

**University of California, Irvine  
Study Information Sheet**

**Graduate Professional Development Research Project:  
Career Development Survey**

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- Each year, UCI graduate students complete an attitudinal survey about their long-term career goals and the availability of departmental and school-wide resources for achieving those goals and student well-being. You are being asked to allow the Graduate Student Career Development program to use your responses for research purposes. Specifically, we will analyze your responses to the survey and then connect those responses to your institutional academic records (e.g., grades, time to degree, etc.) as well as your career goals. All identifying information will be removed prior to any analyzed data being shared.
- The Graduate Student Career Development program will be contacting graduate students during their 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> year of graduate study. We would like to use your data from each time point. However, if you change your mind, you are welcome to withdraw your consent at any time.
- You are eligible to participate in this study if you are at least 18 years of age or older and are a current graduate student at UC Irvine.
- Possible risks/discomforts associated with the study are minimal. One possible risk is that your name may be released with the data. However, we have developed procedures where all names will be removed and the faculty as well as the Dean of Graduate Studies will have no way of knowing who has participated. Your completion of the survey does not obligate you to participate in the study. You must opt-in to participate in the study.
- There are no direct benefits from participation in the study. However, this study will help to inform future professional development for UC Irvine graduate students.
- You will not be compensated for your participation in this research study.
- All research data collected will be stored securely and confidentially.
- The research team, authorized UCI personnel, and regulatory entities may have access to your study records to protect your safety and welfare. Any information derived from this research project that personally identifies you will not be voluntarily released or disclosed by these entities without your separate consent, except as specifically required by law.

- If you have any comments, concerns, or questions regarding the conduct of this research please contact the researchers listed at the top of this form.
- Please contact UCI's Office of Research by phone, (949) 824-6662, by e-mail at [IRB@research.uci.edu](mailto:IRB@research.uci.edu) or at 141 Innovation Drive, Suite 250, Irvine, CA 92697 if you are unable to reach the researchers listed at the top of the form and have general questions; have concerns or complaints about the research; have questions about your rights as a research subject; or have general comments or suggestions.

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- Participation in this study is voluntary. There is no cost to you for participating. You may refuse to participate or discontinue your involvement at any time without penalty. You are free to withdraw from this study at any time. **If you decide to withdraw from this study you should notify the research team immediately.**