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## Participant Information and Consent

You are invited to contribute to innovative research on the development of employability, which is “the ability to find, create and sustain work and learning across lengthening working lives and multiple work settings.”

Participation in this research involves completing this survey and is entirely voluntary. Your consent will be acknowledged by the submission of a response.

Your contribution will be anonymous and it will be stored securely by the research team. Your response may be linked with other datasets. You will not be identifiable in any publications arising from the study.

You can find more information and frequently asked questions here [hyperlink].

Please contact Dawn Bennett or Pip Munckton on +618 9266 4482 if you have any issues accessing the survey or research materials.

If you have any questions regarding this research, feel free to contact us at [developingemployability@curtin.edu.au](mailto:developingemployability@curtin.edu.au) or on +618 9266 4482.

Thank you for supporting this work.

Curtin University Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) has approved this study (HREC number HRE2017-0125). Should you wish to discuss the study with someone not directly involved, in particular, any matters concerning the conduct of the study or your rights as a participant, or you wish to make a confidential complaint, you may contact the Ethics Officer on (08) 9266 9223 or the Manager, Research Integrity on (08) 9266 7093 or email [hrec@curtin.edu.au](mailto:hrec@curtin.edu.au).

## Frequently asked questions (FAQs) for participants

**What is the project?**

We aim to enhance our understanding of how we prepare students for graduate life and work (employability), and to enable these strategies to be embedded into the curriculum.

**Will I be identified?**

You will not be identified. Your responses will go to a third-party researcher, who will de-identify everything before the researchers see it.

**Why should I participate?**

Very little is known about how students develop the skills and knowledge required to negotiate their future lives and careers. This makes it hard to advocate for change or to support good practice. This study will create a unique picture of employability development and we hope that the “evidence” it creates will start to achieve these aims.

**What will this involve?**

We ask you to commit to participating in surveys, self-assessments and/or focus group interviews. We will not ask you to do all these things.

**Who are the researchers?**

The lead researcher is Dawn Bennett, who is a higher education researcher with Curtin University in Perth, Australia.