**Interview with Thomas Wong (Professor):**

**1)  Do you currently use connect for any of your classes? Why do or why don’t you use connect for your courses?**

I currently don't use connect as it simply too confusing to use for the functionality I need it for. All i really need are to make announcements and post lecture notes; nothing major.

**(if Q1 answer is any number > 0)  
2a) How do you feel about Connect’s current implementation?**

Hate it, its really slow for what it does and I get lost really quickly trying to do simple tasks like manually add students to my classes. (hence why I don't use it [laughs])

**3a) Are there any features that you would expect in Connect?**

An easy means to store grades as well as send out emails with marks. That's really important. I also wouldn't mind having an easier way to make discussion boards. A lot of my students like to solve problems with each other, and I think making an easier to use discussion board would help a lot. (Plus it would help with the amount of people showing up at my office hours [laughs].

**3b) Are there any feature that you feel are unnecessary**

I haven't really delved that deep into it. Mostly cause I was too scared to go into anything else cause it all looked confusing. Although judging by the huge list of options I have in my side panel, I'm guessing yes, many [laughs].

**4a) How do you feel Connect handles group management?**

From what I know it doesn't.

**4b) How do you feel Connect handles project Collaboration?**

Again, I didn't think it did.

**6) Have you ever inherited a website or course material from another professor?**

I got an old website from a previous professor once.

**7) How did you feel about such a process?**

Not bad, I just got the website and pretty much scrapped it for my own remake.

**8a) Do you currently have your own course website as well as a Connect/Vista course page?**

I've got a website for my course, but don't currently use Connect; although the course does currently have one.

**8b) If you have both, how do you decide between which information goes on which page?**

I put everything on my website cause Connect is too annoying to use.

**9) Do you currently host a discussion board within your connect course? If so, what level of usage do you see from your students?**

I have a forum setup on my website, not Connect. I thought Connect’s message boards were way to chunky looking.

Overall my students use it quite a bit. I see a major spike in usage the night before assignments are due [laughs].

**10) Why do you think this is?**

Students like to help each other. Or should I say they like to minimize the amount of work they have to do [laughs].

**11a) Have you ever tried to create an online quiz using Connect?**

Once cause I was bored. Stopped after the first screen cause I couldn't figure out what to do.

**11b) How did you feel about the overall process?**

Seeing as how I didn't make it past the first screen; not very good [laughs].