

EXEMPT STATUS

Research will only be considered for EXEMPT status when ALL items in Part I and at least ONE item in Part II apply, and NO additional procedures beyond those in Part II will be used.

Part I: (Check all that apply. All items must apply.)

	Participants will not include children, prisoners, fetuses, pregnant women, or mental or cognitively disabled individuals.
	The research does not involve the collection or recording of behavior which, if known outside the research, could reasonably place the participants at risk of criminal or civil liability or be damaging to the participants' financial standing, insurability, employability, or reputation.
	The research does not involve the collection of information regarding sensitive aspects of the participants' behavior (e.g., drug or alcohol use, illegal conduct, sexual behavior).
	The procedures of this research are "minimal risk", i.e., they do not place participants in situations of foreseeable risk beyond that encountered in everyday life.

Part II: (Check all that apply. At least one item must apply.)

	<i>Survey/Observation (Anonymous)</i> : The research will involve the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior AND information will be recorded anonymously (i.e., so that the human participant cannot be identified, either directly or through identifiers linked to the participant).
	<i>Educational Practice</i> : The research will be conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings and will involve normal educational practices (e.g., research on regular and special education instructional strategies, research on instructional techniques, curricula, or classroom management methods).
	<i>Existing Data (Public/Anonymous)</i> : The research will involve the collection or study of existing data, documents, records, pathological specimens, or diagnostic specimens AND these sources are either publicly available OR the information will be recorded anonymously (i.e., in such a manner that participants cannot be identified, either directly or through identifiers linked to the participants).
	<i>Elected Officials</i> : The research involves only survey/interview/ observational research in which elected or appointed public officials or candidates for public office serve as participants.

Projects that are EXEMPT will receive a letter from the IRB chair and will not require a letter from the Provost.