THE UNIVERSITY OF TAMPERE
THE ACADEMIC ETHICS COMMITTEE OF THE TAMPERE REGION

Statement 54/2017 pursuant to the statement request 28/2017: “Research project: "The Construction and Curation of Digital Identities by International Students: Facebook as a Third Space to reconcile Multicultural Identities and Multicultural Audiences" (doctoral student, multicultural studies (educational sciences) Lin Malone, Faculty of Education, The University of Tampere)

The committee’s statement: The committee requests the following clarifications:

- In the statement request there is a mention about ethnography as a research method: should it be clarified somehow, because the term is not necessarily clear to all the participants of the study,
- The information letter should be specified. There is a mention that participants may feel embarrassed when they know that they are objects of the study. It is better to state that “the personality and personal data is anonymized, it is possible, however, that person recognizes the characteristics of the personality which may cause embarrassment....”
- It is mentioned in the data management plan that the research data will be abolished after the research has been completed or finished. Is the data abolished right after finishing the study or after a while?

Please submit the answers and revised information letter to the Committee’s secretary by email: heikki.eilo@uta.fi
The revisions will be checked by the chair, the person presenting the case officially and the secretary.
Tampere, 18th December 2017

Chair of the committee  Rec.
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