password-protected and encrypted files will be sent between the investigators through the university email system. A summary report of the research will be provided on <https://celinelatulipe.net/zoom-vs-gather-town-remote-learning-experiences-survey/> will be made available in June 2021.

You can withdraw from the interview at any time by letting the interviewer know you no longer wish to continue with the study and your data will be removed from the study immediately. You can also withdraw from the study after the interview until February 28, 2021 by emailing [Kayla.Duna@umanitoba.ca](mailto:Kayla.Duna@umanitoba.ca) and request we withdraw your information. There are no penalties for you if you choose to withdraw from this study.

By clicking continue below, you indicate that you have understood to your satisfaction the information regarding participation in the research project and agree to participate in the interview. In no way does this waive your legal rights nor release the researchers, sponsors, or involved institutions from their legal and professional responsibilities. You are free to withdraw from the study at any time, without prejudice or consequence. Your continued participation should be as informed as your initial consent, so you should feel free to ask for clarification or new information throughout your participation.

The University of Manitoba may look at your research records to see that the research is being done in a safe and proper way.

This research has been approved by the University of Manitoba Joint Faculty Research Ethics Board. If you have any concerns or complaints about this project you may contact

any of the above-named persons or the Human Ethics Coordinator at 204-474-7122 or [humanethics@umanitoba.ca](mailto:humanethics@umanitoba.ca). If you wish to have a copy of this consent form for your records and reference, you can [click here](#) to download a copy.

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**The benefits of this research are the possible development of better technologies to support online team-based learning. The direct benefit to participants is that It will give them a chance to reflect on modes of learning and team-based interaction online. The indirect benefits of this research are the ability to provide insight to the researchers on team-based learning and engagement in online learning.**

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By checking this box, I certify that I am enrolled in COMP1010, Section A03, which uses both gather.town and Zoom online conferencing platforms and I consent to participating in this survey.

I consent

I do not consent

By checking this box, I indicate my agreement to have my interview recoded via Webex:

I agree

I do not agree

Signature: