

Summary of Student Success Team (SST) Online Learning Student Survey 5/26/2020

Survey given to students to assist in improving their access to online courses and services, particularly during the sudden shift in 2020 to all online offerings at the college.

Total Number Participants to date: 128

(percentages not calculated for questions allowing multiple answers)

Access

- Percentage of participants with access to a computer/laptop: 98.4%
- Percentage of participants that have exclusive use of computer/laptop: 75.7%
- Percentage of participants that have internet connection in their home: 96%

Instruction

- Top 4 things participants identified as needed to succeed online:
 - Time to do academic work
 - Space free of distraction
 - o Reliable internet connection
 - Access to computer/laptop
- Top 4 things participants perceive difficulty with in the online environment:
 - o Time
 - Physical environment
 - Access to resources
 - Navigating the online environment
- Top 4 most effective aspects of the course
 - Emails to instructors/professors
 - PDF downloadable documents
 - Blackboard course documents
 - Links to additional videos
- Preferred type of instruction:
 - Asynchronous Instruction: 46.8%
 - Synchronous Instruction: 27.3%
 - No Preference: 25.7%
- Percentage of participants that needed help during an online portion of a class: 63.2%
 - o Top four places they received the help they needed:
 - Communication with instructors
 - Internet resources
 - Other students
 - Instructor virtual office hours
- Percentage of courses that used teleconferencing:
 - All my courses used teleconferencing: 7%

- Some of my courses used teleconferencing: 59.3%
- None of my courses used teleconferencing: 33.5%
- Top 3 software used:
 - o Zoom
 - o WebEx
 - Microsoft Teams
- Top 4 preferred methods of communication:
 - Student Email
 - Blackboard messaging
 - Text/personal email
 - Blackboard announcements
- Top 5 college services participants would like to know more about:
 - o Other
 - Class Registration
 - o Financial Aid
 - Tutoring Services
 - Career Services

Common Themes for open ended questions

- What can QVCC do to help you at this time?
 - Need faster/better communication with instructors: 7
 - Need greater flexibility/understanding from instructors: 7
 - Found online classes more difficult (did not want to take online classes and/or found there to be a greater workload): 5
 - Ned help registering for classes/advising (one on one support): 6
 - QVCC has done a good job during this time: 6
- What difficulties have you experienced during the transition to online courses?
 - Lack of consistency in online courses (i.e. different technologies to navigate/changes in course expectations/increased workload/live lectures being held at different times than the original on-campus class): 10
 - Difficulty navigating the online environment: 21
 - Not having labs/hands-on approach: 7
 - Difficulty with home environment (time, space, employment, family obligations, motivation, focus): 21
 - Lack of communication: 12
- What adjustments could be made to improve the quality of QVCC services provided in an online format?
 - o Improve instructor online competency: 5
 - Improve communication: 5
 - Have more live lectures: 7
 - Make software use more consistent across courses (too many different technologies to navigate): 4

- o Provide more online resources: 8
- o Transition went fairly well/ student satisfied: 4