Dear 2022 Cohort,

We write to introduce you to the **Standardized Simulation-Based Learning Project**.

This project is aimed at evaluating students’ experience on the effectiveness of simulation, and evaluation of the learning environments from the students’ perspectives. In this project, we are interested in recruiting registered BSN students in the School of Nursing, University of British Columbia (Vancouver) who have undergone learning activities where standardized simulation-based learning was used as a teaching tool in Terms 1 and 2 of the 2022/23 academic years. You are receiving this email because you are eligible to participate in this study when it commences in mid-October 2022.

This project will enable the program leaders to identify strengths and lapses and to improve the standardized simulation-based learning program to enhance teaching and learning. The project involves:

**Two Surveys each term and one focus group:**

**One survey around mid-term point and another at the end of each term**, after you have completed a simulation-based learning activity, you will receive emails from our research team through the School of Nursing Student Services inviting you to participate in a survey. This survey is to evaluate the effectiveness of simulation in meeting learning outcomes. It will take 5-15 minutes to complete it.

For the surveys, your participation will be anonymous, and it involves minimal risk to you. If you provide your email address at the end of the surveys, you will be entered into a draw to win a $50 gift card. Your personal data is disassociated from the survey data collected.

**Focus group discussion**: At the end of Term 2, you will be invited to participate in a focus group discussion to share your experiences, challenges, and the benefits of using standardized simulation-based learning. You will receive a gift card and refreshments for your participation.

You do not have to participate in any part of this study if you do not want to. Your participation or non-participation will not impact your course grades. Your participation in the survey will provide data to help improve the clinical simulation program at the School of Nursing. Also, you, as a student, will benefit from the ongoing simulated program improvement to further facilitate effective simulated practice learning experiences. This will greatly improve your skills and knowledge in nursing practice as you prepare to become a registered nurse.

During the term, you will receive correspondence about the project, and you can participate in some or all the stages of the project.

On **Thursday, October 13, 2022**, the Principal Investigator Professor Elsie Tan and the Project Coordinator, Bukola Mary Ibitoye will come to the NURS352 at 1300hrs for 10 minutes to briefly speak further about the project and primarily answer any questions you might have about the project.

Thank you.

Simulation-Based Learning Project Team