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**Parental/Guardian Permission Form for Department Pool Participants Earning Credit**

Your child, \_\_\_\_\_, is invited to take part in a study named *Communication Modes*. The study is designed to learn more about which types of tasks are best performed under different modes of communication and about which kinds of individuals are best suited to perform these tasks under specified communication modes. It is being conducted by Suzette Caleo and May Ling Halim, who are the principal investigators, as part of their graduate training. The faculty sponsor of this work is Professor Madeline Heilman.

If you give permission for your child to be in this study, he/she will be asked to take the role of someone heading up a team, read through descriptions of several tasks, review the profiles of two individuals, and provide his/her impressions and recommendations for the reviewed employees and tasks in a questionnaire. Your child's participation will take about 30 minutes, and he or she will receive 0.5 credits for laboratory participation towards the course research requirement. When your child completes the study, a thorough verbal and written explanation of it will be given to him/her.

There are no known risks associated with your child's participation in this research beyond those of everyday life. Although your child will receive no direct benefits for participation in this study, it may make him or her more aware of how knowledge is discovered in psychology and help the investigator better understand modes of communication in the workplace.

Taking part in this study is voluntary. Not taking part or withdrawing after the study has begun will not affect your child's grade or academic standing in any way. If your child withdraws at any time, he or she will still receive the 0.5 credit offered for taking part. Your child has the right to skip or not answer any questions he or she prefers not to answer.

Confidentiality of your child's research records will be strictly maintained by not collecting any identifying information. The data from the study will be kept until 5 years after publication, as recommended by the American Psychological Association, and then destroyed by shredding.

If there is anything about the study or taking part in it that is unclear or that you do not understand, if you have questions or wish to report a research-related problem, you may contact the principal investigator Suzette Caleo. She may be reached at (212) 998-7750, [suzette.caleo@nyu.edu](mailto:suzette.caleo@nyu.edu), 6 Washington Place, Room 770. The faculty sponsor, Prof. Madeline Heilman, can be reached at (212) 998-7813, [madeline.heilman@nyu.edu](mailto:madeline.heilman@nyu.edu), 6 Washington Place, Room 576. For questions about your child's rights as a research participant, you may contact the University Committee on Activities Involving Human Subjects (UCAIHS), NYU, (212) 998-4808 or [ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu](mailto:ask.humansubjects@nyu.edu), 665 Broadway, Suite 804, New York, NY 10012.

*You have received a copy of this permission document to keep.*

Permission

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Parent's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

