

# 1. Evaluation of the impact of digital circles (User version)

Name of digital circle:

Date of evaluation:

## Section A: Personal Details

Please tick any of the below categories if you feel you belong to any. (If not, skip to the next question).

Placement Student	Commuter student	Mature student	Distance student
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please select which platform the digital circle is hosted on (please select all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	WhatsApp
<input type="checkbox"/>	Instagram
<input type="checkbox"/>	Telegram
<input type="checkbox"/>	Twitter
<input type="checkbox"/>	Microsoft Teams
<input type="checkbox"/>	Facebook
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other

If other, please indicate below:

## Section B: Accessibility

Does the circle have a moderator/owner or such like?

Yes	No	I don't know	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If yes, do you know who they are?

Yes	No	I don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you consider yourself as a person with a disability according to the [Equality Act](#) of 2010?

Yes	No	I don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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How would you describe the digital circle's functionality in terms of **ease of use**?

Extremely Easy	Relatively easy	Moderately Easy	Relatively difficult	Extremely difficult
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you find the various attributes of the digital platform you use to be compatible with your user needs? (i.e., flexibility, useability, interactivity).

Yes	No	I don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain your above answer, providing examples:

## Section C: Wellbeing and Inclusivity

Please select the option which best reflects the level of impact of the digital circle on your wellbeing and perceived level of inclusivity.

**(Key: 1- Strongly Agree; 2- Agree; 3- Neutral; 4- Disagree; 5- Strongly Disagree)**

Questions	1	2	3	4	5
I can easily connect with my fellow students on the platform	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel a general sense of belonging in the circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can share my opinion freely (i.e., without any fear)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel I can be my 'whole self' (if I wish)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I consider the digital circle to be generally positive and supportive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I consider the digital circle to be inclusive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am an active participant in the circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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## Section D: General Benefits

Have you experienced any of the below benefits since joining the digital circle?

(Key: 1- Strongly Agree; 2- Agree; 3- Neutral; 4- Disagree; 5- Strongly Disagree)

Questions	1	2	3	4	5
I have experienced peer support	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The circle is always convenient and accessible	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It has improved my confidence for face-face interactions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
It acts as a lifeline to my peers if I feel excluded	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I receive fast responses to my questions or comments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The information shared is helpful	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please provide examples of any other benefits you have gained from the digital circle:

## Section D: Risks and Behaviours

Does the digital circle have a set of guidelines in place which direct the behaviour/practices of the members?

Yes	No	I don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Were you aware of any potential risks or challenges that may arise when joining the digital circle?

Yes	No	I don't know
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please select the options which best reflect how you feel about the digital circle in terms of risk.

(Key: 1- Strongly Agree; 2- Agree; 3- Neutral; 4- Disagree; 5- Strongly Disagree)

Questions	1	2	3	4	5
I have great concerns about my data privacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The volume of notifications I receive from the digital platform(s) is overwhelming	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
The content/information shared is oftentimes inappropriate or misaligns with the purpose of the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have been a victim of inappropriate behaviour or harassment from fellow member(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Misinformation or rumour spreading occurs regularly within the circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I find the digital circle to be addictive	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Kindly provide any general feedback, comments, or suggestion(s) for the digital circle in the text box below.

**Please fill in Section E if the digital circle is course or programmed related.**

**Please fill in Section G if the digital circle is specialist interest group related (societies).**

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## Section E: Academic Support

To what extent do you agree with the below statements.

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Questions	1	2	3	4	5
I feel the digital circle has had a positive impact on my academic performance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can get timely communication relating to my course/programme through the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can get accurate information relating to my course/programme through the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel <b>more</b> connected to those on my course/programme (students and staff) because of the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have gained new knowledge/insight relating to my course/programme through the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel the digital circle has encouraged me to continue studying on my course/programme	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please expand on your above answers, providing examples:

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## Section G: Special interest groups

To what extent do you agree with the below statements.

(Key: 1- Strongly Agree; 2- Agree; 3- Neutral; 4- Disagree; 5- Strongly Disagree)

Questions	1	2	3	4	5
I feel the digital circle has had a positive impact on my experience of the society/group	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can get timely communication relating to the society/group through the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I can get accurate information relating to the society/group through the digital circle (such as event information)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel <b>more</b> connected to those in the society/group because of the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I feel the digital circle has helped me form in-person relationships with those from the society/group when I see them in person	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I have felt motivated to go to society/group events because of the digital circle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please explain your above answer, providing examples: