

APPENDIX 8

Project IDEAL Distance Learning Survey



Intake Survey for Distance Students (2005)

People learn in different ways: what works well for one person might not work well for someone else. Your answers to these questions will help you and your teacher figure out if distance learning is a good choice for you.

For each question, choose only one (1) answer from the choices listed for that question.

When you have finished answering all the questions, give the survey to your instructor

1. At home, I have a quiet place where I can study for this course:
 - a. Rarely available
 - b. Sometimes available
 - c. Always available

2. I am someone who:
 - a. Puts things off until the last minute
 - b. Needs reminding to get things done on time
 - c. Often gets things done ahead of time

3. When I think about all the things I do in a typical week (e.g., work, family, social activities, etc.), the amount of time I have each week for a distance learning class is:
 - a. Less than 5 hours
 - b. 5-9 hours
 - c. 10 hours or more

4. In my daily life, there is a lot of routine (for example, getting kids to school, going to work, taking part in community or church activities):
 - a. Not at all true
 - b. Sometimes true
 - c. Very true

5. I have access to the technology (VCR, computer, etc.) I will need for this course:
 - a. I'm not sure where I will find the technology I need for the course
 - b. Easily available, but not at my home
 - c. At my home

6. When I am asked to use a computer:

- a. I put off using it until later
- b. I feel a little nervous, but use it anyway or find someone to show me how to use it
- c. I look forward to using it

7. Feeling that I am part of a class is:

- a. Very important to me
- b. Somewhat important to me
- c. Not particularly important to me

8. Discussions in a class are:

- a. Very useful to me. I almost always take part in class discussions
- b. Somewhat useful to me. I sometimes take part in class discussions
- c. Not very useful to me. I don't usually take part in class discussions

9. When an instructor hands out directions for an assignment, I prefer to:

- a. Have the directions explained to me
- b. Try to follow the directions on my own, then ask for help when I need it
- c. Figure out the instructions myself

10. When I have a reading assignment for class or for work, I think of my reading skills as:

- a. Lower than average. I usually need help to understand the text
- b. Average. I sometimes need help to understand the text
- c. Good. I usually understand the text without help

11. When I have a writing assignment for class or work, I think of my writing skills as:

- a. Weak. I find it hard to express myself in writing
- b. Average. I can express myself fairly well in writing, but sometimes have difficulty
- c. Good. I am comfortable expressing myself in writing

12. Face-to-face interaction with my instructors and other students is:

- a. An essential part of my educational experience
- b. An important part of my educational experience, but not essential
- c. Not important to my educational experience

16. In the last five (5) years, have you taken a classroom course in an adult school where you studied reading, writing, or math?

Yes No

17. Circle gender ...

Male Female

19. About how far away is the nearest adult school from where you live? (Circle)

Less than 5 miles

6 -10 miles

More than 10 miles

20. First Name _____

21. Last Name _____

20. Name of the adult education center where you are completing this survey.
