

### IS eLEARNING FOR ME?

#### Self-Assessment about eLearning

The following series of questions can help determine your readiness to take an eLEARNING type of course. There are no "right" or "wrong" answers. The feedback may guide your decision making as you consider whether to enroll in an eLEARNING course.

#### 1. My need to take this course now is...

- a. HIGH I need it immediately for a degree, job, or other important reason
  - o Great! eLEARNING requires high personal motivation to succeed
- b. MODERATE I could take it at school later or substitute another course
- c. LOW It's a personal interest that could be postponed
- d. I DON'T KNOW
  - For b, c & d answers: MAKE SURE YOU CONSIDER ALL YOUR OPTIONS BEFORE ENROLLING IN AN eLEARNING COURSE.

#### 2. Feeling that I am a part of a class...

- a. Very important to me
- b. Somewhat important to me
- c. Not particularly necessary for me
- d. I don't know
  - Some eLEARNING students find that the classroom atmosphere is very different in their eLEARNING course

#### 3. I would classify myself as someone who...

- a. Often gets things done ahead of time
- b. Needs reminding to get things done
  - o Students who leave things until the last moment often find eLEARNING courses very difficult
- c. Puts things off until the last minute
  - o Students who leave things until the last moment often find eLEARNING courses very difficult
- d. I don't know
  - Some eLEARNING students find that the classroom atmosphere is very different in their eLEARNING course

#### 4. When an instructor hands out directions for an assignment, I prefer...

- a. Figuring out the instructions myself
  - Self-directed students find themselves well suited to eLEARNING
- b. Trying to follow the directions on my own, then asking for help as needed
  - Self-directed students find themselves well suited to eLEARNING
- c. Having the instructions explained to me



- Students who need a lot of directions re-explained to them sometimes struggle with eLEARNING courses
- d. I don't know
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#### 5. Classroom discussion is...

- a. Almost always helpful to me
- b. Sometimes helpful to me
- c. Rarely helpful to me
- d. I don't know
  - Most students find that eLEARNING is quite different from regular discussion. Consider this when making your decision...

### 6. When I am asked to use computers, chat rooms, streaming video or audio, voice mail or technologies new to me...

- a. I look forward to learning new skills
  - o Great! eLEARNING provides opportunities to learn many new skills and use new technology
- b. MODERATE I could take it at school later or substitute another course
- c. LOW It's a personal interest that could be postponed
- d. I DON'T KNOW
  - For b, c & d answers: eLEARNING requires students to learn new skills. Consider this when making your decision...

#### 7. As a reader, I would classify myself...

- a. GOOD I usually understand the text without help
  - Great! Good reading/writing skills are essential to success in an eLEARNING course
- b. AVERAGE I sometimes need help to understand the text
  - o Good reading/writing skills are essential to success in an eLEARNING course
- c. SLOWER THAN AVERAGE
- d. I DON'T KNOW
  - For c & d answers: Good reading/writing skills are essential to success in an eLEARNING course. Consider this when making your decision...
- 8. If I must go to the school for my course orientation or to take exams...
  - a. I can go to school anytime
    - Good! It will be easy for you to participate in the eLEARNING course
  - b. I will have to check my schedule to see if I can attend during those dates
    - Please check your calendar as some elements of the course need to be completed in person
  - c. I will have difficulty going to the school and may not be able to attend
  - d. I don't know



• For c & d answers: Some elements of the eLEARNING course will need to be completed in person. Please consider this when choosing to register

### 9. Can I dedicate adequate time (anytime during the day or night) to participate in the learning process and meet deadlines as outlined in my course...

- a. YES
  - Good! eLEARNING courses require as much or more time than face-to-face classes
- b. NOT SURE
  - eLEARNING courses require as much or more time than face-to-face classes. Consider this when making your decision.

#### 10. I am a self-motivated and self-disciplined person...

- a. TRUE
  - Great! These skills are essential to success
- b. FALSE
  - These skills are essential to success! Consider this when making your decision....

#### 11. I have (or am willing to obtain) access to a computer with Internet access...

- a. TRUE
  - Access to a computer and the Internet at home is essential for success!

### 12. I have a quiet place (home or elsewhere) with a computer and Internet access that can be claimed as "my own" for extended periods of study...

- a. TRUE, I can do it myself
  - o Great!
- b. FALSE
  - Regular access to a quiet dedicated study is essential for success!

## 13. I have resources nearby to assist me with any technical problems I might have with my software applications or my computer hardware...

- a. TRUE, I can do it myself
  - o Great!
- b. TRUE, I have someone who can help me
  - o Great!
- c. FALSE
  - This type of support is essential for success. Consider this when making your decision...

# 14. I realize that I may need to locate and/or install specific types of software to be able to complete some assignments... (ex. Flash for Video, Word Processing, etc.)

- a. Yes, I am aware of this
  - o Good! Ensure you are aware of the software requirements for the course before you begin
- b. No, I was not aware of this
  - o Ensure you are aware of the software requirements for the course before you begin



15. I am responsible for my own education – what I learn or do not learn is ultimately my own responsibility...

- a. TRUE
  - Good! eLEARNING may be right for you!
- b. FALSE
  - Consider carefully why you are interested in eLEARNING...