

Consent Form

Title of Study: Co-teaching across institutions: Curating mid-level clinical experiences in undergraduate teacher candidate programs

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Purpose of the Study:

You are invited to participate in a research study that aims to explore how instructional methods that curate clinical experiences at the mid-level prepare teacher candidates effectively. By examining reflections, coursework artifacts, surveys, and interviews with teacher candidates and faculty participants, we aim to understand how individuals engaged with our course design as related to their professional roles as pre- and in-service educators.

What Will You Be Asked to Do?

If you agree to participate:

Teacher candidates will complete post-surveys about your abilities and perspectives on pedagogy.

Faculty participants will complete post-surveys about their experiences working with teacher candidates.

Selected coursework artifacts by participating teacher candidates and (e.g., lesson plans, reflections) submitted as part of their regular coursework will be analyzed.

Teacher candidates and faculty participants may be invited to participate in an individual interview lasting no more than 50-60 minutes to discuss experiences. Interviews will be on Zoom and recorded. They will be recorded for transcription purposes only and after transcription the recordings will be deleted.

Participation is voluntary, and you can opt out of any aspect of the study at any time without penalty.

Risks and Benefits:

Risks: The risks are minimal but may include discomfort when discussing challenges within the course experience.

Benefits: While there are no direct benefits to you, this study may contribute to improving teacher preparation programs by deepening understanding of pedagogy.

Confidentiality:

Data will be anonymized and stored securely on a password-protected server.

Your identity will not be revealed in any reports, publications, or presentations.
Interview recordings will be transcribed and deleted after analysis.

Voluntary Participation:

Your participation is entirely voluntary. You may choose not to participate or withdraw from the study at any time without affecting your grades or standing in the teacher preparation program.

Questions and Concerns:

If you have any questions about the study, you can contact the co-investigator at 610-683-4276 or drieaus@kutztown.edu. If you have concerns about your rights as a participant, you may contact the Institutional Review Board (IRB) at 484-646-4167 or werner@kutztown.edu.

Consent Statement:

I have read the information described above and have received a copy of this information. I have asked questions I had regarding the research study and have received answers to my satisfaction. I am 18 years of age or older and voluntarily consent to participate in this study.

By signing below, you acknowledge that:

You have read and understood this consent form.

You voluntarily agree to participate in this study.

You understand your rights as a participant and the procedures that will be followed.

Participant Name (Printed): _____

Participant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Researcher Name (Printed): _____

Researcher Signature: _____

Date: _____