



**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON  
Research Participant Information and Consent Form**

**Title of the Study:** Food and Housing Insecurity among American Community College Students

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Waiver of Signed Consent Text – Online Version of Survey

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE RESEARCH**

The Wisconsin HOPE Lab at the University of Wisconsin-Madison is working to assess the prevalence and correlates of food and housing insecurity among American undergraduates using student surveys at a large sample of community colleges nationwide. We are partnering with the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) on institutional recruitment. The Kresge Foundation is providing the funding for the study.

The HOPE Lab will analyze the survey data and produce both a main report and individual school-level reports. The goal of the proposed study is to collect student-level survey data on food and housing insecurity across a large, national sample of 50 community colleges and to widely disseminate the results.

**WHAT WILL MY PARTICIPATION INVOLVE?**

This survey will take approximately 30-45 minutes to complete. As always, your participation in this study is voluntary and will have no impact on you now or in the future. You may choose to skip any question you don't want to answer. All information you provide will be kept confidential. We are asking that you identify the community college you attend in the drop box below. If you don't find your school, we are asking that

you check on the “None of the above” check box option and write in the name of your school. If you want to enter the lottery, you will have to enter your email address so that we can contact you if you are a winner.

**ARE THERE ANY RISKS TO ME?**

While we will make every effort to protect your data by storing it on the University of Wisconsin's secure sever, there is a risk of a breach of confidentiality. Because your data will be directly linked to identifiers (possibly your email address), please be aware that in the event of a breach of confidentiality your responses could be linked to that information.

**ARE THERE ANY BENEFITS TO ME?**

There are no direct benefits to participating in this study, however your participation in this research may benefit other people in the future by helping researchers learn more about how students grapple with material hardship.

**WILL I BE COMPENSATED FOR MY PARTICIPATION?**

No. There is no compensation for participation in this survey. However, by sharing your email address, you can be entered to win a lottery prize of \$100. You will be notified to the email address you specify in this survey.

**HOW WILL MY CONFIDENTIALITY BE PROTECTED?**

Your privacy is very important to us. Your name will not be used in any publications of this study. Only group data will be published.

To protect your privacy, only the Wisconsin HOPE Lab research team will have access to the survey information (including the community college you attend, and your email address if you choose to participate in the lottery). Your data will be labeled with a study code number before it is given to other members of the Wisconsin HOPE Lab research team. All of the information collected in this study will be treated confidentially. All responses from this survey will be kept on the University of Wisconsin’s secure server.

After the conclusion of the study and delivery of the data to the study’s principal investigator and study manager, we will destroy your contact information and participant data.

**WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?**

You may ask any questions about the research at any time. If you have questions about the research after you complete the survey you should contact the Wisconsin HOPE Lab study coordinator, Anthony Hernandez, at [hernandez26@wisc.edu](mailto:hernandez26@wisc.edu)

If you are not satisfied with response of research team, have more questions, or want to talk with someone about your rights as a research participant, you should contact the Education Research and Social/Behavioral Science IRB Office at (608) 263-2320.

**AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS STUDY**

Your participation in this study is completely voluntary. If you decide not to participate or to withdraw from the study it will have no effect on any services or treatment you are currently getting.

By signing clicking the check box below and completing this survey, you are voluntarily consenting to participate in this research study. You also certify that you are at least 18 years of age.

Thank you for your support!