Hello, I am a Disability Studies student at UTA, and for our internship, I am leading a study aimed at creating a tool for PE teachers and rehabilitation centers to evaluate the mechanics and proficiency of wheelchair users. Once developed, our tool will help children with disabilities, as well as newly-injured individuals, become active and learn how to push their wheelchair correctly.

We are seeking wheelchair users of any skill level, as well as able-bodied people, to participate in this study. The one-hour evaluation will take place at UT Arlington in the Physical Education Building at times convenient for you. Participants will use a manual wheelchair (we will provide one if they do not have their own), and their pushing mechanics will be observed and recorded. No prior experience using a manual wheelchair is needed. **We are looking for wheelchair users of any skill level, as well as able-bodied participants**. The only requirements are the ability to follow simple directions and the physical ability to push a manual wheelchair with no assistance. Participants must be between 18 and 40 and may not have any current upper-body injury that may affect how they would regularly push a wheelchair. The study is entirely voluntary and no identifying information is being collected.

Prospective participants may contact Principal Investigator Emilee Hilbish by email at **emilee.hilbish@mavs.uta.edu** or by phone at **806-683-5127** if they would like more information or if they would like to participate.

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