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Building Blended Learning Experiences Around MOOCs:

A pilot study

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Course redesign with MOOCs

- How can MOOCs be used in higher education?
 - Redesign an existing campus-based course into a blended one
 - Course redesign: time-intensive (if starting from scratch)
 - MOOCs present a new option for the blended course design e.g. flipped classroom approach



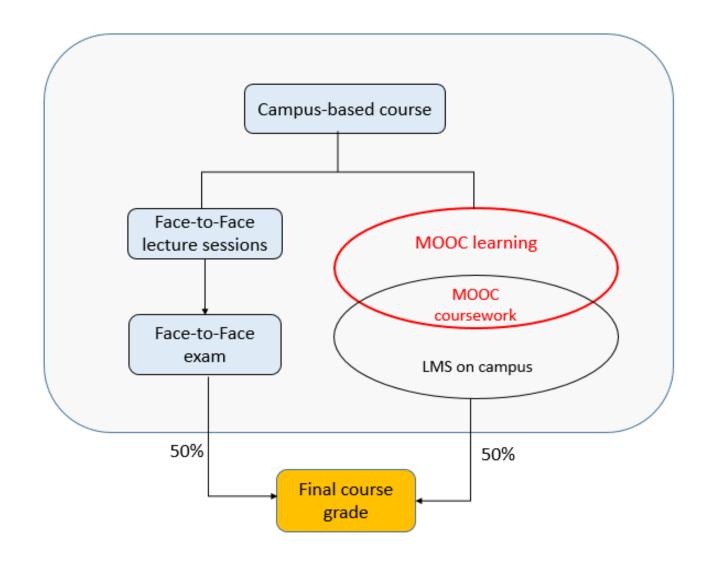
Research approach

- Design-based research (DBR)
 - Informed by existing design principles
 - cyclic vs. one-shot
 - In real contexts in collaboration with practitioner

- In collaboration with the course instructor
 - Which campus-based course to redesign?
 - Selection of MOOC
 - How to blend?
 - How to evaluate?



MOOC-supported blended learning design





The pilot study

- On-campus course: Lifespan Education (Master of Educational Sciences)
- MOOC: Teaching Adult Learners (4 weeks, Open2Study)
- Participants: 22 first-year Master students (1 Male, 21 Female)
- Intervention period: Oct. 2014-Jan. 2015



Teaching Adult Learners

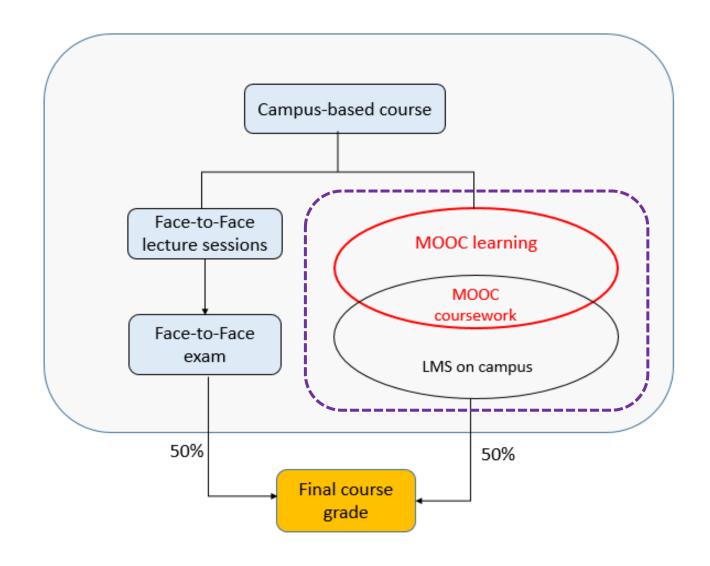
MODULE 1	INSTRUCTIONAL TACTICS	8 videos, 7 quizzes, 1 assessment
MODULE 2	ENGAGING ADULT LEARNERS	6 videos, 5 quizzes, 1 assessment
MODULE 3	ENGAGING LEARNERS THROUGH TECHNOLOGY	10 videos, 6 quizzes, 1 assessment
MODULE 4	KEY COMPONENTS OF INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN	7 videos, 5 quizzes, 1 assessment

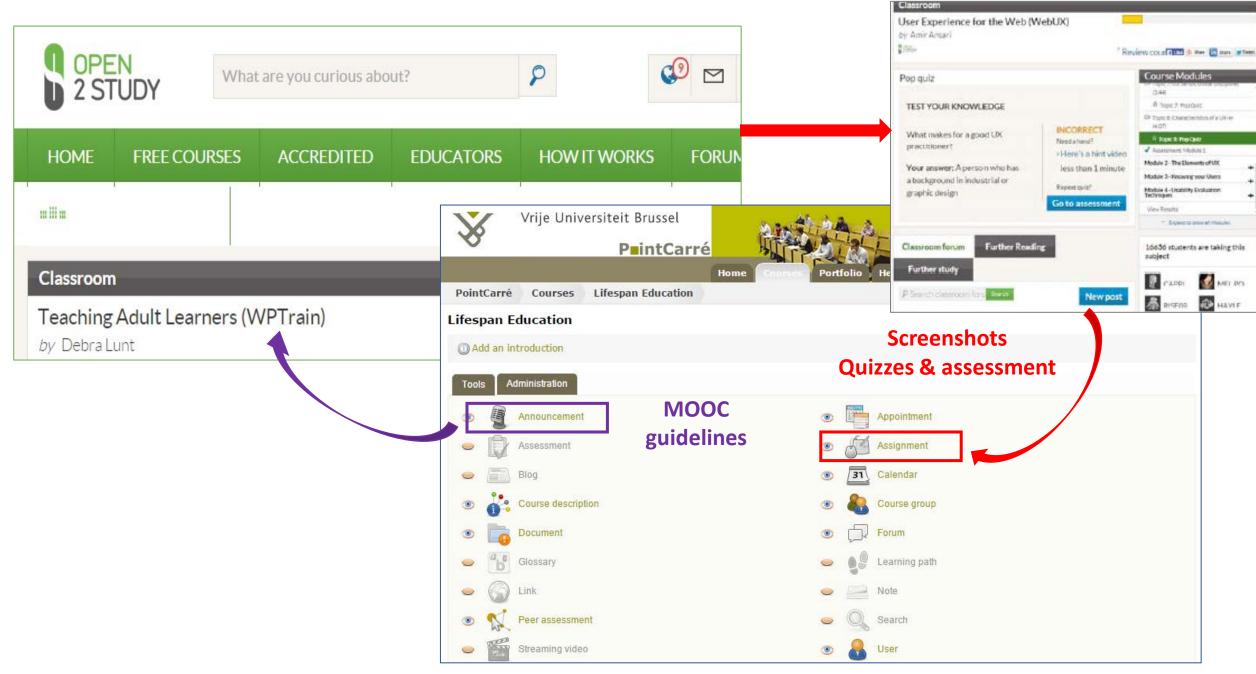
Classroom forum

Further Reading



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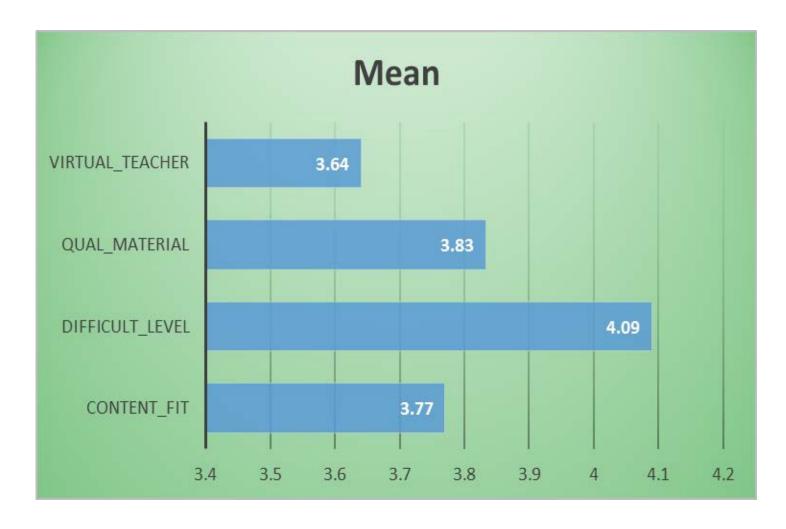


Results

- Overall satisfaction
- Quality of MOOC
- Perceived value of MOOC components
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- Effective/ineffective aspects of MOOC-supported blended learning

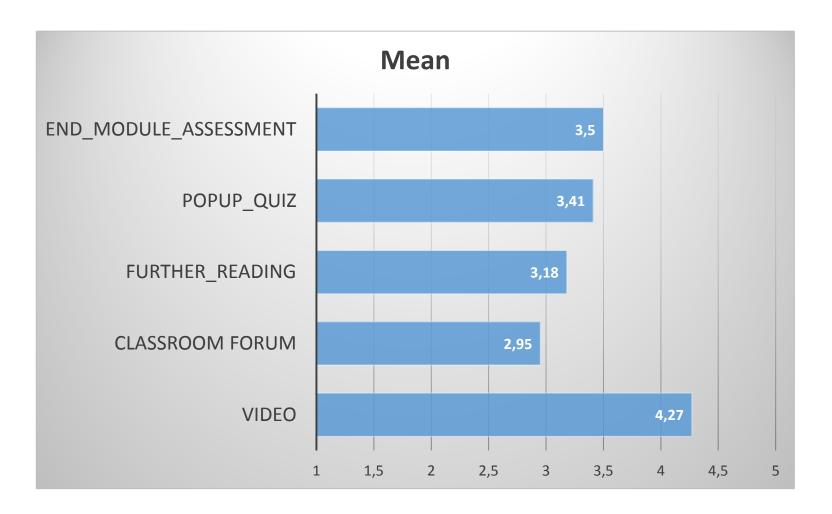
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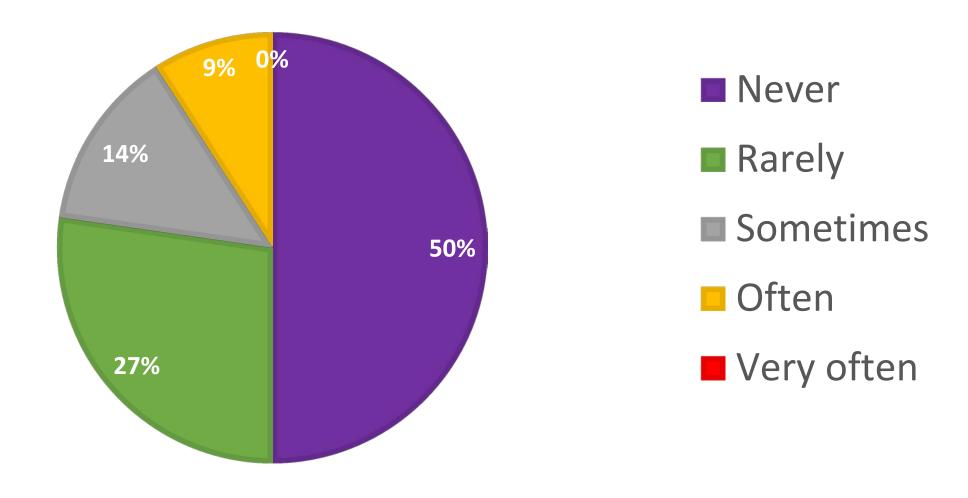


Perceived educational value of MOOC components



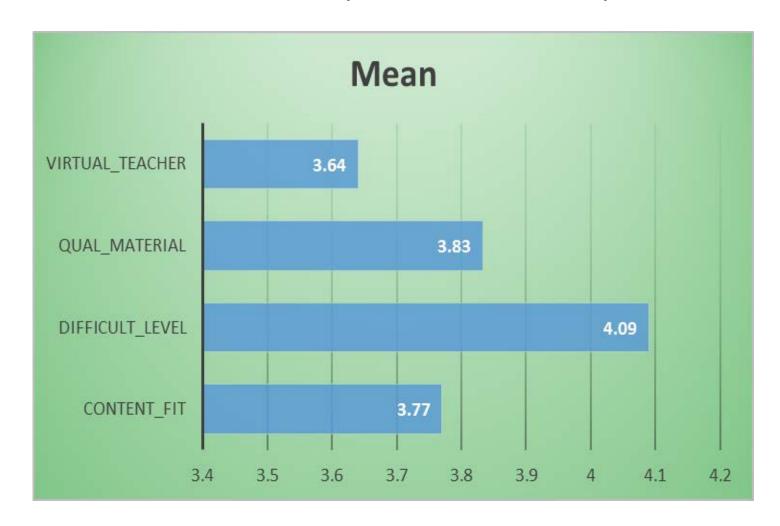


Use of Classroom Forum



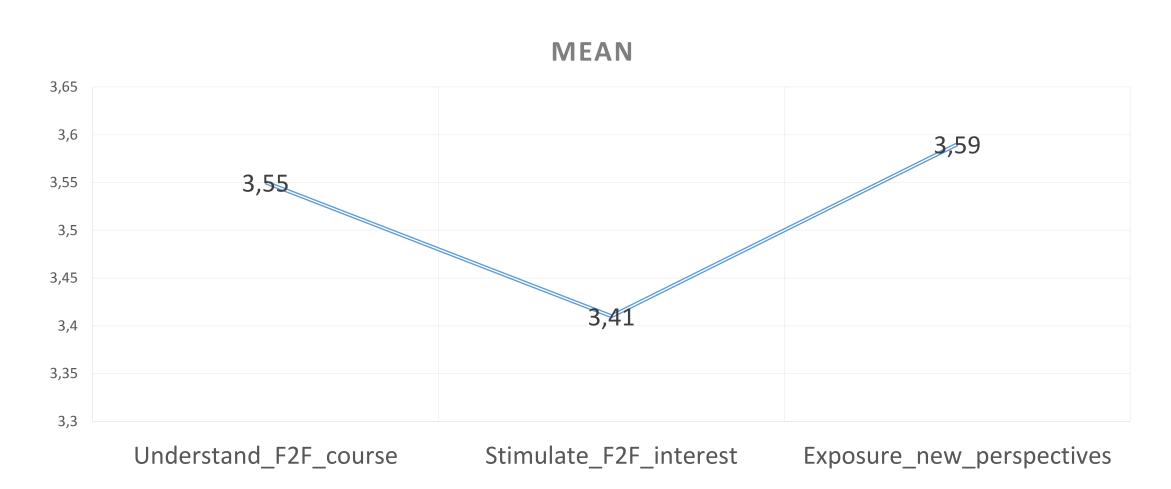
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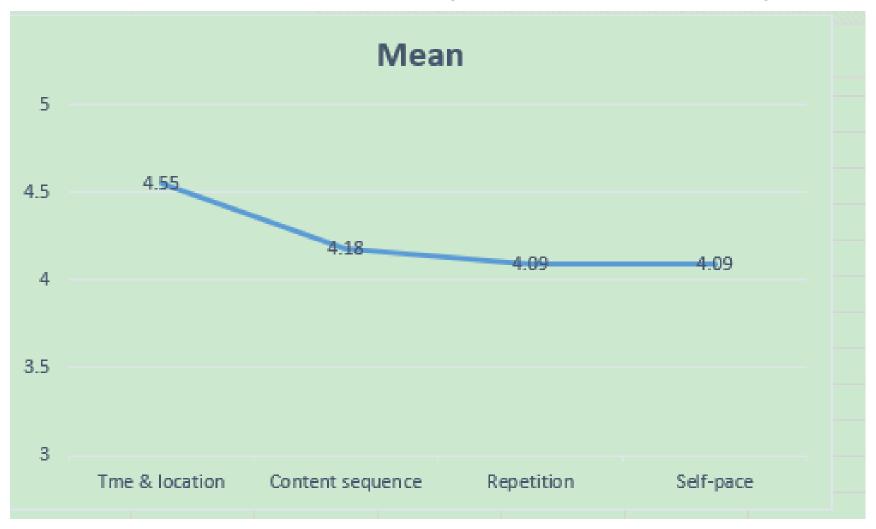


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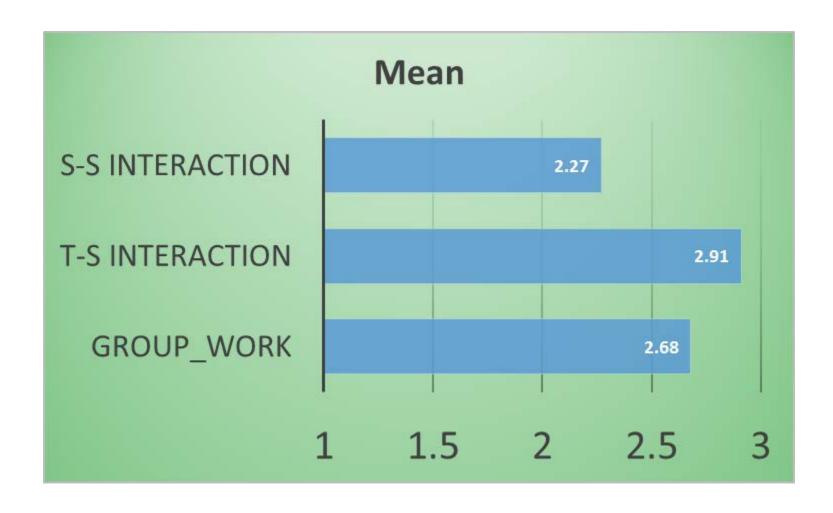


Most effective aspect-Flexibility





Least effective aspects: interaction opportunities





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Thank you!