You are being asked to participate in a research study. While this study is for educational purposes only and any breach of confidentiality is non-existent, researchers are generally required to provide a consent form such as this one to tell you about the research, to explain that taking part is voluntary, to describe the risks and benefits of participation, and to help you to make an informed decision. You should feel free to ask the researchers any questions you may have.

Informant Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Date of Interview: _____

Location of interview: _____

Why am I being asked?

You are being asked to be a subject in a research study about…(STUDENT DESCRIPTION)

What are the potential risks and discomforts?

To the best of my knowledge, the things you will be doing have no more risk of harm than you would experience in everyday life. I do not anticipate any significant risks for you to participate in this study. You may, of course, feel some discomfort discussing your role and the roles of others with someone you don't know well, but my experience has been that the discomfort is minimal and soon disappears once you get comfortable talking about yourself. All of your information is kept securely and without your name being attached to it, so confidentiality is insured. However, there is a risk to the breach of privacy in that others individuals may find out that you are a subject participating in this research.

Can I withdraw or be removed from the study?

If you decide to participate, you are free to withdraw your consent and discontinue participation at any time. If at any time you decide you no longer wish to participate, simply let me know. If you decide to withdraw from the study, I may continue to use the information I had already collected unless you ask me not to, in which case I will refrain from using any of the information you provided. You have the right to leave a study at any time without penalty.

I certify that I have participated in an informal interview for a (INSTITUTION NAME/ COURSE NAME) course. No information that I provide will be used for purposes other than educational development.

Informant Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____