

Information about Being in a Research Study
Texas A&M University-Commerce

Decision Making in Poker

Description of the Study and Your Part in It

Dr. David Frank along with Clinton Dennard are inviting you to take part in a research study. Dr. Frank is an Assistant Professor at Texas A&M University-Commerce. Clinton Dennard is a graduate student at Texas A&M University-Commerce. The purpose of this research is to understand decision making during a poker simulation task.

Your part in the study will be to complete a computerized task.

It will take you about 30-45 minutes, for a total of 1 to 1.5 hours, to be in this study.

Choosing to Be in the Study

You do not have to be in this study. Participation is voluntary. You may choose not to take part and you may choose to stop taking part at any time without penalty. You will not be punished in any way if you decide not to be in the study, or to stop taking part in the study. If you decide not to take part, or to stop taking part in this study, it will not affect your grade in any way.

Risks and Discomforts

There will be minimal risks, no more than that expected in daily life.

Possible Benefits

You have an opportunity to win 200, 100, or 70 dollars contingent on your decision making in the poker simulation task.

Incentives

You will receive the following reimbursement: 0.5 Psych credits for each half hour completed for a total of 1 credit. Note that the same course/extra credit is available for a non-research activity that involves the same effort and time investment. Please, see your instructor for a description of the alternative assignment. Also, as mentioned above, you have an opportunity to win 200, 100, or 70 dollars contingent on your decision making in the poker simulation task.

Protection of Privacy and Confidentiality

We will do everything we can to protect your privacy and confidentiality. We will not tell anybody outside of the research team that you were in this study or what information we collected about you in particular.

We might be required to share the information we collect from you with the Texas A&M University-Commerce Office of Sponsored Programs and the federal Office for Human Research Protections. If this happens, the information would only be used to find out if we ran this study properly and protected your rights in the study. The data will be retained for three years.

The de-identified data will be stored on a password-protected hard drive, in a locked office.

You may choose to stop taking part in this study after today. If you do, we will not collect any more information from you. However, we would keep and use the information we had already collected from you.

Contact Information

If you have any questions or concerns about this study or if any problems arise, please contact the researcher at

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If you have any questions or concerns about your rights in this research study, please contact the IRB Chair at

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Consent

The signature below affirms that the undersigned is at least 18 years old, has received a copy of this consent form, has understood the above information, and agrees to voluntarily participate in this research.

Participant's signature: _____ Date: _____

A copy of this form will be given to you.