

# Graduating Senior Survey Department of Political Science

# The University of ALABAMA

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# **INTRODUCTION**

he *Graduating Senior Survey* has been administered at the University since Spring 2002. The instrument covers a wide variety of topics. First, information about the general knowledge, skills, personal development and professional growth of the students is questioned. Second, perceptions regarding major and core courses, faculty, instruction, advising, facilities, campus services and opportunities, and the overall intellectual environment at UA are requested. Third, extracurricular information about participation in clubs and organizations, and one's work status throughout college is sought. Lastly, the students' job search and post-graduation plans, as well as their geographic employment preferences are queried. There is also



ample opportunity to expand upon a response with openended questions.

The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment (OIRA) is responsible for the administration. tabulation. and dissemination of the results. While the data disseminated after the first administration in May 2002 proven to be auite valuable and insightful many campus there on remains a concern about the response rate. The response rate for the initial May 2002

administration was 39%. The response rate afterwards, however, dropped substantially to a low of 22.5% for the 2005-06 academic year. OIRA continues to try and get the colleges, and even the departments and programs, more involved in encouraging their soon-to-be graduates to complete the instrument. The response rate increased to 32.2% for the 2009-10 academic year due to better and extra email notification techniques, but dropped again to 28.1% for this current 2010-11 administration.

# DATA COLLECTION & RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS

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ata were collected using web-based submission. Students received email solicitations at the end of their last term or just after graduation. In total, 1,255 graduating undergraduate students completed the survey out of a total of 4,463 that graduated during the 2010-11 academic year, for a 28.1% response rate.

#### **Survey Responses by Graduation Term**

	Survey	Grad	Response
	N	Total	Rate
2010 Summer Term	244	777	31.4%
2010 Fall Term	355	1,252	28.4%
2011 Spring Term	656	2,434	27.0%
	1 255	4 463	28 1%

Grad. Total = Number of total graduates

After the academic year ended. the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment provided demographic and academic information on all undergraduate graduates. The 1.255 respondents were broken down into various

demographic and academic categories for comparison with all 4,463 undergraduate graduates. This was done to discern how representative the respondents were to the entire graduating population. These categories included sex, ethnicity, and major college.

All% 45.5 54.5	Major College A&S C&BA C&IS Education	N 356 366 108 84	28.4 29.2 8.6 6.7	All% 27.2 28.9 9.9 6.8
54.5	C&BA C&IS Education	366 108 84	29.2 8.6	28.9 9.9
	C&IS Education	108 84	8.6	9.9
86.0	Education	84		
86.0			6.7	6.8
86.0	Engineering			
00.0	Engineering	125	10.0	7.5
9.1	HES	155	12.4	14.3
1.1	Nursing	49	3.9	4.3
0.9	Social Work	_12	1.0	1.1
2.2		1,255		
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	1.1 0.9 2.2	1.1 Nursing 0.9 Social Work 2.2	1.1       Nursing       49         0.9       Social Work       12         2.2       1,255	1.1 Nursing       49       3.9         0.9 Social Work       12       1.0         2.2       1,255

#### **SURVEY RESULTS**

he results of the survey are broken down for each of the eight academic colleges and schools at UA in this report.

The survey is reproduced in the writeup. Percentages of structured responses are reported in tables, while students' remarks to open-ended questions are listed and highlighted in *red italic text*. An ID number is provided each student to allow comparisons and context among





their open-ended responses. For example, all open-ended responses for each number are given by the same graduating student. The number of respondents (N) for each structured item is given.

#### **Ouestion 1: Student Identification**

Students were asked to provide their Campuswide ID. This was done to ensure that only graduating seniors were analyzed, and to be able to link to data in the student information system.

#### Question 2: General Knowledge, Skills, Personal Development

To what extent do you think your education at UA contributed to your knowledge, skills, and/or personal development in each of the following areas?

			Percent					
	COL	N	Very Much	Some- what	Very Little	Not at All	Don't Know	
Writing skills	AS CB CM ED	356 365 108 84	54.5 52.1 61.1 56.0	39.0 40.0 31.5 39.3	5.3 6.3 6.5 2.4	0.8 1.6 0.9 2.4	0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0	
	EG HS NU SW	125 155 49 12	32.8 58.1 42.9 75.0	56.8 34.2 51.0 25.0	10.4 5.8 4.1 0.0	0.0 1.9 2.0 0.0	0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	
Listening skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	356 365 108 84 124 155 49	45.2 44.7 53.7 57.1 33.1 57.4 51.0 50.0	45.8 46.0 38.9 38.1 56.5 34.2 36.7 41.7	7.3 7.4 5.6 2.4 8.1 7.1 12.2 8.3	0.6 1.9 1.9 2.4 2.4 1.3 0.0 0.0	1.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0	
Comprehension skills (written information)	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	352 366 107 83 123 155 49 12	52.0 57.7 52.3 61.4 44.7 63.2 65.3 50.0	39.5 36.9 43.0 32.5 51.2 32.9 28.6 41.7	7.1 4.6 4.7 3.6 2.4 3.2 6.1 0.0	1.1 0.8 0.0 2.4 1.6 0.6 0.0	0.3 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 8.3	
Mathematical skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	355 366 107 84 125 154 49 12	20.6 38.3 9.3 41.7 81.6 36.4 32.7 8.3	36.3 43.4 31.8 27.4 16.8 32.5 46.9 33.3	27.3 14.2 40.2 20.2 1.6 21.4 10.2 41.7	13.2 3.8 15.9 10.7 0.0 9.1 6.1 16.7	2.5 0.3 2.8 0.0 0.0 0.6 4.1 0.0	
Scientific methods of inquiry	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	354 364 107 84 124 154 49	40.4 32.1 17.8 46.4 80.6 45.5 61.2 33.3	37.3 46.4 34.6 41.7 18.5 28.6 36.7 50.0	16.7 14.8 33.6 9.5 0.8 17.5 2.0 16.7	4.5 4.1 9.3 2.4 0.0 5.2 0.0 0.0	1.1 2.5 4.7 0.0 0.0 3.2 0.0 0.0	

			Percent						
			Very			Not at	Don't		
	COL	N	Much	what	Little	All	Know		
Analytic skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS	355 363 108 84 125 154	60.6 69.1 47.2 59.5 84.8 59.7	33.0 28.1 36.1 35.7 14.4 30.5	5.1 1.7 13.0 2.4 0.8 7.1	0.6 0.8 1.9 2.4 0.0 1.3	0.8 0.3 1.9 0.0 0.0		
	NU SW	49	65.3	30.6	4.1	0.0	0.0 8.3		
	3 W	12	50.0	33.3	8.3	0.0	8.3		
Computer skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	356 366 108 84 125 155 49 12	37.6 52.2 45.4 46.4 53.6 65.2 49.0 33.3	31.5 37.7 37.0 34.5 38.4 25.2 42.9 50.0	22.2 7.9 16.7 14.3 7.2 5.8 6.1 8.3	7.9 2.2 0.9 4.8 0.8 3.9 2.0 8.3	0.8 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0		
Public speaking skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 365 106 84 124 155 49 12	40.8 47.4 69.8 64.3 41.1 52.9 36.7 50.0	36.8 31.8 22.6 26.2 46.8 31.6 38.8 25.0	17.6 15.6 4.7 6.0 10.5 9.0 16.3 16.7	4.0 4.7 2.8 3.6 1.6 5.8 2.0 8.3	0.8 0.5 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.6 6.1 0.0		
Information gathering skills	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	355 366 108 84 125 155 49 12	60.6 63.9 70.4 73.8 64.8 75.5 77.6 66.7	34.1 30.3 26.9 23.8 32.8 21.9 20.4 25.0	3.7 4.6 2.8 0.0 2.4 2.6 2.0 0.0	1.1 1.1 0.0 2.4 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.6 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 8.3		
Function as part of a team	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	354 365 106 84 125 154 49	43.5 75.1 70.8 70.2 69.6 69.5 77.6 50.0	39.8 20.8 27.4 21.4 27.2 26.0 22.4 50.0	12.4 3.3 1.9 4.8 3.2 3.2 0.0 0.0	3.4 0.8 0.0 2.4 0.0 1.3 0.0	0.8 0.0 0.0 1.2 0.0 0.0 0.0		

# **Question 3: Department and Department Faculty**

Please assess your department and its faculty members for each of the following:

	COL	N	Frequent		Seldom	
			OC.	casiona	ally	Never
Did you conduct or assist in a research project	AS	352	30.4	35.5	15.3	18.8
in your major?	CB	363		36.6	17.6	14.6
iii your iiiajori	CM	105		43.8	13.3	11.4
	ED	83		32.5	19.3	8.4
	EG	124		37.9	12.1	20.2
	HS	155		31.0	18.1	22.6
	NU	49	40.8	24.5	18.4	16.3
	SW	12	50.0	33.3	8.3	8.3
Did at least one faculty member in your major	AS	354		26.0	11.0	6.8
express a special interest in your	CB	363		40.8	13.8	6.9
academic progress?	CM	106		33.0	10.4	2.8
	ED	84		19.0	7.1	1.2
	EG HS	124 154		35.5 20.1	15.3 5.8	4.8 4.5
	ns NU	49		20.1	2.0	2.0
	SW	12		25.0	0.0	0.0
	511			_5.5	0.0	0.0
Did at least one faculty member in your major	AS	351	49.0	30.5	11.1	9.4
express a special interest in your career	CB	360	40.0	35.3	16.7	8.1
development?	CM	106	45.3	33.0	16.0	5.7
	ED	84	72.6	21.4	2.4	3.6
	EG	124		37.9	13.7	4.8
	HS	155		21.9	9.7	1.9
	NU	49		18.4	4.1	2.0
	SW	12	75.0	16.7	8.3	0.0
Were you unable to enroll in a required	AS	354	13.0	23.2	24.3	39.5
course in your major because all sections	CB	363		21.8	28.1	38.0
were filled?	CM	106		29.2	26.4	26.4
	ED	84		19.0	19.0	45.2
	EG	124		7.3	28.2	55.6
	HS	155		18.7	26.5	35.5
	NU	48		10.4	10.4	70.8
	SW	12	0.0	16.7	8.3	75.0
Did faculty in your major encourage you to	AS	353		30.3	13.0	3.4
be an actively involved learner?	CB	360		36.4	11.9	1.7
	CM	106		24.5	15.1	2.8
	ED	82		19.5	4.9	0.0
	EG	123		42.3	11.4	1.6
	HS	153		25.5	6.5	1.3
	NU SW	49 11		8.2 45.5	$\frac{4.1}{0.0}$	$0.0 \\ 0.0$
	3 88	11	34.3	43.3	0.0	0.0

				Perc	ent	
	COL	N	Frequent	ly S	eldom	
			Oce	casiona	lly	Never
Did faculty in your major give you	AS	354	63.6	27.7	7.3	1.4
prompt feedback?	CB	362	53.9	40.6	5.0	0.6
•	CM	104	58.7	33.7	7.7	0.0
	ED	84	72.6	27.4	0.0	0.0
	EG	124	41.9	49.2	8.9	0.0
	HS	155	69.0	27.1	3.2	0.6
	NU	49	81.6	18.4	0.0	0.0
	SW	12	66.7	33.3	0.0	0.0
Did faculty in your major care about your	AS	353	67.4	25.2	4.5	2.8
academic success?	CB	363	55.9	35.5	7.4	1.1
	CM	106	67.0	23.6	8.5	0.9
	ED	83	83.1	15.7	1.2	0.0
	EG	124	56.5	36.3	5.6	1.6
	HS	154	81.8	15.6	1.9	0.6
	NU	49	91.8	6.1	2.0	0.0
	SW	12	83.3	16.7	0.0	0.0

# Question 4: Major Courses, Faculty, Instruction, Advising

How would you evaluate the courses, faculty, instruction, and advising in your major?

	Percent						No		
	COL	N I	Excellen	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion		
Instruction in 100 and 200 level courses in your major was	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	356 365 108 83 125 154 49 12	28.7 21.9 25.9 31.3 18.4 44.2 26.5 25.0	42.1 48.8 50.9 44.6 48.8 42.2 38.8 58.3	19.4 20.8 17.6 16.9 26.4 9.7 16.3 8.3	4.5 2.2 5.6 2.4 5.6 0.0 2.0 8.3	5.3 6.3 0.0 4.8 0.8 3.9 16.3 0.0		
Instruction in 300 level and above courses in your major was	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	356 362 108 84 125 155 49 12	63.5 53.9 58.3 71.4 40.8 70.3 61.2 41.7	28.4 38.1 36.1 26.2 52.0 25.8 30.6 50.0	5.3 7.2 2.8 2.4 4.0 3.2 4.1 8.3	1.7 0.8 2.8 0.0 3.2 0.0 0.0	1.1 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.6 4.1 0.0		
Instruction provided by departmental graduate teaching assistants (GTAs) in your major was	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	356 365 108 84 123 153 49	27.0 21.9 20.4 34.5 11.4 34.0 14.3 8.3	35.7 44.1 41.7 40.5 37.4 29.4 20.4 66.7	18.8 21.9 21.3 13.1 35.8 11.8 8.2 16.7	3.9 5.8 2.8 2.4 9.8 1.3 4.1 8.3	14.6 6.3 13.9 9.5 5.7 23.5 53.1 0.0		
The overall quality of your major was	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	355 365 108 83 125 153 49 12	50.4 58.4 52.8 67.5 37.6 64.1 71.4 58.3	38.9 36.2 41.7 27.7 56.0 31.4 28.6 41.7	8.7 4.9 4.6 3.6 6.4 3.9 0.0	1.4 0.5 0.9 1.2 0.0 0.0 0.0	0.6 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.7 0.0		
The quality of courses as preparation for employment after graduation in your major was	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	355 365 108 84 125 154 49	24.2 43.8 38.0 59.5 27.2 50.6 67.3 33.3	39.2 37.8 38.0 29.8 51.2 35.7 26.5 50.0	18.3 12.1 17.6 6.0 16.0 8.4 6.1 16.7	12.1 4.9 4.6 2.4 4.0 1.9 0.0 0.0	6.2 1.4 1.9 2.4 1.6 3.2 0.0 0.0		

		т	····		ercent	- -	No
	COL	N	Excellen	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
The quality of courses as preparation for	AS	354	39.8	39.0	11.0	4.5	5.6
graduate or professional school in	CB	363	39.7	32.8	11.6	1.7	14.3
your major was	CM	106	35.8	38.7	10.4	3.8	11.3
	ED	82	62.2	28.0	6.1	0.0	3.7
	EG	124	34.7	48.4	10.5	0.8	5.6
	HS	154	47.4	32.5	8.4	2.6	9.1
	NU	49	63.3	28.6	6.1	0.0	2.0
	SW	12	33.3	41.7	16.7	0.0	8.3
Advising in your major was	AS	354	39.5	28.8	16.7	13.8	1.1
	CB	363	45.7	27.5	16.5	9.9	0.3
	CM	107	33.6	35.5	15.0	13.1	2.8
	ED	84	52.4	26.2	16.7	4.8	0.0
	EG	125	22.4	34.4	23.2	20.0	0.0
	HS	153	60.8	27.5	6.5	3.3	2.0
	NU	49	40.8	40.8	10.2	4.1	4.1
	SW	12	16.7	58.3	16.7	8.3	0.0

# **Question 5: Department Facilities**

How would you evaluate your department's facilities?

		Percent							
		E	excellen	t			Not		
	COL	N		Good	Fair	Poor	Applicable		
The classroom facilities in your	AS	355	26.8	38.3	24.2	9.3	1.4		
department were	CB	363	63.4	32.0	3.0	0.0	1.7		
	CM	108	50.0	43.5	6.5	0.0	0.0		
	ED	84	50.0	26.2	19.0	4.8	0.0		
	EG	125	20.0	45.6	24.0	10.4	0.0		
	HS	155	32.3	40.0	19.4	1.3	7.1		
	NU	49	65.3	24.5	0.0	0.0	10.2		
	SW	12	25.0	16.7	50.0	8.3	0.0		
The non-computer laboratory facilities	AS	354	21.8	31.1	22.3	6.8	18.1		
for courses in your major were	CB	362	54.4	34.3	4.1	0.3	6.9		
, ·	CM	108	36.1	47.2	9.3	1.9	5.6		
	ED	83	44.6	28.9	18.1	4.8	3.6		
	EG	125	13.6	41.6	29.6	14.4	0.8		
	HS	155	27.7	38.1	20.6	2.6	11.0		
	NU	49	61.2	20.4	4.1	2.0	12.2		
	SW	12	8.3	25.0	41.7	8.3	16.7		
The departmental computer facilities	AS	354	30.8	36.7	15.5	6.2	10.7		
for courses in your major were	CB	360	60.6	31.7	5.6	0.6	1.7		
	CM	108	53.7	33.3	11.1	0.9	0.9		
	ED	84	45.2	25.0	20.2	9.5	0.0		
	EG	125	17.6	34.4	28.8	19.2	0.0		
	HS	154	34.4	32.5	14.3	5.2	13.6		
	NU	49	53.1	20.4	6.1	8.2	12.2		
	SW	12	8.3	25.0	50.0	16.7	0.0		

#### Question 6: Core Courses, Faculty, Instruction

How would you evaluate the courses, faculty, and instruction in your core curriculum/general education classes?

	COL	N	Frequentl Occ		Percent Seldom ally		Took core Elsewhere
Instruction provided by graduate teaching assistants (GTAs) in core courses was good.	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 364 108 84 125 155 47 12	31.9 28.7 41.7 16.0 42.6 27.7	44.5 46.2 47.2 38.1 56.0 36.8 38.3 41.7	13.0 14.6 18.5 11.9 20.8 6.5 8.5 25.0	2.8 1.9 0.9 1.2 3.2 3.2 8.5 0.0	7.6 5.5 4.6 7.1 4.0 11.0 17.0 8.3
Were you unable to enroll in a core course because all sections were filled?	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 364 107 83 125 154 49	11.8 15.0 12.0 4.0 18.8 6.1	26.3 22.8 32.7 25.3 18.4 20.1 24.5 16.7	25.5 25.3 26.2 22.9 31.2 22.7 22.4 8.3	32.9 33.8 19.6 32.5 42.4 29.9 36.7 66.7	5.9 6.3 6.5 7.2 4.0 8.4 10.2 8.3
Did faculty in your core courses encourage you to be an actively involved learner?	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	351 363 107 81 125 155 48	35.3 40.2 46.9 28.8 43.2 39.6	36.8 40.8 33.6 28.4 49.6 34.8 45.8 36.4	19.4 16.5 15.0 13.6 14.4 12.9 2.1 18.2	3.1 1.7 5.6 3.7 4.0 0.6 2.1 0.0	5.7 5.8 5.6 7.4 3.2 8.4 10.4 9.1
Did faculty in your core courses give you prompt feedback?	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 363 108 83 125 155 49	45.5 38.9 53.0 28.8 49.0 46.9	43.6 42.1 45.4 32.5 56.8 36.1 34.7 25.0	7.9 6.6 8.3 7.2 9.6 6.5 6.1 16.7	1.1 0.0 1.9 0.0 1.6 0.0 2.0 0.0	5.9 5.8 5.6 7.2 3.2 8.4 10.2 8.3
Did faculty in your core courses care about your academic success?	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	349 362 107 83 125 154 49	40.9 32.7 48.2 34.4 50.6 40.8	40.1 36.5 46.7 28.9 40.8 29.9 44.9 25.0	18.3 14.9 13.1 14.5 19.2 9.7 2.0 16.7	2.3 1.9 1.9 1.2 2.4 1.3 2.0 0.0	5.7 5.8 5.6 7.2 3.2 8.4 10.2 8.3

# Question 7: Campus Offices, Services, Opportunities

How would you evaluate these offices, services, and opportunities?

		Percent							
	COL	N I	Excellen	t Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know		
Registration process	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	352 362 108 84 123 155 49 12	31.5 39.0 25.0 42.9 34.1 46.5 44.9 41.7	49.4 47.5 57.4 47.6 48.0 42.6 51.0 50.0	13.6 11.3 8.3 9.5 15.4 10.3 4.1 8.3	4.5 1.4 8.3 0.0 1.6 0.6 0.0	0.9 0.8 0.9 0.0 0.8 0.0 0.0		
Financial aid services	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 364 108 84 123 155 49 12	22.4 25.0 20.4 35.7 20.3 29.7 32.7 25.0	30.3 26.6 39.8 42.9 35.0 33.5 34.7 58.3	14.7 11.5 9.3 7.1 13.0 11.0 4.1 8.3	3.4 4.1 4.6 1.2 6.5 1.3 2.0 8.3	29.2 32.7 25.9 13.1 25.2 24.5 26.5 0.0		
Campus food services	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	352 365 108 84 123 153 49 12	23.3 23.3 23.1 42.9 16.3 35.3 30.6 25.0	41.5 45.2 48.1 42.9 39.0 35.9 46.9 50.0	25.0 17.8 23.1 10.7 30.9 12.4 10.2 25.0	8.0 5.5 3.7 2.4 12.2 2.6 2.0 0.0	2.3 8.2 1.9 1.2 1.6 13.7 10.2 0.0		
Supply store services	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 365 108 84 122 154 49 12	30.0 30.4 25.0 40.5 21.3 42.9 42.9 25.0	45.3 47.4 54.6 44.0 49.2 47.4 49.0 66.7	18.1 15.6 17.6 14.3 25.4 7.1 4.1 8.3	5.7 4.4 2.8 0.0 4.1 0.6 2.0 0.0	0.8 2.2 0.0 1.2 0.0 1.9 2.0		
Campus health services	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	353 364 108 83 123 154 49 12	22.4 26.9 22.2 34.9 20.3 33.1 30.6 8.3	35.7 37.4 39.8 42.2 38.2 33.1 44.9 41.7	19.3 15.1 24.1 12.0 13.8 14.3 6.1 8.3	6.8 4.7 5.6 3.6 7.3 6.5 2.0 0.0	15.9 15.9 8.3 7.2 20.3 13.0 16.3 41.7		

		Percent						
	COL	N	Excellen	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't Know	
Campus counseling (not career) services	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	351 361 107 83 121 154 49	15.7 18.6 11.2 25.3 8.3 24.7 16.3 50.0	17.1 16.3 20.6 28.9 12.4 18.2 20.4 8.3	5.4 5.8 10.3 0.0 7.4 5.2 2.0 0.0	2.3 1.4 1.9 0.0 2.5 0.0 0.0 8.3	59.5 57.9 56.1 45.8 69.4 51.9 61.2 33.3	
Business services/cashier/ student accounts	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	352 364 108 84 120 152 49 12	22.7 31.9 19.4 34.5 20.8 33.6 36.7 25.0	40.1 42.9 52.8 42.9 38.3 42.8 49.0 50.0	20.2 12.4 11.1 9.5 21.7 9.2 6.1 16.7	3.7 1.4 0.9 1.2 4.2 0.0 0.0	13.9 11.5 15.7 11.9 15.0 14.5 8.2 8.3	
University Career Center	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	351 363 105 83 121 154 49 12	21.1 32.2 23.8 42.2 30.6 38.3 30.6 33.3	23.1 36.6 31.4 27.7 28.9 30.5 44.9 41.7	8.3 11.3 15.2 12.0 15.7 6.5 4.1 0.0	3.4 3.3 3.8 1.2 6.6 2.6 4.1 0.0	44.2 16.5 25.7 16.9 18.2 22.1 16.3 25.0	
Campus residence life programs for those in University-owned housing	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	349 365 107 81 123 152 49 12	17.5 19.5 19.6 23.5 14.6 23.7 20.4 0.0	24.4 25.2 29.9 21.0 26.8 25.0 28.6 25.0	10.6 11.8 12.1 9.9 17.1 13.8 4.1 8.3	4.9 2.5 4.7 2.5 8.9 0.7 4.1 0.0	42.7 41.1 33.6 43.2 32.5 36.8 42.9 66.7	
Opportunities to participate in campus recreational activities	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SW	352 365 108 84 123 153 49	36.4 39.5 30.6 44.0 30.1 39.9 26.5 16.7	36.4 35.9 45.4 36.9 49.6 38.6 40.8 58.3	11.4 9.3 14.8 9.5 8.9 4.6 6.1 16.7	2.3 2.2 1.9 0.0 0.0 1.3 0.0 0.0	13.6 13.2 7.4 9.5 11.4 15.7 26.5 8.3	

	Percent									
		E	xcellen	.t			Don't			
	COL	N		Good	Fair	Poor	Know			
Opportunities to participate in other	AS	353	38.0	36.8	10.5	2.8	11.9			
extra-curricular activities	CB	364	41.2	36.3	7.4	2.5	12.6			
	CM	106	32.1	43.4	14.2	1.9	8.5			
	ED	84	44.0	35.7	7.1	2.4	10.7			
	EG	123	34.1	48.0	11.4	0.0	6.5			
	HS	153	39.9	34.0	9.2	0.7	16.3			
	NU	49	24.5	46.9	6.1	0.0	22.4			
	SW	12	25.0	58.3	16.7	0.0	0.0			
Opportunities to participate in	AS	353	33.1	33.7	12.2	5.7	15.3			
community service projects	CB	362	34.3	29.0	12.4	5.0	19.3			
	CM	107	29.9	40.2	14.0	4.7	11.2			
	ED	84	35.7	35.7	10.7	2.4	15.5			
	EG	122	18.9	36.1	18.0	5.7	21.3			
	HS	154	39.0	33.8	9.7	1.9	15.6			
	NU	49	22.4	40.8	10.2	2.0	24.5			
	SW	12	50.0	25.0	16.7	8.3	0.0			

#### **Question 8: Professional Growth from Field Experience**

How would you evaluate your experience with a co-op, internship, practicum, student teaching, or other field experience in terms of its contribution to your personal and professional growth?

					Perc	ent			
C	OL =	AS	CB	CM	ED	EG	HS	NU	SW
	N =	352	363	106	82	123	153	49	12
Excellent		34.7	33.1	30.2	79.3	46.3	52.3	61.2	83.3
Good		15.3	15.2	25.5	13.4	21.1	20.9	16.3	16.7
Fair		3.1	5.0	7.5	2.4	1.6	1.3	2.0	0.0
Poor		1.4	1.1	0.9	0.0	3.3	0.7	0.0	0.0
I did not participate in any									
of those activities		45.5	45.7	35.8	4.9	27.6	24.8	20.4	0.0

#### **Question 10: Overall UA Intellectual Environment**

All things considered, how would you characterize the intellectual environment at UA?

		Percent									
	COL =	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU									
	N =	353	364	107	84	122	153	49	12		
Very strong		26.9	34.9	24.3	52.4	18.9	45.8	51.0	16.7		
Strong		45.6	50.0	53.3	39.3	54.9	46.4	46.9	83.3		
Average		24.6	12.6	21.5	8.3	23.8	7.8	2.0	0.0		
Weak		2.5	2.5	0.9	0.0	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Very Weak		0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		

# **Question 11: Overall UA Education Received**

All things considered, how would you evaluate the overall education that you received at UA?

		Percent									
	COL =	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU SV									
	N =	351	364	108	83	122	154	49	12		
Excellent		54.1	61.5	53.7	71.1	41.0	70.1	71.4	75.0		
Good		40.7	34.6	42.6	27.7	56.6	29.2	28.6	25.0		
Fair		4.8	3.8	3.7	1.2	2.5	0.6	0.0	0.0		
Poor		0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		

#### **Question 12: Attend UA Again**

If you had to start over again, would you still choose to attend UA?

	Percent									
COL =	AS	CB	CM	ED	EG	HS	NU	SW		
N =	353	365	107	84	122	153	49	12		
	60.3	77.0	66.4	76.2	61.5	81.0	81.6	83.3		
	29.5	18.9	27.1	17.9	33.6	17.6	16.3	16.7		
	7.4	3.3	5.6	4.8	4.1	1.3	0.0	0.0		
	2.8	0.8	0.9	1.2	0.8	0.0	2.0	0.0		
	002	N = 353 60.3 29.5 7.4	N = 353 365 60.3 77.0 29.5 18.9 7.4 3.3	N = 353 365 107 60.3 77.0 66.4 29.5 18.9 27.1 7.4 3.3 5.6	COL = AS CB CM ED N = 353 365 107 84 60.3 77.0 66.4 76.2 29.5 18.9 27.1 17.9 7.4 3.3 5.6 4.8	N = 353 365 107 84 122 60.3 77.0 66.4 76.2 61.5 29.5 18.9 27.1 17.9 33.6 7.4 3.3 5.6 4.8 4.1	COL = AS CB CM ED EG HS N = 353 365 107 84 122 153 60.3 77.0 66.4 76.2 61.5 81.0 29.5 18.9 27.1 17.9 33.6 17.6 7.4 3.3 5.6 4.8 4.1 1.3	COL =       AS       CB       CM       ED       EG       HS       NU         N =       353       365       107       84       122       153       49         60.3       77.0       66.4       76.2       61.5       81.0       81.6         29.5       18.9       27.1       17.9       33.6       17.6       16.3         7.4       3.3       5.6       4.8       4.1       1.3       0.0		

#### **Question 13: Choose Major Again**

If you had to start over again, would you still choose this major?

		Percent									
	COL =	AS CB CM ED EG HS NU									
	N =	353	364	108	84	121	154	49	12		
Definitely		54.7	48.6	45.4	76.2	70.2	55.8	75.5	83.3		
Probably		27.8	36.0	38.9	15.5	28.1	24.0	16.3	16.7		
Probably not		14.4	12.6	13.9	6.0	1.7	17.5	8.2	0.0		
Definitely not		3.1	2.7	1.9	2.4	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0		

#### Question 14: Reason for Attending UA

What is the primary reason you chose to attend UA?

		Percent								
COL =	AS	CB	CM	ED	EG	HS	NU	SW		
N =	352	364	108	84	122	153	49	12		
Academic Reputation	9.1	12.4	10.2	17.9	9.8	19.6	16.3	0.0		
Cost	6.8	3.8	4.6	1.2	7.4	1.3	0.0	8.3		
Family	12.8	17.6	20.4	21.4	14.8	13.7	0.0	0.0		
Friends came here	4.0	4.9	7.4	4.8	8.2	6.5	12.2	8.3		
Major/Field of Study	9.7	11.0	13.0	11.9	17.2	18.3	30.6	33.3		
Location	15.9	16.2	12.0	17.9	11.5	9.8	10.2	16.7		
Scholarship/Financial Aid	17.9	8.5	10.2	7.1	22.1	7.2	16.3	25.0		
Social Life	3.4	9.3	6.5	1.2	0.0	5.2	4.1	0.0		
Athletics	7.4	6.9	8.3	11.9	3.3	6.5	2.0	0.0		
Other: Please list	13.1	9.3	7.4	4.8	5.7	11.8	8.2	8.3		

# **Question 15: Participation in Clubs and Organizations**

Check all of the clubs or organizations that you participated in actively while in graduate school at UA.

				Perce	nt			
COL =	AS	CB	CM	ED	EG	HS	NU	SW
N =	356	366	108	84	125	155	49	12
Student government	12.6	13.7	16.7	7.1	5.6	12.9	18.4	16.7
Intercollegiate athletics	8.7	4.6	6.5	3.6	4.0	1.9	2.0	0.0
Volunteer service	17.1	19.9	18.5	21.4	20.8	15.5	12.2	16.7
Independent study/research	24.7	41.5	39.8	27.4	21.6	40.6	32.7	25.0
Academic clubs	47.5	34.2	41.7	40.5	34.4	42.6	32.7	66.7
Study abroad or overseas program	10.1	7.1	6.5	1.2	6.4	5.2	2.0	0.0
Political clubs	31.2	8.5	12.0	19.0	26.4	18.7	10.2	25.0
Social fraternity or sorority	19.9	14.5	14.8	26.2	32.8	20.0	18.4	25.0
Cultural clubs	32.6	29.0	32.4	20.2	48.0	27.1	24.5	41.7
Religious services/clubs	48.3	35.8	38.9	45.2	46.4	31.6	61.2	41.7
Honor societies	20.8	11.2	13.0	4.8	5.6	7.1	6.1	0.0
Student newspaper/Corolla	1.7	1.1	13.9	0.0	0.8	1.3	2.0	0.0
Million Dollar Band	4.2	3.8	4.6	7.1	5.6	1.9	0.0	8.3

# **Question 16: Work Status Throughout College**

Generally, what was your work status throughout college?

				P	ercent		
	COL	N	ONC FT	ONC PT	OFC FT	OFC PT	DNW
Freshman	AS	337	8.6	7.4	5.9	18.1	59.9
	CB	357	11.5	7.8	5.3	19.9	55.5
	CM	103	17.5	7.8	4.9	11.7	58.3
	ED	80	5.0	8.8	3.8	27.5	55.0
	EG	121	8.3	13.2	7.4	11.6	59.5
	HS	145	11.0	6.2	11.7	19.3	51.7
	NU	44	6.8	6.8	9.1	25.0	52.3
	SW	12	8.3	0.0	8.3	33.3	50.0
Sophomore	AS	341	8.5	15.2	8.5	22.9	44.9
	CB	359	10.0	7.2	9.5	29.8	43.5
	CM	102	15.7	13.7	7.8	22.5	40.2
	ED	80	5.0	11.3	8.8	40.0	35.0
	EG	122	8.2	16.4	11.5	16.4	47.5
	HS	146	8.9	6.2	15.1	31.5	38.4
	NU	42	7.1	2.4	14.3	40.5	35.7
	SW	12	8.3	8.3	8.3	50.0	25.0
Junior	AS	345	10.1	19.1	10.1	22.9	37.7
	CB	359	10.9	14.5	12.0	29.2	33.4
	CM	105	13.3	13.3	10.5	29.5	33.3
	ED	82	3.7	17.1	11.0	29.3	39.0
	EG	121	6.6	24.0	13.2	19.0	37.2
	HS	150	6.7	6.0	20.0	34.7	32.7
	NU	46	6.5	2.2	13.0	32.6	45.7
	SW	12	8.3	8.3	16.7	41.7	25.0
Senior	AS	343	8.7	19.8	11.1	21.3	39.1
	CB	362	8.0	16.0	13.5	30.4	32.0
	CM	104	15.4	14.4	10.6	17.3	42.3
	ED	83	4.8	10.8	10.8	30.1	43.4
	EG	121	5.8	28.1	9.9	21.5	34.7
	HS	153	6.5	11.1	21.6	35.3	25.5
	NU	46	2.2	2.2	15.2	23.9	56.5
	SW	12	16.7	0.0	16.7	33.3	33.3

ONC= On-Campus, OFC= Off-Campus, FT= Full-Time, PT= Part-Time, DNW= Did Not Work

# Question 17: Plans Following Graduation.

Indicate the ONE best description of your plans following graduation.

	Percent							
COL =	AS	CB	CM	ED	EG	HS	NU	SW
N =	353	364	108	84	122	154	49	12
I do not know yet	8.5	6.9	7.4	6.0	5.7	11.7	4.1	0.0
I have accepted a job related to my								
field of study	7.9	24.5	13.9	10.7	32.0	12.3	34.7	0.0
I have accepted a job not related to my								
field of study	6.8	5.8	3.7	1.2	0.8	3.9	2.0	0.0
I plan to continue in my current position	2.5	4.1	0.0	1.2	0.0	8.4	2.0	0.0
I will be going to a graduate or								
professional school full-time next year	: 37.1	19.2	19.4	20.2	21.3	16.9	2.0	50.0
What school? (see comments below)								
I will be going to a graduate or								
professional school part-time next year	r							
and working part-time:	2.5	1.6	0.9	3.6	2.5	6.5	0.0	16.7
What school? (see comments below)								
I will take more undergraduate courses	2.5	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.0	0.0
I am still seeking employment	22.1	29.9	45.4	54.8	32.0	29.9	51.0	16.7
I am not currently seeking employment								
and do not plan to attend school								
next year	2.8	3.3	1.9	1.2	2.5	1.9	0.0	0.0
I am entering military service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other (see comments below)	7.1	3.6	7.4	1.2	3.3	5.8	2.0	16.7