

Students and Trainees as Research Subjects/Participants

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Participants of any research study need to be fully informed of their rights as well as the risks and benefits involved in that particular study. As research subjects/participants, students and trainees may be vulnerable due to their subservient student status and often they perceive/experience an obligation to participate in research studies where the principal investigator is their instructor. The very nature of the student-instructor relationship may suggest the appearance of coercion. This interesting presentation will examine the complex ethics of conducting research with students and trainees serving as subjects/participants.