

Using Blogs in Spanish 110: Post-Blog Student Survey

The purpose of this questionnaire is to evaluate the usefulness of blogs in a Spanish 110 course by asking students about their attitudes and opinions regarding their blogging experiences.

We would like to ask you to help us by answering the following questions concerning foreign language learning. Your participation is, of course, voluntary and your confidentiality and anonymity is assured. This is not a test so there are no “right” or “wrong” answers. The last question on this survey will ask if we may contact you to do an interview to gather more in depth information regarding your experiences with the course blog assignments. If you answer “yes” to this question, please supply your name, a telephone contact and your email so that we may contact you for the interview. Your personal identity (your name) will remain confidential for both the survey and the interview.

Part 1: Technology Background

Please respond to the following statements by placing a check mark ☒ in the column that best represents your experience or opinion.

Statement	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Neutral 3	Agree 4	Strongly Agree 5
1. I believe blogs are a good way of sharing information.					
2. I believe blogs are a good way of sharing opinions.					
Statement	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Regularly 4	Often 5
1. I have used blogs in other classes.					
2. Because of this course, I have started to use blogs in my personal life.					

Part 2: Language Background

Please complete the following statements by checking the answer that best represents your experiences with language learning.

- I am taking this course because:
 ___ Spanish is my major ___ Spanish is my minor
 ___ It is a degree requirement ___ Other (please specify) _____
- Spanish is my: ___ 2nd Language ___ 3rd Language ___ 4th Language
 ___ other (please specify) _____
- Prior to this course, I have studied Spanish for:
 ___ 0-1 year ___ 2 years ___ 3 years ___ 4 years ___ More than 4 years

4. Spanish is spoken in my home:
 ___Never ___Rarely ___Sometimes ___Regularly ___Often
5. Spanish is spoken by a member of my family:
 ___Never ___Rarely ___Sometimes ___Regularly ___Often

Part 3: Course Blog Experiences

Please respond to the following statements by placing a check mark ☒ in the column that best represents your experience or opinion.

Statement	Strongly Disagree 1	Disagree 2	Neutral 3	Agree 4	Strongly Agree 5
3. I prefer the traditional writing assignments (verses the blog assignments).					
4. I utilize the feedback on traditional writing assignments to improve my writing.					
5. I prefer the course blog writing assignments (verses the traditional writing assignments).					
6. I spend more time preparing the blog assignments than the traditional writing assignments.					
7. I benefit from reading the postings of my classmates on the course blog.					
8. I benefit from reacting to my classmates' postings on the course blog.					
9. I benefit from reading my classmates' reactions to my postings on the course blog.					
10. The blog assignments improved my ability to communicate in Spanish.					
11. I believe knowledge of how to use blogs is useful.					
12. I believe blogs are useful way to communicate in Spanish.					
13. The blog assignments helped me to achieve my goals in this course.					
14. The blog assignments increased my confidence to communicate in Spanish.					
15. The blog assignments increased my interest in the Spanish language					
16. I plan to use other blogs in Spanish after this course.					
17. I plan to write (post) reactions on other blogs in Spanish after this course.					

Part 4: Demographic Information

To help us conduct additional statistical analyses, please provide the following information. Your identity (name) will remain confidential and anonymous at all times.

1. I am: ☐ male ☐ female
2. My age is: ☐ 18-19 years ☐ 20-21 years ☐ 22-24 years
☐ 25-28 years ☐ 29-30 years ☐ 31-35 years
☐ 36-40 years ☐ over 41 years
3. I am a: ☐ freshman ☐ sophomore ☐ junior ☐ senior
☐ non-degree student ☐ graduate student
☐ other (please specify) _____
4. My race/ethnicity is best described as:

<input type="checkbox"/> African American	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian American
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic American	<input type="checkbox"/> Native American
<input type="checkbox"/> White American	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-resident Alien
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) _____	

PART 5: Interview Option

To gather more in depth information on the usefulness of blogs in Spanish 110, we would like to conduct personal interviews. The interview questions will be limited to your prior experiences with blogs, language learning, and your experiences in Spanish 110.

May we contact you for a one-on-one interview with one of the researchers in this study? ☐ YES ☐ NO

If "yes," Please provide:

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Thank you for your participation. We appreciate the time you took to share your experiences.