



CANVAS PILOT - SPRING 2023

EVALUATION SURVEY RESULTS

STUDENTS

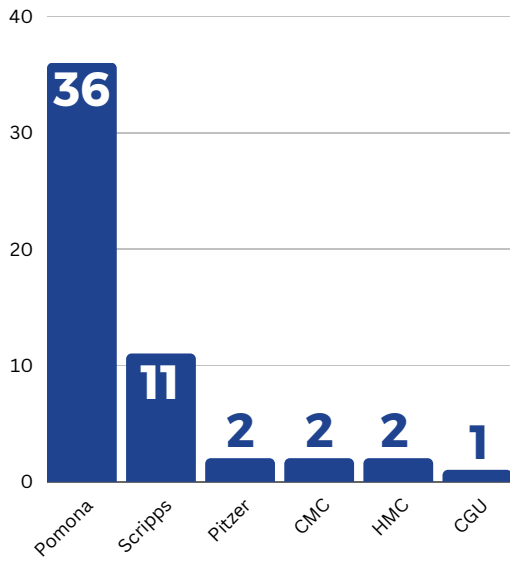


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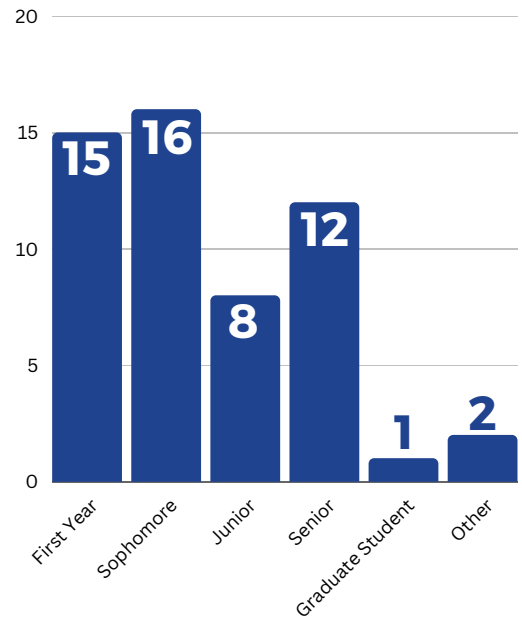
Q1. My home institution is:

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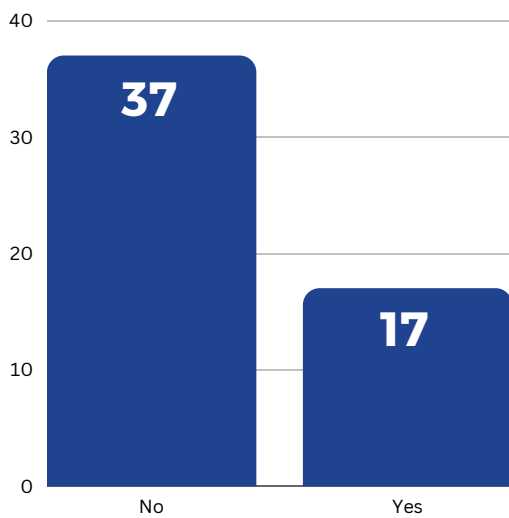
Q2. My class year is:

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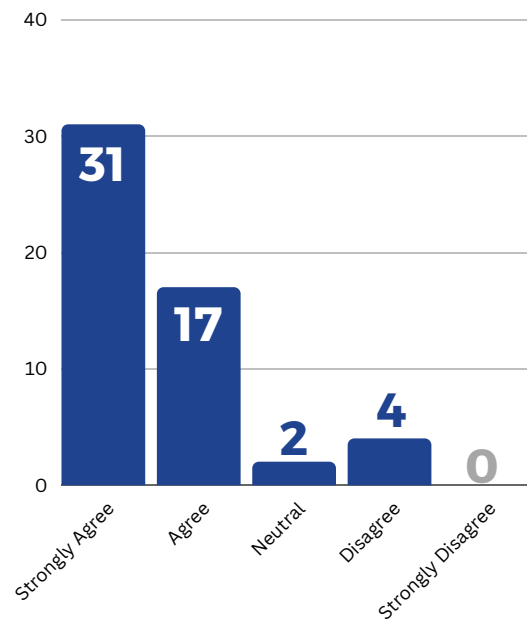
Q3. This is my first time using Canvas.

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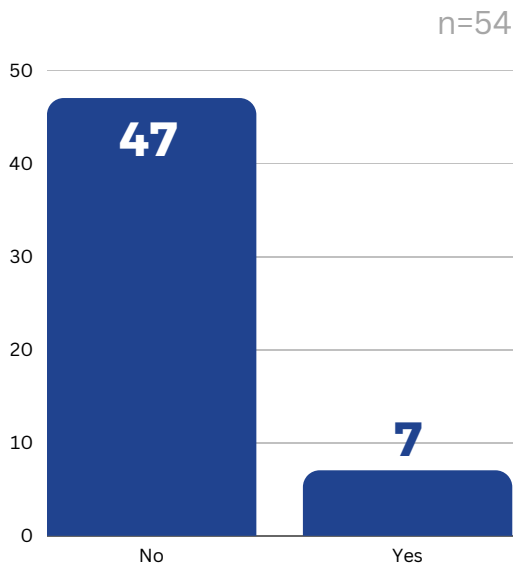


Q4. I am finding Canvas easy to use.

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Q5. I have experienced technical glitches while using Canvas.



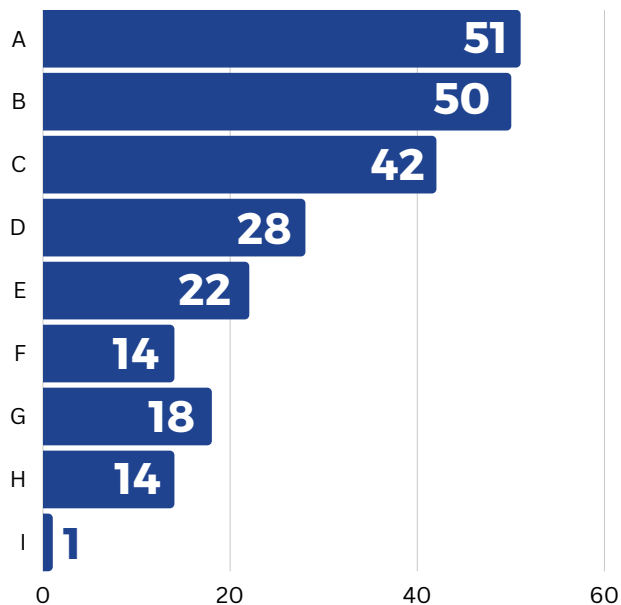
Q6. If you answered 'Yes' to the previous question, please elaborate on your response and/or share additional details. Thank you.

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- "Grades and comments on assignments were not reflecting on my portal even though they were released by my professor weeks ago."
- " The format of slides and other documents submitted to the page changes after submission"
- "signing in takes some time b/c i have to click on my pomona account & it's not automatic. but sakai has the same problem so..."
- "Uploading images can be difficult. Sometimes pages won't open."

Q7. In this course I've used Canvas in the following ways [check all that apply]: - Selected Choice

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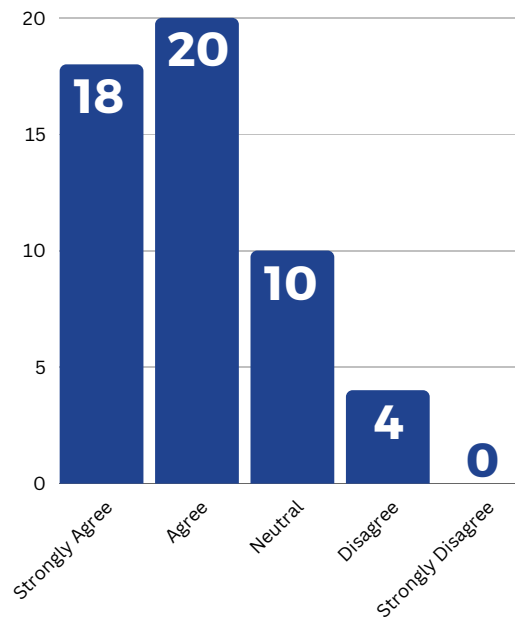
- A. Access course readings and other documents/files
- B. Submit assignments and view feedback on assignments
- C. View my grades
- D. View a calendar of course dates and due dates
- E. View streaming media and/or other course media
- F. Communicate with my instructor
- G. Communicate with classmates
- H. Take quizzes and/or exams
- I. Other

Comments from Responses Marked Other

- "sandbox"

Q8. Canvas has had a **positive impact on the quality of my learning experience** in this course.

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Q9. Please **elaborate** on your previous response by explaining why/why not. Thank you.

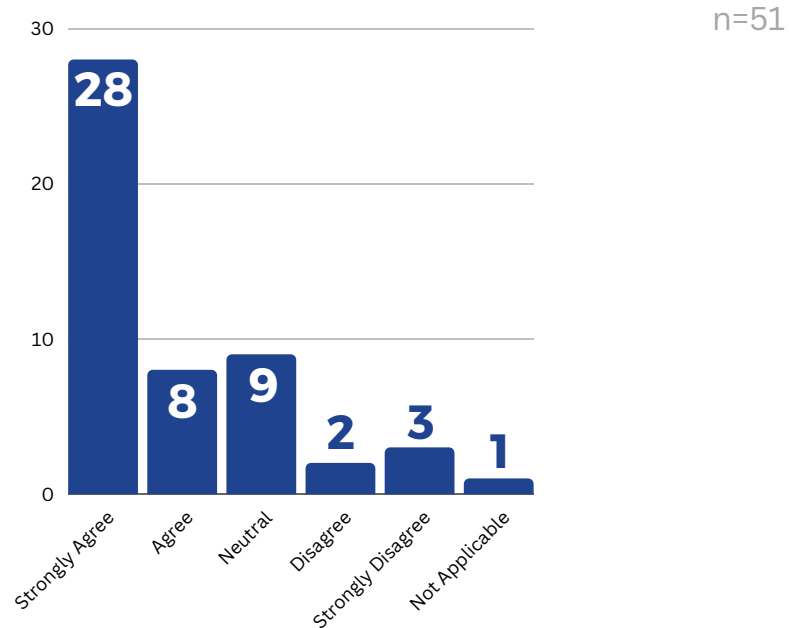
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- "haven't finished exploring it yet."
- "I think Canvas is more intuitive and easier to navigate than Sakai. It helps me stay organized as a student."
- "It's really easy to navigate, clean in UI, and importantly, it *actually works*"
- "Canvas is so much better than Sakai in that it is much easier to access documents and submit homework with confirmation that you have submitted it. Also, the ability to comment on other classmates' homework is very valuable."
- "I find Canvas to be a good format and generally easy to navigate."
- "Canvas has been pretty easy to use and fairly intuitive, it doesn't feel that different from Sakai but it does look nicer"
- "As we already operate on Sakai, it likely would have been better for me to keep my course work consolidated on one platform (however I understand that we need canvas to work with IO students). It did not negatively impact the quality of my learning experience."

Q9. continued:

- "Canvas is easier to use than Sakai I would say despite some of the initial learning curve."
- "I found the portal clunky and difficult to use. The app is very convenient, but distinguishing between pending, submitted, and graded assignments is complicated on both app and webpage sites."
- "I like the design of Canvas better than Sakai. It's also easier to see comments on my work on Canvas."
- "I like that all of my work and feedback is in the same place, and I don't have to navigate multiple sites for one class."
- "Its fine, for the most part. The biggest thing I don't like is that the grade in canvas is not my true grade in the class. It doesnt weight assignment categories differently and just goes by total points. I thought my grade was much lower than it was until I came to talk to my professor about it and she told me my real grade. Also, no-one in my group project would read the comments my prof put in canvas, so she would have to email us with the comments. But thats the same for sakai too"
- "I've heard bad things about canvas, but I liked it a lot more than sakai"
- "It is easier to use than Sakai."
- "Canvas is a little less straight forward than Sakai, a lot more clicking and more of a learning curve. However, I think that the chat function of Canvas is a win. In addition it has a nice UI, that being said it isn't necessarily the best laid out and sometimes is confusing or tedious to use. The functions of canvas to set a calendar and a class by class schedule where you can organize files and link assignments is really powerful and has been helpful."
- "Canvas is great. I find the UI much easier to navigate than Sakai. I wish CMC would switch to Canvas like literally every other 5c."
- "Unlike Sakai, the interface of Canvas is so much smoother to use. More importantly, it allows for us to play around with grade projections and easily see feedback from instructors without them having to use a separate document"
- "Canvas is difficult to navigate. Sakai has tabs that allow you to look at resources, grades, and announcements individually. I find canvas too clustered."
- "It's confusing to use and so hard to find anything on."
- "made it easy to find and submit assignments in a clearly organized fashion"

Q10. Compared to Sakai, Canvas meets my learning needs better.



Q11. Please elaborate on your previous response by sharing more details. Thank you.

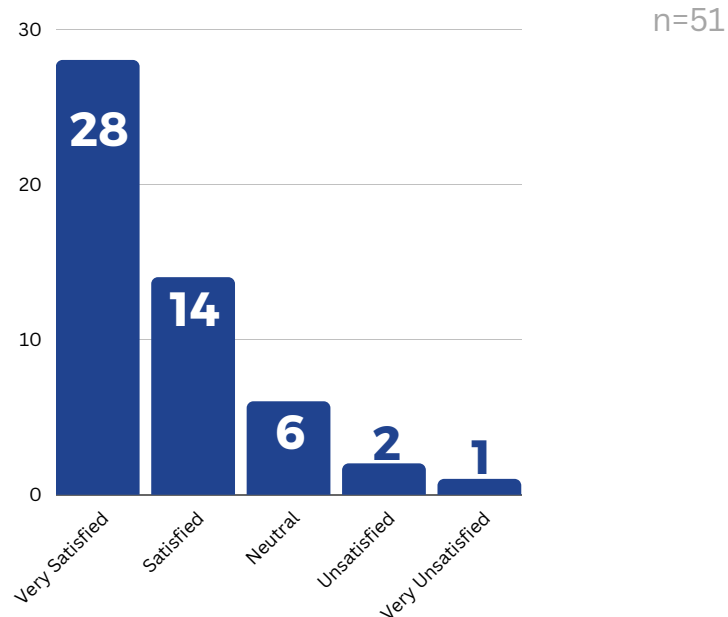
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- "Sakai requires too much navigation, and on top of that navigation is confusion and inefficient."
- "Simpler, more user-friendly interface in my opinion."
- "Sakai is better "
- "I never had a single issue with Canvas this semester. Cannot say the same for Sakai. Sakai's entire system is outdated and difficult to navigate. Canvas is clean, easy to use, and functional."
- "Canvas is more user friendly. "
- "Sakai is just really annoying to navigate when it comes to assignments and submissions. "
- "my experience hasn't been significantly different. "
- "Sakai feels old and clunky "
- "Much more user friendly, less glitchy and loads easier, better platform and interface! Canvas makes my learning so much easier and makes it easier to access what I need "
- "Receiving feedback from instructors is less effective on Sakai. it is also harder to find things on Sakai- Canvas is more intuitive. "

Q11. continued:

- "I didnt like that I could only use canvas for Pomona. Im taking a class at scripps and they also use canvas and I had to have an entirely different canvas for that class. The most important thing is that everything, for all my classes across the 5cs, are in the same place. I can't keep track of all the different portals and assignment pages, so I like how sakai integrated everything from across the campuses."
- "The format of Canvas makes more sense with the different modules on the homepage. I also like being able to put in "what if" grades to calculate what I need to get on each assignment to get my desired grade in the course."
- "Easier to view grades"
- "Easy to use and better interface"
- "sakai is not user friendly, has frequent technical difficulties, and many professors struggle using it in a way that is simple or efficient, though I am not sure there is a simple or efficient way to use Sakai. It feels extremely outdated. Canvas is super user friendly, both for students and for professors. It's overall organized significantly better, and has made my class experience better because I don't feel as though I need to work hard to figure out what my homework is. "
- "It is much easier to use."
- "for this specific class, we had a class webpage with a lot of information so Canvas / Sakai wouldn't be as useful beyond accessing files etc. "
- "more intuitive interface "
- "Sakai is a harder to navigate, as its a bit more scattered. I also find the grade predictor function of Canvas very helpful, and I like to see all the grades in one place, as opposed to some professors at CMC putting graded problem sets and papers on the dropbox instead of the grades page. "
- "the most annoying thing is having different classes on different platforms. If we are currently using Sakai, we should stick to it. Canvas is not better enough to merit a switch "
- "I feel like being able to consistently keep track of my grades and easily communicate with students and teachers was invaluable. "
- "UI is way better and accessing class materials is much easier"
- "I have to access canvas through my email because I haven't been able to find the site as easily as the sakai site for pomona. It caused me stress more than anything. "
- "Sakai is straightforward and consistent across classes. Canvas has way too many options and buttons for profs. I can never find the resources I need. The grade book is awful as well. "
- "far easier to navigate and upload my own work "

Q12. Please rate your **overall satisfaction** with Canvas.



Q13. Please **elaborate** on your previous response by sharing additional details.

Thank you.

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- "I am not able to see the assignments I submitted, the preview "
- "It has everything I want it to have "
- "I like the interface, but wish my grade were accurate "
- "I really like using it "
- "I used Canvas on my study abroad where I felt that it had a more significant impact then. I felt that it was not as integrated here at Pomona (for example, we would still submit assignments on gradescope as opposed to on Canvas) and the files were not as organised as intuitively on the Canvas dashboard itself. I can't fully remember how it was done since it has been a while since I was abroad but I think that its usage can definitely be optimised further"
- "see other responses"
- "I spend a lot less time looking for resources and completing assignments when it's on Canvas, which makes it way better for me."
- "I don't understand why the school's switching to Pomona but I wish we were told in advance. The site is a bit more difficult to navigate and it doesn't offer more in functionality than sakai."
- "It's annoying and difficult to use."

Q14. What else would you like us to know? n=9

- "I would love to see Pomona transition to Canvas completely in the near future"
- "pls use canvas"
- "If the question is if we should migrate from Sakai to Canvas, let my voice give a *resounding* "YES!!!"
- "nothing"
- "Canvas > Sakai"
- "please, please, please make an institutional switch to canvas!!"
- "I got sad when I had to switch over to using Sakai for my other classes this semester"
- "keep using canvas"
- "Please keep Sakai."

Q15. Can we contact you for additional feedback or input?

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