**CONSENT LETTER**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Under the Supervision of Prof. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

University of Toronto

Department of Anthropology

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Toronto, ON, M5S 2S2

Dear Participant:

This consent letter is your invitation to consider participating in research that I am

conducting as part of a course requirement in the Department of Anthropology at the

University of Toronto under the supervision of Professor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The course

that this study/interview is for is entitled the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_).

The research will focus on (*how you think about the future. I want to understand how far off you consider the future to be and what values are being shaped at present that will remain important when forging relationships with people. I think because you are in the middle of creating your own history that it is very important to understand how young woman establish themselves*). I will question you about various topics. The topics will include (*how you communicate with friends and family, the kinds of technology used on a regular basis, what kinds of social activities you engage in with friends, how you value school and what specifically drove you to make your school choices*).

(*I will need to meet you for two interviews. The first interview will take no more than two hours of your time. The second interview will take no more than 45 minutes. With your permission, the interviews will be recorded in note and audio form to facilitate the collection of information and later transcribed for analysis. The location and specific times of the interview will take place at our mutual convenience*.)

Participation in this study/interview is voluntary. You may decline to answer any of the interview questions. Further, you may decide to withdraw from the interview at any time without any negative impact. In the event that you wish to withdraw from the interview no information collected to that point will be used for this research.

Shortly after the interview has been completed, I will send you a copy of the transcript to give you an opportunity to confirm the accuracy of our conversation and to add or clarify any points discussed.

All information you provide is considered completely confidential. Your name will not appear (a pseudonym will be used) in the final paper for the course. However, with your permission, anonymous quotations may be used. I will leave you with a copy of this consent letter and retain one copy for my own records. The only people with access to this consent letter (in addition to you) and access to the interview notes are me, my professor and representatives from the University of Toronto Ethics Review Office.

The collected information will only be used for the final paper in the course.

Data collected during this study will be destroyed (*seven months after the completion of the course (April 1, 2010)*). There are no known or anticipated risks to you as a participant in this study.

If you have any questions regarding this study/interview, you can contact me at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or by email at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. You may also contact my supervisor, Professor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_). You may also contact the Undergraduate Coordinator, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Thank-you in advance for considering participation in this course project.

Yours Sincerely,

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Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)

Participant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_