



What Does It Mean to Be Human?

The Center for Nanotechnology in Society at Arizona State University is looking for 15 people to be on a local panel as part of a national project. The panel will learn about and discuss recent technological advances leading to significant enhancements of human mental, emotional and physical abilities.

The panel will learn background information, pose questions to experts, formulate opinions and make recommendations in a report about the impacts and consequences of human enhancement technologies.

The report will be widely circulated to government, industry, and to the general public.

No prior knowledge is required to participate.

If you are chosen to participate, you will join 14 other people from your community. Yours will be one of six panels being formed across the country. All panels will do the following activities:

You will meet face-to-face the weekend of **March 1 & 2** and the weekend of **March 29 & 30** (both days both weekends).

You will join all the panelists in a series of 2-hour online discussions scheduled for *Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings throughout the month*. These will occur from 7:00 - 9:00 pm on *ALL* of the following dates:

March 4, 6, 9

March 18, 20, 23

March 11, 13, 16

March 25 and 27

You MUST be available for both face-to-face weekends and ALL Internet sessions, and have home Internet access, in order to participate

Facilitators will support the panel throughout the process. You will be asked to:

Read background information (mailed to you) about technologies for human enhancement.

Raise and discuss concerns or issues about these technologies.

Consider the concerns or issues raised by other panel members.

Question experts on these technologies about issues you may have.

Attempt to draw up a set of recommendations that your panel would want to present to policy makers as they decide how to manage these technologies.

Write a collective report explaining your panel's thinking and the recommendations they agreed upon.

Participants will receive \$500 upon completion of the process.



**Human Enhancement
Through
Nanotechnology**
A Public Deliberation

**Let industry &
government
know what
you think
about using
technology
to enhance
human
abilities.**

If you would like to participate, please fill out the volunteer's questionnaire accessible through the link at:

<http://cns.asu.edu/nctf>

All information is strictly confidential; your responses provide us with baseline information about all our volunteers. Please complete the questionnaire as soon as possible.

