



Consent Form for Students

Participation in this focus group is entirely voluntary. You are free to refuse to be in the project at any time, and your refusal will not influence current or future relationships with North Central Texas College.

The faculty and staff of North Central Texas College are committed to doing all we can to help students be successful. The purpose of conducting student focus groups is to learn about your experiences at this college and to hear your thoughts about what we are doing well and what we need to improve to help you and other students be successful and achieve your goals.

The information gathered in this focus group will be summarized by the focus group staff, and the college administration will receive a summary of the discussion. Information derived from this focus group discussion may be used in publications and presentations to further the educational goals of this community college. All written publications and reports will exclude any information that will make it possible to identify individual participants as project participants.

Students who participate in the project will be interviewed in a 60 to 90-minute focus group and will be asked to complete a short student response sheet.

North Central Texas College needs a signed consent form for every student participating in this focus group project.

By signing this consent form, you agree to participate in the project.

The records from this project will be stored securely and kept confidential. Individual participant responses will be kept confidential; however, in the event that a participant indicates a clear, serious, and direct harm to self or others, confidentiality will be broken, and necessary information will be reported to a college counselor. Authorized persons from the college have the right to review focus group records and will protect the confidentiality of those records to the extent permitted by law.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact Dean Sara Flusche at sflusche@nctc.edu. You will be given a copy of this information to keep for your records.

Consent

I, _____, a student at North Central Texas College understand that:

- 1. The information gathered in this focus group will be summarized by the focus group staff, and the college administration will receive a summary of the discussion; and**
- 2. Information derived from this focus group discussion may be used in publications and presentations to further the educational goals of this community college.**

I have read and understand this consent form and agree to voluntarily participate in this project.

Participant's Signature

Date



Profile Sheet for Students

What are you studying at the college?

Is this your first term at this college?

Yes
No

What is your enrollment status?

Full-time
Part-time

Is this the first college you have attended, or did you attend a college elsewhere?

Started here
Started elsewhere

How many TOTAL classes are you taking this fall at the college?

What is your gender? (Choose all that apply.)

Female
Male
Non-binary
Transgender
Other (Please enter)
I prefer not to respond

How old are you?

Under 18
18 to 24
25 to 34
35 to 50
51 to 64
Over 64
I prefer not to respond



Which racial/ethnic identification(s) best describes you? (Choose all that apply.)

- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black
- Hispanic/LatinX
- White
- Other (Please enter)
- I prefer not to respond

Are you an international student or foreign national?

- Yes
- No

Has anyone in your immediate family attended some college? (Choose all that apply.)

- Mother
- Father
- Brother/Sister
- Spouse/Partner
- Legal Guardian
- None of the Above
- I don't know
- I prefer not to respond

Are you eligible for financial assistance (loans, grants, scholarships)?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know
- I prefer not to respond

In a typical 7-day week, about how many hours do you spend doing each of the following:

Doing schoolwork:

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours



Working on campus:

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours

Working off campus:

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours

Providing care for dependents (parents, children, spouse, etc.):

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours

Commuting to and from class:

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours

Participating in community organizations, religious groups, politics, etc.:

- None
- 1-10 hours
- 11-20 hours
- 21-30 hours
- More than 30 hours