

What: Creating an archive of New Yorkers' experience of the Covid-19 Pandemic. We've noticed that as the pandemic evolves, perceptions change daily, sometimes hourly. We think it's important to gather voices reflecting on what is happening, and that this information will be relevant for a long time to come.

Who: A team of sociologists, oral historians, and anthropologists at Columbia University's [INCITE](#). We did [a similar project after 9/11](#).

How to participate:

1) Fill out a brief, confidential questionnaire and consent form. The individual results of this questionnaire will be kept private in a protected, encrypted file, and only seen by the researchers. To get a link to the survey, email covid19archive@gmail.com, or you can call a member of our research team at (646) 481-4132. Once you've filled out the online forms, we'll send you an email about the next steps within a day or two. You can also call or email us if you have any questions during the process.

And then (you can choose #2 or #3 or both)

2) Chronicle your experience with the COVID-19 epidemic in a series of 300+ word entries. The content of these chronicles should be anything you think is worth sharing for an archive of New Yorkers' experiences in this moment.

3) Volunteer to participate in one or more online oral history interviews about your experience. We expect these interviews will last an average of 45 minutes. Oral history interviews are more like conversations than other types of interviews. Questions will be open ended and you'll have a lot of control over how the conversation goes. You'll also be able to decide whether you want the interview to be publicly accessible in an archive, with or without your name. Note that we may not be able to interview everyone who volunteers, depending on capacity and funding.

4) You may choose to contribute your chronicles and interview materials to a public archive, either with your name attached or with a pseudonym. You may also keep all of the material confidential. If you prefer this option, only the researchers for this project will have access to your interview and/or chronicles, and we'll make sure that your confidentiality is preserved. Our consent form gives you these options, and you are free to change your mind during the course of the study or after the study ends and we'll change or remove your records from the archive.