Chapter 9: Recruiting Participants

# Discussion Questions

1. Why is it important that we give consideration to the people who participate in our research? What differences might they have with people that do not participate in our research?

2. If you were developing a research study, discuss how would you address each of the practical issues in communicating recruitment?

3. Describe Dustin’s recommendations of field research. As a researcher, which of the recommendations do you think are most important? As a participant, which of the recommendations do you think are most important?

4. Discuss some of the concerns that come with online platforms such as Facebook. Should they be held to the same standards as researchers from universities? Should users of these sites expect the same level of voluntary consent that takes place in research studies?

5. Discuss the differences between probability sampling and non-probability sampling. Why is probability sampling better? What types of sampling are most common in social science research?