

Summary of Data

This following table presents the data trends of a survey that asked DePaul Distance Learning students to rate their overall satisfaction with their DL course (Extremely Satisfied, Satisfied, Not Satisfied, or Extremely Disappointed) as well as asking for comments regarding the level of communication that was encouraged by the instructor between students. Some significant patterns in these open-ended responses include:

- 23 of the 150 students surveyed indicated that no effort at all to encourage students to communicate was made by the instructor, 12 of which were students who rated the course positively overall
- The most encouraged method for communication between DL students according to these survey responses is the online discussion board: 9 out of the 28 who rated the course negatively and 28 out of the 122 students who rated the course positively claimed

Rating\Method	TOTAL Responses	Communication was not Encouraged	Discussion Forums	Email	Group Projects	Electronic Presentations	No Answer
Positive (Satisfied, Extremely Satisfied)	122	12	28	18	5	4	31
Negative (Not Satisfied, Extremely Disappointed)	28	11	9	0	3	0	6