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## Is Distance Education for Me?

Answer each of the following questions. Each answer is weighted according to importance. Once you have answered all of the questions, select the *Score Test* button. Once you've received your score, you can read more information in the <u>What does my score mean</u> section below. For information on how individual answers relate to your score, click on the **Analyze Your Answer** link below each question.

1. When I think about how I learn, I think:

I learn best independently. I am self-motivated and like to work at my own pace. I don't need a lot of hand-holding.

I like to work independently, but I like to get some feedback once in a while on how I'm doing. I don't need a lot of support, just a little help every once in a while.

○ I need lots of interaction with my teachers and peers. I like the give and take of the classroom setting. It keeps me engaged in my classes. (Analyze Your Answer)

- 2. Considering my professional and personal schedule, the amount of time I have to work on a course is...
  - More than enough for a campus class.
  - O The same as taking a class on campus.
  - Less than taking a class on campus.

(Analyze Your Answer)

- 3. I would describe my comfort level with computers as:
  - Very comfortable. I can download and run applications, browse the Web, install software, manage files, etc.
  - Comfortable, although I sometimes need help to run programs, install software, or manage files.

• Not comfortable. I need a great deal of help anytime I use a computer.

(Analyze Your Answer)

- 4. When asked to utilize new skills and technologies as a learner...
  - I embrace the challenge and enjoy trying new things.
  - I am hesitant to take risks, but I am persistent and determined.
  - I am very uncomfortable and need someone to help or explain things to me.
- (Analyze Your Answer)
- 5. I would classify myself as someone who:
  - Often gets things done ahead of time.
  - Needs reminding to get things done on time.
  - OPuts things off until the last minute.

(Analyze Your Answer)

- 6. In comparing an online course with a course taught on campus...
  - I think online courses would require the same amount of work and effort as a traditional course.
  - I think online courses would be more convenient than traditional courses.
  - I think online courses would be easier than a course taught on campus, because you don't have to go to class.
    (Analyze Voir Analyze)

(Analyze Your Answer)

7. As a learner, I would classify myself as...

	O Highly independent.
	O Somewhat independent.
	O Dependent.
	(Analyze Your Answer)
8.	Which of the following is true:
	I have regular and reliable access to the Internet.
	○ I am able to access the Internet occasionally.
	○ I rarely have access to the Internet.
	(Analyze Your Answer)
9.	Which of the following is true:
	$\bigcirc$ My computer is able to view online presentations, video, and audio with no problems.
	OMy computer has some difficulty viewing online presentations, video, and audio, but it will eventually work.
	OMy computer is not able to view online presentations, video, and audio.
	(Analyze Your Answer)
10.	Which of the following is true:
	○ I have had plenty of experience with communicating online – through email, chat rooms, discussion boards, etc.
	○ I have some experience with communicating online, but it is limited mostly to email.
	OI have almost no experience with online communication.
	(Analyze Your Answer)
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## What does my score mean?

Score = 80 through 100

Your overall score on this assessment indicates that you have the traits necessary to be successful in a distance education course. We highly recommend, however, that you go through each question and analyze each of your answers to see there are any issues you might need to address.

Score = 60 through 79

Your overall score indicates that there may be some important issues you need to address before deciding to enroll in a distance education course. Please take a few minutes to go through each question and analyze your answers. This process should help you figure out what needs to be done before you make your decision.

Score = 59 and below

Your overall score on this assessment indicates that you should consider carefully before deciding to enroll in a distance education course. Please go through each question and analyze your answers. After discovering which issues need to be addressed, you might decide to contact the GMBA Advisor (<u>gmbaadvising@utdallas.edu</u>) to assist you with your decision.

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