William & Mary Omnibus Project Proposal Application Form

The William & Mary Omnibus is accepting proposals from Government, International Relations, and Public Policy majors and faculty who would like to add a survey or experimental module to an omnibus study that will be conducted from October-December 2018. Subjects will be drawn from participating Government classes and all surveys will be completed in the Social Science Research Methods Center (basement of Blow Hall). **Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis until all space on the survey is taken, with a final deadline of September 21st, 2018. Email completed applications to <u>wmgovtomnibus@gmail.com</u>.**

Important Notes

1. You must submit your proposal to W&M's IRB by September 21st. Additionally, all researchers who will be accessing the data need to complete the proper ethics certification, a process that takes several hours. Documentation of this completion is now required when you submit your IRB. Please see the "CITI on-line Compliance Training Programs" information on the W&M Research Compliance website.

2. It is your responsibility to ensure that your study is programmed in Qualtrics correctly. This may mean programming part of it yourself if you have a particularly complicated design. When contacted by the project student director, please make sure that everything looks correct before you give your final approval.

3. If you are a student submitting a protocol, **you will be required to help proctor** the lab portion of the Omnibus. If you are a faculty member, we will ask you for the names of some students who may be interested in proctoring.

4. If your study requires an in-person (lab) component, please notify Prof. Settle (jsettle@wm.edu) ASAP.

Proposal Application

Name:

Email:

IRB Application Number (You will receive this once you have submitted your protocol through the IRB system. It will be in a format like this: PHSC-2016-09-01-11111-jsettle):

Please attach to your emailed application your **CITI ethics certificates**. Your IRB application cannot be processed without them. Inclusion of your survey module will be conditional on IRB approval. Please indicate in your IRB application that your subjects will be drawn from the Omnibus Project student subject pool. Your project cannot be programmed until you have submitted the necessary information to the IRB.

Project type (thesis, pilot testing, etc.):

Please provide a **brief rationale** of your study, including your research question, hypotheses, and required sample size:

The following "common variables" will be collected for everyone's use. (See <u>http://ssrmc.wm.edu/omnibus-project/submit-a-research-proposal/</u> for more information on the wording of these questions.) Please bold the variables you are interested in, as well as indicate any considerations you may have (e.g. you would like income to be measured a certain way):

Race Family income Ideology Information seeking Gender Location Political interest Political participation

Age Partisanship Political knowledge

Considerations:

Protocol

Describe the protocol you would like to include on the Omnibus survey. Include eight or fewer core questions that you need to be included for your project, as well as any additional questions you would like included if there is room in the study. Make sure to include the exact wording of questions and answer options, as well as all necessary information regarding question-ordering, survey logic, randomization, and branching.

Core questions:

Additional questions: