

INTRODUCTION

The SHARE Project - Your University Assignment Experience

The purpose of this survey is to help university teachers have a more realistic understanding of the student experience of assessment and hopefully contribute to its improvement.

The questions ask about your experiences of completing coursework. The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to complete. You will not give your name – although you may give an email address if you wish to be entered in the prize lottery. Your email address will not be shared or connected to your responses.

Participation is entirely voluntary: you can withdraw at any point. All responses will be electronically and securely stored and will contribute to summaries of findings that we may publish or circulate. However, individual survey returns will not be identified nor shared with any third party, including members of your own institution.

We are committed to carrying out our research according to the ethical guidelines provided by the British Educational Research Association (online at <http://tinyurl.com/6r5juen>). This survey gained ethical approval from the Nottingham University Business School, UK on 8th May 2018. Please address any related queries to Dr. Elizabeth Nixon (lizern@exmail.nottingham.ac.uk)

To thank you for your participation, there is a prize lottery where you could win one of two £100 Amazon vouchers or one of twenty £20 Amazon vouchers. To enter the lottery, you will need to give your email address at the end of the survey.

Please note that your responses will be recorded after each page of the survey. Since your data will be submitted anonymously, you will not be able to change or withdraw it once you press the Next button at the bottom of each page.

By clicking 'I consent to participate' you understand that:

- you can decide not to complete this survey at any time after agreeing to
- you have received enough information to make an informed decision about participating.

If you do not consent please close your browser page.

☐ I consent to participate - START THE SURVEY

Thank you for agreeing to participate in this research.

The following questions ask only about assessment that 'counts' - i.e., those coursework assignments done this year that counted towards your final module grade: important coursework done in your own time, NOT examinations or class tests. Usually this means essays, reports or problems.

There is a lottery for prizes if you give your email address at the end. Please be assured we will never link email addresses to answers.

Which year of study are you now completing?

On which University of Nottingham campus are you based?

In which faculty is your degree subject?

What is your gender?

YOUR OWN ASSESSMENT CONTEXT

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These questions concern your overall experience **this year** of doing coursework assignment 'tasks' . Please select one option per statement.

	Always	Most of the time	About half the time	Sometimes	Never
Doing assignments increased my understanding of module content	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The tasks were a fair test of the module's learning objectives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assignment tasks were relevant to my personal ambitions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Material needed for my assignment research was available	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
When I submitted an assignment I knew who the first marker would be	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assignment feedback was useful	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discussion of tasks with class peers was possible for me outside of class time	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Module documents gave sufficient guidance on how to do tasks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
	Always	Most of the time	About half the time	Sometimes	Never
Relevant tutors were available for discussion of tasks	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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If you have comments relating to the above questions about your experience of doing assessment, please share them below.

GETTING ASSIGNMENTS DONE

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These questions are about how easily you were able to complete your assignment tasks. Please select one option per statement.

	Always	Most of the time	About half the time	Sometimes	Never
I planned my use of time effectively to meet deadlines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I discussed with class mate(s) what to put in an assignment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Always	Most of the time	About half the time	Sometimes	Never
Tasks turned out to be more challenging than I expected	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discussion with other					

Discussion with other
students out of class
gave me ideas

☐☐☐☐☐

I was able to access
the materials I needed
to do the work

☐☐☐☐☐

I was given adequate
time to work on an
assignment

☐☐☐☐☐

I sought help with an
assignment from the
relevant tutor

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Class mate(s)
commented on my
draft before I
submitted

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What was the biggest obstacle to doing as well as you wanted to on coursework assignments? (Please add any other comments relating to the questions above.)

GOOD AND BAD ASSIGNMENT PRACTICE

FAIR ASSIGNMENT PRACTICE

These final questions concern what you think is fair behaviour and fair treatment in assessment. Please rate how far you agree with each statement.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
I have felt pressure from a friend to help too much with a coursework assignment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My teachers would detect an assignment that was not written by me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is not fair to share your work with class mates before submission	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A family member (knowledgeable on the topic) should not make suggestions on a student's draft	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is good to invite ideas for an assignment through social media	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would be surprised if a student on my course submitted an assignment they didn't do themselves	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Since starting study here, I have come across adverts for bespoke assignment writing services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In truth, I have sometimes been tempted to use such a service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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