Cedar Crest College
Request for Institutional Review Board Approval
for Research Involving Human Subjects

To: Chairperson, Institutional Review Board
Cedar Crest College
100 College Drive
Allentown, PA 18104

From: Researcher(s)________________________________________
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Supervisor Endorsement (if applicable):______________________________

Title of Research:________________________________________

Please answer all of the following questions:

1. Check the category of Review Requested: Exempt status________
   Expedited review________
   Full review________

2. This application involves human subjects participating in:
   a. biomedical procedures no yes n/a
   b. procedures to elicit information
      (personality tests, surveys, questionnaires,
      observations, etc.) no yes n/a
   a. procedures specifically designed to directly
      modify the knowledge, thinking, attitudes,
      feelings, or other aspects of behavior of the
      subjects. no yes n/a

3. If biomedical procedures are involved:
   a. are provisions for emergency medical care
      necessary? no yes n/a
   b. has a qualified M.D. or other health
professional participated in planning the projects? (If the answer is yes, then attach a signed letter from the physician or health professional that indicates his/her level of involvement in the study.)

no  yes  n/a

c. will this study involve drugs or chemical agents (dosages), ionizing radiation, nonionizing radiation (microwaves, lasers) or high intensity sound?

no  yes  n/a

4. Does this study involve giving false or misleading information to subjects such that their "informed consent" is in question? (If yes, then you must include a justification for the deception and submit a plan for debriefing subjects.)

no  yes  n/a

5. Are the procedures to be used new or innovative (not established or accepted)?

no  yes  n/a

6. Will the procedure cause any degree of discomfort, harassment, invasion of privacy, risk of physical injury, threat to the dignity of subjects, or otherwise be potentially harmful to the subjects? (If the answer is yes, then submit specific provisions to correct harmful or adverse conditions that may arise.)

no  yes  n/a

7. Can the potential benefits of this study be considered to outweigh the risks to subjects?

no  yes  n/a

8. Is the research specifically designed to involve subjects who are:

a. fetuses?

no  yes

b. pregnant women?

no  yes  n/a

c. prisoners?

no  yes

d. children (minors less than 18 years of age)?

no  yes

e. physically handicapped (e.g. uses wheelchair walker, etc.)?

no  yes

f. mentally disabled (e.g., brain-damaged, psychiatric patients, mentally retarded, etc.)?

no  yes

g. suffering from acute or severe physical illness?

no  yes

h. economically disadvantaged?

no  yes

i. educationally disadvantaged?

no  yes

j. subject to military discipline?

no  yes

k. institutionalized?

no  yes

l. Cedar Crest students?

no  yes

m. Cedar Crest faculty?

no  yes

n. Cedar Crest staff?

no  yes

1. Will subjects be identified:
a. by a code number know only to the researchers? no yes
b. by a code number keyed to their name? no yes
c. on videotape? no yes
d. on audiotape? no yes

2. On a separate piece of paper, please indicate:
a. the objective(s) of the study.
b. the researcher’s qualifications for conducting the study. (i.e., What is your experience with the procedures and instrumentation used in this study?) If a student researcher is conducting this study, please include the qualifications of the faculty advisor, as well as those of the student.
c. the research design and methodology (include instruments to be used and a description of how data will be recorded, stored, and dispersed).
d. the recruitment procedures. (If an advertisement will be used to recruit subjects, then include a copy of the proposed advertisement.)
e. the requirements for subject participation and remuneration. (i.e., Will subjects be paid, receive course credit, etc.?)
f. the potential risks and benefits of study participation.
g. the precautions taken to provide anonymity and privacy.

3. If appropriate, provide references to any published materials that would help the committee make a judgement regarding the procedures for safeguarding the rights and safety of subjects.

4. Please attach copies of all instruments, informed consent procedures, consent forms, and debriefing procedures.

Proposer’s signature_________________________Date__________________

Advisor’s signature_________________________Date__________________
(if applicable)