

***TILT Transparent Instruction Survey – Spring 2023***

**BACKGROUND**

The Transparency in Learning and Teaching in Higher Education project (TILT Higher Ed) developed a comprehensive survey instrument that addresses academic confidence, sense of belonging, and mastery of the skills that employers value most when hiring. A set of nine questions that create a ‘Perceived amount of transparency in a course’ scale. A short online survey was constructed to determine if our students perceive our TILT courses are transparent.

**METHOD**

The scale consists of nine individual statements. The statements are as follows:

* In this course, I knew the purpose of each assignment.
* Each assignment included a section that explained how the assignment was related to the objectives of the course.
* My instructor identified a specific learning goal for each assignment.
* In this course, I knew the steps required to complete my assignments.
* Each assignment included a detailed set of instructions for completing it.
* My instructor provided detailed directions for each learning activity that was assigned.
* In this course, I knew how my work would be evaluated.
* My instructor provided students with annotated examples of past students’ work.
* My instructor provided tools I could use to assess the quality of my and others work.

Response options for the statements are: (1) Never, (2) Sometimes, (3) Often, and (4) Always. The individual statements are summed then averaged to provide a scale score between 1 and 4.

**ADMINISTRATION**

Target population(s): Students enrolled in Spring 2023 course sections using the TILT method.

Method: Online survey via SurveyMonkey with invitation from faculty in TILT sections who volunteered to promote survey.

Survey administration period: 4/3/2023 – 4/28/2023

**RESPONSES**

A total of 258 students responded to the survey across 6 subject areas and 11 courses. Below are the number of responses by subject area.



**OVERALL RESULTS**

The average transparency scale score for the entire population is **3.55**, between ‘Often’ and ‘Always.’ Distributions for the individual statements, as well as basic demographics, can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/stories/SM-_2Bl_2BHc7UL2V5K4abD01uejg_3D_3D/>

**SUBJECT AND COURSE SCORES**

Below are the average transparency scale scores by subject (COMM, ENGL, etc.) and course (COMM2025, ENGL1010, etc.) for those subjects and courses that have a minimum of 10 respondents.



