



DISTANCE EDUCATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Please mark the letter that best describes you:

1. My need to take this course now is:
 - a. High – I need it immediately for degree, job or other important reason
 - b. Moderate – I could take it on campus later or substitute another course
 - c. Low – It's a personal interest that could be postponed

2. Feeling that I am part of a class is:
 - a. Not particularly necessary for me
 - b. Somewhat important to me
 - c. Very important to me

3. I would classify myself as someone who:
 - a. Often gets things done ahead of time
 - b. Needs reminding to get things done on time
 - c. Puts things off until the last minute

4. Classroom discussion is:
 - a. Is not necessary for me to understand what I have read
 - b. Sometimes helpful to me
 - c. Almost always helpful to me

5. When an instructor hands out directions for an assignment, I prefer:
 - a. Figuring out the instructions myself
 - b. Trying to follow the instructions on my own, then asking for help if I need it
 - c. Having the instructions explained to me.

6. I need instructor comments on my assignments:
 - a. Within a few days, so I can review what I did
 - b. Within a few hours, or I forget what I did
 - c. Right away, or I get frustrated

7. Considering my job and personal schedule, the amount of time I have to work on an online class is:
 - a. More than enough for a campus class or a Distance Learning class
 - b. The same as for a class on campus
 - c. Less than for a class on campus



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8. When I am asked to use computers, VCRs, voice mail, or other technologies that are new to me:
 - a. I look forward to learning new skills
 - b. I feel apprehensive, but try anyway
 - c. I put it off or try to avoid it.

9. As a reader, I would classify myself as:
 - a. Good – I usually understand the test and other written materials without help
 - b. Average – I sometimes need help to understand the text or other written materials
 - c. Needing help to understand the text or other written materials

10. As a writer I would classify myself as:
 - a. A strong writer – I am comfortable with writing and have strong organizational, grammar, punctuation and spelling skills
 - b. An Average writer – I am moderately comfortable with writing and occasionally need help with organization, grammar, punctuation and spelling.
 - c. Needing help with my writing, especially with organization, grammar, punctuation and spelling.

11. I have dropped a college class after the term has started:
 - a. Never
 - b. Once
 - c. More than once

Scoring

Add 3 points for each “a” that you selected, 2 for each “b”, and 1 for each “c”.

If you scored:

28 and over: You may be a self-motivated independent learner and distance education courses are a real possibility for you.

15-27: Courses that are distance education courses may work for you, but you may need to make a few adjustments in your schedule and study habits in order to succeed. Distance education courses take at least as much time and effort and in some cases more than traditional face-to-face classes.

14 or less: Distance education courses may not be currently the best alternative for you. Distance education courses take at least as much time and effort and in some cases more than traditional face to face classes.