



ADULT CONSENT FORM PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

TITLE OF RESEARCH: *How do Tor users interact with onion services?*

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PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR'S DEPARTMENT: *Computer Science*

You are being invited to take part in a research study. Before you decide to participate in this study, it is important that you understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take the time to read the following information carefully. Please ask the researcher if there is anything that is not clear or if you need more information.

Purpose of the research:

Onion services in the Tor network differ from normal web services in several aspects; for example in their unusual domain format and in the way users discover new onion services. We are trying to understand how users deal with these differences by conducting semi-structured interviews. A sound understanding of how users interact with onion services will allow privacy engineers to both improve onion service usability and better protect Tor users from attacks. If you have used onion services in the past, your participation in our interviews will be of great value.

Study Procedures:

The only study procedure that you will participate in is the interview.

Your total expected time commitment for this study is 30 to 60 minutes.

Benefits and Risks:

The findings of our study will enable privacy engineers to improve both the usability and security of their tools. For example, The Tor Project will be able to improve onion services by adapting user interfaces and by clarifying popular misconceptions about Tor Browser before they are exploited in phishing attacks.

We don't expect this interview to involve any risks for interviewees.

Alternatives

There are no alternatives to this interview.

Confidentiality:

All records from this study will be kept confidential. Your responses will be kept private, and we will not include any information that will make it possible to identify you in any report we might publish. Research records will be stored securely on a password-protected computer. The research team will be the only party that will have access to your data.

Compensation:

To compensate you for your time, we can offer you an Amazon.com or a Visa gift card worth 20 USD.

Who to contact with questions:

1. PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR:

Nick Feamster (feamster@cs.princeton.edu) and Marshini Chetty (marshini@princeton.edu)

2. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, or if problems arise which you do not feel you can discuss with the Investigator, please contact the Institutional Review Board at:

Assistant Director, Research Integrity and Assurance

Phone: (609) 258-8543

Email: irb@princeton.edu

3. I understand the information that was presented and that:

- A. My participation is voluntary, and I may withdraw my consent and discontinue participation in the project at any time. My refusal to participate will not result in any penalty.
- B. I do not waive any legal rights or release Princeton University, its agents, or you from liability for negligence.

4. I hereby give my consent to be the subject of your research.

Click here to enter text.

Subject's Signature

Click here to enter text.

Date

Click here to enter text.

Person Obtaining Consent's Signature

Click here to enter text.

Date

Audio Recordings:

With your permission, we would also like to tape-record the interview. Please sign below if you agree to be recorded.

I hereby give my consent for audio recording:

Click here to enter text.