Informed Consent

Information Sheet (...who we are, your rights, etc...)

Researchers:

Sarah Walker (ANU Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Student and University Experience), Stefan Thottunkal (ANU College of Science), and Professor Michael Platow (ANU Research School of Psychology) are leading this research.

Project Title:

The Prejudice Census: Making Sense of Prejudice at the ANU

General Outline of the Project:

Description and Methodology. This is an on-line questionnaire that asks you to describe your encounters with prejudice, asks you about your experiences at ANU, and how you have felt over the past week.

Participants. We are inviting ANU students and staff to participate. We hope to have as many people as possible answer this survey, but our minimum goal is about 100 people.

Use of Data and Feedback. Your responses will be used to help direct policy and practices to reduce prejudice at the ANU. Results will also be written up in an undergraduate student report, and may be published journal articles, chapters, books, and presented at professional conferences.

Project Funding. This research is funded in part by the ANU and in part by the Australian Research Council.

Participant Involvement:

Who can participate? For ethical reasons, only people who are 18 years old or over are eligible to participate in this study.

Voluntary Participation & Withdrawal. Participation in this study is voluntary, as is answering specific questions. You are free to withdraw without penalty at any time prior to completing the questionnaire. Note that your responses will be completely anonymous. Your participation or non-participation, along with your actual responses, will in no way affect your academic or professional performance and/or progression at the ANU. You are not obliged in any way to

participate in this study.

What does participation in the research entail? You will be asked about how you feel about being associated with the ANU, how you have been feeling over the past week, to indicate if you have had any experiences with prejudice, to describe one experience with prejudice, and then answer some questions about yourself and your attitudes.

Location and Duration. This is an on-line questionnaire, so you can complete it where ever and when ever you choose. We anticipate that most people will complete the questionnaire in 15 - 20 minutes.

Risks. There are no known or expected risks associated with participation in this study. The methods are based on a large body of previously published work. The topic is prejudice, which may make some people uncomfortable, and we do ask you how you have been feeling over the past week.

Benefits. This research will contribute to our understanding, frequency, nature and every-day experience of prejudice at the ANU. We hope that this will benefit both current and future ANU students and staff, as well as inform researchers' understandings of the nature and scope of prejudice.

Confidentiality:

Confidentiality. All data will remain confidential to the experimenters involved in this research project and research assistants as far as the law allows. Deidentified data may be shared with other researchers directly or through depositing in online repositories after publication.

Privacy Notice. The ANU Privacy Policy can be found at https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_010007 and contains information about how you can: (a) Have access or seek correction to your personal information, and (b) Complain about a breach of an Australian Privacy Principle (APP) by ANU and how ANU will handle the complaint.

Security of the Website:

Users should be aware that the World Wide Web is an insecure public network that gives rise to a potential risk that a user's transactions are being viewed, intercepted or modified by third parties or that data which the user downloads may contain computer viruses or other defects.

Data Storage:

Where & How Long. Data will be stored in locked offices at the ANU for five years after the final publication from this research project; electronic data will be stored on secure computers in locked offices in the ANU Research School of Psychology. After this point, they will be destroyed.

Queries and Concerns:

Contact Details for More Information. All questions can be answered by Sarah Walker (+61 02 6125 6080; Sarah.Swenson@anu.edu.au) or Professor Michael Platow (+61 2 6125 8457; Michael.Platow@anu.edu.au).

Ethics Committee Clearance:

The ethical aspects of this research have been approved by the ANU Human Research Ethics Committee (Protocol 2016/065). If you have any concerns or complaints about how this research has been conducted, please contact: Ethics Manager, The ANU Human Research Ethics Committee, The Australian National University, Telephone: +61 2 6125 3427, Email: Human.Ethics.Officer@anu.edu.au.