

Optimizing Distance Learning Educational Programs

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- Six institutions across four countries have dispatched the questionnaire to their institutions' students.
- The questionnaire records:
 - Students' Learning Preferences
 - Distance Education Experience
 - Personality Traits and Facets of Students
- Responses Collected:
 - Students: 646
- Crosstab analysis associated learning preferences and marital status.

STUDENTS' MARITAL STATUS AND LEARNING PREFERENCES

The ODLEP project is funded by I.K.Y., the Erasmus+ National Agency in Greece (Erasmus+ Programme Cooperation Partnership in Higher Education Key Action 2, Project reference No: 2022-1-EL01-KA220-HED-000089152). The project is focusing on the students' learning preferences. The questionnaire currently is available in two platforms and four languages. In this context, the survey questionnaires are implemented on two platforms, which namely are: Google Forms and Lime survey. 646 responses from students in the partners' countries were collected. Research is still collecting answers. Students have presented their own learning preferences and the study managed to associate the learning preferences with the students' marital status.

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Towards the effort to optimize distance learning our research project focused on students' attributes and their learning preferences. In this context, questionnaire survey participants, more specifically university students, evaluated various learning styles and preferences. Through the provided answers it became possible to associate the marital status of the students with the learning preferences and styles. The crosstab analysis took place for categorical data. A five-point Likert scale was implemented. The replies included: Not at All, Slightly, Moderately, Very, and Completely. The following statements summarize the main findings of the analyses:

- Single students tend to respond with "Inefficient" / "Inefficient to Average Efficient" to the statement "How efficient do you consider distance learning as a method of education", while married students tend to respond to the statement with "Most Efficient".
- Single students tend to prefer face to face educational methods, while married students tend to prefer distance learning.
- Single students tend to prefer to turn off their camera in a distance learning course, while married students tend to prefer to keep their cameras on.
- Single students tend to respond with "Slightly" to the statement "I can understand the material better through listening and oral teaching methods.", while married students tend to respond to the statement with "Very".

PROJECT WEBSITE:

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