

Cover Letter to CoParticipants

Dear Participant,

I am a student at The Evergreen State College in the Multicultural Counseling Program. I am working on my multicultural autobiography to increase my cultural competence as a counselor in training to be able to work more effectively with diverse populations.

The information you provide will only be heard by myself and my faculty sponsor, Dr. Mukti Khanna. Patterns and themes from this interview will be integrated into my paper, which will be read by my faculty, Dr. Mukti Khanna. I will incorporate music and cultural practices that I learn into an expressive arts experience that I will facilitate for my academic program. I will only share those practices which would be appropriate to share in an academic context.

The risks to you are minimal and may involve mild distress when considering cultural issues historically that have impacted our family. Although no monetary compensation is available, I believe participating in this interview may increase our connection as a family. Your participation is completely voluntary.

As mentioned above, I will use your responses only as resource material for my Multicultural Autobiography paper. At your request, I will provide you with a copy of the final draft.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact me at _____. My email address is _____. The person to contact if you experience problems as a result of your participation is Eddy Brown, Academic Dean at The Evergreen State College, L-2211, Olympia , Washington 98505; phone 360-867-6972.

Thank you for your participation and assistance!

Sincerely,

Multicultural Counseling Student