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## The Relationship between International Volunteering and Community-based Volunteering

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We invite you to participate in an online survey on the The Relationship between International Volunteering and Communitybased Volunteering. Participants must be at least 18 years of age and Canadian citizens or landed immigrants. Participation is voluntary, and responses will be kept confidential.

If you would like to receive additional information about this study and/or the results of the study, please contact Rebecca Tiessen (rtiessen@uottawa.ca). Additional information about this research project and the results of this study will be posted on the following webpage: globalcitizenshipedu.weebly.com

Participation: If you wish to participate in this study, please complete the attached survey. Your decision to complete and return this survey will be interpreted as an indication of your consent to participate. The survey should take you approximately 20 to 30 minutes to complete. You do not have to answer any questions that you do not want to answer. Once you have completed the survey, please submit the survey by clicking on the submit/end button.

Purpose of the Study: From this research we wish to understand extent to which returned international volunteers continue to volunteer in Canada and the nature of that volunteer work.

Benefits: The benefits of this study include improved knowledge of the community-based volunteering trends of returned international volunteers.

Pièce 8005 / Room 8005 8° étage / 8<sup>th</sup> floor 120, rue Université / University Pvt. Ottawa ON K1N 6N5 Confidentiality and Anonymity: The information that you will share will remain strictly confidential and will be used solely for the purposes of this research. The only people who will have access to the research data are the Principal Investigator, research assistants and a research associate who will all sign confidentiality agreements. Your answers to open-ended questions may be used verbatim in presentations and publications but neither you (nor your organization) will be identified. In order to minimize the risk of security breaches and to help ensure your confidentiality we recommend that you use standard safety measures such as signing out of your account, closing your browser and locking your screen or device when you are no longer using them / when you have completed the study. Please note that the survey platform may be subject to the US Patriot Act.

Results will be published in pooled (aggregate) format. Anonymity is guaranteed since you are not being asked to provide your name or any personal information.

Conservation of data: The surveys will be kept in a locked filing cabinet in the office of the Principal Investigator at the University of Ottawa for a period of 5 years at which time they will be destroyed.

Voluntary Participation: You are under no obligation to participate and if you choose to participate, you may refuse to answer questions that you do not want to answer. Completion and return of the questionnaire by you implies consent. Once completed surveys are submitted anonymously, data cannot be withdrawn.

Information about the Study Results: Updates on the results of this study will be provided on the website: globalcitizenshipedu.weebly.com

If you have any questions or require more information about the study itself, you may contact the researcher at the numbers mentioned herein.

If you have any questions with regards to the ethical conduct of this study, you may contact the Protocol Officer for Ethics in Research, University of Ottawa, Tabaret Hall, 550 Cumberland Street, Room 154, Ottawa, ON K1N 6N5, tel.: (613) 562-5387 or ethics@uottawa.ca.

You may wish to print this form for your records.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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