

Reed College Consent to Participate in Research

This is a research study conducted by Anna Ritz to measure the impact of conference attendance as part of a course curriculum. You will be asked to complete two surveys: in the first survey, you will answer questions about experience, reasons for taking the course and demographics. In the second survey, you will answer questions about overall experience learning benefits by attending a conference.

The surveys are hosted by a commercial site, and you will complete them anonymously. The data are analyzed by Professor David Lopatto, a Grinnell professor, and reported in aggregate compared to a “background” of student responses from other institutions. Reports of this study will not include individual data in a form by which you could be identified. Professor Ritz will not look at the results from this study until after the course has been completed.

Your participation in this study is entirely voluntary. You may refuse to answer individual questions or discontinue all participation in this study at any time. Concerns or questions about any aspect of this study may be referred to Professor Ritz, aritz@reed.edu or to the Chair of the Reed College Institutional Review Board, Professor Hackenberg