

ENHANCING ACTIVE LEARNING: AN ASSESSMENT OF POLL EVERYWHERE IN THE CLASSROOM

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Poll Everywhere is...

- Live response tool
- Offers various question formats
- Accepts (anonymous) participant responses via any device with an internet connection


Teaching Before Poll Everywhere

Emphasis on concise “one shot” sessions at various levels of study.

- No prior knowledge of students’ learning/skills
- Hesitancy regarding class participation
- Repetitive, efficiency-based process (teaching fatigue) for librarian/presenter

When doing research for an assignment, where do you usually get your information?

 When poll is active, respond at [PollEv.com/umanitoba](https://poll-ev.com/umanitoba)  Text **UMANITOBA** to **22333** once to join

 Answers to this poll are anonymous



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Poll Everywhere Use & Assessment

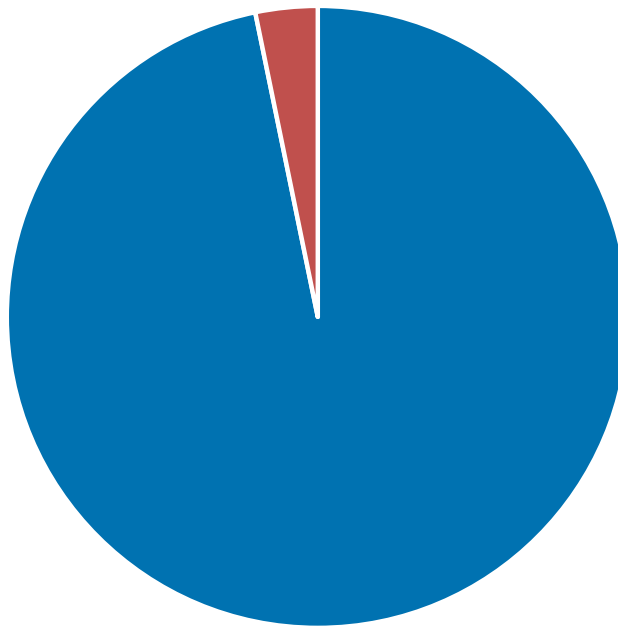
Designed/Presented in a 2000-level recreation course
(REC 2400: Management and Marketing of Leisure Services)

Piloted Winter 2016 via 50-minute class session

Thirty-one students were asked to complete 3 polls during instruction session. Instructor and students were asked to complete brief evaluation at the end of the session.

Evaluation: Students

Do you feel the librarian's use of Poll Everywhere helped you in learning the material?



■ Yes (97%)

■ No (3%)

Evaluation: Instructor

Do you feel the librarian's use of Poll Everywhere engaged students in learning the material?

“I don't know. I suspect that it did.”

“You did a great job relating your material to the assignment...thank you for your expertise!”

Evaluation: Librarian

- Provides more information about students' prior learning
- Increases student participation
- Creates new opportunities for class discussion
- Instruction becomes more interactive/exciting

Moving Forward

- Change assessment questions
 - i.e. ask *why* it made (or did not make) a difference to include Poll Everywhere
- Compare use of Poll Everywhere in different environments
 - i.e. various levels of study, subject, instruction topic
- Product is continually changing
 - i.e. integration with D2L (?)
- Plan to incorporate Poll Everywhere into additional courses for Winter 2018