Tech Stories: CUNY Students Using Technology

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• Where are students doing their academic work?

• Why do they choose those places? How do they make them work?

• What tools do they use or need?
The Study

30 student interviews at each college:
  • Photo Surveys
  • Mapping Diaries
  • Retrospective Research Process Interviews

10 semi-structured interviews with faculty at each college
Queens

My House

Bus Ride

Borough of Manhattan Community College

Class 1
9:30 - 10:45

Class 2
3:00 - 4:45

Library

Lunch
12:00 - 12:45

Library

4:40 - 5:00 pm

Restaurant

Train (Ride)

Train Ride

Approx. 1hr.

Approx. 20 mins.

8:00

Bus (Ride)

6:45

Eat 5:30 -

7:30

Friends

Visit

8:30 -

9:00 am
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Maybe once a week. Because it’s heavy. Plus my books. It’s heavy. It kills my back. Because I’m in school from 11:00 until 8:30.
What do you usually do on your commute?

Yes, on the train or the bus.

Really? Wow. On the train?

While I’m on, riding on the train?

My homework. Because I have long days. So, I do my readings . . . Sometimes I type papers on my cellphone.

Mm-hmm. And then I upload it. I send it to myself as an email. Then I’ll upload it once I get to school. Then, you know, attach it as a, copy as a Word document, into a Word document. And that’s what I do.
I did it on my phone at one point. I was, like, in bed and I was, like, Googling certain topics.

Yeah. ‘Cause it was, like, 3:00 AM and I was ready to go to bed and I . . . I didn’t plan on looking it up, but this instinct said “Google this on your phone.”

So you were at home, in reach of a computer, but you did it on your smartphone?
Databases

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It says it’s a ‘Learning Resource Center’ but in actuality it’s a ‘Hang Out With Your Friends and Look at Your Cousin’s Wedding Pictures Center’... ‘on Facebook.’
Thank you!

Questions?

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