



PARTICIPANT INFORMATION LEAFLET

Study Title: Developing a student-driven educational model between, beyond and across disciplines

Investigator(s): Dr Georgia Kremmyda

Introduction

You are invited to take part in a study. Before you decide, you need to understand why the study is being done and what it would involve for you. Please take the time to read the following information carefully. Talk to others about the study if you wish.

(Part 1 tells you the purpose of the study and what will happen to you if you take part. Part 2 gives you more detailed information about the conduct of the study)

Please ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information. Take time to decide whether or not you wish to take part.

PART 1

What is the study about?

“You are a student and can’t decide between Engineering, Economics, and Politics? Neither can we.”

The study that you have been invited to take part in will allow the researchers to explore the challenges inherent in interdisciplinary teaching and learning from the perspective of students and industrial professionals. The researchers will use these data to inform the creation of an educational model for exploring the ways in which students act as co-producers of learning beyond traditional disciplinary boundaries.

Do I have to take part?

It is entirely up to you to decide. We will describe the study and go through this information sheet. If you choose to participate, by returning a completed questionnaire/survey, you are giving your consent for the information that you have supplied to be used in this study and formal signed consent will not be collected.

What will happen to me if I take part?

You will participate in an online survey which will focus on interdisciplinary teaching and learning and skills/attributes needed for tackling complex interdisciplinary, inter-professional problems such as humanitarian challenges. The outcomes of the survey will be used for research purposes in the framework of the project HEFCE Catalyst Fund A 'Developing a student-driven educational model between, beyond and across disciplines'.

What are the possible disadvantages, side effects, risks, and/or discomforts of taking part in this study?

There are no anticipated disadvantages, side effects, risks and/or discomforts of taking part in this study.

What are the possible benefits of taking part in this study?

You will have the opportunity to contribute in shaping the curriculum and methods of teaching/learning to produce the talents they need, and to explore new and challenging collaborations.

Expenses and payments

There are no payments connected to completing the online survey as part of this study.

What will happen when the study ends?

You will have no involvement when the study ends. You will not be approached to give clarifications or additional information. The data will be analysed and used accordingly by the researchers.

Will my taking part be kept confidential?

Yes, you will not be asked to include your name so the responses will not be identifiable to the researcher. We will follow strict ethical and legal practice and all information about you will be handled in confidence. Further details are included in Part 2.

What if there is a problem?

Any complaint about the way you have been dealt with during the study or any possible harm that you might suffer will be addressed. Detailed information is given in Part 2.

This concludes Part 1.

If the information in Part 1 has interested you and you are considering participation, please read the additional information in Part 2 before making any decision.

PART 2

Who is organising and funding the study?

The study is organised by Dr Georgia Kremmyda in the framework of the project 'Developing a student-driven educational model between beyond and across disciplines', which is funded by HEFCE and the University of Warwick.

What will happen if I don't want to carry on being part of the study?

Participation in this study is entirely voluntary.

What if there is a problem?

This study is covered by the University of Warwick's insurance and indemnity cover. If you have an issue, please contact the Chief Investigator of the study:

Dr Georgia Kremmyda, g.kremmyda@warwick.ac.uk

Who should I contact if I wish to make a complaint?

Any complaint about the way you have been dealt with during the study or any possible harm you might have suffered will be addressed. Please address your complaint to the person below, who is a senior University of Warwick official entirely independent of this study:

Head of Research Governance

Research & Impact Services

University House

University of Warwick

Coventry

CV4 8UW

Tel: 024 76 522746

Email: researchgovernance@warwick.ac.uk

Will my taking part be kept confidential?

You will be asked to give data without adding your name as such we will not collect and identifiable or sensitive personal data.

What will happen to the results of the study?

These data will be used for publications in scientific education journals, and may also be included in the project reports and dissemination workshop. Your participation will also help to shape future interdisciplinary student-driven programmes.

Who has reviewed the study?

This study has been reviewed and given favourable opinion by the University of Warwick's Biomedical and Scientific Research Ethics Committee (BSREC):

What if I want more information about the study?

If you have any questions about any aspect of the study, or your participation in it, not answered by this participant information leaflet, please contact:

Dr Georgia Kremmyda, g.kremmyda@warwick.ac.uk

Thank you for taking the time to read this participant information leaflet.