



## **INFORMED CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL ASSESSMENT OF COLLEGIATE CAMPUS CLIMATES (NACCC) SURVEY**

You are invited to participate in the **National Assessment of Collegiate Campus Climates (NACCC)** survey conducted for University of Southern California by the University of Southern California (USC) Race and Equity Center.

### **What is Involved?**

This study involves a short web survey asking questions about the racial climate at University of Southern California. For example, there are questions in the survey about whether you feel you matter on campus, ways you may engage with students and professors of other races on your campus, the extent to which you think your college cares about the racial campus climate and responds to racist incidents, and your feelings of safety on campus and in the surrounding community. The survey will take about 10-15 minutes to complete.

### **Risks and Benefits of Participation**

It is important to understand that taking part in this survey is entirely voluntary. Some of the questions may be upsetting to some people. You can skip any question that you do not want to answer. There is no penalty for skipping any question or any part of the survey. Your decision will not affect your relationship or status with your college or university. The risks to participating in this study are minimal and relate to data security. However, your information will be kept in secure and protected data files. There are no benefits to you for participating. Choosing whether or not to participate will not affect any student benefits you may be receiving.

### **Confidentiality**

USC NACCC will protect your confidentiality except as required by law. Your privacy and confidentiality are important to us. USC NACCC will use the information you provide for research purposes only, and will not disclose your individual survey responses combined with your identity to anyone outside of the project team.

### **Contacts and Questions**

If you have any questions about the study, please contact the study team at [nacccsrv@usc.edu](mailto:nacccsrv@usc.edu).

If you have any questions or concerns about your rights as a research subject, you may contact the USC University Park IRB by calling (213) 821-5272.

Thank you in advance for your help with this important study!