

## Predocctoral Survey Cover Letter

May 15, 2010

Dear IES Education Research Training Fellow,

As part of our ongoing effort to ensure that your experience as an IES Fellow has been professionally valuable, please take a few minutes to complete the attached survey. The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete, and should be returned by email to [Allen.Ruby@ed.gov](mailto:Allen.Ruby@ed.gov). The survey is voluntary and there are no repercussions for not providing any or all of the information requested. Authority for the survey comes from the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. The data collection activities will be conducted in compliance with the Privacy Act of 1974.

Your responses are extremely important to us as we seek to ensure that the IES Education Research training programs are meeting their goals of providing high-quality, rigorous training in education research. The results of the survey will be used to both improve the fellowship program as well as to provide information on the program to policymakers, practitioners, and the public.

Your responses regarding the quality of the program will be presented at the group level only, and only IES/NCER staff will know your individual responses. With your consent, IES would like to publically report your name, fellowship program, date of PhD, dissertation title, post-fellowship position, and whether your post-fellowship research is in the field of education in order to provide more information on the fellowship program. If you are willing/not willing to grant such permission please also complete the consent form.

Please return your completed survey and consent form to [Allen.Ruby@ed.gov](mailto:Allen.Ruby@ed.gov) by **June 18, 2010**. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions, concerns, or additional information that you would like to share. Thanks in advance for completing the survey!

Best regards,

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Consent Form for Survey of Participants in the IES Predoctoral Interdisciplinary Research Training Programs

I hereby grant permission \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby do not grant permission \_\_\_\_\_

for the reporting of my individual name along with any of the following responses, if available at the time of the survey: 1) the date my PhD was received, 2) the training program I attended, 3) the title of my dissertation, 4) my post-fellowship position, and 5) whether my post-fellowship research is in the field of education.

I understand that my granting such permission is purely voluntary

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Postdoctoral Survey Cover Letter

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## Special Education Postdoctoral Survey Cover Letter

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Dear IES Education Research Training Fellow,

As part of our ongoing effort to ensure that your experience as an IES Fellow has been professionally valuable, please take a few minutes to complete the attached survey. The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete, and should be returned by email to [Celia.Johnson@ed.gov](mailto:Celia.Johnson@ed.gov). The survey is voluntary and there are no repercussions for not providing any or all of the information requested. Authority for the survey comes from the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002. The data collection activities will be conducted in compliance with the Privacy Act of 1974.

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Please return your completed survey to [Celia.Johnson@ed.gov](mailto:Celia.Johnson@ed.gov) by **June 18, 2010**. Please feel free to call or email me if you have any questions, concerns, or additional information that you would like to share. Thanks in advance for completing the survey!

Best regards,

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