



## Questionnaire for Older Learners

Please put a tick 「✓」 in the appropriate box.

### Section A: Background Information

1. Sex: Male  Female
2. Age: Under 60  60- 65  66-70  Above 70
3. Highest Education Level Attained:  
 Primary or below  Secondary  Tertiary or above   
 Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

### Section B: Experience of Learning (You may tick more than one box in each question.)

4. I know about U3A courses / activities through ...
  - Family members / relatives
  - Friends
  - Government departments
  - Newspaper / magazine
  - T.V. / Radio
  - Internet
  - Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_
5. I am interested in...
  - Hobbies and interests courses (e.g. painting course, dancing course)
  - Skills courses (e.g. computer course, home maintenance course)
  - Knowledge driven courses (e.g. language course, health-related course)
  - Courses leading to recognized qualifications (e.g. certification, diploma)
  - Courses leading to re-employment (e.g. office administration course)
  - Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

6. By joining the U3A courses, I enjoy the following benefits....

Develop my personal interest / hobbies

Gain some knowledge

Meet more people

Make my life more productive

Obtain a qualification

Prepare myself for re-employment

Fill up my time

Know more about the changing world

Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

7. From my experience of taking U3A courses, I find the following difficulties/problems:

Health/Physical problems

Financial problems

Travelling problems

Lack of time

Problems following the teaching pace

Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

### Section C: Experience of Teaching U3A courses

(You may tick more than one box if necessary.)

8. I have experience teaching U3A courses.

Yes  (please go to question 9)

No  (please go to question 12)

9. I have taught in ...

Hobbies and interests courses (e.g. painting course, dancing course)

Skills courses (e.g. computer course, home maintenance course)

Knowledge driven courses (e.g. language course, health-related course)

Courses leading to recognized qualifications (e.g. certification, diploma)

Courses leading to re-employment (e.g. office administration course)

Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

10. In my experience of teaching U3A courses, I have difficulties in ...

- Designing curriculum / materials
- Using teaching facilities
- Communicating with administrators
- Communicating with students
- Managing the class
- Supervising the students
- Others (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

11. When teaching U3A courses, I feel...

- Happy
- Challenged
- Frustrated
- Unrewarded
- Others (please specify) : \_\_\_\_\_

12. I would like to teach U3A courses in the future.

- Yes
- No

13. To improve the quality of U3A courses, I suggest...

- Government should provide financial support.
- Government should provide staffing support.
- Government should provide venue support.
- Government should develop some policies to support U3A.
- Non-government organizations should run U3A courses with government subsidy.
- Universities should run U3A courses with government subsidy.
- Universities should help in curriculum design and teaching.

14. In view of current policy on elderly continuing education, I have the following additional opinion:

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**Thank you for your co-operation!**