



Dear UNE Community members,

**We want to learn more about how pain affects people.
We're hoping you can help!**

We are faculty and students at UNECOM researching new ways of measuring sensory sensitivity and how our psychology can affect this.

If you are 18 or older and are interested in helping support the care of patients in chronic pain, you may be eligible to participate in this study.

Participation in this research consists of undergoing a series of tests to determine what your pain threshold is to different stimuli (including pressure, heat, and cold), and anonymously answering some questions regarding the stressors in your life.

Exclusion criteria include chronic use of pain medications over past six months (including NSAIDS, opioids, etc.), persistent pain for past three months, medical conditions that may make testing unsafe (including cardiopulmonary disorders, uncontrolled endocrine disorders, malignancy, pregnancy, or breastfeeding), severe psychiatric illness, peripheral neuropathy, history of substance abuse, or otherwise determined to be unfit for testing as per the study investigators.

To take part in this study or for more information, please contact Dr. Ling Cao at lcao@une.edu.