

## Exploring Technologies and Instructional Design for Virtual Learning Communities (VLC)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

*In this class we'll be organizing virtual learning groups based on learning preferences and learning styles. Please help us to organize the virtual learning groups by completing the following questions.*

1. What is your learning style preference? (Choose One Answer)
  - I prefer auditory
  - I prefer visual
  - I prefer auditory and visual together
2. Rate your abilities as a Self Directed Learner? (Choose One Answer)
  - Strong
  - Fairly strong
  - Medium
  - Not strong
  - I am not a self-directed learner
3. Rate your knowledge with respect to instructional design for virtual learning communities: (Choose One Answer)
  - I have designed for this environment
  - I have a strong understanding
  - I have some understanding
  - I have not explored this area
4. Have you previously taken classes using the following technologies? What was your experience? (Choose all answers that apply)

Chat (Synchronous)	Enjoyed	Didn't Enjoy	Neutral
Threaded Conversation (Asynchronous)	Enjoyed	Didn't Enjoy	Neutral
Tele-bridge (Synchronous)	Enjoyed	Didn't Enjoy	Neutral
5. Rate your willingness to participate in a virtual learning group learning using these technologies. Rate 1 to 3, with #1 being your first choice.

Chat (Synchronous) – requires a dedicated time to meet with your group by CEO

Threaded Conversation (Asynchronous) - requires commitment to get the assignment completed collaboratively with your learning group throughout the week.

Tele-bridge (Synchronous) - requires a dedicated landline phone to call into a long – distance phone number at the dedicated time to meet with your group.

*Based on the responses to the questionnaire, we will be organizing three virtual learning groups. Once the groups have been determined, we will email you to give you both the class instructions and details of your virtual learning group. The culmination of the virtual learning groups will be reviewed on October 18<sup>th</sup> as a part of our regularly scheduled Trends and Issues class. Thank you for your answers to this questionnaire.*

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