## SURVEY C: RESULTS 5

## FUNCTIONALITY OF THE ONLINE TECHNOLOGY

Question \#27. In your own work when and under what circumstances could you see using:

Colin: please note that this is how I categorized the data: yes, no, unsure/rarely. If you have another idea or suggestion, please let me know.
A. threaded online discussions

| Question 27. A. |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Yes | No | Rarely/Unsure | Total |
| \# of Respondents | 12 | 2 | 5 | 19 |



There were a total of 19 responses to this question and they were sorted into three categories: Yes, No and Rarely/Unsure. Approximately $63 \%(12 / 19)$ of the respondents indicated that they would use threaded online discussions in their work. Two (2/12$16.7 \%$ ) of the "yes" respondents explained that they would use it for training/educational purposes (i.e. coordinate course teaching in both continuing education and MPA settings). While seven (7/12-58\%) of the twelve "yes" respondents identified group projects as a primary use for threaded online discussions (i.e. state programs, ACR committee work, professional conferencing, sharing information/brainstorming).

One "no" respondent explained, "I do not have the type of practice that online discussions would be helpful." The other person who indicated "no" did not offer an explanation.

Three of the respondents who marked "rarely/unsure" indicated a lack of comfort with computers and/or computer literacy as the reason why they did not expect to use threaded online discussions. One respondent explained that it would not be appropriate method because his/her practice deals with local land use matters.
27. B. Online Polls

Colin: 2 of the responses stated "same" and "ditto"- I need to know their previous response? Once I know these numbers will change.

| Question 27. B. |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Yes | No | Rarely/Unsure | Total |
| \# of Respondents | 10 | 2 | 3 | 17 |



There were a total of 17 responses to this question and they were sorted into three categories: Yes, No and Rarely/Unsure. All of the respondents who indicated that they would use online polls provided that they would use it for gathering information and consensus building. One respondent explained, "I would be most likely to use online polls because they're purely quantitative." While yet another offered that they would use it to obtain gather broad public input.

One "no" respondent explained that he/she would not use online polls due to a lack of perceived accountability. The other person who indicated "no" did not offer an explanation. Similarly, two of the three respondents who marked "rarely/unsure" did not offer an explanation. The third respondent indicated that it would pose some challenges to groups.
27. C. Synchronous chats (text/audio, text only)
*Colin: 3 of the responses stated "same" and "ditto"- I need to know their previous response? Once I know these numbers will change.

| Question 27. C. |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Yes | No | Rarely/Unsure | Total |
| \# of Respondents | 7 | 1 | 2 | 13 (3 are <br> unknown)* |

## Question 27. C.

Rarely/Unsure


| $\square$ Yes |
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| $\square$ No |
| $\square$ Rarely/Unsure |

There were a total of 13 responses to this question and they were sorted into three categories: Yes, No and Rarely/Unsure Approximately 53\% (7/13) of the respondents indicated that they would use synchronous chats in their work. Five of the "yes respondents stated that they thought it would be a good tool for group work at a distance. A couple of the five respondents indicated that it would be good for "professional" groups. One of the "yes" respondents stated that he/she would never use text only; however, he/she would use a combination of audio and text.

The one "no respondent" indicated that there was not enough value in it and could not see using it in the near future. However, the respondent offered one exception "unless for some reason you couldn't get people fact to face for a necessary presentation." The two respondents who marked "rarely/unsure" did not offer an explanation

Question 28. On a scale of (low) 1-10 (high), how was the initial login process:

| Question <br> $\mathbf{2 8 .}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | One | Two | Three | Four | Five | Six | Eight | Nine | Total |
| \# of <br> Respondents | 6 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |



Colin call me about the descriptive stats. for this question.

Question 29. On a scale of (low) 1-10 (high), how was the ease of navigation throughout the website?

| Question <br> 29. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | One | Two | Three | Four | Five | Six | Seven | Eight | Nine | Ten | Total |
| \# of <br> Respondents | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 1 | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |



Column1

| Column1 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| Mean | 5.296296 |
| Standard Error | 0.527896 |
| Median | 6 |
| Mode | 8 |
| Standard Deviation | 2.743031 |
| Sample Variance | 7.524217 |
| Kurtosis | -1.25125 |
| Skewness | -0.19038 |
| Range | 9 |
| Minimum | 1 |
| Maximum | 10 |
| Sum | 143 |
| Count | 27 |
| Largest(1) | 10 |
| Smallest(1) | 1 |
| Confidence Level(95.0\%) 1.085107 |  |

Question 30. Did you have any technical problems?

| Question 30. |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Yes | No | Total |
| \# of Respondents | 11 | 16 | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |



Question 31. If you had technical problems what were they? (check all that apply)
Colin these numbers are inaccurate because one person could have checked more than one. Please correct.

| Question <br> $\mathbf{3 1 .}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Login | Accessing <br> parts of <br> the site | Posting <br> messages | Using <br> quotes | Accessing <br> \& posting <br> messages <br> during <br> synchronous | Private <br> Messages | Total |
| \# of <br> Respondents | 6 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | $\mathbf{1 6}$ |



Question 31. Other. If you had technical problems what were they? (check all that apply)

There were a total of four responses in the "Other" section of Question 31. They were as follows:

- Subscriptions were not reliable
- Overcoming my own technical ignorance was my biggest hurdle
- Using different font styles (e.g. bold, underlining, italics) I think these make posting much more readable
- I asked for a document and organizers sent it to me promptly and check to make sure that I actually got the document etc. Thought that kind of follow-up was exceptional.


## Question 32.

| Question <br> 32. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | One | Two | Four | Five | Seven | Eight | Nine | Ten | Total |
| \# of <br> Respondents | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | $\mathbf{1 4}$ |



| Column1 |  |
| :--- | ---: |
|  |  |
| Mean | 7.428571 |
| Standard Error | 0.843295 |
| Median | 9 |
| Mode | 10 |
| Standard Deviation | 3.15532 |
| Sample Variance | 9.956044 |
| Kurtosis | -0.15396 |
| Skewness | -1.0956 |
| Range | 9 |
| Minimum | 1 |
| Maximum | 10 |
| Sum | 104 |
| Count | 14 |
| Largest $(1)$ | 10 |
| Smallest $(1)$ | 1 |
| Confidence Level $(95.0 \%)$ | 1.821827 |

