**Example Consent Form for Pedagogical Research with Current Students**

When making adjustments to a class, professors often wish to study the learning outcomes of their own students. This is a hallmark of sound pedagogy. While most professors analyze student materials (e.g. essays, tests, quizzes) regularly in an informal manner to guide changes to their course materials and pedagogy, sometimes professors will want to conduct a more formal study of these course materials. Your professor, (NAME), is asking for your permission in advance to use your materials in (COURSE NAME, #, TERM) for potential future research.

Due to the inherent power dynamics between a professor and the students *currently in their classes*, it is the opinion of Carleton’s IRB that students cannot fully consent in this situation. In order to protect students, and to preserve their right to opt out of human subjects research, your professor has chosen a research partner, who is not in any way affiliated with this particular course, to collect these consent forms. This partner will hold these consent forms in their possession until grades have been assigned and the course is complete. In this way, your professor cannot know which students do and do not consent to participate in the research until a time when this knowledge cannot affect the grades of any students. If the professor chooses to use your materials in the future, they will ensure that no identifying information (e.g. your name, your class year, etc.) will ever be used in public presentations of their research.

* I CONSENT to have my course materials used in a future research study by my professor (NAME) in (COURSE NAME, #). I understand that my decision to consent will not be made known to my professor until grades for this course are submitted.
* I ALSO CONSENT to PROFESSOR NAME sharing these de-identified materials with other researchers conducting other relevant studies in the future. (You may consent to the first and not the second, if you choose)

* I DO NOT CONSENT to have my course materials used in a future research study by my professor. I understand that my decision not to consent will not be made known to my professor until grades for this course are submitted.

Please only sign this form IF you are over 18 years old.

Name:

Signature: