

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY

**Application for Ethical Review of a
Research Project Involving Human Participants
by a Taught Postgraduate Student**

Section A: to be completed by the student
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I. Title of Research Project

Developing and Validating a Scale of *Chūnibyō*

II. Details of Procedures to be Used in the Research

The process of developing a scale involves several steps. Firstly, subconstructs and items are developed based on literature review. The next step is to design and distribute questionnaires to collect data for scale development. Data collected in this step should be analyzed to assess the reliability and validity of the scale. After this, revised questionnaires will be sent out again. Data collected from these questionnaires will be validated to determine the effectiveness of the scale. Finally, once all the data has been collected and analyzed, conclusions can be drawn based on the results of the study.

III. Participant(s) Involved in the Research

[Approximate number, age group, how obtained, and information on whether the researcher is in a position of power vis-à-vis the participants e.g. teacher-student, employer-employee.]

This first study will be launched in early March 2024, and will take students in Grades 4 - 9 as the research subjects randomly, ranging from 9 - 15 years old. Data will be collected in a primary school (n=100) and a junior high school (n=100), with a total of 200 participants. The position of power between research and participants will be teacher-student. All participants will be recruited from Shenzhen in Guangdong province, China. And in the second study, we will repeat the above procedure.

IV. Do your procedures expose your participants to any risk of:

[Please check in box(es) as appropriate]

Yes	No	
☐	☒	- danger or physical harm
☐	☒	- stress
☐	☒	- fatigue or other form of physical discomfort
☐	☒	- noxious stimulation
☐	☒	- emotional distress or other form of psychological discomfort
☐	☒	- invasion of privacy
☐	☒	- deception
☐	☒	- criminal or civil liability

If you have checked "Yes" to any of the above questions:

- (a) Estimate the degree of risk involved

- (b) Describe the steps you will take to minimize the risk and to protect your participants from it

- (c) How will you explain the risk to your participants?

(d) How will you obtain their consent to take part in the research (please attach consent forms to be used)?

(e) Will there be any payment to the participants?

(f) Describe how the participants will be debriefed after the study

V. Will you collect names, addresses, or any other details which would make it possible to identify your participants?

☐ Yes ☒ No

If you have checked "Yes" to the previous question:

(a) Describe the identifying data you will collect

(b) How will you use these data?

(c) How will you dispose of these data?

(d) What procedures will you follow to make sure that your participants cannot be identified?

VI. Declaration

I undertake to exercise reasonable care to ensure that the proposed research is conducted in a manner that is consistent with international standards of ethical practice.

CHEN Xiaolun DAI Jiayuan

TANG Xiaoqi LI Jingyao

Signature of Student

2024/2/22

Date

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Study Programme

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Section B: to be completed by the (Chief) Supervisor of Taught Postgraduate Student in consultation with the Co-Supervisor(s), if any

Having considered the information provided above, I :

- ☒ approve this application.
- ☐ do not approve this application.
- ☐ wish to refer this application to the Programme and Curriculum Committee (PCC) concerned and, if necessary, further to the Research Ethics Sub-Committee for consideration.



Signature of the Supervisor

22nd February 2024

Date

CHEUNG Yu Hin Ray

Name of the Supervisor

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