

# BLOC-NOTES 8

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for cegep teachers

## STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS THE SURVEY IS ONLINE

**W**ork is well under way to fulfill the mandate of the Comité national de rencontre (CNR) to study the issue of students with special needs and their impact on teaching workloads.

In order to complete this task, the committee has gathered and studied available documents from different colleges on the accommodations made for students with special needs.

From this, it has identified activities carried out respectively by teachers and by student support services. We are now at the stage of validating and completing the preliminary portrait that we have developed.

A survey for student support services will be completed by the colleges.

A second survey which targets teachers is now available online at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3DHQRN3>

This survey should be filled out by teachers who, during the fall 2011 semester, had at least one student with special needs.

Given that only fall 2011 was chosen as the reference semester, it is particularly important to have respondents from all disciplines in order to cover as many situations and circumstances as possible and also to obtain a representative view to allow the committee to draw the best possible conclusions.

The survey will be available online until **Friday, May 4, 2012.**

During the months of May and June, the parity committee will analyze the data collected in order to make recommendations to their respective parties.

**We invite as many of you as possible to complete the questionnaire and thank you in advance for your cooperation as usual.**

## Some Comments

A pretest was carried out for this survey which allowed us to adjust certain aspects, given technical constraints and the limitations of the online tool used.

If you are employed at more than one college, campus or college studies centre, you can complete more than one questionnaire.

Before beginning the survey, we suggest that you have on hand for each of the course sections that you taught in fall 2011, the total number of students in the section and the number of students with special needs.

Unfortunately, we were unable to avoid repeating questions for each course section; although it may

be annoying, some may have to go through and answer "No" several times.

You should expect it to take about 30 minutes to complete the survey, perhaps more if you had several students with different types of special needs in your classes.

However, if you stop before the final confirmation step, you can (in theory) go back to the survey where you left off.

In each section, there are spaces for your comments; you can use them to tell us any points that you feel are important.

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