Research Participant Safety Acknowledgement Form
For Participants of
Face to Face Human Subjects Research

SIUE strives to maintain a safe environment for research participants. If you are thinking about joining a research study as a participant that involves face-to-face interaction with either an Investigator or other participants, it is important to consider the following information regarding Covid-19.

**What is Covid-19?**
Covid-19 is a virus that spreads via airborne particles. For most people, COVID-19 causes only mild or moderate symptoms. However, many people are hospitalized with more severe illness and death can occur. Individuals over 65 and with chronic conditions have the highest risks of severe disease from COVID-19.

**Before participating, please conduct a self screening:**

Are you experiencing any of the following symptoms?
- A subjective fever (feeling feverish) or documented fever (>100 °F)
- A new or worsening cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Sore throat
- Unexplained muscle aches
- Chills or repeated shaking with chills
- Any gastrointestinal symptoms (i.e., diarrhea, vomiting, etc.)
- New loss of taste or smell
- If you have been in close contact with anyone in the last ___ days that has been diagnosed with COVID-19

If you answer “Yes” to any of the screening questions, you must notify the Investigator.

**Steps SIUE is taking:**

SIUE will continue to follow all public health requirements and guidance regarding Covid-19. This means the Investigator may require:

1. Masks to be worn by participants;
2. Social distancing of at least 6 feet;
3. Confirmation that a participant is not experiencing any symptoms listed above prior to participating in any face-to-face research activities.

If you have questions about what measures will be in place for your specific study, please contact the Principal Investigator, Name, at (xxx)-xxx-xxxx.

As a participant in a research project involving face-to-face contact with a researcher(s) from SIUE, by agreeing to participate after reading this information, I am confirming I have read and understand the information stated in this document and I agree to these terms.