

CUNY TLH FACULTY CONSENT AGREEMENT

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE

You are being asked to complete this pre-seminar survey because you are participating in the Andrew W. Mellon Transformative Learning in the Humanities Faculty Seminars as a CUNY faculty member (Mellon TLH Faculty Fellow). When your fellowship with TLH is completed, we will ask you to complete a post-seminar survey.

Purpose:

The purpose of the pre- and post-seminar surveys is to learn more about your teaching experiences in order to improve the TLH program and assess the outcomes of TLH. Your participation in two confidential surveys will help researchers determine the impact of the program on the CUNY teaching and learning community.

Key Information:

- Consent is being sought for research and participation is voluntary.
- The purpose of the two confidential surveys is to assess the impact TLH has on the CUNY teaching and learning community.
- The reasonably foreseeable discomforts to you include the time and labor of completing the surveys.
- The benefits to you or to others that may be expected from the research include an increased emphasis on active learning and student-centered teaching at CUNY.

Procedures:

If you volunteer to participate in our program assessment, we will ask you to do the following:

- Complete a confidential survey at the START of your participation in the TLH-related seminar. This survey will include questions such as, “How familiar are you with research on active learning?”
- Complete a confidential survey at the END of your participation in the TLH-related seminar. The survey will include questions such as, “Did you enjoy trying new teaching/learning methods?”

Payment for Participation:

No TLH stipend or award will be denied to you if you decide not to participate

in the survey.

Confidentiality:

This survey is confidential and administered by OIRA, not TLH staff. TLH staff, authorized CUNY staff, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and government agencies that oversee this type of assessment may have access to the aggregate survey results in order to monitor the TLH program. Results provided will not contain identifiable information about you. Publications and/or presentations that result from the assessment of the TLH initiative will not identify you by name.

Participants' Rights:

- Your participation in this research study is entirely voluntary. If you decide not to participate, there will be no penalty to you, and you will not lose any benefits to which you are otherwise entitled.
- CUNY Faculty: Your participation or nonparticipation in this study will in no way affect your employment at CUNY.
- You can decide to withdraw your consent and stop participating in TLH assessment at any time, without any penalty.

Questions, Comments or Concerns:

If you have any questions, comments or concerns about the survey, you can talk to TLH staff:

- Christina Katopodis, Executive Director, Christina.Katopodis@cuny.edu

If you have questions about your rights as a survey participant, or you have comments or concerns that you would like to discuss with someone other than TLH staff, please call the CUNY Research Compliance Administrator at 646-664-8918 or email HRPP@cuny.edu.