

## 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 or not 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
  - *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
  - *Great. A high level of commitment and dedication is essential to success!*
- b. Needs reminding to get things done
  - *Students who leave things until the last moment often find eLEARNING courses very difficult*
- c. Puts things off until the last minute
  - *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
  - *Students who need a lot of directions re-explained to them sometimes struggle with eLEARNING courses*

**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 classroom 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
  - *Great. eLEARNING provides opportunities to learn many new skills and use new technologies*
- 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
  - *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 decisions...*

**8. If I have to 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. TRUE
  - *Good! eLEARNING courses require as much or more time than face to face classes*
- b. FALSE
  - *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 decisions...*

**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!*
- b. FALSE
  - *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
  - *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
  - *Great!*
- b. TRUE, I have someone who can help me
  - *Great!*
- c. FALSE
  - *This type of support is essential for success. Consider this when making decisions...*

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