

## **Information Technology Survey Results Spring, 2010**

The annual ECAR survey was administered the spring semester of 2010 with only 38 students responding to the survey. The results can be found on the Office of Institutional Research website at <http://www.brazosport.edu/ir>. The most salient results follow:

- 55.4% of the respondents were 30 years of age or older
- 30% of the respondents spent at least 21 hours a week doing activities on the Internet for school, work, or recreation
- Almost 30% of the respondents used spreadsheets on a daily basis
- Slightly more than a third of the respondents (34.8%) used a handheld device to access the Internet on a daily basis
- Nine in ten respondents used their handheld device for email
- Slightly more than one-half (52.6%) used their handheld device for Facebook, Myspace, or similar social networking site
- 57.9% used their handheld device for mapping to find places
- About 4 out of 5 (83.8%) preferred taking courses with at least a moderate level of information technology with 1 in 4 preferred taking courses with extensive use of information technology
- More than one-third considered themselves at least very skilled in using the college library website
- About 4 in 5 considered themselves at least fairly skilled in using
  - Excel
  - A search engine
  - Understanding the ethical/legal issues surrounding access to and use of digital information
- One in five respondents used a social network site for their course
- More than one-half (56.4%) used the college website for a course during the semester
- Online texts (in any format/form) were not being used to any extent
- Only 1 in 20 reported collaborating with other students using one of the social networking sites
- 44.9% of the respondents reported Brazosport College instructors using information technology versus 53.7% for all community colleges.
- 45.9% of the respondents reported Brazosport College instructors provided students adequate training for the IT the instructor uses in his/her course versus 46.1% for other community colleges
- 58.3% of the respondents reported Brazosport College instructors have adequate IT skills for carrying out course instruction versus 54% for other community colleges
- Most respondents reported they were fairly skilled using course management systems (80%)
- 72.3% of the respondents reported IT services were always available when needed for their coursework versus 58.9% for other community colleges

- 87.2% of the respondents reported they like to learn through running Internet searches
- 91.9% of the respondents reported they like to learn through listening to audio or watching video content
- 90.9% of the respondents reported using Facebook and 45.5% reported using MySpace
- 93.9% of the respondents reported they use social networking to stay in touch with friends
- 90.9% of the respondents reported using social networking to use the college's administrative services or communicate with administrative offices
- 84.8% of the respondents reported using social networking to communicate with instructors about course-related topics
- 42.1% of the respondents indicated they would like to see more use of social networking sites in their courses