

Macon State College
Application to be Exempt from IRB Review

Principal Investigator:

Contact Information (Address, Phone, E-mail):

Title of Project:

Date of Application:

Dates of Project Duration:

Dates of Data Collection Period:

Source of funds:

1. Please give a brief summary of the purpose of the research, in non-technical language.

2. Please give a brief summary of the methodology of the research, in non-technical terms, to justify the exemption.

3. To be exempt from IRB review, the **ONLY** involvement of human subjects must be in one or more of the following categories. Research that includes both exempt and non-exempt categories is **NOT** exempt. More detailed information regarding exemptions is found on the Office for Human Research Protections website: www.hhs.gov/ohrp. Please indicate each applicable category.
 - a. The research will be conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, involving **normal** education practices (e.g., research on instructional strategies, techniques, curricula, or classroom management methods).
 - b. The research will involve the use of educational tests, survey procedures, interview procedures, or observation of public behavior where the investigator does not participate in the activity being observed, **AND** no information is **recorded** in such a manner that human subjects can be identified directly or indirectly.
 - c. The research will involve collection or study of data, documents, or other records which were in existence **prior to the research proposal and to this application**, and are publicly available or will be recorded in such a manner that the human subjects cannot be identified directly or indirectly.
 - d. The research will examine public benefit or service programs and has been approved by the appropriate department or agency head.
 - e. The research will involve taste and food quality evaluation or consumer acceptance studies involving wholesome foods.