WOU Survey: The Languages that Surround Us

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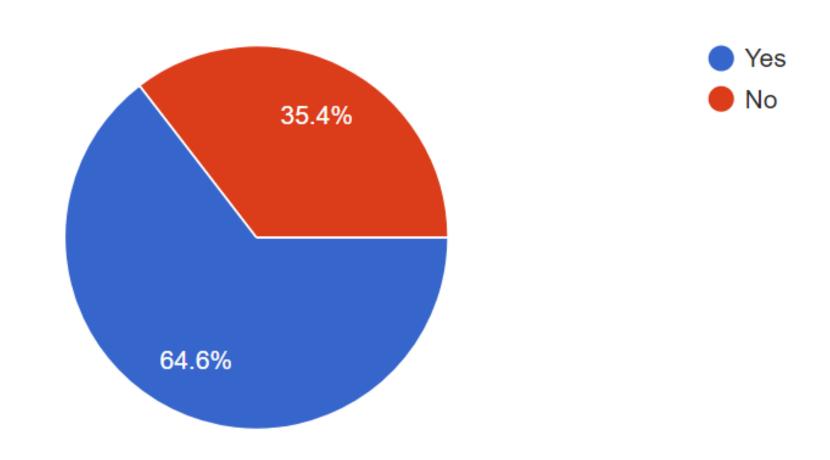
Multilingual signs on campus? 5-minute survey Dear colleagues,

Please take a few minutes to answer this one-page survey about multilingualism and the possibility of multilingual signs on campus. This is a product of my honor's class, LING 399H: Language in Place, and larger discussions on campus regarding the issue.

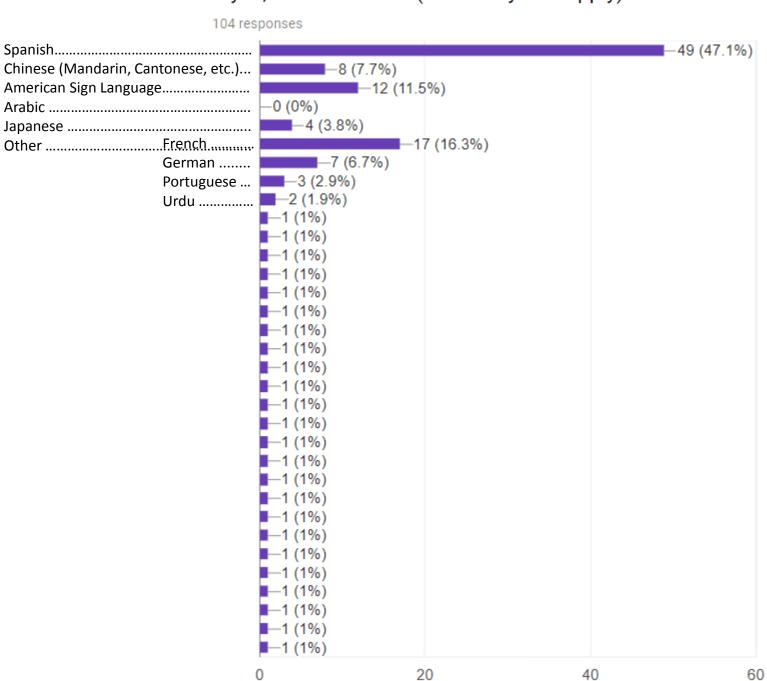
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Thanks, Rob

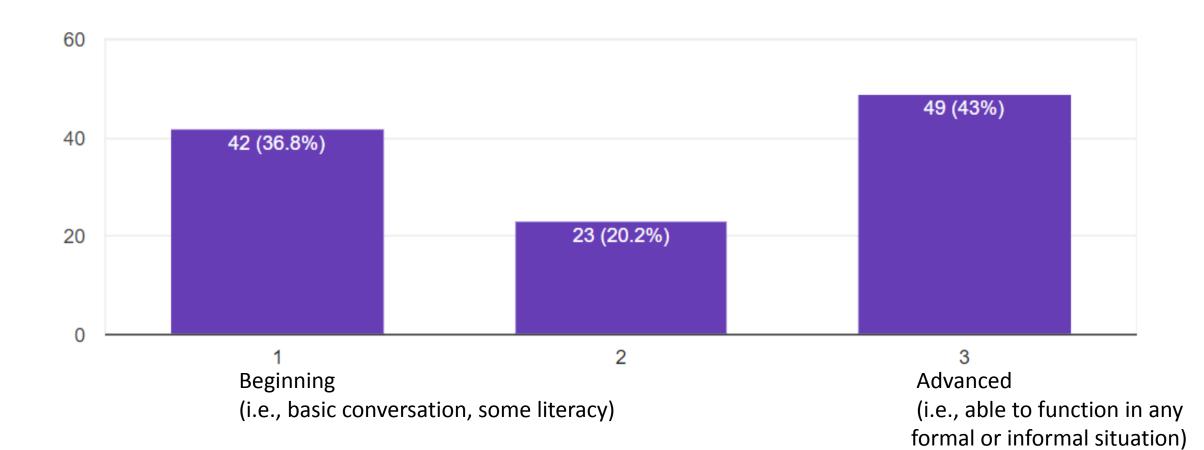
Do you speak, use, or know a language other than English?



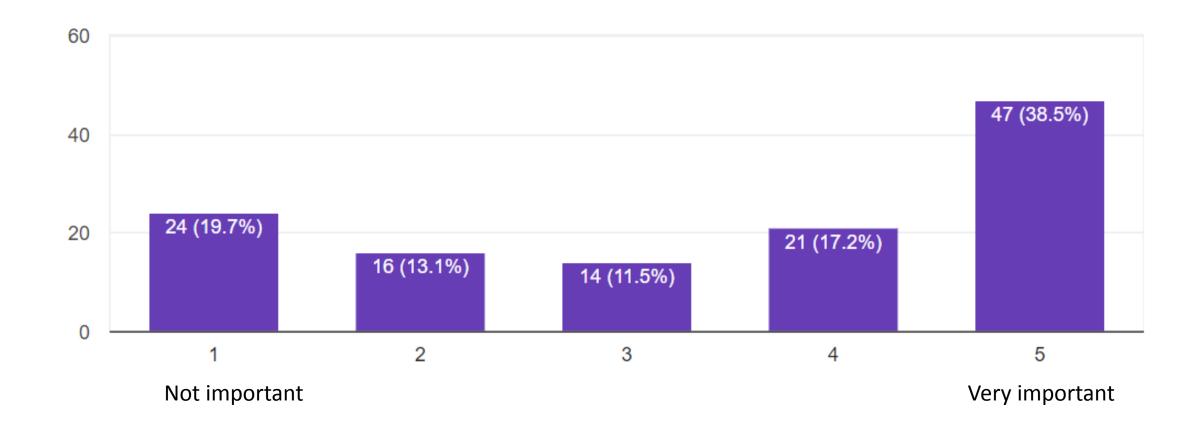
If yes, which of these (check any that apply):



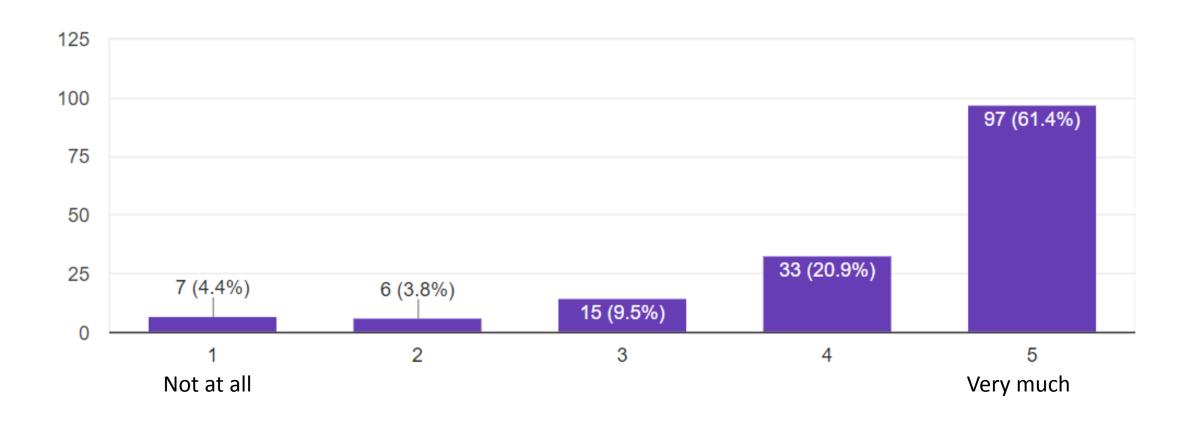
Please rate your degree of fluency/proficiency in the non-English language (if more than one, consider the one you are most familiar with).



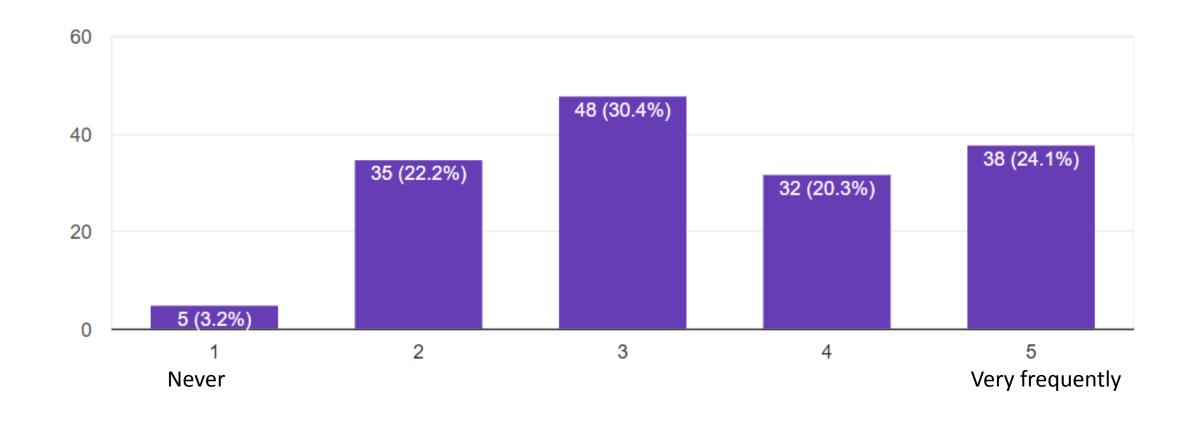
How important are the non-English languages you use to your identity or worldview?



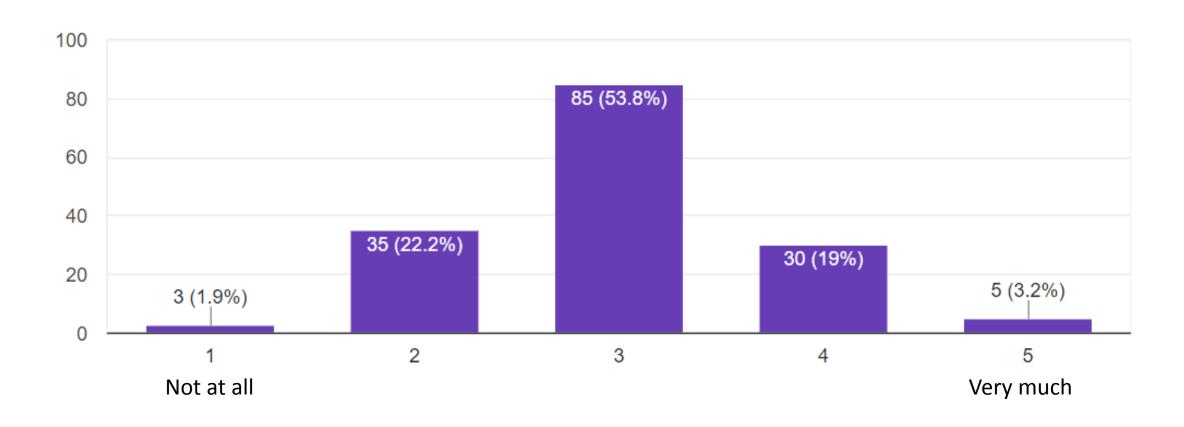
To what degree do you value bilingualism and/or multilingualism in our society and in individuals?



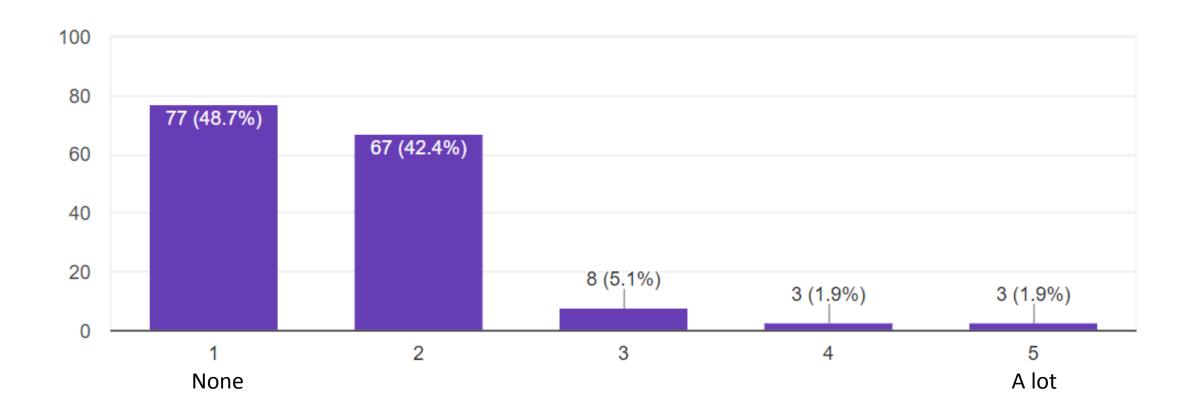
When you are on campus, how frequently do you hear or see other languages being used?



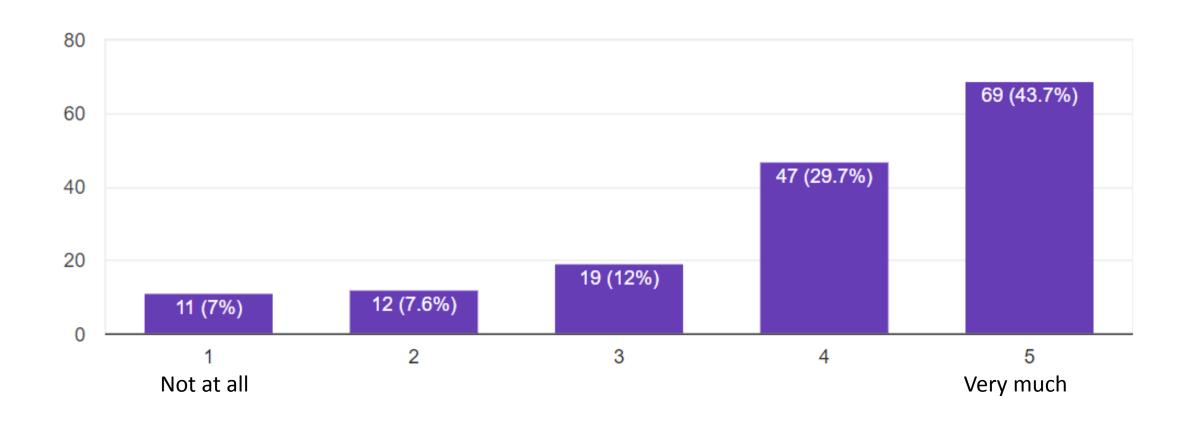
To what degree do you think WOU community members are bilingual or multilingual?



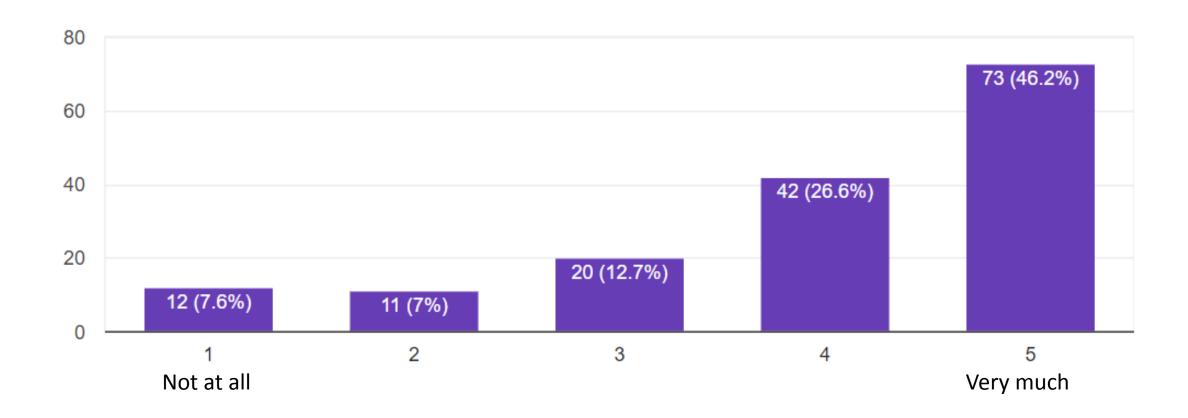
How much of the visible language written on signs around campus and in buildings do you think is bilingual or multilingual?



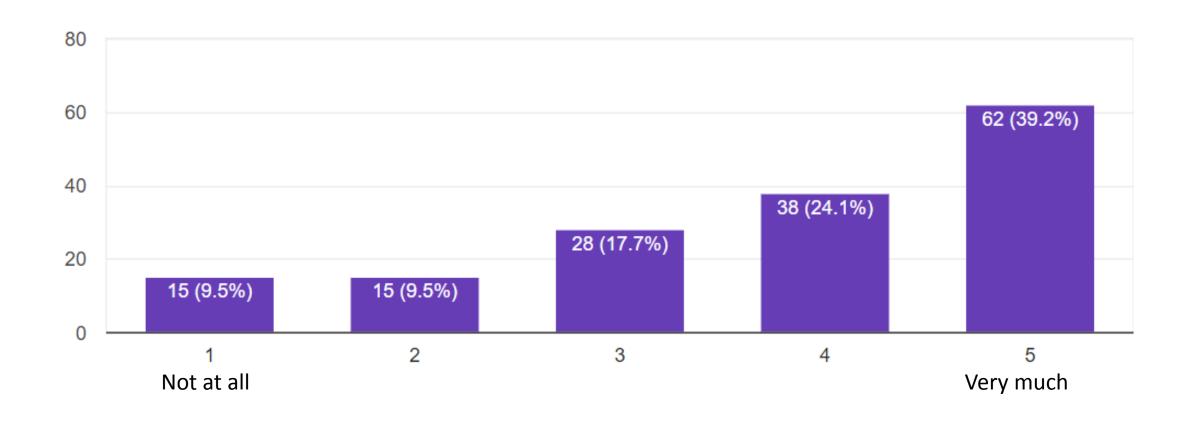
Do you think multilingual signs would make the campus look more diverse and inclusive?



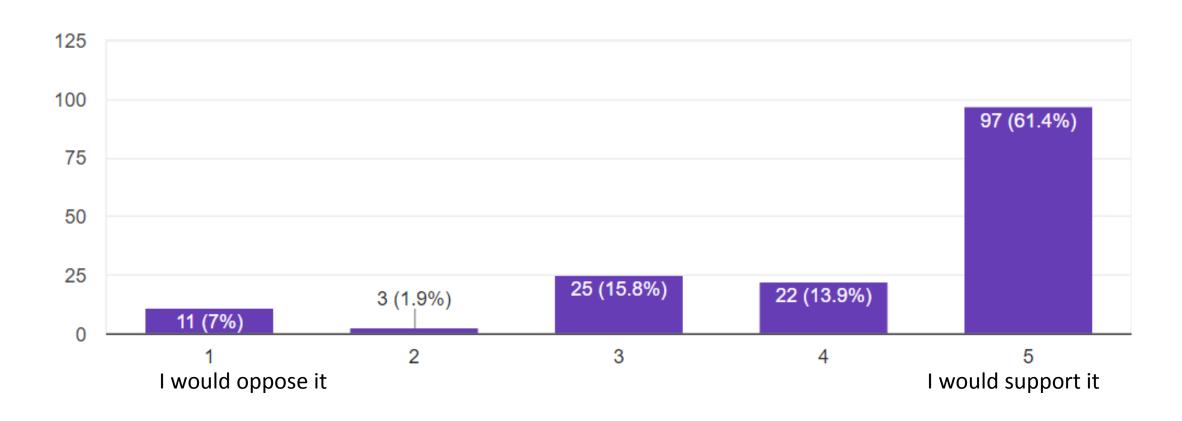
Do you think multilingual signs would make the campus look more welcoming to visitors?



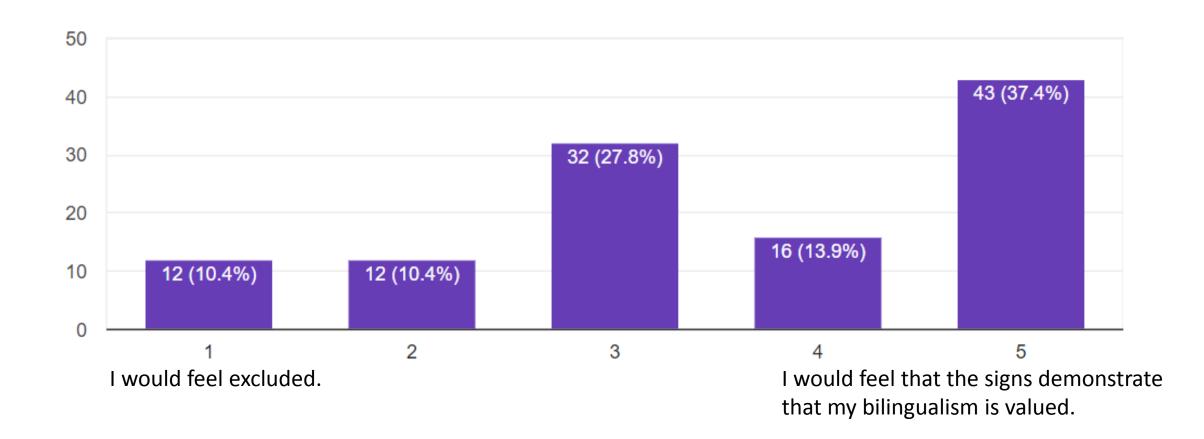
Do you think multilingual signs would make the campus look like a better reflection of who we are?



Logistics aside, how would you feel, in principle, about adding one or more languages aside from English to some of the signage on campus?



Based on the demographics at WOU, the most common languages used are: English, Spanish, ASL, Chinese, and Arabic. If you use a language other than these, how would you feel if two or more of these are on signs but yours is not?



If you are in favor of multilingual signs on campus, where would you like to see them? (check as many as you want)

