Study Habits STEM online survey instrument for use with Jisc Online Surveys

Que no.	Statements in live survey	Response – see key below
1.1	When I do not understand something, I ask others for help.	Scale 5
1.2	I try to identify others whom I can ask for help if necessary.	Scale 5
1.3	I ask others for more information when I need it.	Scale 5
1.4	Even if I am having trouble learning, I prefer to do the work on my own.	Scale 5
1.5	I ask for help from other students online.	Scale 5
2.1	When I am learning, I try to relate new information to what I already know.	Scale 5
2.2	When I am learning, I combine different sources of information (for example: people, websites, printed material).	Scale 5
2.3	I try to apply my previous experience when learning.	Scale 5
2.4	When I am learning, I look for information online beyond what is available from Open University websites.	Scale 5
3.1	I set personal standards for performance in my learning.	Scale 5
3.2	I set short-term (daily or weekly) goals as well as long-term goals (for the whole module).	Scale 5
3.3	I set goals to help me manage study time for my learning.	Scale 5
3.4	I set realistic deadlines for learning.	Scale 5
3.5	I plan each study session to work on a specific task.	Scale 5
3.6	I plan my study to match the needs of the assessment.	Scale 5
3.7	I use a digital tool or digital document (on screen) to plan my goals.	Scale 5
4.1	I make good use of my study time.	Scale 5
4.2	I find it hard to stick to a study schedule.	Scale 5
4.3	I make sure that I keep up with the readings and assignments for my module.	Scale 5
4.4	I often find that I don't spend very much time on my module because of other activities.	Scale 5
4.5	I rarely find time to review my notes or readings.	Scale 5
4.6	I use a digital tool or digital document (on screen) to organize my study time.	Scale 5
5.1	I usually choose to study in a place where I can concentrate on my course work.	Scale 5
5.2	I have a regular place set aside for studying.	Scale 5
5.3	When I want to concentrate, I avoid communicating with other students online (forums or social media).	Scale 5
5.4	When I want to concentrate, I only open the webpages I need for studying.	Scale 5
5.5	I avoid websites that are cluttered with many features on each page.	Scale 5

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5.6	When I study online, I mainly use the OU module website.	Scale 5
6.1	When I am studying material for the first time, I make a note of sections I want to come back to later.	Scale 5
6.2	When I am studying, I make a note of where to find information I will need for the assessment.	Scale 5
6.3	I make handwritten notes as I study material for the first time.	Scale 5
6.4	I make digital notes as I study material for the first time.	Scale 5
6.5	I read my own notes mainly on paper (handwritten or printed out).	Scale 5
6.6	I read my own notes mainly digitally (on screen).	Scale 5
6.a.1	At the end of my module, I will physically store the notes and work I have written (on paper including printouts).	Scale 5
6.a.2	At the end of my module, I will digitally store the notes and work I have written (on screen).	Scale 5
7.1	When I am working on an assessment, I reread the relevant sections of the module.	Scale 5
7.2	When I am working on an assessment, I work mainly from my own notes.	Scale 5
7.3	When I am working on an assessment, I include references in a standard format.	Scale 5
7.4	When I am working on an assessment, I read the questions and guidance on paper (including printouts).	Scale 5
7.5	When I am working on an assessment, I only read the questions and guidance on screen (no paper or printouts at all).	Scale 5
7.6	I only participate in online forums if it is needed for the assessment.	Scale 5
8	For your current Open University studies, please choose one of the following options to describe how you access the content.	Nominal 3
	Please note what content you access digitally.	Free text
	Please note what content you access physically.	Free text
9.1	I can access the internet at home when I want to study.	Nominal 3
9.2	I have to travel to a location other than my home to access the internet.	Nominal 3
9.3	My studying is made more difficult because OU systems or websites do not work with the desktop or laptop computer I am using.	Nominal 3
9.4	My studying is made more difficult because OU systems or websites do not work with the mobile device I am using (smartphone or tablet computer).	Nominal 3
10.1	Be able to use OU online tools and websites for study.	Scale 4
10.2	Be able to use a range of tools and websites for finding and recording information online.	Scale 4
10.3	Know how you can use mobile communication devices for personal study purposes.	Scale 4

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10.4	Be able to search for information in databases or online, adapting your search as needed.	Scale 4
10.5	Find a journal article from a reference.	Scale 4
10.6	Contribute a comment to an online discussion (e.g. forum, blog, wiki).	Scale 4
10.7	Access and use a social media site with relevant content for your subject.	Scale 4
11	Please use this space to tell us anything else about your study habits or study needs.	Free text
12	Please check this box if you would like us to share with you an analysis of your responses, and more information about how the research is being used at The Open University.	Radio button
13	We would like to invite you take part in a diary study and 20-minute interview. Students who choose to take part in this activity will receive Amazon vouchers worth £25 in recognition of this time commitment. Please check this box if you would like more information on this activity.	Radio button

Coding for Questions 1 to 7   Scale 5

Response	Codes used in analysis
Very true for me	5
True for me	4
Quite true for me	3
Sometimes true for me	2
Not at all true for me	1

Coding for Question 8   Nominal 3

Response	Codes used in analysis
I access most of the content physically (on paper).	1
I access most of the content digitally (on screen).	2
I access some content physically and some digitally.	3

Coding for Question 9   Nominal 3

Response	Codes used in analysis
Always	1
Sometimes	2
Never	3

Coding for Question 10   Scale 4

Response	Reverse codes used in analysis
Very confident	4
Confident	3
A little confident	2
Not at all confident	1