

Informed Consent

A study of technology to support the delivery of audio content in the foreign language classroom is being conducted at Boston University. The purpose of the study is to better understand the current methods that foreign language teachers use to create and deliver audio content, and what some of the barriers to using audio content in the target language with learners might be.

Plans for Participation

You must be at least 18 years old or older to participate in the study. Your participation will involve the completion of one questionnaire, which contains questions about your current practices with audio content as a foreign language teacher. Completion of the survey will require approximately fifteen minutes of your time.

Voluntary Participation

Your participation in this study is voluntary and you may withdraw at any time. You do not have to answer any question you do not wish to answer. There are no foreseen risks or discomforts to you by involving yourself in this study. There is no direct benefit to you for participating in this study.

Confidentiality

Your responses will not be matched with your identity and will be anonymous, and your responses to the questionnaire will be used for research purposes only. No additional identifying information will be gathered from the online survey instrument (such as IP addresses). At the conclusion of the research-gathering phase, the data will be downloaded from the online survey site and stored on a computer with no Internet connection for seven years. The survey instrument will then be deleted from the online survey site, which will cause the associated data to be immediately inaccessible and completely purged from the company data storage within 90 days.

Should you choose to participate, please indicate your consent. You may withdraw your consent at any time without penalty.

Authorization: I have read the procedure described above. I voluntarily agree to participate in the procedure and I have read a copy of this description. I am aware that my responses will remain confidential and that I may decline to participate at any time.

By clicking next, you are consenting to participate in this study.

Any questions or concerns about your rights as a participant in this study, or other information, may be obtained by contacting:

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