

Department/Section of PA Studies

EVALUATION OF FACTOR STRUCTURE AND RELIABILITY OF THE  
LEARNING AND STUDY STRATEGIES INVENTORY, 3<sup>RD</sup> EDITION IN  
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT STUDENTS

Informed Consent Form to Participate in Research  
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## SUMMARY

You are invited to participate in a research study. The purpose of this research is to psychometrically validate the factor structure and reliability of the Learning and Study Strategies Inventory (LASSI) 3<sup>rd</sup> edition in PA students. You are invited to be in this study because you are a physician assistant student enrolled at an accredited PA program. Your participation in this research will involve completing this questionnaire, which should take approximately 10-15 minutes.

Participation in this study will involve answering questions about yourself. All research studies involve some risks. A risk to this study that you should be aware of is breach of confidentiality. You **may not** benefit from participation in this study.

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You do not have to participate in this study if you do not want to. There may be other choices available to you. Some other choices may include not completing the survey. You will not lose any services, benefits, or rights you would normally have if you choose not to participate.

The remainder of this form contains a more complete description of this study. Please read this description carefully. You can ask any questions if you need help deciding whether to join the study. The person in charge of this study is Delaney Provenza. If you have questions, suggestions, or concerns regarding this study or you want to withdraw from the study his/her contact information is: [dedrechs@wakehealth.edu](mailto:dedrechs@wakehealth.edu) or 315-406-9175.

If you have any questions, suggestions or concerns about your rights as a volunteer in this research, contact the Institutional Review Board at 336-716-4542 or the Research Subject Advocate at Wake Forest at 336-716-8372.

## HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL TAKE PART IN THE STUDY?

400 people will take part in this study.

## WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE STUDY?

The risk of harm or discomfort that may happen as a result of taking part in this research study is not expected to be more than in daily life or from routine physical or psychological examinations or tests. You should discuss the risk of being in this study with the study staff.

There is a slight risk of a breach of confidentiality. We will do our best to protect your confidential information. Efforts, such as coding research records, keeping research records secure and allowing only authorized people to have access to research records, will be made to keep your information safe.

## ARE THERE BENEFITS TO TAKING PART IN THE STUDY?

You are not expected to receive any direct benefit from taking part in this research study. We hope the information learned from this study will benefit other people in the future.

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS?

There are no costs to participate in the study.

## WILL YOUR RESEARCH RECORDS BE CONFIDENTIAL?

The results of this research study may be presented at scientific or medical meetings or published in scientific journals. Your identity and/or your personal information will not be disclosed unless it is authorized by you, required by law, or necessary to protect the safety of yourself or others. There is always some risk that even de-identified information might be re-identified.

Participant information may be provided to Federal and other regulatory agencies as required. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), for example, may inspect research records and learn your identity if this study falls within its jurisdiction.

## WILL YOU BE PAID FOR PARTICIPATING?

You will receive no payment or other compensation for taking part in this study.

## WHAT ABOUT MY HEALTH INFORMATION?

No health information will be collected from you.

## WHAT ARE MY RIGHTS AS A RESEARCH STUDY PARTICIPANT?

This study will be enrolling students from the Wake Forest Physician Assistant Program. In addition to your rights as a research participant noted in the previous section, as a student, you are under no obligation to participate in this study. You may refuse to participate or withdraw from the study at any time and for any reason without affecting your grades, performance evaluations, or assignments. You will not be pressured into participating in this research study by any statements or implied statements that your grades, performance evaluations or assignments will be affected by your willingness to enroll in the study. Your medical records/information will not be used by the faculty, administration or study staff to make decisions regarding the status of your medical benefits. If you have questions regarding your enrollment in the study and your status as a medical student, please contact the Office of Student Services for additional information.

By continuing, I agree to take part in this study. I have had a chance to ask questions about being in this study and have those questions answered. By taking part in the study, I am not releasing or agreeing to release the investigator, the sponsor, the institution or its agents from liability for negligence.