

Oxford University IT Services

Survey Women in Science Editathon: Ada Lovelace Day 2013 15/10/13 Melissa Highton

Results of Survey

Survey Started: 2013-10-16 02:06:53

Survey Ended: 2013-10-24 11:00:00

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Number of Recipients: 14

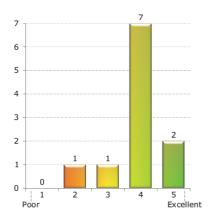
Number of Replies: 11 (79%)

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1 Course Content

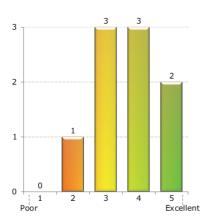
1.1 Teaching

Answers: 11 of 14 - Return rate: 78.6% - Mean value: 3.91 - Variance: 0.69 - Standard Deviation: 0.83



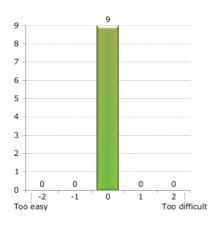
1.2 Notes

Answers: 9 of 14 - Return rate: 64.3% - Mean value: 3.67 - Variance: 1.00 - Standard Deviation: 1.00



1.3 Exercises

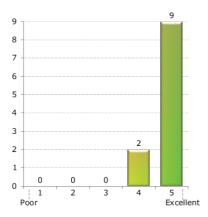
Answers: 9 of 14 - Return rate: 64.3% - Mean value: 0.00 - Variance: 0.00 - Standard Deviation: 0.00



2 Course Administration

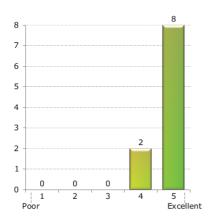
2.1 Booking and administration

Answers: 11 of 14 - Return rate: 78.6% - Mean value: 4.82 - Variance: 0.16 - Standard Deviation: 0.40



2.2 Teaching facilities

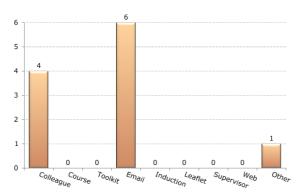
Answers: 10 of 14 - Return rate: 71.4% - Mean value: 4.80 - Variance: 0.18 - Standard Deviation: 0.42



2.3 Course Booking Information

Where did you find out about this course?

Answers: 11 of 11 - Return rate: 100.0%



3 Your comments

3.1 What would you have liked more of?

Answers: 7 of 14 - Return rate: 50.0%

- 1. collaborative work
- 2. structure
- 3. -
- 4. A bit more time to finish
- Clearer instruction of what was expected of us. More time spent explaining how to edit. The afternoon was missing a tutorial structure.
- more guidance for absolute (but keen) beginners. More opportunity to splt into groups according to expertise.
 More cake!! Great talk by Jocelyn Bell Burnell
- 7. Would have been good to work on topics in small teams, perhaps with one more experienced person in each team who could give us guidance.

I would have liked it if the participants had introduced themselves as it would be interesting / useful to know who they were and why they were there.

3.2 What would you have liked less of?

Answers: 1 of 14 - Return rate: 7.1%

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3.3 Please give any other comments you have here

Answers: 6 of 14 - Return rate: 42.9%

- 1. Yesterday I would have said I really enjoyed the event and felt I'd achieved something by creating a new Wikipedia article. But that was right up until this morning when I got an email to say that it hadn't been accepted because another article on the same person existed. A quick look at the history of that article and it was clear that it was created by someone else at the same event. What a waste of time! (Ok, so I gained some skills, but I could have gained the same skills and have contributed something new.) Giving us all different people to work on, or telling us there were multiple people working on the same thing so we could collaborate would have been far more sensible.
- 2. The cake was superb.
- 3. As this is an annual event celebrating and promoting the need for women in science, engineering and technology, I would like to see female trainers helping with the training session in future. The male trainers were very helpful and approachable, but it seems to defeat the object of promoting women in SET by having no female trainers at this event. It was very enjoyable and interesting with a very lovely cake as well! I look forward to taking part next year. Many thanks
- 4. I was a complete beginner to editing Wikipedia and I don't have a background in science but I was interested in taking part. I found it difficult not having material with me. As a beginner, being given a specific article to edit would have saved time in looking through books. Or perhaps providing a list of articles to consider beforehand. As a beginner, it was hard to learn without a specific task.
- I really enjoyed the opportunity to learn about Wikipedia and would have welcomed an initial introductory on-screen presentation on skills
- 6. It was a great experience, it would be good to do more of this kind of day. There may be people who would like the chance to come together regularly (once a term?) to focus on other topics and perhaps something of a community might emerge?