Graduating Senior Survey

The University of ALABAMA

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INTRODUCTION

The 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 open-ended 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 has proven to be quite valuable and insightful to many on campus there 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 26.5% for this current 2012-13 administration.
DATA COLLECTION & RESPONDENT CHARACTERISTICS

Data were collected using web-based submission. Students received email solicitations at the end of their last term or just after graduation. In total, 1,325 graduating undergraduate students completed the survey out of a total of 5,000 that graduated during the 2012-13 academic year, for a 26.5% response rate.

After the academic year ended, the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment provided demographic and academic information on all undergraduate graduates. The 1,325 respondents were broken down into various demographic and academic categories for comparison with all 5,000 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.

Survey Responses by Graduation Term

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The 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.

**Question 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.
Open-ended comments and other information given by students in specific programs can be discerned by the following list of ID numbers.

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

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

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|     | HS | 151 | 21.2 | 21.9 | 29.1 | 21.2 | 6.6 |
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| Did faculty in your core courses encourage you to be an actively involved learner? | AS | 403 | 28.0 | 42.9 | 18.4 | 3.7 | 6.9 |
|     | CB | 336 | 39.3 | 37.8 | 16.4 | 2.7 | 3.9 |
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|     | EG | 125 | 29.6 | 46.4 | 18.4 | 2.4 | 3.2 |
|     | HS | 151 | 44.4 | 36.4 | 11.3 | 2.0 | 6.0 |
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|     | CM | 121 | 40.5 | 43.0 | 9.1  | 2.5 | 5.0 |
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Additional comments on the above core curriculum courses, faculty, and instruction.

5    Alabama has high quality instructors that care about students' success.
7    I only had to take about 2 core classes because of all my AP/IB credits.
8    Many core classes were too large making it impossible for the teacher/GTAs to give individual students the help they might need. Smaller classes with more individual attention are greatly needed.
13   Some professors in Art History and History, my two majors, are very involved, other do not ask. Both majors, especially Art History, need to improve their ability to prepare students for the future, life beyond undergrad. I had very little help in understanding graduate school or other career opportunities. This university needs to focus more energy on helping students sophomore and junior year to develop a plan after school, including internships, interviews and how to apply competitively for graduate programs. Students are left completely on their own in deciding for the future. This is an area that Alabama is seriously lacking.
17   There were 2 GTAs I had that were terrible but the rest were good.
26   The majority of my core courses were taken elsewhere so I had limited exposure to UA's core curriculum. I don't recall much interaction with GTAs in the core courses I did take.
27   I am aware that artists are unorganized therefore they do not make very good advisors, but it would be great to have at least one who knew how to interpret DegreeWorks. Also, there were good teachers whose class I slacked in and got the grade I deserved. But then there were teachers like Dr. Nancarrow, who is a nice woman, but is not clear on what she wants until you bomb the first test and paper, even though you tried really hard. Even if you discuss these things with her, she is very quick to make you feel like a moron. If I could start school over, I would have never went into the Art Department, because I truly believe this department is the most overlooked. I did not feel that the University cared about any of us. I wanted to go to U of A ever since I was 5. I'm greatly disappointed in the program. The only reason I stuck with Alabama was for the football tickets. Honestly.
28   The art department faculty needs an overhaul. I've been very disappointed with how little many of them were invested in the quality of their classes, the learning outcomes, or helping students achieve post-graduate success. I've been struggling my entire time with the art department, trying to find just one professor who will help me learn the things that I need to achieve my career goal, but none have been helpful.
32   Honors core curriculum classes were notably better quality.
37   There have been many professors who have taken there time to help me along my academic progress and I have had a wonderful experience with them and have cherished their interest in me. But, for every wonderful professor, there have been others that were more than helpful. From my experience in the Biology department, professors are overwhelmed with the workload that they are asked to accomplish in juggling their research projects and teaching courses. I realize that the university's science departments are ranked based upon the research that each
professor provides but I do not believe that asking professors to be amply involved in research and teach classes at the same time is conducive to providing students with adequate resources to reach their optimal academic success. I believe that the university needs to hire professors who are not required to conduct research, allowing them to allocate their all of their time and effort towards the advancement of their students. In my academic career I have taken a course under a professor who was teaching the class only because they had to and by doing so provided their students (me included) with poor education. Bottom line, the vast majority of science professors prioritize their research first and teaching second. If the university truly wants to provide the best education to their students, it is of paramount importance that they fix this problem. To me, the only way to do so is to hire professors who are not required to conduct research.

These are really tough to answer because I had teachers who cared about my performance and about me as a student, but then I had others who couldn't even tell me I was a student in their class.

While I am graduating from Arts and Sciences, I feel as though I am more a part of the Biology department and Honors College. More outreach from A&S would be nice...

Some of the classes were too large, but the smaller ones provided for better learning and feedback.

I think our faculty should challenge students more. Classes are getting too big for the amount of staff we have, and it forces teachers to sacrifice good tests with in depth questions on the topics taught in exchange for tests which are more time efficient to grade. The students are the ones suffering if we keep making the curriculum easier.

Melissa Hull in my core class of EN 210 was absolutely, hands down, the best professor I have ever had on campus here. I loved that class because of her.

work out the kinks with chemistry and organic chemistry. something has to change.

Registration was a major problem for me. There were a lot of courses that I were interested in that I never got to take because they were full. This included my last semester as a senior.

Towards the end of our collegiate career, our faculty just seemed to not care anywhere near as much as they did when we first started. It'd be nice to have that back for future undergrads.

Everything is great.

My experience with the Criminal Justice was amazing. I honestly do not have any dissatisfaction with that program. However, the psychology department was an absolute disaster. I will never understand why GTA's are allowed to teach 300 level courses. GTA's should never be allowed to do that. Classes are always better when the instructor is passionate about what they are teaching. Psych, Law and Justice and Abnormal Psychology are some of the most popular courses to take in this major. It was a nightmare when I had graduate students teaching the course. It always seemed that they did not care to be there and just read the PowerPoint slides verbatim. I am glad to see that they have more qualified people teaching those classes now. I felt like I got the short end of the stick in most cases with the psychology department. Always ending up in a semester with GTAs as my instructors is an example of this. Furthermore, I just overall felt like the instructors with PhDs were too busy for me. None seemed to care where I went after graduation. This is all in comparison to how the criminal justice department treated me. After I declared CJ as a major, I was immediately reached out to by Dr. Lanier. The classes are put together in a way that is much more organized. I felt like I was just a number in the psychology department. In the CJ department I felt like I really contributed to their program. Most of all my classes in PY were beyond disorganized. I'm so happy I added CJ as a major. It made my UA experience more positive. Wish I would have figured that out before my last year.

The courses and faculty were great, it was just hard for them to encourage and express interest in each individual's academic success.

The core curriculum was laughably easy, but that should probably be expected at a large university like Alabama where students come from a variety of backgrounds. Most of the faculty did their job and were open to talking to students with special needs/interests outside of class, which is all you can really expect for gen-ed courses.

General education classes are generally so large that instructors don't have the time to invest in individual students. It is quite easy to get lost in the crowd or behind in a class, and many classes are proscribed as being "weed out" classes at the beginning of the semester. Overall, the
environment in general education classes is not very encouraging and needs significant improvement.

My studies in English Literature were useful and interesting. Faculty in English were so much more helpful, nice, and caring than faculty in my general Ed courses.

I have none.

It is absurd that an English major has to take four semesters of a foreign language, two different sciences, and two maths. It was a complete waste of my time when my time could have been used to strengthen my skills in my major. But, I get it, it's just another way for this campus to get money out of us.

There were 2 GTAs I had that were terrible but the rest were good.

Sometimes things were hit or miss. For the most part the professors in the Geography department were fantastic. Mrs. Pitts, Dr. Appiah-Oppoku, Dr. Bryan, Ms. Watson, Mrs, Espy-Brown, and Dr. Tinnon were great professors and genuinely cared about their students success, when others did not seem to care much and were very unhelpful outside the classroom. The GTA's were really knowledgeable and were a great help when it came to labs and studying for the tests.

The only core curriculum classes I took at UA was Spanish. I thought the Spanish department was great and I really learned a great deal.

The requirement for core classes are ridiculous. Math specifically is obviously nothing more than a cash cow for the University. Of all courses math should not be a teach yourself thing. Add in “needing” to have a certain level of math and it's a joke designed to separate me from even more of my money. Core classes should be tailored for the major. History students don't need 8 credits of science and 3 math credits, for them it makes more sense to up the requirements for writing(maybe having a specific writing course targeted to History students, like the science majors have specificly targeted math courses) and social sciences(like sociology classes, better help understand historical events in a social context), halve or eliminate the requirement for science and get rid of the math. It would be better for the major, especially seeing as how so many history students can't even write a decent paper. By requiring math and science and other seriously non-applicable course you are wasting our money, time and weakening the focus of our education.

Large classes= less attention and more stress for professors, but GTA's sometimes let the power go to their heads.

Great program and even better team.

Dr. Wu is by far the best instructor at UA for older non traditional students. He provided me opportunities to succeed when I had professional obligations to manage and also when I had technical problems with the course, he was understanding.

I was enrolled in Distance Learning and almost all of my courses were advanced.

I pursued the override process for a few classes and was always accepted into the desired section. Larger class sizes prohibited students from continuously being actively engaged, but courses with fewer students provided opportunities for more meaningful discussions.

It's hit-and-miss, but I can't blame the core faculty. I found myself phoning in classes that were required but that I didn't need—I'd love to learn astronomy on my own, but that semester (my seventh) I had more important things to do than take a required core science class. While I appreciate the well-roundedness that “unnecessary” classes brought (econ, poli-sci, lit) I also think that the amount of structure in the core requirements was a little stifling at times.

The classes are so big that it is understandably harder for the teacher to take an interest in the success of each student. I would add to my responses that if the student needed help or took the time to contact the teacher, I have no doubt that the teacher would help the student. However, I do believe that some professors do not try as hard to teach the material in a concise, organized manner for 101 core classes. Many of the students are non-majors, and it is supposed to be an introductory course. I found that some of my 101 classes were lectures or conversations of material that was too involved and unnecessary for the nature of the course.

The core courses were by far my least favorite and where I learned the least amount of information.

Loved special topics courses!

I took my core classes in High School through AP courses.
I appreciate several faculty members in the Department of Political Science in particular for their help in making me the person I am today: my teacher and academic advisor Dr. Chotiner, Dr. Michael New, Dr. Utz McKnight.

Some classes were really hard for core classes. I was not prepared for grad school. My advising was always complicated, and I felt that because I had missed the opportunity to join the honors society, I was overlooked for several opportunities. I would have also appreciated if I had the same advisor the whole time who would have taken special interest in learning my career goals so that I could have been properly guided and prepared for grad school.

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Not all teachers, but overall impressed.

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in debt and working for 5 days 10-6 a week just to get the knowledge I was hoping to get in school and taking on a second job now just so I can buy food. That’s fucked up. Sorry guys but you failed.

Teachers in the C&BA are amazing.

In the general education courses I took, I noticed that the faculty were generally nice but less accommodating for special situations because of the large classes.

The business school did an excellent job preparing students for success in the workforce.

The core curriculum in the business school has room for improvement. I feel that what is taught in the lower level classes has a wide gap in its relevance to real world application.

The faculty in the MIS program are the best faculty in the Business School in my opinion. They are invested in each student’s career progression and spend countless hours improving the program and students that graduate each year.

I didn’t find core classes to be nearly as helpful as my major classes. This includes courses in the business school, as the MIS courses I took were far more involved and generally taught me a lot more.

had a GTA who basically blew off my questions (I had many because this class in particular was difficult) saying that I needed to come by in their office hours rather than address the questions in class.

Roll Tide!

Gorman Houston is awesome

Joe Calamusa was very helpful when I was looking for an internship/job. He set up an interview for me which led to me obtaining the job that I will began after graduation.

This school is the most amazing institution. I am sincere in saying I could not have asked for more in a college career. The faculty in the business school, and especially in the sales program, would do anything to see you succeed. From the moment I stepped foot on this campus in 2008, I’ve loved every minute of it. I’m graduating with honors (when I had a 2.something GPA in high school), job offers all over the country, 2 (and counting) national championships, and more once-in-a-lifetime experiences than you could imagine. I love this school more than I’ve ever loved anything; and it breaks my heart to leave. ROLL TIDE

They were so nice and helpful and showed that they really cared!

i felt a distance from instructors and I was actively engaged in all classes.

While I understand Business Finance is a required course, I believe the professor offering needs to be reconsidered. I’m not arguing that the course doesn’t need to be required, but the professor made the course way more complicated than it needed to be. I didn’t learn a single thing besides on how to memorize getting the solution to problems.

Professors/faculty I enjoyed/appreciated or who showed interest in me as an individual:
Arthur Allaway--MKT410, Joe Calamusa--MKT337, Jim Rowell--MGT320, Gorman Houston--MKT300, Sarah Garven--AC210, Jason Campbell--KIN155, Strickland--GBA490

Dr. Heggem--helped ensure I got enrolled for Fall 2012 so I could finally graduate

Advisor had “personal” reasons for changing or cancelling appointments EVERY SEMESTER. Not once was my advising conducted as scheduled, and it was usually done via email with no personal meeting.

Business school needs classrooms that instructors can use overhead projector as well as write on the board.

As a freshman and sophomore, it was frequently difficult to get into core classes because they would already be filled up.

My major professors were amazing! They cared about my progress and well I did! In my other 100 or core level classes, the teachers sucked usually. They didn’t care about students learning or gaining any valuable information they just cared about meeting a quota of failed students. It was difficult to want to attend and participate in class when your 100 level teacher told you that 70% of the class won’t pass. 100 level classes should not be that difficult. They should be challenging so students can learn something but not so challenging that it discourages them from trying a major that would be prefect for them. I understand that those classes are usually thought to be “weeding” out classes but if the major is designed right then the major will weed out the students not fit for the program.
I enjoyed taking my core courses for my major of Communication Studies. Some of my professors were excellent and I enjoyed receiving instruction from them. I have had more of my fair share of professors that I do not particularly care for. The courses I have taken in COM Studies have definitely prepared and exposed me to career opportunities.

I received the most overt consideration for my academic success in the following core curriculum courses: French 201 and all honors seminars. The journalism faculty became a family to me. They were always encouraging and understanding, and they showed special interest in your individual experiences.

Some core classes were unnecessary (geography, geology). I would like to see a personal finance class required.

Overall, I really liked the upper level courses (300 level and up). The quality, involvement level and workload seemed to vary from GTA to GTA for different sections of the same course very often in Arts and Sciences core courses. This should probably be more consistent.

Core courses should be structured more specifically for majors. Core courses that were big lecture classes, were harder to succeed in my opinion. Some teachers in core curriculum courses were harder to get individual tutoring/attention and the final course grade relied heavily on test scores (sometimes a lab grade) and was purely all lecture.

I think core class instructors should try to relate those courses to real life situations so all students can comprehend how they apply to them.

As I pursue a graduate degree in my undergraduate field of study, I am much more prepared than my current peers. My professors and the content covered was absolutely excellent. I couldn't be happier with my undergraduate choice of major and school in general.

I have not had an advisor for the past four years. I am very thankful for degreeworks and caring teachers like Dr. Tran and Dr. Clark, who took time out of their schedules to help me with mine. Without them, I would not be graduating this weekend.

Hiring Dr. Rachel Raimist was the greatest thing the TCF department has done in the past 5 years. However, there is a great lack a resources for TCF majors. There needs to be more funding for the program because the faculty is there but the lack of equipment, space, and the extremely sparse number of computers available for post-production is completely unacceptable and is holding the program back from becoming one of the top programs in the nation.

I love professor Michael Bruce and Chandra Clark. They are the only professors in the TCF major that are overly helpful. They care so much about their students and go OUT OF THEIR WAY to help them with any and everything.

Core unnecessary. Spent more time in classes that have zero influence on my career path than in relevant major classes. Makes zero sense, not worth the money.

When advised as a freshman, I was prompted to take courses that were not necessarily relevant to my major OR my requirements from the University. I didn't think that an advisor would ask me to take a course that would potentially put off my graduation date by a semester. I didn't appreciate this. If I hadn't registered for classes based off of my DegreeWorks, I wouldn't have graduated on time.

My only complaint at the University about teachers is the liberal ideas they push students. I am a firm believer in teachers at all levels instilling good values in their students- no matter the age- and that is the last thing that I experienced at the University of Alabama. Teachers encourage illegal and inappropriate behavior, curse in class, and act in general, as if every student is on campus to have a good time- not further their education. In the future, faculty should strongly consider one's character traits before hiring them. Especially when they do not agree with the values America was founded on. It sickens me to think that some of these anti-American dirt wads were hired with the belief that they would keep their opinions quiet. On the contrary, they have pushed their disgusting believes down uninformed students' throats and labeled them as facts.

Overall, good instruction and a great experience. I strongly advise that there is more one on one attention with advising for future semesters. I know it is hard because of the size of the University but there needs to be a better approach towards advising for students that may be struggling to graduate on time.
I enjoyed both my core curriculum/general edu professors as well as my major professors. I can say that I haven't had any “bad” professors for the most part.

I feel like the Exercise Science students that are preparing for PT school do not get as much prep as needed; unlike the PE majors.

VERY FEW people were very personal or invested in my personal success, if that's what these question are asking.

The history department needs a new facility. UA has an excellent staff in the department but I believe they are being held back by their quality of facility. UA could also attract better professors if they had better facilities.

The faculty in my core content area in 300 and higher level courses did not ever know what other courses were doing or teaching. Collaboration among professions would have been helpful to eliminate redundancies and help not let things slip through the cracks. Some courses were also not necessary for my certification or degree. Special education certifications come in many forms and I would have liked to have an input into what my certification was in.

You have to be “favored” by faculty to receive feedback, praise. Core courses were off track and some not planned well

The physics department was probably the worst department that I was involved in. I never felt like the professors cared about the classes and it made me uncomfortable to take advantage of office hours. My experience with the english and writing departments were good. Math was mixed. Some classes were good experiences and some weren't.

I spent two years in the business school and it was absolutely terrible. Then I got in the engineering department and fell in love. I hate the rest of this school. I hate the way you treat your employees, especially the cleaning staff. I hate the way you waste my tuition and overcharge students for stupid things. I hate this school.

The computer labs for engineering majors are terrible. And Rodgers library (especially after re-modeling) is a disgrace. It has been taken over by non-engineering majors...they should NOT be allowed to even get into the library. That's how the business library is..why can't Rodgers be the same?

The core classes needed in chemical engineering in order to be successful out in the real world were taught by professors who didn't care or were not competent teachers. The only good teachers I have had in this department were in the elective chemical engineering courses. The class below mine has had much better instruction in the fundamental classes due to different teachers teaching the courses and therefore they are more prepared for the next step in their career.

Facilities in my major are excellent now because of SERC and new buildings. The older buildings (Bevill, HM Comer, etc) are ok. The quality of instruction was said to be fair, but there are some really good and some subpar faculty. My experience has been that the younger professors in my major are generally better (with some exceptions on both sides). My research was done outside my major (I'm a chemical engineering major doing research in the biology department), so I didn't address questions about research in my major.

Great Professors!

The computer lab in Hardaway desperately needs to be remodeled. This summer and through this year it smells of mold, and the computers are outdated for the necessary computing requirements. I would like to have a better variety of teachers during my major. Throughout it I had two professors for six of my major classes, and because those two teachers were not that great at teaching academic material, I feel like I could have learned more if there were more teachers. The same two teachers taught me a great deal about real world applications and important technical information to know, but that knowledge does not replace what I missed learning on the academic side for several major classes.

Faculty is amazing, Bara, Lane, and Bao were the best. However, the level of seriousness that certain professors have on the classes vary. I wish there wasn't “easy” classes and “hard” classes. ChemE classes should all be advanced and serious. Having an UA chemE degree should be all an employer needs to see to hire a person.

There is a very large spectrum of evaluations that are on a one-by-one basis. These responses are averaged over all courses, faculty, and instruction
I did not take many core curriculum courses at UA, so my opinion in this section is not very strong.

Honestly some 100 level instructors demand a little much without consideration for other courses.

Loved most of my professors. Genuinely nice people for the most part. I will always remember and appreciate them.

Core curriculum classes are a waste of everyone's time. Students have better things to do in their own majors. Faculty don't care about these classes for the same reason students don't care.

The quality of core curriculum suffers from class sizes being too large.

All my HES faculty were exceptional as teachers and mentors. I consider them friends who truly cared that I understood and grasped the material. They are more than paid staff - they truly care about impacting future generations and take their role seriously.

I felt like my professors in my core curriculum expected more from my performance and always reminded us of that. In CTD I only had 2 GTA's throughout my time and they helped the professor more than the students in class but were always there for any questions.

Math classes need to be more hands on and less computerized. Its harder to learn when everything is on the computer.

I didn't really have a chance to get to know too many of the professors of my core classes. I kind of just viewed the courses as something I had to take in order to graduate, not something I was getting much out of for my future career.

 Occasionally responses to questions in email forms took 2-3 weeks to get responses.

Child Development Courses such as HD 202, 205, etc were very hands on. Two years after taking the courses, I still remember most of what I was taught because I was forced to apply it. Whereas other courses were more focused on memorization, which I remember very little of now, only where I can find the information in my notes. So, I think it would be a good learning experience for future students to have more hands on application of what they are learning. Yes, it will make the courses harder, but HD courses could stand to be harder. We have a reputation for being an “easy” major academically, and it shouldn't be that way.

Nutrition major: Mr. Nuih was a very judgmental advisor. He did not have confidence towards my future career and talked down to the Dietetic Internship students. He treated the Coordinated Program students with much more respect.

My Advisor Jason Blumenthal is unreliable, doesn't return emails, and acted annoyed every time I had a question. There are emails I sent him in 2010 that he NEVER returned. I had to call elsewhere to get the answer. I told him numerous times that I was a distance student, and more than once he told me to “go” to such and so office. He was the most horrible part of my experience.

I was very suprised by how much help and assistance I recieve in my department.

very disappointed with advisors and the teachers/advisors lack of care for our post graduation lives

Best classes and instructors I could have ever asked for. Not only did I learn valuable Educational knowledge, I more importantly gained a tremendous amount of knowledge about character, value and success.

the English classes offered were boring and I don't feel like I learned much from them.

Alabama was an amazing facility to learn at!

The professors in HDFS especially Dr. Hernandez-Reif and Dr. Sherwood Burns-Nader inspired me to pursue my dreams and challenge myself daily.

I enjoyed the instructors in the college of HES better than the instructors I previously had in the college of A&S. They all seemed to care about each students academic success

Textbooks are way overpriced. For the amount of money we pay to go to college, textbooks shouldn't be so expensive.

Core curriculum classes fill up VERY quickly-- difficult to get into sometimes, and difficult to find classes that do not conflict with classes required for my major (interior design).

The faculty in the RHM department went above and beyond to ensure that I learned everything I needed to be successful. It was a pleasure attending The University of Alabama.
I only took classes required within my major at Alabama. Most of my core classes were very large, and therefore my instructors were unaware of who I was as an individual. Advising is a joke. I could have graduated in May had I known that I already met the requirements for my practicum class. I ALWAYS left advising appointments feeling confused. I frequently had to tell the adviser the correct information regarding graduation requirements. In my last appointment in November 2011, my adviser didn’t even acknowledge my concentration and directed me to take my last semester easy with electives. At that point, I still had SEVERAL required classes to complete in order to complete my studies before the end of spring semester (minus the practicum). I took on a load of 18 hours. My second degree in the business school went very well. The advisers in the CBA college are well-equipped to answer any and all questions. My advisers in HES meant well and were really nice, I’m just glad that I did my own research on what I needed to take to graduate. They were, however, very easy to reach. Since I was an interior design student for the majority of the past 4 years, a lot of these questions do not apply to RHM (the major I will actually graduate with). Had I finished with the major I started with, my answers would be significantly different, to say the least... Did not have GTAs in core courses. They were always encouraging me to do my best, give it my all, and be active in participation I was disappointed in the quality of the nursing program and the politics involved in the program. I don’t know how I finished with a 3.9 GPA. Feedback from members of faculty was excellent. My advice for faculty is to make sure that courses are relevant to the work force and applicable to today’s society. Please make sure students are being engaged and being taught to become logical thinkers.
### Question 7: Campus Offices, Services, Opportunities

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

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Additional comments on the offices, services, and opportunities.

5    UA is excellent with these activities.
8    The registration process was tedious, involving too much bureaucratic red tape. I often got frustrated playing phone tag and getting the run around-- more inter-departmental communication and general knowledge is needed.
14   The Campus Dining Halls are terrible. They are overcrowded and numerous times I was unable to get food because it had to be on a specific plate, which was not accessible. There are not many healthy food options, and when they do have vegetables they are nearly raw and not cooked properly. The ketchup dispensers are rarely filled and the staff is either very nice or extremely rude. There are an obscene amount of tables in the area where Starbucks used to be, which makes navigating through these seating areas nearly impossible. I have decided to pack my own lunch in order to avoid over paying for food and dealing with the outrageous crowds. The university needs to start caring more about the quality of life of its students, rather than increasing the number of enrollment to make more money and seem impressive. Students are under enough stress trying to keep up with classwork. They should not have to experience extreme stress and frustration when simply trying to eat a meal on campus.
17   The “career center” is a hole in the wall where a lazy student directs you to myBama. I went there in 2008 and never went back.
I did not personally participate in many extra-curricular activities but I do feel there was an abundance of opportunities and they were well-publicized generally.

Somebody please redesign Mybama! It is so confusing! On the other hand I am very impressed with the food services and the SupEstore

Graduating students that are still unsure about their future plans would benefit from the Career Center having a record of the different jobs that students in each major from UA went on to do.

The student health center has to change. Dr. Thomas and other staff members are doing their best, but it is unfair to have our university student numbers grow exponentially and not grow services like the health center. The health center, due to no fault of their own, is known for 2-3 hour long waits.

More advertising for extra-curricular activities.

Advising needs alot of help.

My only complaint is HOW HORRIBLE THE FOOD IN THIS ESTABLISHMENT IS. I know that they have been trying to improve it, but damn. It is awful.

I did my internship in Texas which is a state that has the most in depth and advanced criminal justice system in my opinion and so it was excellent I got a lot of experience.

Registration is miserable. If honors / ODS get first priority then that's fine. However, honors/ODS with most hours should go first THEN regular seniors with most hours, etc.

I would like to give a standing ovation to Librarian Brett Spencer of Gorgas Library. Mr. Spencer was most graciously helpful in the assistance of finding sources in my papers and project for class. He returned my emails and calls in a very timely manner and was always enthusiastic when helping me. His contribution to the library at the University of Alabama is beyond question. It would be great to see his techniques made more public for the student population. If more students were made aware of what he does and how to search a library, they would have the ability to access so much more knowledge in the future to further their education.

Way over priced food on campus ie. Ferg

Every place I went to for service was very helpful.

Facilities were awesome, but wiser investment in human capital - or perhaps investment in wiser human capital - would do the university wonders.

Food options need improvement. I don't appreciate the focus on capitalistic success instead of student welfare here at the Capstone.

Having lived on campus in University-owned housing for my entire undergraduate career, I have been very displeased with my experience. Because of increased enrollment, housing tends to focus on the requirements for incoming freshmen rather than the real needs of scholarship students and RAs. This often involves placing non-Honors students in Honors only dormitories. Options are severely limited for upperclassmen living on campus, and parking on campus is frankly a joke. This area is in need of serious improvement, but since the University foolishly stopped giving four year housing scholarships, perhaps they feel that they've solved the problem. Last year I was personally involved in a situation where a roommate got violent with an RA. This was conveniently swept under the rug as my RA roommate and I spent ten days in temporary housing while UA “resolved” the situation. As the child and sibling of UA alumni, I still would not recommend the on campus housing experience to others.

Bureaucracy: it is what it is. They functioned to the best of their ability, I suppose.

The “career center” is a hole in the wall where a lazy student directs you to myBama. I went there in 2008 and never went back.

I have never had a good experience at the Student Health Center. Every time I go, they treat me as though I'm only there for a doctor's excuse to justify not being in class, and don't take my health concerns seriously. The waits are long, the exams are perfunctory at best, and the prescriptions are given out heedlessly and without direct relation to your symptoms. Brief example: I went to the health center freshman year complaining of a sore throat, and the doctor told me it was sinuses and gave me a z-pack. Several days later, I coughed up a large object that had been LODGED IN MY THROAT and they did not find it. My sore throat was fine after this incident.

Everyone at in the campus offices and services always knew the right answers to questions I had and if they did not they always found someone who did. Everyone was a fast worker and were
polite and knowledgeable. As a transfer student I've had experiences with many other universities and the same can not be said about other schools. I am glad that the business side of UA was highly organized and always helpful towards students.

213 For an off-campus student (transfer), recreational and extra-curricular activities become very difficult because of timing and parking issues.

221 The only experience I had in this area was working with the children at The Rise Center it was great.

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269 Again, I was out of state, off campus.

278 Construction at 2 am outside of the Greek houses was a problem.

291 The sport clubs department is going in a good direction but could greatly benefit by increased funding and resources/facilities.

310 I was a transfer student, and the Transfer student process is horrendous! The University makes it almost impossible to transfer and stay on the 4 year track. We are treated worse than Freshman in the opportunities provided to us, and overall it is a nightmare transferring here.

315 Registration is a nightmare, with no one giving you an explanation on what to do or how to use the online registration programs. The Health Center is also terrible, with long lines and medical staff that barely seem to know what they are doing.

319 Have healthier food on campus instead of places like Pizza Hut & Chick-Fil-A.

325 Need shorter wait times at health center and more user friendly student bill and ability to see past semesters' bills

331 The counseling center where graduate students are the counselors is excellent!

343 I am very involved in community service but not through the University. I think it would be very beneficial to make more school-wide opportunities well known.

401 The health center is a train wreck. You guys have got to get that system figured out.

407 I feel that the dining halls could serve more nutritious and healthy food that is actually sustaining.

432 Sometimes counselors would not be the best help in registering me for my classes, or telling me what to register for. As a senior I had to take an English because it was overlooked by my counselor. I was told I was good on all lower classes the previous term. Campus food services is awful. Each meal is around $8-9 and the people who serve the food have the nerve to tell me I can only have 1 piece of chicken or 1 piece of pizza. That is not fair, and it is ridiculous. There is also a problem with all of the drank machines. I have been the Burke the past three days, and the lemonade is still not working.

458 Aramark needs to go.

467 It often seems like students who aren't enrolled in the Honors College have very, very little opportunity to get involved in service. While the HC set me on the path of consistent community service and turned it into what will likely be a lifelong habit, I'm not sure any of my non-HC friends were ever approached about giving back to the community (by giving honest effort--the University has, of course, recommended monetary donations).

481 I was very fortunate to experience almost all the offices, services, and opportunities. I definitely feel like certain things like visiting the career centers should be a requirement for incoming Freshman. The career center is where I figured out exactly what I wanted to do career wise in my life. It wasn't till late in my Sophomore year that I visited, and luckily I was already in the correct college.

506 A doctor refused to write me a prescription that I had been prescribed to for years. I had to go way out of my way to obtain it.

511 Campus food is made up almost entirely of fatty junk foods. As a Freshman, it was extremely hard to find healthy options in dining halls and I succumbed to eating fatty foods and
gained about 20 pounds that I am still fighting to lose. If there was one thing I could change for all incoming Freshman, it would be the requirement of purchasing a meal plan. If students like myself had not been required to buy a meal plan and eat at dining halls serving up all you can eat junk food, then the Freshmen at Alabama would be healthier and more able to learn to cook and eat healthier for the remainder of their time in college. If Freshmen continue to be required to buy these “meal” plans, then the University should put forth a strong effort to make over their dining halls with many more healthy choices that guide students into healthy eating habits. Even something as simple as calorie content placed next to each food item would be excellent.

Easy to get involved.

It was hard to find out about a lot of the services offered at UA. I found out most of what I know because I had a friend that was a few years older than I. The UA doesn't do I good job informing students, especially freshmen, about these services.

I am a distance learner. The Supply Store is awesome!

UA offers several opportunities that many college students wouldn't get at other schools. The services cater to students very well and are usually very organized.

The university does an excellent job of engaging students from various segments of campus. These initiatives are how we build unity at the Capestone.

The campus food had gotten very good over my senior year, but it was really expensive. The Subway that was put in between Alston and Bidgood was great. There should be more things like that around campus for students who do not often go near the Ferguson Center. Having each major/school do community service and other types of projects each semester would be a good way to help students get more involved in the community. Maybe it could be for extra credit points, or one service project could be required each semester for each school.

The health center still seems very unorganized and takes too long to be seen. The doctors also seem as though they could care less about what is actually wrong with you. It is more of a see you and push you out the door with the same medication they give to EVERYONE.

I didn't really do much with the university.

Registration and advising is a disaster. Each adviser has a different opinion. Almost caused me to be an hour short for graduation. As a student trying to finish in four years this was frustrating. The advisers work so hard, but they are often spread too thin. A need for additional advisers is much needed. It would also help if they were separated by school for upper division. I know they somewhat are now, but if each adviser, or a set of advisers was designated to certain majors they would understand that departments needs.

Over my 4 years at this wonderful University I have come to realize that the administration here DOES NOT care about the students that go here. They see all students as dollar signs and do not care about the well being of their students.

The SUPE Store is a complete rip-off.

I had such a hard time signing up for classes when I transferred to the university at a National Student Exchange student a year and a half ago. No one in the registration office knew what to do with me. I sent two different school transcripts in, one was even sent two or three times, and it was never entered into the system until a year later! So while I was a junior, I was considered a freshman in the system which caused even more problems with signing up for classes.

Advising appointments tended to be a struggle in terms of receiving good assistance. Some advisors were great. Others just weren’t very helpful or forced me to schedule a later date for whatever reason, putting off my register time and resulting in me missing out on many needed class times.

Also, transportation services is probably my least favorite; they were never very helpful or understanding towards me. [My situations included trying to finish school while very pregnant one semester, then single mom this semester.]

Only notified of balances on my account for health services once a late fee had been added. I thought these were covered by my health insurance but they weren’t. Therefore the balances were placed on my account and I did not know until I had been charged a late fee.

I suggest Housing services be more accommodating, inspect rooms thoroughly before allowing students to move in, have rooms professionally cleaned before having students moved in,
and being more pro-active with room-mate or co-resident complaints. University Maintenance for housing does an EXCELLENT job at getting work orders and taking care of problems within units. Campus dining facilities can do a better job at cleaning utensil and facilities, however customer service is good!

755 The health center always takes a very long time. As busy college students, it's often hard to fit the amount of time it takes into our schedules.
771 Biggest problem at Alabama: parking. Permits at UA are some of the most expensive in the SEC and there are still not enough spots for everyone. If there are not enough parking spots for the students/faulty/staff that are attending UA then the University should not accept more students until it can accommodate the members already here. As a graduating senior the thing that annoyed me the most was parking and how unwillingly the transportation was willingly to work with students.
778 I was most involved with community based extra-curricular activities and I benefited greatly from the CSC.
793 My R.A. my freshmen year was unprepared and naive. She either did not receive proper training, or she abandoned it in time of stress. There needs to be assurance that R.A.s can handle situations smoothly and intelligently.
810 PR department registration office is bad. I have already handed in a special permission to get in several courses because I was a second degree seeking student. I handed it the document immediately after the advisory session started. But, they said they didn't receive my document. Finally they could find my document, but they didn't even doubt they might have lost my document, they just thought I hadn't handed in it even though I actually did. They are not professional at all, and just lazy. Also, when I didn't understand what they said, they talked me like 'Y-O-U N-E-E-D T-O D-O..." Because I'm an international student, they talked to me loudly and extremely slowly. I felt like I was made fun of by them. APR program is one of the top program in the nation, but its registration office's service at 4th floor is incredibly bad. The registration office of the communication department at the 1st floor, she is very nice, helpful and kind. I always went to the first floor to ask for help, because the 4th floor people didn't work well.
849 Student receivables has never been consistent in its bookkeeping and “random” mid-semester fees and refunds. OH and irresponsible forgetful people at Judicial Affairs who lose paper work and cost me more money in the end.
872 The university provides a very comfortable experience with beautiful facilities and services.
913 Great campus. No complaints. Endless opportunities were given to me which really helped me.
959 The career center is truly a high-quality, invaluable resource--as is the writing center, which should be on here
963 The Career Center has been one of the best programs I have used here at the Capstone. My only concern is that it wasn't a factor for me until I was a graduatin senior. I know that many freshman are not worried about their futures but I believe that getting involved with the career center and being more aware of their services offered before senior year would be beneficial to everyone. One idea could be to reach out to sororities on campus about having a representative come speak about all of the services offered. Also, the process of getting financial aid was always easy up until this last semester. As a december graduate, my 4 years of tuition from my scholarship had run out. Therefore it was necessary for me to apply for loans. This process was very frustrating because of various deadlines and overall lack of communication about certain qualifications that must be met in order to receive aid for only half of a year. I must say however that when I was finally able to speak to someone that worked full-time in the office that everything was better communicated and I greatly appreciated all of the help I received. I would like to offer the advice of maybe adding the information about financial aid qualifications for December graduates somewhere on the website. For example, that you must take 15 hours to qualify to receive the aid that the federal government offers you.
980 Campus services, office, and opportunities are excellent and there are plenty.
991 I went to the student health center my first few semesters, but the service was always slow and I was prescribed medications that I was allergic to after stating my prescription allergies. I got tired of the waiting and started going to a great “doc-in-a-box” in Northport. The career center could do a better job at the career fairs in my opinion. Having a seperate career fair for
graduating seniors would be great. At the technical career fairs, there are so many people that it's hard to get any one-on-one time with professionals and most of the companies there either are not hiring or are not related to my major.

1003 SUPE store is a rip off!!

1004 The Rec center is WAY to crowded all of the time...UA expects 35000 students to have one workout facility that is no bigger than the Rec center. Also, building a new rec center in a dorm...TERRIBLE idea for students who are NOT living in dorms. Which is the majority of students.

1023 As far as recreational activities, why was the Harlem Shake called off at the quad? I don't understand what laws were broken there or why this was at all a concern for anyone.

1027 Every services I used was very quick and efficient. I would not be graduating if it were not for the amazing people of the financial aid services. Give them all raises.

1046 The work-study students at the front desk lack knowledge and responsibility. They should not attempt to give information to anyone about their account because in my experience it was the wrong information. Also, one of them lost an important document of mine that was turned in that led to an additional week of hold time on my financial aid that I desperately needed.

1047 The health center has a habit of diagnosing without taking blood work or anything but guessing based on what other students have had, resulted in me being misdiagnosed a few times.

1056 Registration is needlessly obtuse. I shouldn't have to get approval from multiple people for registering. Also, there needs to be better support for double majors.

1062 I hoped the Room Advisor in dorm would be more participate and interact with their resident.

1077 I didn't have time to participate in the extra activities, therefore I do not really know what opportunities were there.

1093 The extraordinarily long wait time for counseling appointments is completely unacceptable. To accommodate the needs of our large student body, it is crucial to increase the capacity of these services to prevent very dangerous situations.

1107 Corrie Harris was exceptional on helping me become plugged in my freshman year. Others helped me get involved but she was my first true initiator into the UA community!

1142 I am a distance learner. There were no opportunities for me to get involved in from my home town.

1195 The Student Health Center was always a hastle

1197 Promotion of these services needs to increase.

1229 I think that this University's campus counseling (not career) services are poor. Most faculty advisors have no idea what they are talking about and expect you to have your schedules planned out prior to visits. Sometimes I didn't know what I needed to take in a semester, and my advisor didn't either. I think they need to have more extensive knowledge on classes and how to advise their students better.

1294 Student Health Center could be more friendly and accurate in their diagnoses for their patients.

1295 I felt like UA did a great job offering extra-curricular activities.

1323 Make sure programs are aliened to ensure the well-being of students and also that programs are enriching their lives.
**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?

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**Question 9: Person who made Most Significant Positive Contribution**

Identify the person at UA who made the most significant positive contribution to your education:

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Question 10: Overall UA Intellectual Environment

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

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Please explain your reason(s) for your answer.

4. Almost all the teachers I had were very skilled and extremely knowledgeable in their field of study.
5. I think UA is still behind in race relations and the Greek system contributes to this and is supported by faculty. UA has lots of good speakers come and nice research going on.
7. Is this supposed to say 9a? There is a small core of intellectual students at UA. There are a lot of intellectual/academic guest speakers who come visit, which is nice. However, the massive population of the Greek system brings down the intellectual environment of UA.
8. Many of the smaller seminar classes in the anthropology and religious studies departments were both informative and intellectually stimulating—granted there are always a handful of students who didn't belong in a university setting. But most professors handled these students' ridiculous comments with professionalism and were able to steer discussions back on topic. Dr. Ramey, Dr. Galbraith, Dr. DeCaro, Dr. Bindon and Dr. Dressler were especially good professors, making classes both interesting and informative.
9. A strong sense of academic achievement and goal oriented focus was instilled in me by my professors here at the University of Alabama.
12. For the most part, there are a lot of organizations and things that help with school and where you can talk about intellectual things.
13. My teachers have generally been excellent teachers, although most teachers focus specifically on their class. Very few are able to discuss areas outside of specific class material. While I received a good education based upon the fact that I am knowledgeable about my field of study, I do not feel my education has prepared me professionally for life beyond undergraduate work.
14. UA is becoming too tolerant of Greek behaviors which are immoral and unethical. The focus is deviating away from creating an intellectually stimulating environment for students, to promoting excessive drinking and other immature behaviors.
15. I feel like I really grew here, but I wish I had the chance to do much more.
16. I believe I grew a lot over the past 5 years.
22. I really would have loved to have a drawing major for art degrees. I had to pick a major that allowed me to draw a lot.
24. During my time here, I had the chance to develop my skills in two things that I am passionate about, media production and digital art. UA is the place that gave me the opportunity and gave me the education that I now value.
26. I am choosing to explain my reason for 9a here instead. This is because I think the numbering on this survey may be off slightly. I apologize if I am wrong but I would like to qualify my previous answer anyway. As previously mentioned, opportunities for extra-curricular activities (many of which were intellectual) were abundant. In my classes, I certainly encountered plenty of stimulating conversations and sometimes, in my suite, my roommates and I had rather good
debates about serious subjects. Certainly, there is an abundance of non-intellectual stimuli at Alabama too, but I think the intellectual environment is solid enough here.

27 I'm assuming this actually means 9a. I picked average because all the students are very smart but I don't think it is attributed to UA.

28 I have learned a great deal and earned a good score on my GRE.

32 Guest speakers, especially those from the ALLELE series, are fantastic. I think, especially with all the recruitment of top students, that the intellectual environment will keep improving.

34 I was very challenged in my classes.

37 As I previously stated, professors are overwhelmed with work.

38 I don't think we have a great reputation academically across the departments. We have some challenging programs, like engineering and the sciences, and other programs are viewed as a joke.

39 I think more ecology/field/marine biology classes would have been a huge asset. Doing field exercises helps train future graduate students and allows non-medical biology students to take classes not geared towards premed students.

40 The University truly exist for its students, however, the student body need to have a culture change. The current culture is one of social over academia, that needs to be reversed.

41 The intellectual environment surpasses everything I expected upon starting my undergraduate career here at UA.

43 I don't think the academics in the sciences were up to par with top universities.

51 There were good times and there were bad times but over all it was good.

53 Good core classes that had some fair yet challenging classes. Some classes were too ridiculous.

56 I got what I wanted out of college.

59 The intellectual environment at UA is pretty good but has the potential to push students even farther. Opportunities offered to students should be advertised better.

60 Teaching is fairly good. Some TA's didn't know what they were doing.

61 The majority of the students on campus are relatively incompetent. The faculty and staff are great.

62 Students should be challenged more. I feel much potential is being wasted in over-crowded lecture halls.

66 I felt that the Biology department felt “tired.” Nobody seems to care very much. Advising was awful. The classes in 300 and 400 level classes are all scheduled at the same time, making registration impossible. Felt that nobody really cared that I learned, just that I passed my exams.

67 In some of the introductory class you could tell the professors just didn't really care to teach you, but farther into the course of study you found teachers who wanted to pass down their knowledge to the students.

70 I think I've learned a lot of information that will help me excel in a professional program for the profession that I wish to pursue.

73 UA has a very segregated. Hostile environment.

74 I am pre-med and a biology major, so I was always surrounded with people, students and instructors, who were closely related to my areas of interest. My classmates and I found encouragement and advice through talking to each other, and my instructors were always able to give me helpful feedback on how to achieve my goals.

76 I do not feel the overall education to be excellent because I had more than one professor that had a terrible attitude when asked for help or guidance. I feel professors should be more concerned with helping students that approach them for help.

79 Great teachers and good atmosphere. ROLL TIDE.

83 The instructors are very knowledgeable about their material of interest, but they are not all effective in communicating that to students. Lecturers were not consistently engaging or enthusiastic about their courses.

85 I learned a lot and met new people.

87 I performed well in class and had all my questions answered beyond expectation.

88 I just feel it is strong.

89 Chemistry took up way way way way too much of my time, and I am a biology major.
UA is the best of the best. The only people who care about the intellectual environment is the Honors College. Most people only care about socialization.

Some classes were not challenging nor did I learn anything in them. Some classes were pointless to my development in my specific career path. The majority of my professors were able to challenge me intellectually. Likewise, the majority of my peers were able to hold intellectual conversations. However, there were some professors and peers that after talking with them made me question what they were doing on a college campus.

It was good. I feel that I've received a well-rounded education here. I received more benefit from my extracurricular activities than from the courses in my major. The teaching staff is very attentive and I know I have received the best education. I said it was good, because towards the end academics were just sort of discarded because we were graduating. Classes were way too easy. Teacher give out study guides and take questions directly from there. This is not high school. This method gives no incentive to actually learn. Football is a great part of the Alabama environment and did not take away too much from the intellectual environment.

The teachers go above and beyond to help and all are very knowledgeable. All of my teachers knew their stuff and that's what made it so easy for me to learn so much from them. UA provides you with everything necessary to function in the business world as well as personal life. UA has made me excited to learn new things and be open to new adventures. I feel very prepared to enter the workforce in my chosen profession. Not only do I feel I received a superior education, but I was allowed opportunities for personal growth emotionally, mentally, and socially as well.

In the 300-400 level courses, I was met with ample help and opportunity from the instructors. The demands of the courses were appropriate for higher education and the educators made those demands within reach. Some teachers give students too much leeway and are not strict enough. I received a good education at UA, but I could have done better. I frequently felt involved in intellectually stimulating discussion that provided an opportunity to challenge myself and grow as a student and as a person. Moreover, the experiences that I had as a student helped me to develop and improve interpersonal communication, conflict resolution, and time management skills.

Overall, this was a strong learning environment with the opportunity to take a lot of different course offerings. Didn't have many hands-on approaches to future career prospects. I had great experience with the overall education here at the University of Alabama. The majority of my classes were very well taught by the professors and they taught with great enthusiasm. It was always a joy to see an instructor who was so passionate on a subject to teach it. However, some professors were not as enthusiastic and had some peeves that they forced the class to obey. Some of the teacher's assistances were not very helpful and rather strict in how they taught as well as grading papers and tests. Overall, my experience was very good. All professors seemed to be very well versed in their field of teaching and very knowledgeable people that I could go to with questions on nearly anything even if it was advising. I had some great professors and some not so great but I was still challenged.

UA provided me with an environment and a major that helped my education. I believe there could have been more specific classes to take in my major. I spent too much time on general classes that have nothing to do with my major and subjects that don't relate to me at all. I felt like my time could have been better spent on more major-specific classes. I love the University of Alabama and the traditions it values.
Walk around the school and tell me what you think . . . The students generally aren't smart, there are fewer smart professors than smart students, and academic standards pale in comparison to those at a good high-school. Even worse, academics are, at best, the third priority at Alabama behind football and partying. There's more of an intellectual environment at my dinner table. By a lot.

A few classes challenged my intellect, but overall it did not take a ton of effort to make a good grade in classes. Also, working in multiple group projects at the university, I seldom found classmates that would put in any effort to help nor were they above average intellectually.

My teachers expected the best from me, and made me strive to improve.

Everybody is too obsessed with football.

Our English and Art and Art History Departments have great faculty, but we could use more professors with specializations like postcolonial and gender studies (areas of interest to me).

I was able to be a part of such organizations as Slash Pine Press, Sigma Tau Delta, and Dewpoint and become an integral part of the greater creative writing community.

I had some great instructors and learned invaluable lessons that I will carry with me throughout the remainder of my life.

I can't speak for the other departments, but the English department is just fantastic. The faculty and quality of classes were so enriching.

The quality of faculty in the English department is outstanding but my fellow students are often just trying to get easy grades. UA as a whole could be a public Ivy League school if they used more discretion in admissions and encouraged active discussion and research.

Besides taking unnecessary courses, the education I received was great.

Professors were smart, qualified, and endlessly enthusiastic. As much as I put in, I got. There were always greater depths to plumb if I desired--always the professor was ready to help me going deeper.

I learned more than I ever thought I would and changed my opinions on a lot of things. The faculty was always so helpful and understanding.

I'd prefer not to.

The quality of education I have received was very challenging and extremely rewarding compared to my previous institution.

The English Department, New College, and Blount Undergraduate Initiative all have vibrant intellectual communities, but outside of those programs I feel the university student body is fairly anti-intellectualist.

I feel like I wasn't challenged enough, once I finally started to care about my grades, I could get an A without hardly trying. When you are on this campus, you really don't get that overwhelming feeling of everyone is brilliant here.

Every faculty member I have encountered (in the English department, at least) has been incredibly knowledgable and passionate about his/her field. This passion is contagious; I want to learn more and study harder just so I can hold an intelligent conversation with them.

I don't want to.

I believe I could have learned more about myself Freshman year that could have been better suited for me in my future employment opportunities.

I feel that many UA students are truly there to learn.

We have some ballin' professors, leaders in their fields, passionate about their subjects, and gifted at transferring that passion or passing interest to their students.

I see no reason to rate it otherwise. I had a pretty good time here.

I figured out I had to close myself off from all other students during the Fall. I was never able to have a study partner for the Fall months. Football always dictated everything. I couldn't go to the libraries, cause they close them at 4pm on Friday before a football game on Saturday. I couldn't go to my appartment, because the noise from all the parties around me. My only hope was to leave the city and go camping for the weekend and come back to a city of broken beer bottles and hung over drunks stumbling to church on Sunday at noon.

Professors
Most everyone I know has a GPA below 2.5 that I have met. I seldomly find people with a GPA above a 3.0.

The education I received was well rounded and prepared me for work or further educational opportunities. All of my professors were knowledgeable in their field and always tried to get me to analyze the material and think outside the box. I feel like all of my professors cared about my performance in their classes and took the time to help, elaborate, or address any other concerns they had with my performance in order to push me to do my best. Any of the complaints that I have about professors or classes are so minor they are not even worth listing. That is a rarity at such a large university because most people encounter at least a handful of classes or professors they would rate poorly enough to tarnish their opinion of the overall education they received.

Geography and Environmental Science classes could do better to prepare students for real world natural resource management like forestry, wildlife biology/management and other hands on field training.

Some students here are still very immature. Instructors try to tone their intellect down to the average students level.

It's one of the best schools in America.

I received a great education, however it seemed as if professors didn't care much about their students. Many were great though, such as Utz Mcknight, Margaret Peacock, Charles Clark, and Barbara Chotiner. The University of Alabama has been my dream school ever since I understood what college was. It was an amazing ride.

It is a very good academic school, but students are more often disinterested in the development in their intellect. Grades are often valued over knowledge and learning.

It was fine.

I had many passionate teachers and peers.

I feel that my education from the UA has helped me think critically about issues in ways I never did before.

I learned so much and I expanded my horizons. There was always a variety in classes for my major it was just a matter of if I had time to take them all. The staff was always extremely helpful.

Explaining that answer isn't really possible in such a small place. I would say Alabama is a great school and it lived up to expectations.

Great Teachers

It is excellent because of the faculty and staff that are employed here.

It was a sufficient education on a scholastic level, but I personally had trouble finding career development.

It's a strong intellectual environment

The focus of this school is football, greek life, partying and "tradition" the students are racist, mostly dumb and the administration seems disinterested in shifting focus onto intellectual activities. Over all compared to areas of the country like the East and West Coast and the great lakes area UA is really far behind. The only thing that saves it are the professors, excluding those who teach core classes, who are all very invested in their students and willing to help them reach their goals.

It has always been an exciting challenge.

As far as classes go, strong. A lot of the students, I feel, don't always meet that mark.

High quality faculty

Upper-level New College/Anthropology courses were the few courses that actually stimulated my intellectual growth.

I didn't know what I wanted to do for the longest time, and I didn't declare a major till the beginning of my Junior year.

We have some ballin' professors, leaders in their fields, passionate about their subjects, and gifted at transferring that passion or passing interest to their students.

Academics are seldom the center of attention at UA. I was lucky enough to be part of two programs whose core focus was engaged learning, but outside of that circle I rarely met individuals who loved to learn.
The environment in my program was excellent, but that in other departments was often mediocre. There are a multitude of majors, opportunities, and internships available; this makes for a diverse and interactive learning environment that could only be achieved at a university of Alabama's caliber.

Outside the Honors College or other 'honors' programs like the Blount Undergraduate Initiative or New College, the level of academic conversation plummets.

I transferred from a school where research in general, including the humanities, was more groundbreaking. This led to a student population more accustomed to thinking in an “out of the box” way while simultaneously being very well-read on current literature.

Even though I learned a lot for photography, I felt like resources available were limited. Not fantastic to be honest; but decent. However, I don't want to have to say my college education is just "decent."

I was challenged to do my best work and yet supported by academic group

Most of my classes were in the geography dept. Every day, I use what I've learned. My career would not be where it is now without my education through the geography department.

My class options through the EXD program were diverse and varied. I enjoyed the course content of the faculty designed courses as they were a joy to experience.

The teachers and advisors care about your academic success.

Based on interaction with staff.

I feel that the university is prepared to handle any situation that should arise.

Some instructors are racial and should not be educators at UA even after reported to the Deans, I was harassed and my grade reflected her lack of moral and ethical codes to the institution and the by laws. This situation alone, degraded my opinion of the non vetted educators.

The intellectual environment at UA was exceptionally strong. I felt that I could engage my professors in a very stimulating debate on various topics and they in turn would challenge me to look beyond what I thought I knew. They always encouraged me to seek out the answers instead of expect them given out.

only took computer classes or weekend seminar classes

I found all of my teachers to be knowledgeable, helpful, and stimulating.

I was challenged by my professors to push my self and improve

I did not spend time there

Every instructor I had at UA encouraged learning and approached their given subject enthusiastically and knowledgeably, which increased my desire to learn and participate.

I recieved a strong education and foundation for the future - but my major rarely offered courses I was interested in so I had to take initiative and pave my own path.

During my time at UA, I have been challenged to look deeper and expand my viewpoints and knowledge by faculty and other students.

I learned a great deal during my time at UA as well as learning about myself and how to overcome adversity.

I think you mean 9a, but mostly I was constantly challenged.

Some students are very committed to their studies, and have engaging conversations about academic subjects, but it's hard to maintain that level of enthusiasm when there are so many who don't care

This is a football/party school. There are a few pockets of really strong intellectual power---the philosophy department, the Mallet Assembly, though.

When I took the time to seek out professors, they were always very willing to help me and direct me in the direction I needed to go.

Some people care, some people don't. It seems evenly split, disappointingly. If you surround yourself with the right people, it can be very good.

Good atmosphere

The intellectual environment at UA is fueled by the faculty and their willingness for discussion of intellectual topics with students, as well as the students' willingness to speak their opinions.

10a or 9a? 10a is the next question.
Not enough core classes were offered. This was due to the university not making the physics department a priority or giving them enough money to get all they need. The physics department has some really fantastic professors, and they've greatly improved in my time, but they need to hire more faculty and obtain more equipment in order to have students become more involved with research. Core classes the UA makes you take for arts and sciences are a joke and a waste of time. I should have spent more time focusing on physics and math courses. That was not possible with the asinine core classes that are required.

very strong in upper level classes but somewhat poor in lower level classes (poor attendance and not many paying attention)

Do you mean my answer to 9a? well that's what I'm going to answer. I feel like many people on campus are quite intelligent, however campus is flooded with people just here for the parties and the football. They probably bring us down just a bit.

campus is too large

Wish I could have learned more grammatical things and better writing program in general

The entire school is just so much more focused on football.

I enjoyed the courses and the professors. I chose the right major for myself which had a big impact.

Great Education.

It was great. I think that sometimes the focus on Greek life distracts from the intellectual environment.

Always room for progress but otherwise very good, considering our deep-south location

Good professors and lazy students. You can only do so much with admissions standards so low.

Need more attention to critical thinking and analysis of issues in the context of our studies

As a member of the Honors College and the Department of Political Science I was surrounded by individuals with a desire and passion for learning.

I value the education I received at UA because of the Blount Undergraduate Initiative and a handful of professors who took an extraordinary interest in myself and the student body in general. These professors gave me the tools to make an education for myself. If I had to rely on the education UA provides for its students, I would have received a very poor education.

I can only speak for my political science classes.

Ignorance is seen a lot, but that's life. This is such a 'down to earth' school and that makes it so unique.

Unless you are part of the greek system your experience depends on where you are and at what time you are there.

I would have liked to have been better prepared for furthering my education after earning my bachelor's. I also felt like educational incentives were overshadowed by the Greek system.

Most of all teachers and staff maintain a very high level of intelligence and use it often. Some just dont know how to “dumb” information down for students.

Enjoyed my experience.

I have received a good education that I feel has prepared me to pursue a graduate degree.

I feel as though I was exposed to a wide variety of knowledge and people at UA inside and outside the classroom

I was consistently challenged by faculty in my department. If I felt I needed a challenge, they actively looked into more opportunities for me.

The teaching is excellent, but occasionally I wonder how some students in my classes ever passed high school.

I believe the College of Arts & Sciences would do well to promote the career interests of its students. I took some courses in the business school and noticed a major difference in how well the college's invested resources to help students find jobs.

I have had many opportunities for deep, meaningful, civil discussions about difficult topics.

it got me to medical school

Professors for courses with a large number of students have little concern for their students' success.

I was often the most studious person in the class. I feel like some things were dumbed down for others.
Teachers are really involved in their classes. You can learn something from each person that you come across no matter the major or department. I am very proud of my education at the UA. I have enjoyed most of my classes and have learned a great deal from each of them. This comment is actually in reference to the previous question. Dr. Cooper is no longer a professor at UA. She was, however, the best and most influential professor I have had. UA does not do enough to keep great professors (African American Studies) here. She now teaches at Rutgers. I have had other great teachers who are also no longer here. The university should put forth more effort to keep great professors here.

I not only grew intellectually, but I also grew in social and emotional aspects. If it were not for the faculty and environment of UA I would not have grown as I did. Helpful and knowledgeable professors, good learning environment. I feel the education I received at UA is very beneficial. When I go out to the work force I know employers will see the University of Alabama on my education section of my resume and immediately take notice. The standards of my school are known throughout the country.

All major and minor courses taken were very interesting and educational towards my career goals.

It is a quality education, but it does not help you with employment placement or personal growth at times.

The majority of professors are passionate about their work and willing to help students in any way possible. Wonderful professors.

Good environment

I believe the environment, faculty, and curriculum all contributed well to my education. Faculty frequently brought up viewpoints not commonly held by students in order to broaden our understanding of the world while also being focused on information relevant to my interests.

I feel like the last 4 years here have taught me a great deal and helped shape the way I think about things and solve problems.

I had a lot of great teachers and I put a lot of time into my work and when doing that the teachers I would seek for help, would be more than willing to help me! I learned so much from a variety of different teachers and its been an amazing educational experience!

I feel like I had to push myself and look out for myself at UA and because of this I was not always confident in and trustworthy of my teachers because I feel like they watched their own back rather than students.

ONLY WITH CONCERN TO RELIGIOUS STUDIES. everywhere else there is little no to intellectual environment.

I believe the learning environment is strong and highly intellectual.

A great learning environment!

There are a lot of really intelligent people at the university, and the Honors college brings those people together. That said there are many people who still give the university a poor image with racially charged chalk drawings, etc.

The Spanish Department needs updating

At times I felt that I was challenged and had to work outside of my comfort zone to finish projects, write papers, and prepare for exams. The times I did not feel challenged, the information I learned was still necessary and taught well (overall).

Classes aren't always that challenging

I feel that UA recruits top academic candidates from around the globe. Being in such an environment encouraged me to push my limits and further my knowledge.

I believed I was able to use my time productively, socially, and finish in four years

I feel that I was asked too often to memorize and regurgitate answers on test rather than being forced to actually learn the material through more challenging discussions or test that require short answers or essays.

Even though UA is a public school, many students could well enough be at a private school.
As a student in the Honors College, I was able to take a diverse range of courses with other students eager to learn and grow. This experience, coupled with The College of Arts and Sciences contributed to my gain of an excellent education.

This sounds ridiculous, but I automatically feel more intelligent when I step onto campus. I do not have much of an explanation. It is just a speculative opinion based on my experience.

Overall my education was very valuable, but there were certain electives and core classes that I did not feel were valuable.

I got the job of my dreams with EY in London thanks to my education and the internship opportunities provided in the Culverhouse School of Accountancy.

great family environment on campus, was able to get an internship and a full time job before graduation.

Alabama is a very large public university that cares more about football and graduating students than actual learning.

Very intense competition in the classroom with very smart people led me to study harder and apply myself more.

I have no complaints about the education I received from UA.

Over all campus experience was very valuable

I have learned a lot within my Accounting major during my past 4 years here. I am looking forward to Graduate School.

My overall education at UA was good. Coming from a smaller high school, UA was not as big of a step to make it to college.

Intelligent discussion with intelligent people were always present at my time at UA.

Excellent faculty in College of Commerce. Good education in general courses

Challenging environment but rewarding

Each Instructor I had was extremely smart but explained the concepts with ease and made the concept more clear.

Some teachers don't care.

There were some classes that I took where the teacher did not have an effective or efficient way of relaying the information to the students.

The focus at this university is anything but academic.

Some professors in the accounting department need to be evaluated. They are poor professors who honestly don't teach but rather get up in front of the class and talk about how much money they use to make. Then when you ask them for help, they treat and speak to you like you are stupid for not understanding what they never taught.

The University pushes students to be the best they can be in their course of study. The faculty does a great job of preparing us for our careers.

All of the professors in my major (Accounting) were highly educated and well versed on the subject matter they taught. I have listed the best of the best in my opinion. Dr. Houston, Dr. Kee Dr. Parsons

I would love to rate the intellectual environment more highly, but our campus is diverse; segregated, even, by different intellectual groups. While the more professional disciplines and clubs do great, notable things every year, there are many students not pushed out of their comfort zones to expand their mind. These students often either go greek or go nowhere, take no leadership roles, and don't know what it feels like to dedicate themselves to their craft.

The high level of education prepared me well for the job market.

great professors and great opportunities but the business school's facilities are lackluster

good intellectual environment

Some people are more driven than others

UA offered as much potential as I wished to grasp here. I was challenged mentally and educationally everyday in my major and will forever benefit from those challenges.

Broad range of students and professors leaves a lot lacking but a lot of very good qualities.

Strong academically

I loved my time here and was very happy with my decision to come here

At the beginning of my college career UA was a bit lacking but as i progressed in school the administration made huge strides to make UA a big name in research and academics. I hope this
trend continues, I'd love nothing more than to see UA not only be known for our fantastic football
team but for our academic excellence.
486 I feel as though the University aimed to not only have me prepared in my major but have me prepared for life. When I decided to change majors the university was very supportive and did everything possible to allow me to graduate in four years.
492 University of Alabama offers students the opportunity to excel if he or she has the desire to do so.
495 People are somewhat afraid of intelligence.
496 There are a lot of really intelligent people at the university, and the Honors college brings those people together. That said there are many people who still give the university a poor image with racially charged chalk drawings, etc.
501 It is difficult to compare UA to another university considering this is the only one I have attended. I have good memories and bad memories so I can see it either way.
503 Most teachers I had at the University were professional and intelligent in their field. Thomas Downs F1302 was not one of these teachers.
506 Not very hard at all. Hard to stay motivated for really smart students
507 Good tradition with caring people
511 The education I received had very high academic standards which made me work harder than I ever have intellectually to learn and achieve good grades in my classes. College has been extremely tough for me to get through, but because of this, when I walk across the stage at graduation I will know that what I have achieved is monumental and that I did it all by my own wit and strength of character. That means more to me than anything, and this has been the greatest endeavor and achievement of my young life.
512 I am alot more educated now.
513 Great education, took forever tho!
520 I learned alot not just from professors but also from fellow students
521 Most classes were not applied learning. I will never use or know how to apply certain areas of my education.
522 Overall I saw growth in my education from transfer to graduation
524 I feel that my professors have been very knowledgable and genuinely concerned with my education and general well being as a student. They go above and beyond to assist us in any way they possibly could. Most of the professors at CBA are more than teachers that have read a book or have a degree. They are not only educated people but they have the real life experience in my area of studies that I feel will give me an advantage over many other business schools.
528 Everyone was great.
529 Had a great time here just wish that advisors would explain more in depth of the route you take as classes and why you have to take certain ones.
530 I had strong teachers, a strong learning environment, and well rounded course structure.
531 The courses were challenging yet manageable and being a distance student created additional adversity that was very satisfying to overcome.
532 The experience and education were exception. Although I was a distance learner, my time at UA make me want my children to attend.
536 The interest and involvement of professors was truly disappointing. Some course materials were substandard. Overall the education was good but these areas could use work.
539 I feel I have received an education in which I can build a strong career. I have already been able to use obtained knowledge and techniques at my current job.
543 It was a great experience I enjoyed it and will miss it dearly
545 You can get by even with challenging courses.
546 UA has built state-of-the-art facilities and renovated many existing buildings during my time here. The university has also developed the faculty and university leadership has done a good job providing a safe environment that fosters higher learning for all students. The campus life and activities available are great.
548 I would consider my education at UA excellent because overall the teachers seem to really love what they are doing and love to see others learn about what they are so passionate about.
I think that I received great education here at UA. I believe that there are some things that still need worked out, but otherwise my college career was beneficial.

I learned a lot and my professors were very personable and caring.

I say this because you can find out anything you could possibly want to know at UA the problem is knowing how to find a source for the information.

I answered average for the campus as a whole. For the business school I would say strong. Students are not encouraged to learn or be interested in learning when nearly every professor just powers up their PowerPoint presentation (which was provided by the textbook publisher) and monotonously reads through it like a drone at every class meeting. The few professors I had which made me want to come to class every day were the ones who showed passion for the subject which they were teaching. All of these professors made their own PowerPoints and also came up with new ways of getting students interested by showing real-world applications.

Required hard work and good study habits

Classrooms are set up to help students learn

Answer to 8 and 9: Miranda was a "cheerleader" to get me convinced I could return to school and be successful. I did, and I was. The environment was great. Some classes were challenging through work, while others offered opportunities to video conference with the professor or audio conference with classmates.

Classes were well constructed; however, not all classes were valuable.

Overall pretty good I think that there could be a bit less fluff in some courses but other than that I learned a lot throughout my four years.

I am now more prepared for the future, but I felt like at times my schooling was a test of my competency, not my knowledge

I feel that the education services at UA were average. It seems that teachers are more focused on test rather than teaching students the information through interaction in the subject. I feel that test are not a good way to observe a students learning,

I think I received a decent education but I could feel better prepared.

Great people, great teachers, great classmates, successful future, Roll Tide.

The intellectual environment at UA is strong, but could be improved. Some of the lower level classes that I took seemed more like GPA boosters rather than learning opportunities.

Students come to college at a very young age and are unsure of what to expect. These young students are very eager to learn and grow into their professional career. At The University of Alabama students develop the necessary skills to succeed in the workforce and impact their company. Moreover, I loved the education that I received, and I would consider it the best in the country.

Great experience while learning a great deal of information

Sometimes I feel there is a large gap between the students who excel in academia and those who do not. There really aren't students who do "OK".

The education I received at UA was excellent, but, at times I feel the students could have been held to a higher professional standard.

The Greek students were too concerned about being with their "group" to be out in the open about issues discussed in class or in the nightlife. Some students were too concerned with agreeing with what the majority agreed with and I saw hardly any challenges.

I have met or been taught by some of the most intellectual people while I've been at this university.

The education at Alabama really is great. I feel like I was able to learn so much in so many different areas, which is very important to me. I especially love the business school. All the professors and advisors really are the best this school has to offer. Dr. Strickland I thought was especially good and really helped me develop valuable business skills as well as important life skills.

A few classes in my major taught the exact same things - there needs to be differences

The environment was very intellectual, and enjoyable as well.

Teachers performance is evaluated by research not by how well they teach.

Desire to learn is inherent throughout campus, specifically within the business school.
The actual education was not bad. I feel as though I learned less of what the material actually was compared to learning how to learn.

Everyone I talked to during my time at UA made very high scores on either the SAT or ACT. My classes were also difficult. I knew going forward through my classes that the people surrounding me were the best of the best, others either dropping the major or failing the class. I was able to have several job offers for my degree before I graduated. The point of college is to get a good job, therefore, this was a success. A lot of people are closed minded and do not take the extra time to seek information when it doesn't personally affect them. There is a strong presence of intellectual students and faculty who are working to make UA a premiere academic institution.

The University's MIS program gave me the foundation to grow as a professional. My education developed skills and put me in position to succeed in my career. I believe that some areas of campus are very strong but others are weak. UA offers an education that exceeds other colleges in the southeast. I was very prepared for my internship last summer and know that the knowledge and real experience I received from my senior year give me a competitive advantage over other graduates. The people who actually had to work to get to college are a lot more intellectual than the greek idiots who have daddy pay for everything. therefore north campus = highly intellectual. south campus = abyss of idiocy, moral ineptitude, and entitlement.

Very intellectual environment
I think it is a typical college environment with students interested in gaining a college degree and employment
I am prepared for my job following graduation and my education got me that job.
There are always a few places that need an update, but overall strong.
Depends on the department and the classes. I had great student and teacher interaction in my International Business and MIS classes, but that wasn't always the case.
Need to use more new technology in classes
Promotes high academic standards.
More knowledgeable than before enrollment.
Good programs and professors
I liked the balance between the "easier" classes that I needed to take to graduate and the classes that I needed for my major. I believe the classes for my major have definitely prepared me for the "real" world.
Challenging, but fun learning experience.
I had access to everything I needed, and was given the opportunity to take all advances that I wanted with my education.
The capstone classes were very helpful by getting me out of the book and learning more about companies and subjects that pertain to what I will be involved with when I start working.
Since UA is trying to get enrollment numbers up, the academic standards aren't as high.
Opportunities to succeed
I was going to say very strong, but it appears the great minds of Alabama meant 9a.
The professors at UA want you to succeed, and make something of yourself. As a Georgia resident I talk to my friends at UGA, and they just are not provided the guidance UA provides.
My education level was excellent because Alabama has one of the top business schools and companies notice that. I am graduating with a job, which is a huge relief.
I have had a great learning experience at UA. I came from a small town and graduated with a class of 52 people. I have learned so much here that I will value for the rest of my life.
Once I got into my major and the courses of my specialization in sales I do not have one thing to complain about. The professors are amazing and truly do care about their student's futures. I couldn't have asked for a better college learning experience.
very good.
A great environment as well as a great faculty and staff.
I felt that I am prepared to go into the work force with confidence because of the education I received at UA.
My Spanish degree was difficult and, therefore, I know I received a great education from that department. Jose Cano is a brilliant man and wonderful teacher. ALL of my professors (with only one exception) have been amazing in the Spanish department. My Honors classes, likewise, were difficult and I feel like I learned much from them. My business courses were hit or miss: some were very valuable to my education, others were a waste of time and money. This tended to depend on the professor or GTA that taught the class. I would say my marketing education is good, but the APR department is excellent. I have gained real world experience doing real projects. I feel prepared for the workplace in public relations.

Everyone in my classes had a thirst for learning and made class and enjoyable environment.

I felt like I was surrounded by some students who were really educationally driven to succeed and make the best of their experience while at the University of Alabama. Majority of the people I have encountered were smart. I do not say very strong because most of them were lazy as well, and it's not smart to be lazy. I loved going to class at UA. The teachers were very passionate about what they did and made it a great learning experience for the students.

The classes were challenging.

Many driven, hardworking students who strive to excel in the classroom.

Excellent professors. Wonderful learning environment. Challenging work.

In the business school there are a lot of fraternity and sorority guys and girls. I feel all I overheard was parties and racial slurs. Some studying but not too much. As I approach the end of my time here, I feel prepared, knowledgeable, and confident in my field of study. Most beneficial courses were in the Sales Program. The marketing program's professors on the whole were pretty bad except for a select few.

I responded average because the majority of my lower level classes were not extremely engaging and I could easily coast through any of them and get a good grade. It seemed like the professors had a difficult time engaging the students because many of the classes were so large, which in turn led to many students not caring about the course. However, all of my upper level business classes were excellent and extremely engaging and provided me with many great opportunities to learn, speak, and get to know many of my fellow students.

I feel that you can get a degree here without being significantly challenged.

I was pushed to achieve all things using my best capabilities.

We have a lot of fashion design majors here.

We have very intense instructions.

I believe I could have received the same education at the same level at any university. While there were some things that stood out, like the Sales Program, I don't believe there was anything that really stood out to me.

It helped to ready me for life.

Students take their work seriously here at UA (especially in the business school), but not to the extent that every student is strictly ALL studies ALL the time. It's a good and comfortable environment and forces you to be disciplined in your work.

I feel well prepared to venture out into the real world.

Great Tradition.

No one cares about learning, they just care about making a good grade.

There are plenty of people of every intelligence level at UA, you can surround yourself with whoever you choose.

I have learned in every course I have taken. My major has excellent teachers.

I was able to get to know my teachers on an individual basis and so were they with me.

Very well-rounded and complete.

I feel that i am equally prepared and educated to work after college as anyone.

I feel it is a very strong intellectual environment.

Every is here to learn which makes a person strive more for themselves.

Some really smart people but also many “less smart” people.

Learned a lot.
Alot of student want to learn and be involved, but some individuals don't put forth the effort to contribute to the classroom or the University. Most professors work hard to engage all students and to encourage them to interact in the classroom and with classmates through team projects where you often have to brainstorm with other students. I enjoy the fact that their are a lot of out of the classroom learning lectures which help you learn how professionals apply what they have learned in school to making real life changes in the world.

I had teachers with real world experience

I've never been to any other college nor has my family so I have nothing to really compare my educational experience at UA, but I feel like I learned what I needed to.

great campus, lots of good teachers, ive enjoyed my time here

I feel that UA is a respected school and a degree is very good to obtain from this school

I think it could have been better. This is 80% of my doings. I did not actively engage in all the things that I should have but on the other hand I feel like the teachers and staff should REALLY REALLY push that they can only do so much. My freshmen and sophomore years I did think about these things I think that not all people know how much they need to be active. UA needs to make it a mission to educate underclassmen to be active or they will not get what they are looking for.

There are a lot of people who don't really care about academics here and just want to party and/or find a husband.

I was frequently around many intellectual people and taught by intellectual professors, but this was weakened by the amount of students I interacted with who just didn't care about school or their classes.

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I assume you mean question 9a, not 10a. And I don't know what the intellectual environment is anywhere else besides a small school back home. UA has, overall, tougher classes with students who seem smarter than that small school.

I think the standards for admission to UA could be a little higher.

I think that the instructors I have had within the journalism department have been great and very willing to help me. They made the experience better.
I learned a lot, not just about my major, but also how the world works and the how the people operate within it.

My overall education was excellent. I found I got as much out of each class as I expected. Particularly in my major, I felt the education couldn't have been more comprehensive or rewarding.

I am always impressed by the level and depth of education that my professors in both the journalism and history departments had.

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Students should be pressured and forced to figure out, answer 'whats wrong with this', and exhibit and explain procedures that produce outcomes. A system such as this could be applied to any major. The simplest thing I have ever done is study the night before a scantron test and make an A on it. No pressure to produce any outcome. So, overall things were good here at UA, but certainly short of excellent.

In addition to the excellent instruction from my professors, I felt like the people in my classes also challenged me to try harder and be a better student.

Because UA is not kind to the international students, even UA get the full tuition from all international students.

All the teachers knew what they were talking about, and always willing to help you no matter what.

I feel I have learned a very significant amount in school since coming here in Fall 2009.

There were some aspects of the Public Relations major that I believe should be improved. I had no clue what I was actually going to be “doing” as a Public Relations practitioner until the last semester of the curriculum. I believe some of the “real world” experience classes should be offered as core classes instead of general overview classes.

I was consistently able to find professors and other students to have meaningful conversations with, whether about life or school. My friends and the faculty always challenged me to go a step further in all of my pursuits, and they always supported me if I struggled with a new challenge.

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You are given the resources to success. They are not forced upon you, but they are available if you want to go out and get them.

I was very inspired not only by professors at UA, but by fellow classmates. Learning opportunities were seemingly everywhere.

I didn't really grasp the full understanding of my major until my senior year. My senior year was when I really got hands on with upper division classes and had the chance to experience what I would be doing outside of college.

I feel like I should have been given more hands on experience in classes within my major. If it were not for my involvement in several student organizations, then I would have no experience with some areas which are crucial to finding employment in public relations.

I learned something new in every class. The teachers taught us how to apply the knowledge for our future careers, not just how to memorize.

Everyone is different so a mix of ideas gets blended and therefore boost intellect.

I feel like I have been given a lot of knowledge, but not been taught how to physically do them. I feel like I know about things I will be doing in the work force, instead of how to actually do them in a variety of settings.

I don't feel as though I am taking away four years of work.
I think UA is a wonderful intellectual environment. Graduating from a nationally ranked program, Public Relations. Everything about UA contributes to an overall excellent learning and great college experience! All of my professors are a wealth of information and all are very knowledgeable. Strong. Strong focus on research, tempered with a stronger focus on individual development. Smart folks around here. The courses I took were above average, however I don't think they reached the level of other schools with stronger academic courses. Not Ivy League but solid. Was able to be well rounded in film and theatre. During my time at UA I took several interesting classes taught by wonderful, passionate teachers. However, there were a few that I learned very little in that seemed like a waste of time. Just as good as any other college. I think that UA needs to help broadcast news majors more. If it weren't for Michael Bruce, Pamela Tran and Chandra Clark in the TCF department, I would be completely lost. Those three professors were the only ones that truly prepared me. Because I went out and gained experience on my own, I feel prepared. Other students who are graduating with me this semester have just done their first package and just learned how to edit. I love this school, but I think Dr. Tran, Dr. Clark and Mr. Bruce should be the ones helping in making decisions in forward progress of the TCF program. They seem to care the most. The University of Alabama provides excellent resources. I am proud that I am able to learn material that was covered in all of my classes. I have been taught that I am learning something new everyday. This world is so vast with knowledge and information. I will never start learning no matter how many degrees I have. The campus is very intellectual, there is no doubt about that. It's the racial environment at UA that needs work. Coming in my freshman year, I had a pretty good idea of what I wanted to do; however, my major then wasn't specifically pertaining to my field. I knew I wanted to be a movie producer and be involved in the making of movies and film, however, communication studies—my initially major, was the closest study. Then I would have to go to another graduate school or film school, to receive the rest of my education. Coincidently, my sophomore year, another concentration, Production Management, was added to TCF, specifically pertaining to my interest. The University of Alabama caught my attention because of the variety of degrees, majors, minors, concentrations, that they offer. For the university to add, specifically my industry interest, proves that UA is forever expanding in education; giving students the opportunity to study directly in their career choices. I feel prepared for my career. Great school! While I believe that most of the students at UA are here to gain a valuable education, I know that there are some that are here to mostly participate in social activities. Teachers were always willing to help. I received a top notch education at UA and feel prepared for interviewing and for the job market. The education I received at UA is excellent. I think the College of Education fully prepares you to enter the work place. Good times. All teachers knew what they were talking about, and they were able to explain things when needed. They were not only intellectual, but they could back their reasoning up with evidence. There are more people on campus who exist simply to party at Greek houses than there are students who care about their academics. I feel that I was challenged in many ways, but the politics of the University— the fact that it has become too controlled by the government and policies— will cause me to never give money to the University in the future or attend graduate school here. By this, I am referring to unimaginable parking rules and fines, have to go through a million loops to raise money for charity or have volunteer events, restrictions on religious organizations, faculty sticking around much longer than
they should even when there have been hundreds of complaints on them, more money going to athletics and new buildings then to education. Open your eyes, University. This is a broken and needy world. And your one task is to serve these students, it’s a shame you would put anything else before that.

The department as a whole focused on the success of their students. Never had a single problem with setting up a meeting or asking concerning questions about grades. Each professor responded with the information I had sought out. At a very reasonable response time. The faculty and staff showed signs of actually caring for the students and their educational goals. Could not be more pleased with my experience and newly gained education through the Kinesiology department at UA.

I thought that the Kinesiology department is very professional and a great program to get into. This department has helped me grow into a profession that I have always dreamed about.

There was not enough classes that taught up-to-date exercise science material. Most classes were somewhat repetitive in the the information given (i.e. going to the bod pod was part of every class in the major). There were not enough labs in classes to gain hands on experience that will be more useful in graduate school or jobs elsewhere. The teachers wanted us to excel and were great about assisting outside of class. There should be a more rigorous course of study for the major because it is such a fast growing field and there should be more professors to teach so class sizes are smaller.

Positive experience with lasting memories
Prepared me adequately for future endeavors.
UA has prepared me with an education that will suit me in the world of education
There are some accountability issues in the music department, but overall the level of academic instruction and engagement is great.
The students in the music building I found to be highly intellectual, but did not feel the same in my core classes.
The experiences in the classrooms was great but some of my classes where off their mark.
The internship and practicums that I completed throughout my major were the most valuable experiences throughout my education at UA.
There were classmates who were involved an wanted to learn, but also those who have no desire to be here and no work ethic and still continue classes. Act scores that are low.
The Greek system gives us a negative wrap for all the obscene partying and the general reputation that the girls, particularly, carry.
The fact that more people go there means my degree means less since people with lower GPAs and test scores are coming in.
I felt like I was challenged and had an overall great experience in all aspects.
It was very good in upper level education classes, the mathematics courses I had to take were taught by people who neither cared or were good teachers.
I believe that the education I received as a student has prepared me to enter the working world. The knowledge I have gained both academically and personally has helped me grow so much as a person. If I had not attended UA I do not believe I would be as prepared for the workforce. The professors genuinely cared about my success and pushed me to be a better student. I also learned so much about interacting with more diverse group of people. Being from a town smaller than the student population at UA provided me with a very sheltered view of life. Going to the Capstone has broadened my views and helped open my eyes to the issues important to those around me.
I had a few teachers that were sub-par throughout my tenure at UA. But all in all, I feel I received a good education.
Only some of my classes were challenging.
Not a student or academic centered university, too much focus on athletics, greek life and very little culturally enriching programs for diversity. Not a lot of differentiated instruction for various backgrounds of learning styles.
I enjoyed my time at UA. There is so many dedicated professionals that encouraged me to do my best and truly cared about me as a person. I wasn't just a number to them.
The special education program I am in gives great practical experience. However it does not provide the most up to date or cutting edge information to compete with nationally ranked programs.

Too many other things going on to be very strong intellectually, but that's not a bad thing.

Very challenging and rewarding

It seemed fairly intellectual for the most part. However I feel like the high level of Greek involvement characterizes the university as more of a “party school”

The faculty was very knowledgeable for the most part. Some professors, however, lessened the experience.

I feel very well prepared to enter the professional workforce.

The curriculum is tough and demanding.

I am in a major that requires a certain level of intelligence and I gained a great deal of knowledge from working with my peers. We were encouraged to work together and share knowledge and ideas so that we could learn more and teach others.

First off, the numbers are wrong. This is a prime example of how stupid half of this school is. There are people graduating with me in engineering that I feel like lessen my degree because they have no common sense or work ethic. When a bridge falls in a few years and it comes out that the guy graduated from UA, I’m going to be pissed.

College of Engineering promoted students becoming well rounded technical and social leaders on campus. Highly recruited student body was exceptional to be around. Professors were hit and miss on their involvement and buy in to pushing all students.

The focus of the University is geared more towards athletics and the Greek system than academics. This attracts students that are more interested in things other than education. Also, I believe I’m correct when I say there is no longer a reasonable minimum standardized test score requirement for admission to UA. There seems to be a rather large population of students who don’t want to be in school, but are there because they feel that they have to be.

It is a must in Civil Engineering

There is a strong intellectual environment at UA, but it needs to be sought out. I found that many students were genuinely interested in learning, but too many were only interested in getting a degree as quickly as possible. But if you want to, you can definitely find opportunities to learn and be challenged

Engineering students at UA have very strong intellectual characterizations. However, this campus is over run by racist, self-absorbed, frat-driven idiots who shouldn't even be able to get into a college that accredits itself the way UA does. UA should increase the grade requirements for students to even be accepted. And stop growing...it’s a mistake. Money isn’t everything UA.

always surrounded by smart peeps!! :) 

honestly how i feel, though I could be wrong

I believe that I few things could have changed but overall it was a very valuable learning experience.

Big school so the one on one needs work

once you get into the junior and senior years, the program has weeded out all the slackers and everyone who is there really wants to be an engineer.

You tend to get lost in the crowd.

I have learned to solve problems and be curious about the world as well as learn to not be offended when an idea is challenged but to reassess my opinion and search for flaws.

I learned a lot and my teachers in the chemical engineering department were excellent teachers and the summer lab course was an invaluable experience for my future job.

While at The University of Alabama I was able to complete my education, while also building life long friendships. I feel confident in that the education I received is on par if not better than other schools. Through many of the University programs I such as service learning courses my views on many things changed and I developed my own opinions about things and really grew into my own shoes.

Overall, my opinion is that the intellectual environment is probably between average and strong. I’ve been in cases where it's strong and cases where it’s not so strong. It depends of the class, the instructor and the students.
I was challenged academically. I worked hard for good grades and learned a lot. It allowed me to get accepted to medical school.

UA has some of the brightest people I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. I truly feel that there is almost an unlimited amount of knowledge to gain around this campus.

The numbering of these boxes is incorrect based on the last one asking for 13a when there is no a or b. The level of intelligence of the students in chemical engineering is varied. For every hard working, honest student, there are two cheaters. There should be some sort of graduation exam, or something to weed out the ones who do not put in the effort to become an engineer.

Meeting up with different people and friends at different times. Availability of professors and other people.

The courses were very challenging, but I had no problem getting help when I needed it.

The intellectual environment in the honors courses and the courses for my major was very strong, but it was not quite as strong in some of my core classes.

UA is just a great school

This response is considering ONLY the CS department. The entire university as a whole would probably rate an Average. The intellectual environment that I experienced at other departments (Arts, Communications, Business, ...) were very poor.

Sometimes it seemed the University cared more about other things than the intellectual environment.

Some are extremely intellectual and some are very questionable especially at a senior level class.

Some of the teacher’s interactions with the students could have been better along with some of their teaching methods.

I think some of the classes are not needed, and the curriculum could be compressed. But an overall good experience.

It felt like I was pushed from one crowded classroom to another only receiving a very small portion of knowledge instead of feeling like I actually learned something. I probably only enjoyed maybe 5 classes throughout my time at UA.

The vast areas taught in my area along with the hands on experience was great.

I have learned so much that I can apply toward my career.

Too many frats

Most of the classes I’ve taken have been absurdly easy. I was not challenged as much in any of the classes I took during my first four semesters at UA as I was in high school.

Some classes allow students to slide between the cracks, but a vast amount of knowledge is obtainable to those who want to have it.

I chose ‘average’ because during the class time, the campus is providing intellectual environment, but during the night time, the campus is very loud about partying.

The electrical engineering department puts too much emphasis on research and not enough on teaching.

“The amount of squirrels on campus should be proportional to the intellectual grade of the university; ie Ivy League.” Maybe we need more squirrels and less football...

It is hard to find many intellectual students, it is just not very common. Most work seems to be driven by step by step problem solving instead of encouraging creative solutions.

I had professors who always strived to get the best out of students and made your hard work pay off.

I thought the curriculum was challenging and educational. It prepared me for real world experiences.

I am saying this based on the Engineering department. The ME instructors are very well educated and did not waste time with silly things during the class periods.

The collective student body I feel to be very creative and intelligent

Prepared for the work force.

Everyone is smart.

It seems the same in every public university

The intellectual environment at UA is constantly overshadowed by the potential for racial and cultural friction. There are too many students at this University. The University can brag that
its graduation rate is higher than the national average for public universities, but a 4 year
graduation rate of less than 40% is pathetic by any standard.
1090 Given the recent sprouting up of even more exclusively Greek housing on campus, amid an
increased demand for student housing and a parking crisis, it appears that the University is
promoting the expansion of an institution infamous for debauchery.
1091 I would have preferred smaller class sizes.
1093 Excellent opportunities in engineering to perform outside the classroom.
1094 It was a great place to learn and meet people.
1095 Confident in this program
1097 Most people are open to intellectual conversations
1098 I believe the standards of acceptance should be raised and the school shouldn't be focused
on pure numbers, but rather focus on a better academic reputation. I understand that everyone
deserves the opportunity at a college education, but I feel that the standards are much too low to
achieve any kind of reputation past “a good football team.”
1099 The teachers were very informed and experts in their respective fields, I was not here for
many of the core classes, as I transferred. I feel confident I will do well in my field.
1101 Great campus
1102 I cannot limit the most significant contribution to one person. I need to mention Star Bloom,
Dr. Koontz, Brian Taylor, Virginia Wimberly, David Ford - Bus., Sue Parker, Geena Jones,
Jacqueline Morgan - HOnors, Hank Lazer - Creative Campus and others.
1103 I think it should be mandatory to do more internships with our program. It is the only thing
lacked when I began job searching and talking with current employees at the internship I am
currently at. It is where I have learned more about my field of study. I think future students would
benefit more from interning than sitting in a class room.
1104 I feel that UA has provided me with a strong foundation to get started in a career I knew
very little about when I came to college. I know I still have a lot to learn, but I have gained skills
here that I'll need on day one in the workforce.
1105 I felt like I always had opportunities to learn and have educational conversations outside of
class and in class.
1106 I was not a student at UA all years so I don't know how an education at just one school
would change where I am today.
1107 Most of the faculty and staff are very educated and generally care about the students their
teaching.
1108 Abundant learning opportunities and learning facilities are designed to ammeliorate your
learning experience.
1109 Everyone was professional.
1110 I feel as if most teachers dumb down their courses. As a Human Development major, I
rarely studied for a test and still managed a 3.6 average. Yes, I consider myself intelligent, but I
wish i had been challenged more. I was challenged and invested in more by teachers outside my
major than I was by teachers in my major.
1111 UA have a strong sense of education and fosters growth among students.
1112 I rated the intellectual environment at UA as strong because we have morals and tradition
here that I believe will never go away which is good.
1113 Alabama is a very great school that provides only excellence in it’s faculty and also in it's
opportunity for a strong education for each department.
1114 I enjoyed the environment of the school.
1115 Instructor, professors all were knowledgeable and responded to questions with insight and
candor.
1116 Most people who apply to ua get in
I think that I have benefited a lot from what I have learned at UA. I have enjoyed my time here. I think that some of the teachers in my core classes didn't care whether we learned or not but most of my major classes were very informative. My overall education experience at UA has exceeded my expectations. The atmosphere at UA was very encouraging and I enjoyed every minute I spent on campus. All the courses were challenging and demanding. There are no shortcuts when it comes to taking classes at the University of Alabama. I feel that my degree is respected and that it prepared me for new experiences and provided me with different ways to view and process the world. It provided a strong well rounded education for an academic and professional foundation. The University provided both an education and a healthy mental challenge. Earned an education. I am now qualified to do my dream job thanks to the education I received from UA. I feel that the overall education I received at UA was excellent because of the wide selection of course options within my degree. As an older student, I had the advantage of life learning prior to my academic training. Working toward my degree strengthened my preexisting skills and expanded my knowledge and ability to understand concepts from multiple levels. Once I was into my major, I really enjoyed the classes. I never had a teacher I didn't like. I felt like all of my major teachers tested fairly and that allowed me to learn material instead of memorizing it just to pass a test. Overall great learning process. I was very pleased with the staff in the CHES department. They were very helpful and knew what they were talking about. Not very cultural. I think that my education that I received was awesome, but I have no idea what I am going to do with my education in my professional life. I think the education I received in the smaller classroom settings helped prepare me with the proper knowledge for a graduate program and a career in the pediatric field. It was good foundation. Just wished teachers and advisors cared more and helped with future plans more often. I learned so much from everyone at the institution and feel good about moving on to the adult world. All of the teachers at UA were focused on education before football. Research and variety of backgrounds of instructors. It provided a good balance between academics and socializing. The courses were challenging, but still provided the opportunity to be successful. I put excellent because at UA I learned more than academics, I learned life lessons that helped me grow as a student but more so as an individual. I wish I would have applied myself more at the beginning, but the opportunity was there. Had I taken a particular class my senior year with another professor, I feel I would be even more prepared to enter the workforce. I may not have liked every class I had to take here, but I did learn something from each class--some more than others. I think that a great teacher alone makes all the difference in learning and creating a strong intellectual environment. Our class was the guinea pig class. I was challenged by professors and students. I think that the quality of education at UA goes above and beyond. However, there is more to education than is learned in a classroom, and as a full-time student with an additional part-time job, there was not much time to become involved with clubs, organizations, volunteering, etc. as I would have wanted to. Definitely wish I could go back and become more involved. Each of my teachers were very interested in my success and wanted me to achieve the highest marks possible. I felt like it was a positive learning environment. I learned a lot.
too many grad assistants that speak poor english, communication impairments with students affect their performance in classes and actually retaining information.

All of my online classes encouraged intelligent conversations between students.

I am continuing my education further in the next 2 semesters and will be earning my Masters Degree as well with the University of Alabama. My experience as I compared the classes, assignments, and expectations of my instructors to those of my work place peers who are also involved in continuing their education at other institutions has been far superior and more applicable and in depth. This brings greater value to the education I have received here.

I am a double alum, with a BS in Advertising and now a BSN. I have been pleased with the overall education I have received from The University of Alabama through both of my degree development

Encourages research
great.
Loved being at Alabama
While I was at the nursing school, I felt that our professors cared about us and did whatever they could to help.
It was the best I never want to leave college
Motivation for academic success.
teachers helped me succeed
Many places to learn and study
I feel like I did not recieve the quality education that I paid for, and that the majority of faculty struggled to relay the information in our courses. I mostly self-studied and read the textbooks for the majority of my courses.
I believe that the Nursing program is excellent. I think the grading system should be changed though because the grading often hurts nursing students grades.
I did feel like some of the prerequisite classes I took were unnecessary such as Sociology, having to have two computer classes, and my math class was subpar. I took Math 110, and it was pretty much a self-teach. I understand that the goal is to not only be good at your major but to be well-rounded. However, I feel like some of the lower division classes for nursing could be eliminated. When I reached Upper division though, I feel like my education really took off, and I learned a great deal. I feel like I probably got a better nursing education than a lot of people.

The University strives to promote a good intellectual environment and I think they do a good job at doing that.
The University of Alabama has been very rewarding. The social work department overall is filled with fabulous professors who made me so passionate about the field of social work. I could tell the majority of the faculty care about student's success.
As I'm about to graduate, I'm not sure how competent I would be in the real world, but maybe that's normal.
I believe I was amongst a sea of intellectual individuals at all times
More financial capabilities should be available for a broader spectrum of students. There were more inequalities and racial issues on campus that could have been avoided and handled in a different way.
The majority of my interactions involved classrooms filled with much younger students who were not entirely serious about getting their education. I often longed for a greater number of my peers and increased opportunities to communicate with other adult students.
Everyone one was great and I feel fully prepared, intellectually, for the real world.
I loved being a student in the school of social work. The faculty made all the difference in my undergraduate academic career. The professors I had took an interest in me as a student and as a person. I was made to feel like an individual on a large campus.
I enjoyed most of my courses.
My education is very valuable and I learned so much from UA.
Broad learning experiences
My education at UA was excellent, because faculty and professors prepared me for my career.
The University has taken great strides to increase diversity on campus, but are losing grounds in teaching students to be logical thinkers. UA needs to incorporate the Socrate method to learning and not just reflecting courses on theory. Theory is good, but learning how it relates to life is even better.

I feel that the teaching experience gave me a taste of what interaction with people in the real world will be like.
Question 11: Overall UA Education Received

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

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Please explain your reason(s) for your answer.

4. Because of the excellence of teachers, campus beauty, southern culture and pleasant employees.
5. The faculty I had were all very good and cared about my success.
7. My department and my faculty were of high quality. Really though, you get out of it what you put into it. If you work hard, you will be rewarded.
8. If I were to redo my time at UA I would have gone through New College. My biggest problem was the rigid rules concerning core curriculum-- which most seemed like a waste of time and money. I have no problem with a well-rounded education but I fail to see the utility in taking an Introduction to Listening class with hundreds of other students. A self-designed academic plan (under faculty advisement of course) focusing on individual students' goals would improve the overall quality of higher education and probably the university's overall GPA.
9. One of the best schools in the region that I wanted to attend college in.
12. I wish some classes were more elaborate on a subject and helped with writing papers.
13. I have absolutely enjoyed my experience. I have enjoyed my classes and the beautiful campus. I am part of Greek Life and have enjoyed Greek Life at Alabama. I have made great friends and I enjoy the sports, especially our winning football program.
14. Some classes were informative and challenging, others were not.
15. I loved it here but I would have probably done a few things differently if I had the chance. Although, I'm not exactly sure what those things would entail.
16. I grew a lot in many different ways, not just educationally at UA, that I feel added to the educational experience.
22. I’d go to a school with a larger art program.
24. Looking back at my time at UA, I know that it gave me everything that I needed but not just in terms of my education. All aspects of this town and this school developed me into who I am now.
26. There is always room for improvement. (For example, I would suggest increasing the connection of the graphic design section of the art department with the concept of web design, since graphic designers are frequently expected to know web design as well now.) However, overall, I am very pleased with the education I received at Alabama and so I evaluated it as “Excellent.”
27. I’m assuming this is for 10a. Maybe I am just stupid. That's what I feel like even after all these classes. Luckily I had a few outstanding teachers who made sure I left their class knowing more than I came in.
28. I would have gotten a better education in my specific field at an art school, but I had great experiences, made connections and broadened my horizons, so it's difficult to say.
32. I had a few teachers in lower and upper level courses that did not seem to be very excited about having students learn the material. I think the teacher makes the class.
34. Alabama is one of the best decisions I ever made. Academically, I was challenged and pushed to learn as much as I could. Socially, I interacted with a diverse group of people and earned a core group of friends who changed my life. I love Alabama. Roll tide roll.
Though I have had to teach myself much of the curriculum due to a lack of provided information from my professors, I believe that an education is only as strong as an individual makes it.

While I had some great professors, I had some awful experiences with professors and I think there are some unnecessary classes I was forced to take.

I abhor the kowtowing towards the Greek students and their frequent use of old testing material obtained unethically. The fact that the administration allows blatant illegal activities to go on on their property with their endorsement is unethical and a strong reason why I would reconsider attending UA. That said, I think the Biology department is very well rounded and the faculty is outstanding. Research opportunities were plentiful and classes were typically well taught.

No other University in the world would have invested as much as UA has in me.

I could not have asked for a better undergraduate experience at UA.

See response to 9b.

I look back, and I know there were classes I took where I didn't learn anything.

It is the least expensive option since I am a resident of Alabama and I received a scholarship.

But registration for classes is not easy and parking is terrible.

I would have preferred to have a more concentrated field of a major.

I transferred here from UAB. Should have started here. It would of helped my GPA in terms of adapting to a different style of studying instead of changing my style.

From Mississippi but would pay the out of state again to go here

I feel prepared for my future.

I learned a lot in my courses.

I think the curriculum leaves room for further intellectual growth. Students need to be challenged more and that is difficult for teachers due to the ever increasing class sizes. Teachers must sacrifice good test design and questions for more time efficient testing methods. There is room to improve and the quality of students attending this university deserve to have the bar raised to keep them competitive in the work environment.

Just an overall feeling of unhappiness here. It also has become incredibly and uncomfortably overcrowded. I chose to come to UA because it was a large university that was not overcrowded like my home state’s University of Florida. I was disappointed at the greedy explosive growth of the university.

I enjoyed my time at UA, but sometimes I wish I had gone to a school with smaller enrollment. The classes were go big that it made it hard to get to know professors or get assistance.

My experiences at the University have really shaped the person I am today, and I do not think I would be where I am if I had not decided to attend the University.

The education in received is top-notch. As far as the knowledge I gained from my course that will contribute to my success in professional school, things I learned outside of class just from being a part of UA helped make me a well-rounded person.

I am back at the university pursuing a second undergraduate degree.

ROLL TIDE

I thoroughly enjoyed my core classes at UA. The instructors seemed to have a sincere interest in their subject matter and could relay that to the students. Unfortunately, I did not see that in most of my upper level major courses.

Yes, the university is still a great place to get an education.

It was an overall good experience.

I am close to home while gaining a great education.

I just feel it is good

Again, the chemistry department almost ruined my time here at UA.

I love it here

My department is horrible, run down, and the professors bad mouth each other in front of students.

I believe my major education covers the slack I felt from my general education. I definitely took my major education more seriously because it is what I need to be a major force in my field; whereas, general education was just something I needed to graduate.
I love it
I enjoyed my time here and learned many useful skills that can be applied in both my personal and professional life.
I had a scholarship here.
There's no other place I'd rather attend. I had no regrets during my time at UA.
In state tuition, plus Faculty/Staff grant. Also, UA is a pretty fab school.
UAB is a better school with a better crowd of people. A lot of people here are stuck-up with a false sense of entitlement just because their parents are rich.
Second to none!
The college is amazing and there are so many things to do! Plus the culture surrounding the University is so diverse and I love that.
I would definitely choose UA!! I love the people and the atmosphere.
When I first stepped foot on the campus, I knew this is the school I wanted to graduate from. I have such great pride in UA.
I have loved everything about my education at UA.
I greatly enjoyed the experience, but the administration (student services and financial aid especially) made it difficult for me to afford the cost of attendance. Once I switch my residence to in-state, I still had issues being recognized as an in-state resident, even though I vote, hold a driver's license, and live in Alabama. I definitely think the process of evaluating the residency petitions needs to be reconfigured.
I enjoyed my education at UA, and also enjoy the tradition of the athletic programs there. I met a lot of great people and was given a lot of great opportunities through UA.
My experience at UA over the past four years has made it evident that I made the right decision to choose this university as it shaped me from a child as a freshman to an adult as a graduate.
I feel that this campus has a "small college" feel on a big camps, which made it easy to excel.
ROLL TIDE!
Roll Tide Roll!!!
I felt I learned a lot more and got more insight into my preferred career field than I did at previous colleges.
I had other choices and I love UA, but there are some racial social issues that I think I would have experienced less of somewhere else.
I feel that I got a great education with classes that challenged me intellectually.
There are other schools that don't have as many general classes and are more specific to my major.
Roll Tide.
See above. I learned more in a semester of high school than I did in my first two years at UA, and even during my third and final year, when I was enrolled exclusively in graduate courses, I never felt challenged. Put another way, when I opened a book for a graduate class to do homework on a plane, the guy next to me asked if I was in high school - his son had used the same book for an Advanced Placement class . . .
Some great professors and meaningful classes, but also some professors who are simply at the university to research and do not care about the student's best interest. In addition, the career center was less than helpful as a resource to find employment after graduation.
I wish it were more challenging at times. Most of what I've learned here was outside the classroom.
I am very happy with the education I received, but if it was bad I don't know any better.
English professors are hit and miss. You get good ones, and then you get the ones who grade on whether you agree with them or not in your interpretation of a text.
As much as UA has meant to me, I think I would have benefitted from being in a more urban environment.
I love UA.
UA is small enough to foster community among students, yet large enough to attract national attention.
I'm assuming this is meant to be 10a...There were not enough options to explore outside of British and American literature.

I love this University.

I feel that my English major and creative writing minor significantly shaped my skills as a writer and my basis of experience as a teacher.

SO EXPENSIVE. This university needs to take a look at its priorities. The athletic facilities are nice, but my tuition and other fees were not completely worth the time I spent here at UA. Focus more on academia and less on pleasing the greedy board of trustees.

I would only choose UA because of their out of state merit scholarships. However, I may reconsider, now that I know how poor race relations are on the campus at large and how little the high levels of administration care about fixing these poor race relations. I have never felt more marginalized in my life as an African American woman than I have in the past four years at UA.

I love this school. It means something more to me than just the experience I had here. Also, the professors were strongly qualified.

I made amazing friendships and got a great education in a different environment.

I'd rather not.

UA was the best experience I have ever had so far.

Alabama was my first choice school without truly knowing what the education process would be, and now that I know how the experience has been I would definitely choose this school again.

My experience with the English department was excellent. The faculty is devoted to students and they are wonderful teachers.

I love UA. The only classes I have not enjoyed at this university have been online; and there's only so much one can do to make those interesting.

Again, I dont want to explain.

Again, wish I could have known more about my field before being thrown into it.

I have a mental illness, and the UA faculty has been very understanding and helpful in getting me through my classes.

UA is a good school, but y'all have a long way to go in the racial relations aspect. Your Greek life isn't a good look.

If the United States was as united as it is called and there were no differences in tuition based on your state of origin, I would definitely not have gone here. I would have gone the University of Colorado. I only choose the cheapest four university. My options were UA or AU. Given these choices I wanted AU, but AU doesn't do Spring admissions.

I put effort into it.

The professors in my department are the best teachers. Those outside my department are lacking certain skills in my opinion.

I love UA and I had so many excellent professors and learned so much from the excellent courses offered. Despite this I don’t think I would attend UA if I had to start over even though I am proud to be a part of the UA community. The campus environment was not a very inclusive place and while Tuscaloosa is changing for the better it leaves much to be desired. When setting foot on campus it is blatantly obvious to see who belongs to which social groups and they never mix. The close minded nature of most of the students and conservative attitudes made it hard to fit in and many times I felt out of place to the point of being uncomfortable. I am usually a very social person and am used to having many friends and when I went to UA I spent weeks without talking to anyone and it was a very isolating experience for me. Perhaps it would have been different if I was not a transfer student and lived in the dorms but for the most part I felt like I did not have anything in common with the student body and Tuscaloosa did not offer me the things that I am interested in doing. If I had to do it all over again I could have gone to another school and had the same strong education I had at Alabama, but with an more inclusive campus community and a more vibrant city or town life to go along with my college experience. I listed my answer as probably not because things could have been different if I had started there my freshman year and partially the blame lies on me because I could have tried harder but regardless it would have been a daunting task. By my last semester I had a small group of friends I enjoyed spending time with, but if I had gone somewhere else I probably wouldn't have spent two years without any social interaction.
Pretty campus, upgrading all facilities, great greek and night life, Tuscaloosa city and downtown improving.

Loved U of A my whole life.

It was a hit and miss regarding subjects and instructors being interesting and understandable.

Its one of the best schools in America.

This is my dream school. No other school matters.

I was able to develop my writing and public speaking skills, as well as group work.

I developed numerous skills here that will help me in my job in the financial services industry.

It was fine.

My education here has been top notch.

I am so happy that I chose to attend UA. It was more than I expected and hoped for. I wish I could stay longer.

No question I would chose Alabama AS A FRESHMAN instead of as a transfer student.

Great teachers.

I love the atmosphere and the sports.

Of course, Roll Tide.

The professors in the history department and the sociology department are all really helpful and knowledgeable. And the librarians are the same. However the focus of the school leaves much to be desired and without my own personal efforts to seek out opportunity and the very good luck I had to pick certain courses over others I could have easily entered and left the university without advancing my education.

I simply could not have asked for a better one.

I could never decide on a major, so I never got very deep in any particular field of study.

High quality faculty.

New College is the only reason I stayed here.

I received a scholarship here, so financial aid was really good. But I did enjoy the politics and balance that hard-core academics had to practice between hating and loving UA football. I do realize that the football program was the reason that I was able to receive a scholarship, but there is, in my opinion, too much emphasis placed on the football program.

I was lucky enough to be part of two programs (Honors and New College) whose focus was engaging its students and encouraging life long learning. The passion shown by my faculty and staff in these departments will forever motivate me to accomplish my goals.

It is good, but I feel many of the courses could have been more interesting, more challenging, or both, which would have improved my feelings on my educational quality.

I think I got an excellent education because of New College; I was allowed to explore anything I was interested in, and this has supplied me with an ample and interdisciplinary education that will prepare me for any path I take, be it academic or professional.

I had excellent teachers and enjoyed learning the subject of the various classes and, while I do feel like I have more knowledge now than before I entered UA, I'm not sure if it's enough more to qualify as “excellent.”

Yes, probably but not definately. I would not choose it for academic reasons, but only because of the people I've met during my time here.

The EXD program was perfect for me to finish my degree at my own pace with little pressure.

The University of Alabama has far exceeded my expectations.

I was treated professionally and I gained a great deal from each course.

I think that the availability and opportunities at UA are still above and beyond any other facility.

My education was a formality. I was better educated without my diploma than some of my EXT. degree instructors.

The overall education I received at UA was outstanding. As a transfer from Ohio State, I found the overall education at UA to be above the quality that I was used to. It challenged me more than I had ever been.

It was all self study with little feedback from professors.
I believe that I received a superior education to any other school I might have chosen in the state of Alabama, the Southeast, and possibly the nation. My education has made me feel prepared to enter my chosen field and the equal of anyone else in my area of study.

I loved my experience.

My education at UA enabled me to get admission into the graduate school of my choice on scholarship. Additionally, I have finished with a significant knowledge base in my field. I wish that the Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies focuses had been more developed during my time here, but I am glad to see that they are currently being expanded.

Greatest school in the world. The memories, friendships, and education I took away from UA are priceless.

I had more classes that were above average than were below average, and I was challenged primarily in the upper-division courses. Seminar classes were engaging.

I think you mean 10a, but if I didn't think it was excellent, I wouldn't have stayed here throughout my college career. I think this school has prepared me well for my next stage.

A lot of my education was through out-of-classroom experiences. New College taught me to take advantage of and learn from those, but if I had only learned what UA taught me, I wouldn't have had such an outstanding educational experience as an undergrad.

Again, this is a party school. The education is there if you choose to put in the extra work to receive it, but I definitely see that coasting is possible. However, the education that I personally sought out was extremely valuable.

I loved my time at UA, and I learned a lot about myself and what I want to do with my life.

Could've been better. Some courses were very impersonal and will be entirely forgettable in the future.

Fun and learned a lot.

I feel that I received a good education at UA, but in comparison to other music schools, I could have come away with a more rounded education and training.

The physics department does not have enough resources, so I could have gotten a better education elsewhere.

I got a great undergraduate education that I could afford. I have loved all of my philosophy professors and learned so much from them. I have matured so much while here, and I love this school.

Once again 10a? I learned some stuff, but you're just a part of the crowd at UA. A lot of the classes could have been a lot better. Some of it felt like a waste of time and money, but you have to have a degree these days.

football

Love Alabama, Roll Tide!!!

The University should do more to truly prepare students for the job market. The career fairs did not provide a place to meet and network with organizations in every major.

Teachers seemed to know what they were doing and were accessible, with the sole exception of Dr. Down's Finance course, which was handled with staggering incompetency.

I am very glad I chose to attend Alabama. I thought about going out of state and spending a whole lot more money so I would have better options after school. I will be attending Georgetown University Law Center next year and I honestly can now say that no other school would have given me any better post graduation opportunity.

Loved attending UA and getting a feel for the south.

It was amazing, I have nothing bad to say.

UA has been a great experience and I would do it all over again.

Studying abroad made joining the UA community beyond worth-while.

It could have been a lot better if funding was available to the departments to offer innovative and experimental classes.

Good courses, student-focused professors, excellent extra-curricular opportunities, need more help with internships in non business fields.

I would not trade this experience (academics, athletics, extracurriculars, friendships) for anything else. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to attend what I consider to be the greatest university in the country.
Despite my displeasure with the university, I would still choose to attend UA, SOLEY because of the Blount Undergraduate Initiative. Some classes, especially 100 and 200 level classes were way harder than they should have been.

The teachers seemed to lose the individualistic joy once I was in the upper division class. I can't really give a good answer yet, but I will find out when I get into the real world. I learned a lot about people...not so much in the classroom. Again, unless you have someone monitoring your performance constantly (as in greek system) it's pretty much 100% based off you.

Out of state tuition is too expensive to go elsewhere, and I would rather cut myself than go to Auburn and waste away in a cow pasture. I learned much, and many things that if I had not attened UA that I would not have known. There is little consistency, particularly across colleges. Psychology always pushed my abilities however the HES classes I took were remedial and embarrassing with how easy they were. Although there were classes that didn't contribute much, I didn't like, and weren't easy. There were many I did enjoy and taught me a lot.

Was very different experience, but made me learn a lot. I have loved my time at UA! I would not change a thing. My education has been outstanding, and I have met so many wonderful people. I feel overall I am prepared for my future after attending UA. I was fortunate enough to have faculty that served as mentors my senior year to better prepare me for graduate school. I truly cherish my time here and believe I learned life lessons I couldn't have anywhere else, but I probably would have grown up just as much attending an in-state school. I felt challenged, but at times I felt I could have been challenged even more. I loved it

Alabama provided the college experience I expected. I made the most of the opportunities available to me. Great

I use the things I have learned in my classes in everyday life as well as at my job. Going to UA really enhanced my education in multiple facets. UA is not only a wonderful place for an education but also is a wonderful place to grow as a person. The atmosphere is warm and friendly, it is an overall welcoming place.

Great school and campus

UA was the best fit for me and my goals. I have been able to grow to be my own individual person and I feel I would not have blossomed so well at other universities.

Positive educational experience

It was what I was seeking in both dance and psychology. However, the advising process has been negative for nearly everyone I know and the job placement opportunities and aid is sad.

The environment stimulates constant learning and growth. I have a well-rounded education and specialized degree that will take me far in life.

Loved it

I absolutely love everything about The Capstone and my experience here has been wonderful. I would certainly attend UA again if I needed to choose.

I may have looked into a school that focuses less on sports and is more in tune with my major.

It's been great the first time around so I would do it over, probably plan better with what classes I am taking earlier on in college. My main reason for this is that I graduated with over a 4.1 and did not get into graduate school. I feel like the psychology department(chair) does not realize that the university is a business. Having paid over $50,000 from out of my own pocket to attend UA I expected more professional treatment. When I asked a question about something we discussed in class I was belittled and lectured. I paid money to go to school here and take that class. When I asked my teacher (and dept chair)a question about a class requirement that was supposed to be paid for, I was chewed out and then lectured by my mentor. I found the experience so unprofessional that it has wiped all the good times in the department from my memory. To make sure I was not wrong in
the scenario I asked 2 teachers and 3 business professionals; all said I was right and she was wrong and unprofessional. I was asked to apologize to her and someone uninvolved in the incident... There is a thick line between suggesting to someone they should look differently on matters and abusing your power, in this case I felt unjustly abused by someone I once trusted. Also I paid a lot of money to take that class, in the end I ended up paying for the printing I asked about out of my own pocket because the directions I received were not proficient. I just wish I could have left UA remembering all the good times rather than this experience so close to graduation. It left me feeling like “we already got all your tuition money so you can get lost now.”

my major was excellent

I believe I received a wide range of knowledge, both in my major and outside of it, and I think it is a solid education that will carry me through for the rest of my life.

Feel very prepared for graduate school, even though it will be very different from my major (Spanish)

I learned a lot and the professors were helpful, but the education just isn't focused on careers. The core curriculum is not particularly worthwhile if you know what you want to do, and the professors in the business school don't always let you know what jobs are available to students with your degree.

The University of Alabama is a well recognized university across the south east as well as the country. Several of its programs are top ranked and the opportunities and resources on campus are incredible. I have been very proud to be a student at The Capstone these past four years.

I learned a lot and feel prepared to take the next step

I feel well-prepared to enter the work force with the education I received. In addition, I feel that I gained positive social skills here at the Capstone that will help me be successful in life.

My teachers in my department actually cared and catered to my growth and success

I am unsure if this was the best choice for the major I chose.

My french courses were really great. But as far as my major courses, they were fine. They weren't just amazing and they weren't horrible. Just average.

I enjoyed being on campus because the faculty and student body were wonderful. UA also offers a wide range of extracurricular involvement that enhances the collegiate experience.

Not all of my professors have been top-notch, but overall they were good.

I have had an outstanding experience here.

I got the job of my dreams through UA's opportunities

had a great time at school while still learning a lot.

The accounting department is excellent at Alabama.

Great experience

When I was beginning my post-secondary education UA was not at the top of my potential colleges. However, I have no regrets about my college choice and would encourage other high school students to attend UA.

Overall campus experience was very valuable

Although I am unhappy with registration and dining halls, the education I received here has been amazing. I have learned more than I ever thought I would. I really appreciate the hard work that the faculty has contributed to our learning.

Yes. I feel this was the right place for me even if I did not know it before I started at UA.

I learned the skills to get me the best job I could imagine.

The education and supporting services are good but not competitive in worldwide competition.

I loved it

I feel that when I enter the working world I will have all the necessary skills required to succeed.

Even though there were some teachers that made me feel as though they were trying to trick me as well as the other students, the other experiences that I gained from UA are irreplaceable.

The generic business classes were useless and the core classes were too condensed to be of real value. I feel I have no real experience or preparation for an actual job in my field.
Cost, bad experiences with rude employees, never really felt welcome
For the amount of money I have paid for some of the courses I have taken makes me sick to my stomach because I feel like I didn't learn anything. There are some classes where I feel as if though I got my money's worth.
Students are exposed to unique courses to expand our knowledge and the classes are taught by the best faculties in the country.
Terrific program that gives young accountants the base knowledge they need to proceed in their career in this field.
I almost never missed a class, and took 16+ hours for 7 semesters, and always enrolled in summer school. I was in engineering, computer science, accounting, Honor College, & many student organizations. I took several jobs, did ridiculous amounts of community service, attended Tuscaloosa's churches. I witnessed everything the city has to offer: the music scene, many athletic events, poetry readings, historic buildings, Lake Lurleen, too many parties, every back road and every huge event held for four years. UA gave me an excellent education not because of its classes, but because of its culture. I've been shaped into more of a well-rounded individual than I ever could have dreamed, and I can't just thank the professors who taught my accounting courses. I owe sincere gratitude to every University leader, every motivated student, and every outstanding citizen in Tuscaloosa for an outstanding four years. They've given me lifelong friends, and they've helped me to achieve lifelong goals.
I couldn't ask more of a high quality institution so close to home.
my educational experience was excellent
I learned and retained more than most other graduates and was forced to develop invaluable work ethic. Educationally it was challenging and instrumental for my career. Socially, it was unbelievable and am lucky enough to experience “once-in-a-lifetime experiences” (regarding football championships) that few ever get to enjoy. I also made lifelong friends.
Could have used more classes in my field of study (BBA Finance.)
I wouldn't take the experience back for anything in the world.
Very political
I love every aspect of the university
The Culverhouse does a very good job of getting students ready and adapted to the working world
I would never change my Alabama experience for anything.
The University of Alabama has been very helpful in helping me achieve my educational goals.
I had plenty of resources.
I learned a lot and the professors were helpful, but the education just isn't focused on careers. The core curriculum is not particularly worthwhile if you know what you want to do, and the professors in the business school don't always let you know what jobs are available to students with your degree.
I would want a different experience overall, I just never really felt like I fit in.
Studied Abroad at a top university. There was some overlap. So, Alabama has its curriculum up to date and competing with top universities.
Combination of Football, Fraternity and Academics is unsurpassed anywhere else in my opinion. I think we get the most complete education here relative to social, academic and real world applications.
I always knew I wanted to attend a big college in the South. I am the third generation of my family to attend The University of Alabama. It seemed only natural to choose Alabama. I've been indoctrinated into University of Alabama tradition since I was born. The family legacy and act of following in the footsteps of generations of Lacey's before me makes me feel a part of something important: the story of my family's history. The other draw that Alabama had for me as a college was the adventure of being in unchartered waters. I had never lived away from home, or even spent significant time away. I had a feeling that if I threw myself into a large campus in a new city away from home that I would blossom and learn things about myself I never knew. This University is where my family members of past generations have blossomed and come into their own, and now I can say that I have as well. Being a student here at The University of Alabama has not always been easy. I have felt lonely, afraid of failure, and more stressed than ever before. But I am
made stronger by these experiences. I also have made memories of some of the best times of my young life here, met people that I will never forget, and made lifelong friends. I would not trade this experience for anything.

Loved every minute at this university
Love this school
Great school.
Through the interview process I feel that I have an advantage over others because of my University of Alabama education
Campus is highly Greek oriented.
I have landed a great job thanks to my education at UA. The career services need to step up. Had to get an internship on my own with no help from them what so ever,
Same reason as previous question. I love my professors and their teaching methods and experiences that they have taught and shared with us.
I learned a lot of valuable information.
The Greek life here is too much and gets a little over done by the university along with the student that take part in them.
UA gave me a well rounded education and the brand UA has formed speaks for itself.
Excellent program with a sound reputation
It took me 10 years and 4 schools to graduate. If I had known about UA earlier, I could have saved myself a lot of time and trouble. This was the school I was supposed to graduate from.
I like the on-line degree program and found it challenging, at times, yet easy to use. The professors at Alabama are very knowledgeable and use good teaching techniques.
Alot of the education received depends upon how willing one is to learn and take advantage of the opportunities and resources made available to them. The University of Alabama does an excellent job if providing that environment.
I am going to miss my school so much. I feel like crying when I think about it. I am going to try to come back for my master’s. Im just not ready to leave yet.
Reflection on my lack of interest in the program.
I would never trade the experiences I had at UA for anything else.
I have loved every day I have spent at this school, I wouldn’t change it for the world. I love the people here as well as the environment. The campus is beautiful, and the student body as a whole has such a profound love for Alabama and it is truly inspiring.
I love the people and the atmosphere here.
I love the atmosphere.
I went with fair because I feel that I could have received a better education if the teachers seemed to care.
I said good because most universities suffer from the same issues which I named in 9b. I hope to see UA strive to be above most universities in the future.
More ready for the business environment
Some upper level teachers are so smart and consumed with research they have a hard time putting things on a lower level for students to understand
Several things made the experience great. The business strategy game (GBA 490) is awesome. The sales pitches I gave online, and other team projects were great.
I greatly enjoy(ed) being enrolled at the University.
I don't regret my decision to come to Alabama.
I had a great time, made a lot of connections, and was close to home
I learned a great deal and grew a lot with my college experience
faculty tries their best to challenge you and prepare you for the real world.
I chose UA due to the fact that it was close to home and ive been a life long alabama fan.
Refer back to earlier comments
It was the best option for me.
3 out 4 national championships. A great education. Definitely...
The overall education that I received at UA was good for entering into the graduate program I entered. I would suggest that the faculty promote post-graduation job
advice/motivation. I would like to see faculty focusing more on relating topics to future careers rather than just lecturing on the information.

One would imagine, as an out-of-state student from Florida, coming to an institution with over 20,000 students can be rather frightening, but in reality it was the opposite. Since the first day of class, I immediately began joining various student organizations and searching for classmates with similar interests. Then a few year later, I had served as a campus elected official, a college elected official, and the governing body President of the second largest college on campus. Needless to say, if I had to do start over again, I would still choose to attend UA.

Great environment and great school. Roll Tide Roll

I had great professors.

I had a lot of friends who attended Auburn who I am closer friends with, and while my current girlfriend attends Auburn we may have not met had I gone there.

I received a quality education and I feel the university is responsible for providing the tools for me to have obtained my education.

My business education gave me a good background to excel in the business world. Also, with my minor I enjoyed the learning in those classes because I had no prior knowledge of the material before I signed up for them.

I feel that I received the best education I could ask for and I know it will prepare me for future employment.

Absolutely. Alabama provides a well balanced educational experience that I love.

Excellent education with good professors

I feel like this school over most public universities provided me with the closest thing to a private education (which until college is all I knew).

I would choose it more for the experiences that the community around UA give and less for the actual education. The actual material that you learn at UA I could learn from somewhere else online for much cheaper. I had few teachers that I met that I actually loved going to class to learn from.

The MIS program at UA is one of the top programs in the country. I have already had a years worth of real world experience through the Capstone projects completed my senior year. I was able to take what I had learned and secure a job almost 2 months before I graduated. I attribute that to the preparation I received at UA.

I have had a great time for 4.5 years. I wouldn't change it for anything.

The MIS program was really great and has prepared me to take charge at my work place

I have received a very career-oriented education that has prepared me well for the working world. It has also helped me secure employment (5 months before graduation) in an economy with less than ideal employment levels.

The University helped me grow as a professional and helped me start my career.

There is no program like MIS at any of the schools in the southeast.

My education I received as a MIS major I believe is second to none.

My business classes made me a well-rounded graduate. There was not a class I dreaded attending. The classes not only prepared me academically but personally.

Would be excellent if not for the business school core classes - the instruction quality as well as the class structure were very poor. The management information systems program is top notch. I would not be graduating with a job offer in hand if not for MIS.

I gained the necessary skills to obtain a great job

I feel the faculty in my major particularly cared about my academic growth

My education has opened many doors for me, and I have learned a lot that opened my mind to many things.

UA has great professors and if you wish to learn and get involved they are often happy to facilitate that interaction.

I wanted the big University (football) atmosphere and a strong greek system. The only other school i got in to that i would consider would be University of South Carolina.

I received an education I feel is superior to any other place i could have gone.

Auburn is better

Love it. Might attend grad school here

Beautiful Campus and ladies, fun party scene, solid business education and great football
With the rising cost of tuition across the country, this was the reason I ended up at UA in the first place, but ended up getting a great education, loving the environment, and having the best sense of a home away from home than I feel like I would have gotten anywhere else besides UA.

The campus, people, and events at this university are unlike any other place in the country. My kids will be forced to go to school here.

The teachers in the business school actually care about you and your future.

Best experience of my life

No doubt about it. Small class sizes, one on one advice and the tools I needed to succeed are all thanks to UA.

I would choose UA again because I majored in marketing and I want to be taught by some of the top professors. The social life at UA is also a contributing reason as to why I would choose to go here again.

Absolutely, I could not see myself at any other college and don't think I could have excelled in school like I did these past 4 years anywhere else.

I learned alot by some great teachers

I have loved all four years here at UA and wish i could start over just to relive the experience.

This is now my home. I love UA and all it has contributed to my life and success.

My time here has been more than I could hope for.

As someone who dreamed of Ivy League, I was hesitant about Alabama. But now, as I leave the place, I realize UA has allowed to me to live the life I want in addition to getting the education I want.

The business school curriculum covered all facets of things I needed to learn for my future and the faculty did an excellent job in delivering that content.

I felt as though I was given every opportunity to choose which are of study I would like to focus on while attending the University if Alabama. Since my Freshman year, I have changed majors twice. First starting in advertising, then switching to elementary education to finally deciding on business marketing. Through each of these experiences I have gained exceptional knowledge, not only academically, but about myself and what I wanted to do in life. I'm so happy with my decision to pursue business marketing and beleive I have a bright future ahead of me.

I am leaving UA better qualified for the business world and I am fully prepared and ready to take on any job I achieve.

I would definitely attend UA again.

Roll tide

I feel confident I can succeed in the work world because of my education and caring professors.

Best experience of my life.

Absolutely.

Roll Tide

I would have liked to have gotten a better and more engaging education in my core classes so that I could better decide what I actually wanted to study, but once I got into upper level courses, I felt my education was much better.

I know there are more programs in the U.S. that could better improve my intellectual processing abilities.

Close to home, beautiful campus, large body of students but easy to break it down, great business department, strong greek community

We have very high expectations for academics.

While I appreciate the experience and enjoyed my time, the way the school is ran and with all the problems I had with signing up for classes, the lack of non-athletic scholarships, and so forth I would have a hard time believing I would choose the University of Alabama all over again.

It was the time of my life

Very likely may have been “excellent” but I did not apply 110% of my efforts 100% of the time. I should be taking away much more than I am.

I have loved my college experience from my involvement to the community to my education.
Great Environment

I'm not at all prepared for a real job and I have a high GPA. From my experience as a co-op I think I am more than well prepared to work in my field. Still want to be close to my family

The professors and students at UA really do care

UA is overcrowded. Greek system causes a lack of unity among student body. I love the Crimson Tide.

YES!! Best place ever!

Overall, I felt that I received an excellent education at UA.

I received a lot of more knowledge and it was presented to me well

Partly due to me, I was not pushed enough.

I have had some wonderful professors who have taught me not only about academics, but experiences in life that will help me going forward with my life. You really run in to educators and some administration who really want you to be successful.

I love the relationship UA has with great companies which allows students to really get involved

I like UA but I love trying new things.

this was where i needed to be.

I loved my experience here at UA. It made me a better person.

I learned a lot.

I can't imagine having attended another school.

I love it

No other place I'd rather have gone.

I have used a ton of information that I learned in my classes during my everyday and professional life.

I love Alabama! It has a great culture and a great set of people. You feel like home when you come on campus. It will be sad to leave this campus!

Despite all I have been through, I will have still chosen to attend UA.

I received the support, guidance, and preparation necessary for my post-undergraduate career ambitions. I had ample opportunities to pioneer my own research projects; for someone who is continuing my education at the doctorate level, this was crucial to my professional and scholastic development. Thank you to all of the faculty of the Communication Studies Department. I will proudly give back and remain involved as an alumni.

I feel prepared academically and socially to enter the work force.

Overwhelming Greek Life
Distracting Social/Party Life
Expensive-- Parking Pass

I feel like I obtained a substantial amount of information in my undergraduate career here at the University.

This education is better than an online school and people actually respect that I am about to graduate from UA, so I think that's pretty fantastic.

I learned a lot and was challenged.

I always knew that I would attend UA, and I couldn't have imagined going to school anywhere else.

Some of my classes, such as those in the history department, were challenging and thought-provoking. These classes made me love to learn and want to learn. But other classes, such as those in the journalism department or core classes, were weak, focusing on skills for a career, which most of the time were self-explanatory and repetitive.

I think I would choose UA again. There are downsides to every school, so I don't think that I would be 100 percent satisfied no matter where I attended college.

It was great. I learned a lot.

I loved almost everything at the University. From campus life to academics to athletics, it was great to be a student here.
In the journalism department, I received a plethora of practical knowledge that could serve me in the real world. From technology to writing skills, the journalism department does a fantastic job of creating well-rounded graduates.

Tracy Sims, apr. She is responsible for the majority of my growth.

Not doubt, but there is room for an excellerated intellectual environment.

The education and instruction I received absolutely has helped in my post-college endeavors. I feel as if I was much more prepared and ready for full time employment than people I know from other schools who graduated with the same degree.

Some professor were not kind to international students, but some were really helpful, and I really appreciate them.

I think this is a great overall campus. There are a lot of opportunities to gain here and I think its the best type of university anyone should be proud to go to.

I had a great experience.

I loved going out of state for college from Texas.

I would not change my choice to attend UA in the least. I would, however, go back and do some things differently. I would have gotten involved more on campus earlier, I feel as if I missed out by simply choosing to focus only on my school work and not participate in extra curricular activities.

As part of the public relations program, I had the opportunity about everything that touches my career path- radio, tv, print, and social media. I also was able to learn from faculty that had experience in the subject matter that they were teaching, which is invaluable in a field such as PR.

As someone who dreamed of Ivy League, I was hesitant about Alabama. But now, as I leave the place, I realize UA has allowed to me to live the life I want in addition to getting the education I want.

I feel that I have grown individually and intellectually through the education that I earned at UA.

My field of study is one of the top ranked in the country.

UA was always my first choice. I have enjoyed every experience both good and bad here.

I have had a fantastic time at UA, and it would be hard to talk me into choosing somewhere else.

I had an amazing experience at Alabama. I cant imagine going anywhere else! RTR

My professors were very skilled in their teachings and I'm confident that my knowledge has been enhanced because of them.

I would have liked an atmosphere where over all the people are more welcoming and friendly from day to day.

I would chosen UA because of the friendships and experience I had outside of the classroom. UA has not prepared me for my future in the way I had hoped.

When I took my core classes in PR, most of my teachers were there to help and wanted us to learn and take everything in.

I do not have any complaints about the school. I've had a great experience thus far

UA was the only campus I visited hat stood out to me and instantly made me feel like i belonged here.

My department prepared me for a real job environment and taught me many valuable skills that I will be able to use with me anywhere.

I learned a lot.

UA is an overall amazing school.

I gained the skills, knowledge and confidence to be successful.

Much learned, academic and socially

I'm from out of state and I don't think I would have gone here if I knew everything I know now. My classes were good, I just think the amount of money I was paying out of state could have gone to a better school that was academically ranked higher. Also there isn't much entertainment to do in Alabama.

Got hands on experience

Its a tradition, well cared school with good professors.
The TCF department has shown great improvement since I began. Faculty like Dr. Rachel Raimist and Professor Adam Schwartz have raised the bar for teachers in the department. I hope they and those that follow them continue to create new opportunities and inspire students to work hard and push themselves.

I enjoyed myself. It's a great school, except the TCF dept needs an overhaul. Not enough courses, not enough classes per course, cant get into anything. Teachers not doing enough, not following course objectives, not learning enough, teachers playing favorites was a big problem too.

I LOVE this school and everyone here; however, I feel like another school may have prepared me better for my career.

If I had to start over, I would have came to the University of Alabama my freshman year.

A lot of the campus is close minded to diversity

I've enjoyed my education at UA. I've been able to learn more programs for editing that I was never exposed to before.

Yes! I've learned more than just curriculum here at the university. I've learned valuable life lessons as well. I've gone through a lot here in my three and half years, but it has truly made me the strong individual that I am today.

No doubt

Yes!

I was fortunate enough to take classes from passionate, knowledgeable teachers and I was able to gain alot of field experience in my major.

I love it here! I would complete all four years here if I could do it over.

I would definitely choose UA if I had to go back and do it all over again. The past four in a half years have been great and the university itself is wonderful.

Yes

Apart from my last placement, my experience has been excellent. All placements where I was placed were great. All faculty and staff at Alabama was beyond helpful. Not only were they beyond helpful, but they acted like they wanted to help.

The College of Education has provided me with nearly 1,000 hours in a real education classroom- much higher than most graduating seniors from other universities.

I have made the best friends and memories imaginable during these four years, and I would not trade that for anything.

The student gets what they pay for. A quality educational experience and knowledge to be successful in life. Great facilities, great people, great environment to fully experience what a University should be. Could not be more proud to soon be called a graduate of the University of Alabama. Will never forget this place.

I love UA. Ever since I was a Freshman I have always enjoyed my experience as a student. In my opinion it is one of the best school in the SEC.

Some of my major and core classes amazed me at the content that was taught. One in particular was very elementary, and my teacher struggled with teaching the information.

I would have gone to a more challenging school in the field of exercise science with a rigorous course of study so that I could be more marketable in grad school or in a research position elsewhere. Also, having more money to do research would be valuable, as UA has almost no money in the Exercise Science Dept. for it unless it comes from an external source. The rapid increase in students is also a deciding factor. Keeping a smaller amount of students would help in making sure graduates actually learn something rather than using them as money makers and having a degree farm of 30000+ students.

I was able to win a National Championship while attending UA

I want to go to PT school and there are other schools that offer early acceptance when attending their school. Therefore, I would have probably gone to another school since UA does not offer those options.

UA was always my first choice and proved to be the best choice

I had fun and loved the traditions of UA.

I love the degree that I got and I like the practicum hours and internship experiences I was apart of.

It offered everything it was supposed to, but I began getting lost in the shuffle as ua became so big.
Too many people now.

Being involved in the band program was the BEST part of being at UA. I wouldn't have traded it for anything else.

Love this school. Roll Tide.

If I had to make the choice on which college to attend, I would pick the University of Alabama in a heartbeat. Going to school here has truly been the best experience of my short life on this earth. If I could, I would start all over again and move right back into Tutwiler. This university has truly felt like a home to me for the past 4 years and I would not trade my experiences here for anything. I look forward to the day when I can encourage my children to attend school here because I know I can honestly tell them that it will be the best 4 years of his or her life. The professors were so knowledgeable and really helped push me forward as a student. The campus is absolutely beautiful and something to be proud of. The construction may have been annoying but the end results have really improved the looks of campus. Oh and winning two national championships and hopefully a third has not been so bad either. I am forever grateful for the opportunity I had to attend school here.

RTR!

I feel I was given the tools to complete my major and feel that the university will be their after I graduate.

It could have been more rigorous.

The education provided doesn't help you find a job or sustain one either.

I had the best four years anyone could ask for. I was in the Million Dollar Band which introduced me to new people and I lived in Parker Adams living-learning community center.

My special education certification in Alabama does not transfer completely to any other state. This was never explained to me until I stated my job search. The deep south environment at the University is devastating. For these reasons I would have never left my home state and attended Alabama.

It's not MIT, but I think I got a pretty good education.

I do not feel that some courses prepared me enough on the subject matter

Portions were great, but some of the classes in my major lacked the level of quality I had desired.

The aerospace department was lacking, and the university doesn't have much in the way of relationships with aerospace companies.

I value the time I've spent here very much.

I love the University of Alabama.

I feel that I received an excellent education. I might not be 100% prepared for a career in engineering, but a lot of that knowledge comes from real-world applications. I feel that I received as much basic knowledge as I possibly could in an undergraduate degree, and I will be able to build upon that knowledge in the future.

Not worth all of the money I paid. Glad y'all only care about football.

Most professors were knowledgable and engaging. Some frustration was had in the 200 level courses that were college wide (AEM) opposed to our more focused and applicable major work.

The encouragement and support from teachers and fellow students really helped me to get where I am today.

I learned a lot at UA, but I felt that much of that had to be sought out--on the strength of the courses alone I feel that I would have had a much less valuable time at UA. However, there are opportunities available, and I was able to find them. Even so, I am not sure how ready I feel to enter the workforce--I feel that I have a lot of general skills but not very many specific ones(I am going to graduate school next year, so this is a bit less of an issue for me)

It's to hard for out-state student to get in-state fund, even when student is on the President and Deans List every semester enrolled

The ENGINEERING education is excellent.

The engineering teachers rock!! :)

I feel like my education was good enough, just too expensive

I love the University of Alabama and I always have. It is a beautiful campus.

It was a good experience
Roll Tide!

I think if I had to do it all over again I would try to get into a tech school. But of course I would have to go back to high school and make my first goal engineering instead of changing my major after 2 years.

I have enjoyed my time here and learned a lot about myself and how to think and solve problems while enjoying an unprecedented football success.

I felt like I obtained an excellent education and had a nice social atmosphere as well.

I wish I could do it all over again, the experience, as a whole, here was something I will always cherish.

I had many opportunities at UA, which really nourished my education: financial aid, research exposure, involvement in the community, extracurricular programs, etc.

Yes, I would do everything the exact same way. Roll Tide!

I have had a great experience. While my professors were not always the best or most knowledgeable, they would almost always go out of their way to help. I feel like I could have learned more academically, but also gained information not from a text book that is useful in the real world.

I learned a lot from my professors, Lane, Bara, Bao, Hartman. I feel that I will be able to perform well as a process engineer.

I think I have the fundamental knowledge in my field so that I feel familiar towards it. Nothing would be totally surprising.

The level of friendliness and sense of equality far exceeded my expectations. It seems like, no matter where you come from or where you're headed, UA has a place for you.

The instructors were intelligent and knowledgeable; the courses were extremely challenging at times.

Out of state tuition is a lot. I couldn't imagine going somewhere and not saying, "Roll tide" daily.

I think that the CS department and the CS, Science, Math educations are Excellent, but some of the other non-major courses were obviously a joke and they were a waste of my time. I would have rather taken 5 extra CS/Math/Science courses than History, Economics, Humanities, ...

I was able to meet many people and I was able to learn new things.

I have learned an incredible amount and grown as a person. UA gave me the opportunity to coop and find a job with a company I love.

I loved my experience with the teachers and other students. I would not have changed anything.

I wanted to come to UA as a child.

Same as 9b, plus I never wanted to come here anyway; I was coerced into coming here.

The atmosphere combined with the level of learning is something I'd never change.

close to home and great professors

Many professors don't care

As previously stated, most of my classes were not challenging. I have friends studying electrical and computer engineering at several other universities. I am routinely jealous when I hear about the things that they learn that we are never exposed to. I have one friend who has worked with several graduates from UA's Electrical and Computer Engineering Department. He has mentioned to me that is routinely surprised by how little UA graduates learn while in school.

Sometimes I wonder what my life would have turned into if I'd gone elsewhere, and that is exciting. However I know that UA was the place for me and I will always be a part of it and vice versa.

I learned lots of good subjects, but I wished we could take more classes without worrying about money.

I have had the best college experience and have made many lifelong friends and memories to last a lifetime.

I enjoyed my time at the University, met a lot of great people, and learned a lot about life.

I have no other college attendance to compare this 4 year institution to.

Most every class I took I could tell that it was helpful toward my professional development as an engineer.
Would have looked to see if I could've gotten into a higher ranked university outside of Alabama. Better than Mississippi State University. I receive many new knowledges. I don't think I was challenged enough. I would possible consider a school that was ranked higher as an engineering school. Combined with the phenomenal extra-curricular activities provided by the University Bands program that help to shape study habits, the facilities and faculty here are quite good. I feel like I learned a lot. Love the school. I feel I was exposed to a great education. It was good, not excellent. There were a few things, that were lacking but for the most part it is well run school. Great teachers. I had the dream college experience in that I felt I had a team in my corner helping me to reach my potential academically, as a leader and servant, and as a person of character. I was prepared professionally in every way. I am indebted to those who invested in me! For the same reasons I stated in 9b. Plus, the fact that it's in-state for me is good. I think my education has been good so far. It's away from home & I got to meet knew people and have different experiences. This University has one of the top athletic training programs in the united states and I wouldn't chose anywhere else. It was a great experience. Yes because this school has a great environment and the teachers try their hardest to help in anyway possible. UA was the only school I ever wanted to attended and would not be the person I am today if not for this university. It was a great experience. Great program. Had great experiences. I love my UA experience. I met friends and learned things that I will keep with me for the rest of my life. I would be a completely different person if I had not attended UA, but I am so glad I did. Yes. I rated the overall education that I received from UA as Excellent simply because I have learned and gained so much from attending this school. I have also developed into the person who I was meant to be. Alabama is a very great school that provides only excellence in it's faculty, with wonderful people that have truly prepared me in moving past college and on with my life. I know I have learned a lot since I began school at UA. I received An excellent education with regards to the areas that are not necessarily academic. I felt like student/faculty relationships mimicked a boss/employee relationships. Yes I would. Life memories made here. I love UA but it is very expensive to attend out of state. I have had the best experience of my life at UA and would not change it for anything. I feel that the professors in my major wanted the students to learn (with the exception of 1 or 2). The program is one of the best I believe. I would absolutely attend UA again. I have never been more proud. If things work themselves both of my daughters will also attend the University of Alabama. I sincerely thank you. I LOVED my time at University of Alabama! UA provided me with the opportunity to learn more about myself and my place in society. I have transfered to alot of schools before. But none has made me feel like I can accomplish my goals was The people who work in the Department of Human Environmental Science. I love what the University represents. Perused my goal. Without question.
I am a loyal fan, devoted employee and now proud graduate of The University of Alabama. I had the advantage of my employee tuition benefit and would not have considered any other university.

I would want to go somewhere that would make sure I had a good possibility of getting a job.

Absolutely! It's been a great experience to me and a perfect environment. Roll Tide!

Great education from my department.

As an HDFS major, I think I would have benefit more from more adolescent development classes (not just 1 class), and a class preparing me for applying and searching for an internship.

I love it here, it was the path i chose to take and I would not change that for the world.

UA became my home.

I love UA:)

I love everything about The University of Alabama. I have grown so much in these 4 years with the help of staff and professors.

My experience was good

I had such an amazing experience that I would not want to go anywhere else.

my education at UA has been filled with learning moments

I grew as a person and as a professional due to the curriculum and activities I participated in at the capstone.

It provided a good balance between academics and socializing. The courses were challenging, but still provided the opportunity to be successful.

Yes I would not trade it for anything even though I about $127000 of debt

Being from Alabama and always wanting to go there, I would not have it any other way. I am an Interior Design major and competing with Auburn students is very hard so I would like to see our program improve.

I feel like I'm part of something bigger after going to school at UA. That could partially be because I worked as a student employee at UA and went to school at the same time.

I think that the Interior Design Department could be better. I learned a lot, but in the 8 semesters I was here, I was only able to learn about/create/design 2 residential projects. The Interior Design Department focuses TOO MUCH on commercial design. Even though many people who are graduating want to go into commercial design, there are still some people who do not want to and want to go into residential design. I think that I did not get to learn much about residential design, and I was very disappointed about that.

In RHM specifically, I feel that the teacher truly care about what happens to you during and after college.

I learned not only information regarding my major and career aspirations but also life long advice I will always take with me.

Never the place I envisioned graduating from, but so glad that I did. Tuscaloosa and the University have become home now.

This University has molded me into the confident and dedicated student and person I am today.

I would chose UA because of the student life.

My educational path allowed my to attend college and maintain my employment and have time for my family. This is also allowing me to continue my education and advance in my career.

I have had very positive experiences through all of my classes and I appreciate the challenges that were presented to me. I frequently had to move outside my comfort zone and I gained more knowledge and understanding in my current field because of it.

By far, I feel that UA is a well-rounded, academic institution.

great experience.

I now know that I would have chosen to begin as a science major on a pre-medical path. I would choose to do this at UAB due to

I feel that I was given great treatment, though the work was very difficult.

Roll tide
High education standards
this university will be close to my heart for the rest of my life
Nursing school has been incredibly difficult, but has been so beneficial to preparing me to become an RN
I would, but I would have chosen another major if I were to go to UA. If I wanted to do the nursing program, I would probably have gone to UAB or out-of-state.
I have really enjoyed my time here. I would definitely choose UA again based on experience. However, the constant rising tuition might deter me because it did not cost this much when I started attending.
The experience was excellent, the major was strong, and the football team is amazing.
The nursing program is the best in the country and I believe it has given me the set of skills I need to get a wonderful job. I also had many wonderful opportunities to be involved in extracurricular activities.
pretty good experience, I've grown a lot in many ways
The teachers have helped me to further my knowledge and aspirations in life
Attending UA is a family tradition.
A large majority of the Classes and curriculum and services at UA are geared toward young adult/dependent students. Adult students tend to have life experience which is not generally recognized/considered. I often felt ignored/outnumbered in classrooms for both core and professional program studies. Also, regulations for local students do not take the needs of adult students into consideration. I have undergone a great deal of difficulty juggling school, work, and family responsibilities.
Great. So great that I will continue my grad school here!
I choose to attend UA because of the welcome I received when I came to visit. I transferred from a community college and looked at a few different schools in the state.
Great university and diverse majors
Great school
I will definitely choose social work again, because UA have an excellent department.
I felt that UA was too big of a place to be able to attend. Now I feel that a person can and would be looked at as a person and not a number.
Question 12: Attend UA Again

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

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Please explain your reason(s) for your answer.

4  It encompasses the historical and scientific fields, plus the teachers were excellent.
5  It is local and it is a high quality school.
7  I don't like Alabama. It's not a friendly place for non-conservative, non-Christian people.
8  It took me a long time to pick a major and anthropology was definitely the right choice. I think every student should take an ANT class because it teaches you a whole different way to think, interpret the world, and analyze data-- all skills relevant not only to any specific major, but to real life.
9  My major combines both the sciences and humanities in the best ways possible and has prepared me for a career in my desired field of work.
12 It was close to home and my best friend is here.
13 Although I love my major, Art History, I find that it is limited in job opportunities, therefore if I began again I might double major in another field than history. A major in PR or advertising along side Art History would provide me with more options if a fine arts course of life seemed limiting, as it does now.
14 My parents wanted me to go here, so I would come again to make them happy.
15 I certainly would but I would have loved to explore it further during my time here.
16 I enjoyed college here
17 Football
22 I would because it would let me draw the most.
24 This is what I’m passionate about and what I want to do with my life!
26 I only say “Probably” because UA was not my original first choice. I was drawn here by an excellent scholarship and certainly I don’t regret ending up here at all, but it is possible that, if some circumstances had been a little different, I might have gone elsewhere (such as Yale, if they’d accepted me).
27 11a: I love Alabama football. But honestly I should have gone to Auburn. They have a better Graphic Design program and I feel that they are more organized. I have more bad memories than good at Alabama, and the good can only be attributed to my friends and a FEW amazing teachers.
28 I wish I had double majored in Art and Telecommunications and Film.
32 I wish I could stay here a few more years! It is an incredible university on the rise.
37 I originally wanted to go to medical school when first enrolling at UA but midway through my academic career I realized that I no longer wanted to pursue medicine as a career. I would have probably chosen a major that would have been more appealing for an entry level job position.
38 I would chose a school with a marine biology program that offered courses for that major throughout the school year, that way I wouldn't have to choose between required classes and an internship.
39 Biology was a great fit for me.
40 I love biology.
41 I love this university so much and I am so grateful for having the opportunity of spending 4 years here and earning my Bachelor's degree.
I think I could have had a more academically rigorous experience elsewhere, but I appreciate the social and extra-curricular options available.

I think that Biology is the best major to prepare me for pharmacy school. I love science but I just wished that there were more of a variety of science majors.

I enjoy and love biology but I would rather of been a psychology major. Would of made it easier on myself.

I received an education. This was my goal.

While there is always room to improve the school (as mentioned previously), the school does have many good things about it. The facilities for education, administration, and athletics are top notch. The campus is beautiful. The student body is vibrant and continues to diversify. The amount of fun I've had in the last 4 years is hard to quantify. I am proud of my university and it's accomplishment. I was only critical before because I know this school has the means to be one of America's top universities in more than athletics. I fear the current expansion of the school is financially driven and doesn't place the current students and their educational goals as the priority. If that is so, the quality of education will decline and smart students will go elsewhere. They will strive for a challenge and a university that truly supports them on their path to a degree. While I felt that way as a freshman, I can't say I do now. This university needs to work on maintaining good relations with students throughout their education.

I would choose chemistry because I realized how much I enjoyed chemistry and the department seemed so much more proactive and interested in its students.

I started out in a different major before I switched to the one I have now. I wished I had started off with this one.

I would have done chemical engineering if I was as dedicated to my schooling in my first 2 years at the University as I have been the past 2 years.

To much constant construction...

Not the best choice for me. I thought it was what I wanted.

I feel like UA is the best school for my interests and goals and I don't think I could have been a better student at any other institution in the state.

I chose Biology because I felt I wanted to pursue Optometry school. After changing my mind the degree I have does not offer many jobs.

Maybe pursue a degree in marketing or management or nursing.

I enjoyed my time at the university, just not in my particular major.

Biology majors have greater opportunities to excel if they put forth the effort, but the teaching methods need to be revised in some areas.

Biology is very interesting to me and though some course was tough I still wouldn't change a thing.

Biology and German are my two interests in life, I would chose the same major every time.

I want to see other environment. I am not saying UA is bad, but I just don't want to experience the same thing.

Again, the chemistry requirements are med school weeders. I want to teach high school so it seems highly unnecessary.

I'm still not sure if I want to pursue a career involving my major.

Best choice I've made.

Can't imagine my undergrad life being anywhere else. UA was a great place to lay the foundation of my career.

Cause I like it

I feel that I chose the right one, and I look forward to continuing to pursue it in graduate school.

I went for free

I was not challenged by my major's courses or instructors.

I enjoy helping others.
I'm not sure. I lost interest in it pretty quickly, but I have just gotten so far into it to change.

Coming to UA has been life-changing!

I love this place!

It is amazing and the teachers are great!

I love every aspect of Criminal Justice.

My major excites me and motivates me at the same time. I actually enjoyed learning about criminal justice.

I would not change anything.

I thoroughly enjoy the field experience I've had so far and plan to pursue graduate work in this field.

UA helped further my passion for Criminal Justice and helped make my career hopes within reach.

I love my major, but the job market makes it hard to find something with in this field.

The curriculum, faculty, and experiences in my majors have been the foundation of my educational experience at UA and it has prepared me for a career, professional environments, and overall adult society.

This major allowed me to do an internship in my desired field and really helped my writing skills.

I'm not sure it is as interesting to me now as it was as a freshman and sophomore.

I had a great experience with the Department of Criminal Justice and the School of Arts and Sciences while achieving my major here at the University of Alabama. The classes, instructors, and classrooms were all very extraordinary in my experience. I think we have the most diverse career paths at the School of Arts and Sciences and the Department of Criminal Justice. I am obliged to say that if returned, I would most definitely be a part of it again.

I have had nothing but positive experiences here. Great learning environment, great faculty, great people to meet, great sports programs to enjoy during down time, and just an overall great environment to allow me to actually enjoy college.

I love CJ and Human Development they encompass exactly what I have interest with in society.

I enjoyed my experience at UA from my classes, to my teachers, to the football season.

All I have ever wanted is to dance. There is no other option

I would choose Journalism earlier on in my college career.

The football is good, the parties can't be beat, and the facilities are state of the art. Otherwise, Alabama lacks in every category (from academics to diversity and cultural acceptance).

As much as I love UA, for the cost of out of state tuition I may have gone elsewhere. I also do not like the current situation of increased enrollment with the same resources (parking, classrooms, library space, etc).

I fell in love with everything that occurred here.

I always wanted to go to UA and had a great college experience here

It was close to home and free.

Studying English and Art History have helped me find my voice. The things I have learned have changed the way I look at the world and have given me the vocabulary and the confidence to tell the world what I have to say.

In my experience at UA, the increased enrollment made me feel like a number (CWID specifically) in a sea of students. It was difficult to become involved or close with teachers. Parking is terrible. The University seems solely concerned with maintaining their statistics and getting more and more money.

I adore both English and History, although I would rather it were History and English. If I could handle a third though, I would have added Classics.

English and creative writing suit me well, and the faculty and instructors (especially the instructors) are superb.

I came here because it was marginally cheaper than my top choice and then prices skyrocketed each year here. Also parking and housing have shown me UA doesn't actually care about its enrolled students.

I would pick a major more employable.
Three National Championships in four years.
The English department has been a haven of acceptance, active discussion, learning, research, community, and support on this campus for me.
I love my major, and have always dedicated myself to it. There’s no wiggle room for me. I love what I love, and it’s my major.
The English department is great and I love all of the faculty.
I didn’t exactly choose to attend UA. It was the only school I applied to. I didn’t have much drive or resolve to make my own decisions at the end of high school. Of course, if any high school graduate had his or her way, every major would be drinking beer and going out. The value of academic rigor and community involvement and understanding wasn’t stressed to me before I entered college. I wouldn’t have attended UA because I believe I could have been admitted to a more prestigious institution. Although, it’s hard to say if I absolutely would have attended a different school. I didn’t apply for scholarships to UA either; if I had obtained a full ride, I may have still chosen UA.
Yes and no. It is very challenging writing papers for class but still rewarding to get great feedback.
My major is very broad, it's not easy to find a specific career path. My answer has nothing to do with the university.
I received a great education for cheap with the PACT program. I would not choose another in-state university, and I would never pay out-of-state tuition, so I would choose UA again.
Absolutely. The campus, faculty, and overall experience have surpassed my expectations.
Id choose a business major
A lot of fun, good balance of academics and social.
Football
I might have chosen an in-state university instead.
UA provides many opportunities for those who want to take advantage of them.
I changed my major to an area of study that was not departmentalized at UA, but which is a major option at other universities; has I known that I would end up studying this subject, I would have applied elsewhere. Yet even so, I feel that I have received a comparable education at UA to that which I might have received at one of these other institutions.
I love Classical studies.
I like to be outside.
I would come back for my friends but I would love to go somewhere farther away
Close to home, and has the degree I want to study for
I would have majored in GIS
Yes, I'm glad I selected my major as geography and focused in urban planning. It was nice having it housed in the geography department because it gave me access to environmental classes which is very important in todays job market. In other schools planning programs or classes are housed within the policy school or architecture school and it was good to have a more environmental foundation. I had excellent professors within the department and was accepted to great grad schools so I have no regrets about my major.
I would pick a college that had a major based on my career, which was unknown at the time I started UA
It's was very interesting to me
I almost majored in Math, so if I did it again I would think more heavily about that.
For the most part I had good, helpful professors and it is fun to be a part of such a big school. It taught me a lot about people.
Greek life plays too prominent of a role on the affairs of this university for it to be a truly outstanding institution that is too great to pass up.
Littler career opportunities
It was fine
I love History ,and the History department at Alabama is one of the best.
I really have enjoyed my major because it is something that has always greatly interested me. If anything being a history major has expanded and caused my interest in history to increase. However, I chose probably because it will not be as easy for me to find a job as others therefore I am planning to attend graduate school.
I'm a double major. Yes, of course.

Great teachers

Way too much reading for undergrads

I changed majors twice and I enjoyed my major, but I don't have many opportunities now.

In the end this school is better for people interested in buying friends and social circles through greek life or studying specifically Southern areas of study, such as racism and inequality in the South/Southern history. Or football. People interested in other things would be better off going somewhere better.

I would have to be crazy not to!

Only because of the friends I've made and the effect it's had on my Faith.

I love the field

New College is the only reason I stayed here.

I love linguistics, New College offers a fantastic learning environment and the people are interesting and take their fields seriously.

I changed my major to an area of study that was not departmentalized at UA, but which is a major option at other universities; has I known that I would end up studying this subject, I would have applied elsewhere. Yet even so, I feel that I have received a comparable education at UA to that which I might have received at one of these other institutions.

The scholarship package I received was good, though it could have been better.

I wouldn't have learned the same things or met the same amazing people if I had attended anywhere else.

Though UA was affordable, it hasn't necessarily been much help in my job and grad school applications when competing against more famous "name brand schools."

I might have attended an art school with more resources for my major.

Not sure though.

I plan on returning to UA in three plus years when my son is in college. I plan on pursuing nursing at that time.

Roll Tide!

I would have gone with something that was more focused.

Flexibility and diversity of NCLT and course offerings outstanding

The External Degree Program is embarrassing for professional people to be enrolled in as continuing students.

UA has been in my blood since the point of birth. My father is an alumni, I am an alumni, and my child(ren) will be alumni as well.

I wish I would have started at UA and completed the entirety of my degree there.

I chose UA as a distance learner to complete my degree that I started in 1983.

When I first enrolled, there weren't many options available, now there are. It would depend on what the value proposition was.

I loved everything about UA--the education, the campus, the environment, the people, the opportunities--everything.

This area is my passion - but I don't think it is a strong department here.

Yes, I especially enjoyed the academic opportunities provided to me through the Honors College; however, I may have gone somewhere with a better Arabic program.

Upper level classes in my major were often combined graduate and undergraduate classes, which were not the best learning environment.

Great overall atmosphere. Faculty, staff, and students are friendly and welcoming. Numerous opportunities to become involved and find one's niche.

I think you mean 11a, but I shall echo my previous answer.

I'm not sure I really understood my options when I chose my major as a Freshman, so UA worked out for me long term, though the original program of study I selected would not have worked out at other schools.

I came here on scholarship, and I had no idea what I wanted to do. Were I to do it over again, I'd go to a less sports- and southern culture-focused institution and I'd look harder at my departments of interest. In defense of UA, I could not possibly imagine a better philosophy department---that is a group of very talented, very engaging and friendly faculty.
There's no other school that could have offered me what I loved most about UA: the rich tradition, school pride, and alumni support.

Good enough, close to home, and great financial aid.

I got a full ride scholarship

I love science

I did not intend to study music when I applied to UA, and I may have chosen to attend a stronger music school, but I might have still chosen UA because of the beautiful campus and friendly faculty.

There's a chance I would have chosen electrical engineering instead. This is not based upon university equipment, etc.

Yes, it was a great learning experience and helped me stand out in order to get into graduate school.

I had a good time here and met some great people, but I probably would have tried harder to attend a school that would better prepare me for entering the real world. Also I really hated the campus environment. Football is everywhere. The Greek system is terrible. The University does not care about educating it's students.

Political Science was a waste of time. Glad I switched to business

I am a hard worker and a self starter so I will still be successful, even if the University made that process more difficult, or did not do all they could. The people I have met and memories I have made, have made it worthwhile.

I would probably choose to attend a small liberal arts college if I could do it all over again. I feel that at times UA loses its connection to students because there are so many of us and the departments are so large.

I got a good deal when it comes to scholarships for UA, and the Honors dorms and programs were too nice to pass up.

I thoroughly enjoyed political science and all of the professors that I took in the department.

Possibly.

I was hesitant to attend UA, but I am very glad I did and would do it again.

Scholarship!

In-state scholarships are a joke, and the administration prides themselves on it. Elitism runs rampant across all areas of campus. Classes are limited and subjects are few.

Best decision I have ever made, hands down.

The political science major is horrible. It teaches no more than I could learn by having a sharp mind and reading the New York Times/Wall Street Journal daily.

The only school I would ever want to attend.

I wanted a credible university to receive my political science degree from and I would choose this school as the most credible in my price range.

Location, location, location. But god bless our sports.

See 10b.

I love psychology.

It's where I always wanted to attend and play football here, and its the best close school to my home town.

I enjoyed the size when I first enrolled but now the student population is just too large for the campus size. This campus is not suited to accommodate for 30,000 students.

I love everything about the University of Alabama. From the people, the education, the activities, football, etc. I couldn't imagine going anywhere else.

I am not sure what I want to do with it, but I enjoyed my education.

I love my major. It is interesting. I am beginning the PhD program in the fall for this major.

I transferred to UA after attending two years of community college but if I could do it all over again, I would have came to UA as a freshman.

I would have majored in Health Care Management.

I had a great scholarship and meaningful internship and academic experiences I do not feel I would have gotten elsewhere.

interests me
I enjoyed having psychology as my major, but if I had to start over I might choose to double major in something else.

Yes, I was able to get into a fully-funded grad program.

Greatest experience

It was an experience that I would not change. Through all the good and bad, it was something I believe all college students should get no matter what university or college they choose to attend.

I didn't know till I was a junior that there is really no career out there for just a bachelors in psychology. You definitely have to have masters or doctorate to have any career in Psychology. I love psychology, but I would like to start a career after I graduate with a bachelor degree.

I had a full scholarship to another university where I would have studied nursing. I chose UA because it had a higher percentage of its students to pass the NCLEX. I could not get in at UA and was forced to change my major. For the past three years the other university has had 100 percent of their students to pass the NCLEX.

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I love psychology, but I also love English. I in some way wish I would have doubled majored.

It was not until the end of my college career that I found out what I really enjoyed doing which was human development. So I would have made that my major instead of psychology.

Courses available at UA were very educational and professors were extremely knowledgable.

It is what I love and what has kept me interested.

UA offers everything a person could want in a college. The academics, atmosphere, opportunities for personal, career and spiritual growth, and professors who are amazing at what they do.

Graduate programs are harder to get into than expected or told

Psychology is fascinating to me, and I would definitely choose it again.

I may have decided to pick a major that would not require further education and degrees.

I love psychology chose it because I want a career in the field.

I was unable to get into gradschool with over a 4.1 and had bad experiences at the end of my senior year.

I hate tuscaloosa and the terrible institution that is this university. i wish i could have taken all my teachers and gone to another school

I would have done more study abroad in the summers to allow the completion of a second major in the same 4 years.

I've had so many fun memories here, and I wouldn't exchange my experiences here for anything.

There are other places I did not look at that I may have also liked

I have been a fan my whole life, and I believe my education would not have been significantly better anywhere else.

I have double majored with a language and a business degree. The language I have studied I have become proficient in conversational in and I feel that my knowledge of business has increased tremendously. I feel very prepared for my career whatever it may be.

I can't imagine doing anything else

I love this school. There is so much history here. The friends I have made, the opportunities I have had for personal and career development, and the education I have received have only solidified the fact that I made the correct choice in choosing UA for my undergraduate career.

It defines me and utilizes all of my talents effectively

I have two loves and both could make lucrative careers.

I love being at a big school and being apart of Greek life made a huge impact.

The faculty in both of my designated departments were wonderful and very helpful with career planning.

I absolutley LOVE the University of Alabama.

I'm a big Roll Tide fan

There more I have learned about the career options with my major the more excited I have become to go out and apply my education.
I got the job of my dreams through majoring in Accounting. Accounting provided me with great opportunities and the staff and faculty care more about their students and there success than most majors.

I received a full academic scholarship to Alabama, but I would have preferred to go to a prestigious liberal arts college.

The education I have gained from the accounting department has been first class. It has positioned me in a place where I have many career options.

I enjoyed learning Accounting, but I probably have chosen IT major.

I have been an Alabama fan since I was born, I would not go anywhere else.

Yes. My major has made me a better person. It has been really hard and unfair sometimes but it has show me that I can work for what I want.

My time at UA was one of the best experiences in my life.

I have great interest in the major and the faculty are excellent!

I really enjoy my major and loved the accounting professors.

I could not see myself attending any other university.

I love Accounting, but after taking some computer science courses here, I would like to have taken the opportunity to minor in computer science.

The culture shared by both teachers and students is not productive. I would go to a university that would foster a love for learning and for my chosen profession, not Alabama football.

Other interests not offered at UA.

I can't afford out of state tuition and the accounting school is known.

The University has provided me with an opportunity after I graduate to find the best job for me and I have grown as a person.

If I started everything over again, I can't imagine wanting to do so anywhere else but Tuscaloosa. I've experienced more than I'd ever dreamed, and while the home crowd ain't always quite as openminded as you'd hope, the empowered instruments of progress who I call my peers have opened my mind about exploring everything I can in this world and being a lifetime learner.

I thoroughly enjoyed my major classes and it has prepared me well for the job market.

I wouldn't change a thing.

From surveying the average student who majored in something besides Finance, it was apparent that Finance Majors are the most talented students at the University. This was especially evident during class discussions and performance in general business classes. The Finance Professors offered great instruction and also provided great opportunities for professional development and career advice.

Cost effective, quality education.

Very closed minded.

Finance was definitely a wise choice because of the quality of the business school.

I love the University of Alabama and I hope to send my children to UA in the future.

While I started in the engineering school, I feel as though I gained an appreciation for the math and sciences before realizing that my strengths not only lied in these academic aspects but that I would also use my interpersonal skills by majoring in a math based business degree.

The University of Alabama has prepared me for life beyond college by being encouraging.

I didn't begin wanting to be at UA. The school has somewhat exceeded my expectations.

I have been a fan my whole life, and I believe my education would not have been significantly better anywhere else.

I switched my major many times, or atleast what I thought would be my major so I ended up with my majors virtually by process of elimination, there are things I would have done different but that would have mainly just been starting with these majors.

I would have liked to gone abroad.

I think the Finance major has a lot of improvements that need to be made to it. The ability to understand theory and apply math to it lacks at alabama. They tend to focus more on the math of finance which can be unhelpful when you don't know how the math should be applied.

I enjoyed the curriculum of my General Business Major. It was challenging the whole way through and touched on every subject that I feel is important to business. I do wish I had
discovered my interest in international business before it seemed too late to change my major. However, I do not regret my choice of major and I am happy with it.

512 I am really into Business Management.
513 Business helped me grow as a person
518 Greatest choice of my life.
520 You couldn't pay me enough to attend any other school
521 Upper level business classes made college worth it
522 With the consideration of the increased tuition and being an out of state student. Along with the poor career services and advising I would take my time and my money to another 4 year institution.
524 I enjoy business. I don't think I would be as comfortable with any other subject but business at the university.
528 Far from home.
530 Business may be a general major, but it helped me be qualified for an array of different job opportunities.
531 While attending UA I already had a position as a Production Planner in a large scale manufacturing plant in the oil industry. Business development and strategy is the perfect fit.
532 Yes, even though Commerce and Business had a few more math courses, I would still choose it over a standard Business Admin degree.
539 I love business and even more now since graduating with a BS in business. I am even considering attending graduate school.
543 I can't find a good job
544 I'm not that good at most of the math that this major requires.
545 I think I came because I loved the school and settled for a program that I thought I would enjoy, only to later do real research and realize to late that I should have been else where.
548 After hearing all of the positives about the business school at Alabama I would choose this major again if I had the chance. Many employers, especially in Alabama would choose an individual with a diploma in business from Alabama over any other graduate with a degree from another school in Alabama.
549 I'm a business and advertising major. I would probably either still stick with business or work harder to get my marketing degree.
550 I would have picked a concentrated major.
553 1) the tuition -I think the tuition is so high because of the football team. very year we win a championship tuition goes up, 2) some teachers don't care, -It seems like some of the teachers are there just for the money, they don't do the above and beyond to help you and if they do its obvious they don't want to.
554 I would not give up the college social experience here at UA for any other university in the world. Greek life here keeps you from getting depressed or as stressed as you would without it. Leaving home is a stressful time. I waited a year and a half to pledge a fraternity and I wish I had rushed freshman year. I was depressed before I joined a fraternity. The education was as expected: above par and trying to improve.
556 Outstanding football program
558 Had a great time and gained a great education at UA
561 I greatly enjoy my major, but I have found several electives attractive.
563 Yes, with maybe some specialization but I didn't know a lot about options for that until too late.
566 It fits my personality
570 I could have saved a lot of money by staying home and attending a local college.
571 I love the atmosphere of campus. Roll tide!
575 Business has always been an interest of mine, and I enjoy the gratification of completing a business oriented task
579 Refer back to earlier comments.
580 While I loved Marketing and Management I would have probably picked something more challenging like Finance.
581 I would because I can't think of anything else I would rather do.
I would want to do something more slanted towards Medical School because that is the field I am going into. I wish I would have known from the beginning how great the business school at UA was. My overall experience at UA was valuable in the marketplace and has allowed me develop several wonderful personal and professional relationships. I can honestly say, it is honor to graduate from one of the top business schools in the nation. At some schools, students are given an education, but at the Culverhouse College of Commerce and Business Administration, students are given an opportunity of a lifetime. They are given a chance to gain knowledge in a field of business, increase their business vocabulary, and are taught how to develop a business plan for their future endeavors. Furthermore, if I had to start over again I would still choose the same major.

I have learned a grey deal from th professors in the business school. I really have more of an interest in science and mathematics, however, I was too persuaded by people telling me not to take those courses and that I wouldn't do well in them since they are “too hard”. I enjoy Health Care Management, actually my major is Management with a concentration in Health Care... I believe Health Care Management should be a major. I loved life at UA but if I did it all over again I would have joined a fraternity because the greek system practically runs this school. A lot of times, I would feel like an outsider and people were often not as open or as hospitable as perceived.

My major offered the perfect curriculum for what I want to do with my career. Love the campus. Depending on where my parents lived, tuition, etc. Money would be the only factor. If I had a scholarship elsewhere it’d be a tough choice. Great school great education but for personal reasons maybe somewhere a little farther from high school would have been better. Also my intrestes have changed and they do not offer enough design classes.

There was not a lot of hands on manager experiences where I could practice real world problems. The only class that even tried to let us problem solve was my leadership class, and even that was lacking. I had a great experience - both in the classroom and in my spare time. I felt like I was give ample opportunity to study in whatever field I was interested in, and the campus life is so energetic and fun. You can't beat Alabama Football gamedays! It was a fantastic four years, and I wouldn't change a thing about it!

The campus is beautiful, the facilities top notch, the staff is awesome, and I couldn't imagine completing my major anywhere else.

Like I said before, I have a job before I graduate. I'm not a fan of Alabama as a state in general. The environment is not stimulating and people generally only care for themselves. I love this school for many reasons, including the education I've received, the friends I've made, the championships I've witnessed, and the scholarships I've earned. I am proud to graduate from the University of Alabama. MIS prepared me for a career not just a job. It developed my skills and challenged me in so many ways.

It's always a party here, and everyone loves a party. UA tuition is soaring every year. I have thoroughly enjoyed attending the University of Alabama. My experiences in and out of the classroom have been enjoyable.

MIS. I have a job. I would most likely choose UA again because it is my favorite school and I love the town and people. It has given me a ton of opportunity. I think there are other things I would have been interested in studying, now that I know myself better, but I am happy with my decision.
Love this campus and I will miss it! RTR
Depends on if I was accepted to other schools.
I wanted to be in the business school.
I live close-ish and the education is top notch.
My primary interest is agriculture.
Jobs
I like to think outside the box
I sort of fell into my major, but ended up being very successful in it. Since I've been here
I've learned of other majors that may have been better fits, but didn't want to add a lot more time
to getting my degree and decided to not switch.
I would have liked to be able to take upper level classes earlier so I could get a better
understanding. I think the required courses (math, science) are a waste of time if I'm not going to
be in that field.
I have always wanted to come here.
Business school is phenomenal in upper division.
I absolutely love the Marketing department, and their faculty.
I majored in marketing but there were some other subjects I was interested in but Alabama
did not have a major for that, like meteorology.
This is the best school in the country.
Business major and Sales minor was the best decision I have ever made. Great college and
great professors
It was TOO big of a school.
All the teachers and classes in the marketing department have been fun and exciting. The
teachers are very charismatic and helpful.
This is where I am most gifted and happy.
I would keep my Spanish major from the honors college; I would, however, get a second
major in MIS as opposed to marketing. I cannot find a job in marketing, only sales. If I had done
more research and known myself better, I would never have chosen marketing.
My two major, marketing and public relations, have given me an advantage in the
workplace, and are leading me where I want to go. I would do it exactly the same. I'm glad
marketing is my primary because there is more money and opportunities in C&BA, but I would
never part with my APR education because I have learned so many valuable things.
The University of Alabama has and will always be in my heart and that will never change.
I've had an amazing experience at Alabama. I love the area of study that I am in and the
professors in that department. I felt at home while studying at the University of Alabama and hope
to continue my education here while getting an MBA!
I LOVE this university. The education and the culture. It is just amazing.
I am a marketing major with a specialization in sales and I love it. I would definitely choose
it again.
ROLL TIDE
I could not have asked for a better college experience.
I would have started with this major instead of switching to it midway through my time.
Major was too easy. Probably would have chosen statistics or finance.
I feel that the environment at UA is not what I actually wanted for my college experience. I
feel that a small portion of the students get the majority of the out-of-class opportunities that
others do not receive. Speaking from a white male's point of view, I feel that the culture here at
UA still has some very strong racial imbalances and have seen minorities treated with much less
respect and attention from students as well as instructors. It is actually very disappointing in my
opinion, and was not something I expected to encounter.
Marketing... easily can learn how to value products and service without a college education.
I love Marketing, it fits my personality and the teachers are a wonderful example of
passionate, driven, people with strong integrity.
Very hard major but it was worth it. A lot more work then a lot of other schools at UA.
Its the best school, hands down!
I was on the fence about my major, and if it weren't so expensive I would have picked up
Management as a double major.
I believe UA is an excellent school and every student has the opportunity to succeed but it's all about the student. What does the student do to take advantage of those opportunities? I would go back and make sure I took advantage of everything that the University has to offer and do much better. I regret the lack of effort I put into my schooling.

I switched to marketing and have loved it.

I would do things differently and be more involved on campus but I would still choose UA. Living off campus contributed to a lot of the absence from opportunities on campus.

I wish I had chosen it from the beginning rather than late in the game.

Great Experience

Scholarship

I think I would attend UA and just try to get more involved on campus from day one.

When I first came to UA I was a general business major. However after the class, Introduction to Operations Management with Professor William Petty, it really opened my eyes to the behind the scenes action in a company which made me very interested in OM.

My career advisor and my professors really helped me every step of the way.

Good job placement.

I would choose my major (OM) or MIS.

I think I would enjoy something else more.

Loved it!

Wouldn't have it no other way.

Great college atmosphere

Great major

UA is a great institution for education and opportunities to learn outside of the class room and get involved. However, it is lacking as far as culture. The overall atmosphere of the University affixes itself with tradition, but I believe some of these traditions are leaving other ethnicities, minority races, and cultures out. I believe if the University wants to attract more out of state students, it has to change in some ways to make people from other states and ethnicities at home. If they do not accommodate to the increasing out of state students they have coming in, it may lead to a huge problem in the future. Also administration-wise, the University must accommodate the growing out-of state population. This means longer Thanksgiving breaks for student living far away (outside of the state of Alabama), more things to do, and more transportation for students from far-away states. With the University's population getting larger the school must also be able to accommodate the larger classes coming in. Does UA have a facility that can accommodate one whole class (along with parents) for orientation? Can the cafeterias accommodate the influx in students? I see a lot of student eating on the floor every day because they can't find places to eat. I don't remember it being as crowded to this extent 4 years ago. How will the University create a sense of a home for out-of state students? these are all things to think about.

I came from a manufacturer background.

Actually I'd take that career center assessment again and see if the results are the same.

i love my spanish major but i definetly would not have done advertising. i should have done education.

I had no idea what I wanted to do and got lucky that I found something that I am pretty good at. I do not love it and am actually hoping to get a job in my minor. I have nothing against my major but there needs to be more activities for people to feel around for what they are good at and want to do. So they can enjoy college a little more rather than stressing about if there major is right for them.

It was my dream to come here so my expectations were really high. I became somewhat of an introvert while here so I could have probably done well at a smaller school. No regrets though. It's been a well-rounded experience.

See answer to 10b.

Fun

I enjoyed double majoring in communication studies and Spanish. However, I would have loved to explore something in the political science area.

UA has fantastic programs and professors and staff that made me feel comfortable and that they were genuinely interested in my education and future.
I loved Communication Studies but I wish I would have been advise to also double major with something in business. Comm. studies is one of the best programs on campus because not only did it teach me theories and useful things but it taught me how to effectively communicate with people. I have grown as an individual and no other major would have been able to teach me the things that Comm. studies did.

I chose to attend UA on a whim and it was the most spontaneous decision I have made in my life thus far. Sometimes intuition is the best grounds for decision-making and mine certainly did not serve me wrong. For what I studied, cultural communication, UA provided me an environment most conducive to research. The diverse student population and campus history together represented a case-study.

The traditions here at the University are what I live for; the campus environment, knowing your professors on a one-on-one level, this is why I attended UA; the only thing I would change is not allow UA to control my financial aid.

I would probably still go to UA, even though it's two states away from home, because I love the campus. Also, I love that we kill at football, which I didn't know at first because I'm not a huge college football fan. But it's a nice plus. I truly just loved it here.

Enjoyed meeting all the wonderful people and friends. Had a good learning experience.

I also always knew that I would be a writer and journalism prepared me for a realistic career while also encouraging my talent for writing.

This school is behind the curve culturally and in some areas, academically. Where I enjoyed many of my experiences, I feel that my education was not as thorough as perhaps someone who went to University of Texas, another state university. Also, when I agreed to come to Alabama, it was a school of 18,000- the perfect size. Now, it's a massive cluster of people, too many people, and UA has not prepared itself correctly for such large growth so quickly.

I really like my major and think that there are great opportunities available.

I loved the overall experience of my education at Alabama.

The market is tough for my major, so I may have chosen something more marketable and lucrative. But nonetheless, I still value what I learned and hope to apply it in my professional career.

I would attend UA again if I committed to becoming more involved with my major and campus activities earlier. I think the sheer size of the school is what held me back. This showed in my grades and social life.

I like it here because I had to like it here to succeed. But I might have choose a smaller school instead.

I think I would choose a smaller school.

I say probably, because communicating a vital. However, in this major we were decently taught how to communicate basic information with an audience. We were rarely taught what to communicate. Anybody can stand up and communicate with a powerpoint, but how do you communicate procedures, methods and fundamentals? It is imperative to know how to communicate these types of things because when you can show an audience, or anybody, how to do something, you are creating synergy. When synergy is apart of the existence of any situation, just about anything can be accomplished. Again, room for excelleration in the environment. More pressure.

My time at UA was the best and I would absolutely do everything again.

Because UA has a great PR program.

There have been some things I don't like about PR. I guess i realized a little too late that maybe it was not the right choice for me. I still look forward to seeing where PR will take me after graduation and hoping I can learn to love it more.

I love the communications school. The teachers and classes were very helpful to gaining knowledge for the workforce.

I really like the communications department here and I think it has a really great faculty and reputation.

In the middle of my Junior year I changed my major from nursing to public relations. I would have loved to have gotten involved earlier in the communications college.
I fell in love with this campus while I was still in high school, and four years later, I am still in love with the campus, my major, and life here in Tuscaloosa.

My two major, marketing and public relations, have given me an advantage in the workplace, and are leading me where I want to go. I would do it exactly the same. I'm glad marketing is my primary because there is more money and opportunities in C&BA, but I would never part with my APR education because I have learned so many valuable things.

I would come here again, certainly. I came to UA mainly because I was accepted onto an extra-curricular team in which I wanted to be included. If I had not made that team, I would have probably gone to a smaller school where I could still participate in that extra-curricular activity while pursuing my education. Thankfully, I made the team and obtained a quality education.

I love this campus and the atmosphere it lends.

Yes, because I love public speaking, but I think hospitality management would better suit what I am trying to do after graduation.

I spent quite a while choosing public relations as my major. I think I picked what I am called to do.

The APR department has it together! They push freshman from day one to get involved and they actually provide opportunities for freshman to get involved. It is one thing to say it but another to provide it.

I love the atmosphere.

I can't see myself doing anything else.

This major is what I excel at. Why mess with perfection?

I love Alabama. I wouldn't go anywhere else.

Even though I'm not passionate about it I find myself to be very talented in the field of PR.

UA has one of the best PR programs in the nation, which is one of the factors that lead me to attending UA. Plus PR is something I always wanted to do, so I would still choose PR is I had to start over again.

UA was everything I could have ever asked for in a school.

I love this school.

don't really know the full answer to that yet do we? let's see where y'all take me.

This major (TCF) needs some work with its courses but it has professors that care enough to fix the program and make it even better.

I can not imagine being more successful anywhere else.

In fact, should have started here instead of transferring

I think would have done something different.

Great school

I am passionate for film

I have not found a job yet, but media production is what I want to do.

Love the school and location and campus overall. Just disappointed in enrollment size (too big); few class options, few major classes allowed, advising, quality of course and teachers in major.

I LOVE BROADCAST NEWS! I would definitely choose this major again because I have always known it is what I wanted to do; however, there are dozens of seniors who are graduating with me who HATE this major. I think it is because we don't really get experience in this major until our senior year. I think by senior year, we should know how to edit and work a camera.

I never would have thought that I would enjoy this major so much. I love learning about the life of television and film. It is quite fascinating.

UA is expensive. And the enrollment keeps getting higher academic year.

Yes! Again, I thank the university for expanding in curriculum, because I would have graduated with a degree that required me to seek additional education from a graduate or film school, whereas, UA has prepared me as an undergrad to enter into experience versus more school.

This career is my passion but the available jobs are scarce.

I guess

I just couldn't imagine going anywhere else. I met wonderful people, had many great opportunities, and my teachers in my upper-level classes made me feel like they truly wanted me to succeed in my future endeavors.
I love teaching children.

I have had 4 different majors at this university and in every one, I have been treated poorly by the administration. I am paying for a service from the university, and I felt as if every person I ever reached out to for help or advice thought of me as an extreme waste of their precious time. I do not particularly want to send my children here, nor do I believe I will seek a higher degree here, and nor will I ever, ever donate any money.

I love elementary education. I have had awesome professions that have shown me that the major I chose was the right path for myself.

There is no better school. Even though the school is huge everyone that worked their made you feel like you were a part of the school and they were always helpful. I learned so much from this school I would be crazy to go anywhere else.

Yes. I love kids and I love teaching. That has been more and more confirmed for me during this time. However, I do believe much of the work involved in this major (elem. ed) is simply busy work and has not helped me to grow in any way as a teacher. Faculty should encourage quality over quantity.

The reason for not choosing this major again is because they have shown myself that I can mentally take on bigger challenges. If I could start over I would without any doubt choose Pre-Med and set my goals a little higher.

I have always been interested in my major, so with that being said I would for sure pick this major. I would also and I am encouraging people to look into Kineisology.

It is what I want to do as a career.

I would choose something that would be better in our economic times. I also have changed my desire to be a college coach.

My major work was extremely tough but it made me appreciate and learn more about the population I would be working with.

I Feel Incredibly Prepared To Be A Teacher. I Also Feel Marketabl In A Tough Job market.

What else is there other than music?

A lot of people do not want a split major because they see it as splitting your classes where you are not getting enough information for one.

This major was a perfect fit for what I wanted to do with my career. Receiving the duel certification in general education and special education in early childhood was the best fit for me.

I love what I do.

Definitely

I definitely think that there were other majors that I could have chosen that I would be good at, but I think that I chose the one that is going to make me most happy in the the long run.

It is enabling me to do what I love.

If I could start over, I would probably have majored in Biology and then gotten an alternative master's degree in Education. If I had done so, I would still take 4 and a half years to graduate but I would hold a Masters degree instead of a B.S.

I think I may have rather spent my time as a jazz studies major.

If I choose to complete graduate school or another major Alabama would be one of my first choices.

I found a great community at UA and enjoyed my four years.

Too expensive I have three degree here and still not a job.

Best major ever. I get to do what I love every single day.

I would have stayed as a music major if I started over.

I would probably look into more colleges than I did initially, but UA was definitely a good choice.

I learned a lot and enjoyed it

The University of Alabama provided the best scholarships and was only an hour away from home.

I enjoy the difficulty and the challenge of aerospace engineering.

I might have tried to double major in civil and construction instead of just construction

The program is amazing and everything I expected it to be.
I had a great experience at UA. I was in the Million Dollar Band, made great friends, and had unforgettable experiences here that I could not have had anywhere else. I felt like I got a great education, and I wouldn't trade my time here for anything.

The only reason I would ever even think about coming here is because of my amazing teachers in the engineering department.

Could not have asked for a more engaging, dynamic, and growing undergraduate experience. Definitely room for improvement in advising, formalizing multi-disciplinary programs, as well as getting all faculty to buy into the new push for academic rigor the university is experiencing.

This will be my second degree from UA. The costs (tuition, parking, course fees, Dining Dollars, food on campus, etc) has more than doubled since 2002, but the quality of all of these items has remained unchanged. I do not appreciate being forced to pay for a bus system that is inefficient, and makes me late to class more often that not. I do not appreciate having to pay a very large amount of money to park on campus, but still having to get to campus at least 30 minutes before class because the parking is so far away from the buildings. I do not appreciate paying more for fast food than you do at the actual fast food restaurant. And I certainly do not appreciate the lack of discipline for those students who choose to behave as wild teenagers rather than young adults.

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I love the University.

I would describe myself as quite satisfied with the academic side of UA, as it was sufficient to get me to the next step in my career(a graduate school that I am very happy with), and in addition to that I absolutely love the non-academic side of UA--the friends I have made, the pride everyone has to go to Alabama, not to mention football. I would choose UA again in a heartbeat.

I want to help Country grow if infrastructure.

UA does not care about it's students. UA cares about money. UA should be ashamed but UA never will be and UA will never change so this survey is just pointless.

because it's ALA-freakin'-BAMA!

NOT going to Auburn

I have always loved Civil Engineering

I like my department

More National Championships, More Good-Looking Women!

I love chemical engineering.

I chose this major in high school from a great chemistry teacher and the amount that I learned along with how good of a job I will receive is incomparable to any thing else I could change to.

I had excellent teachers and an excellent education and my major has given me an excellent job opportunity where I was immediately recruited and obtained my job due to the degree I obtained and the college I attended.

I really enjoyed my major and it prepared me well for dental school. If I had decided not to enter the medical profession then I may have chosen Aerospace engineering and a minor in physics as opposed to chemical engineering.

Yes, chemical engineering has taught me critical thinking skills i could not have acquired anywhere else.

I would not trade my time here for anything in the world. The relationships I have built with my friends and the faculty means the world to me. The campus is beautiful, but would be nicer if half of it was not constantly torn up or roped off for construction. The parking situation is inexcusable and ridiculous. UA charges $150-500 for a single car to park in a lot that is still half a mile from their class rooms. Then on game day you kick the $500 reserved permit holders out of their spaces to give to a booster club, and to me that is just disrespectful. After all of that if I have my $500 dollar parking pass hanging in my window, and then park in the wrong lot the ticket is $50. In that same lot if I take my decal down the ticket will be $25. That serves no other purpose than to penny pinch the students and is a horrible policy. I saw the article last year some time that states UA has plenty of parking, and that is true if you would let students buy all of the spaces. UA does not even come close to doing that, anything that is remotely close to the center of campus is a "residential only" lot. The rest are faculty and staff only or 30 minute parking. Build parking decks, redo the classification of certain parking areas, have a more reasonable price and/or lower
parking ticket prices to be even for everyone. After four years here I loved my experience, and if parking is the only major complaint I have, I think the school is in pretty good shape.

1027 UA is amazing and I have loved my time here. The current growth the University is having in students and area might make me reconsider for a smaller college.

1028 Some great teachers, familiar environment, diversity, social life, more like a community.

1030 It's close to home and money well spent on an excellent education.

1032 I received a high quality education in a school with a strong sense of community.

1034 It was a good major but I would have just rather explored more options

1035 I believe it is one of the most challenging, yet rewarding, majors available.

1037 I would've taken a shot at one of the larger, more well known Computer Science schools.

1039 It is not too far from home and it provided me with what I needed

1042 There is no other school I would rather go to. It's not perfect but no school is.

1044 I do not feel that there is any other engineering major that fits me like electrical engineering does.

1045 I had the background experience from the military.

1046 I'm not really sure. I think I like the idea of computer programming more than electrical engineering. I would probably go that route if I had to do it again.

1047 I love my major and look forward to working in it come May 20th! (I have a job)

1049 electrical engineers are in high demand and it is a very interesting major

1051 Scholarships

1054 This is fairly well explained in 9b and 10b. I consider my decision to attend this university to be the worst decision I've made to date.

1057 It was a great challenge, but sometimes I am not as passionate about it as others. It is rewarding, but often I wish I'd chosen differently.

1062 I want to take more challenging classes than UA provides.

1070 It's hard not to appreciate Alabama football, but I will always wonder about possible opportunities I may have missed

1074 I would still choose mechanical engineering because it is very challenging and the most rewarding major in the end.

1075 I always enjoyed engineering and would recommend it to anyone.

1077 Excellent engineering experience.

1085 I do not feel that I could have learned any material any better at any other institution and have thoroughly enjoyed all extra curricular activities here at UA.

1086 I like Mechanical Engineering and breadth of the work available to my major.

1087 Because of the resources outside of Hardaway.

1088 great environment

1089 I go here because it's cheaper than going out of state. If I had unlimited funds, I'd choose to go to a university that cared more about educating its students than winning football trophies.

1091 It is the major I am interested in.

1093 I believe that the education I received here is equivalent if not greater than many other university programs.

1094 I couldn't see myself going anywhere else.

1095 Loved it.

1097 I had a great time attending the university

1103 Metallurgical engineering is just a fun science to learn. It encompasses many disciplines and is one of the oldest studies known to man. Many employers look for students with a metallurgical background.

1106 Ready to graduate

1108 I have had an amazing experience at Alabama. I would not change my decision because I would not have met my best friends and gained an excellent education while still having a social life.

1114 I love everything I learned in my major. I love the people (both students and teachers).

1115 I love my experiences and this is the best University for my major.

1118 I love everything about it

1120 Its amazing program and I feel more prepared for the real world than people from other schools in the same major.
I love UA because I felt like this major had a lot to offer for me. My major was a perfect fit for my knowledge and skills. Education is the field I work in. My major was a perfect fit for my knowledge and skills.

I met some great friends here. I was originally an Advertising major and struggled with my grades. But once I changed my major to Early Childhood, I felt so passionate about my degree and it showed a great improvement in my grades. Yes, I would've chosen this major sooner.

I would still choose to attend UA simply because of the culture and the strong tradition and values that are known at this university. It has made me a stronger person and I know that I can walk away representing this great university and being proud.

I truly did enjoy my life at Alabama, and I learned so much about myself as well as my future with my major. When I first came, I did not know much about what I wanted or where I was going, but now I do know, and I would love to start all over again knowing what I know now.

I love this school, it has been the best decision of my life. I will always be a Aama fan!

I learned a lot of life-applicable skills along with some amazing relationships. I have a passion for this major but it wasn't correctly explained to me that I had to do a lot more after I graduated to become a registered dietitian and the probability of me getting into the program is slim. I think I would be more interested in something in the business area, although I do love nutrition, it is not a field to make a lot of money.

It was everything I thought it would be and I enjoyed every minute of it. Im very thankful to finally have a degree from UA. The only thing after graduation is to be accepted into a dietetic internship to become a RD and it is very competitive to get accepted into a program.

If I did it all over again I would try to attend UA as a fulltime student. This would allow me to visually see all the departments, and chose which is best for me. That is not to say that I do not like being a General Studies major. It just means that I would probably commit to a major that focuses on specific job field.

It does not seem to have gained much traction with employers. HES seems a bit like the forgotten department.

It taught me skills in human interaction that are very valuable. I would not I would have taken more of approach toward consumer science. I find it to be very interesting and helpful major toward myself and others.

Great experience in this college. Not my main major. CHES was my major to be eligible for track and field.

I didn't start at the university of Alabama, After changing three times, I finally found my calling!

My major is the perfect fit for my existing career role. I only say this because my choice to come to Alabama has driven my family into financial ruin and I didn't understand what out of state tuition would be like. I have debt like you wouldn't believe in student loans. I had the Hope scholarship back home in GA and I was too young to realize that going out of state would effect me the rest of my life and my parents love me too much and support me too much to tell me no. Although I really enjoyed my time and education here, knowing what I know now I don't know if I would have chosen Alabama again. I really don't know where else I would have gone, this was the perfect fit for me I just hate what my parents are going through right now b/c I decided to come to Alabama. And i don't think I would choose to put them through this if asked to do it all over again.

Originally a nursing major and my current major was a back up. It's hard to get a job coming out of college with no experience. Yes! This major is great field and I really love what opportunities I will have with it in the future!

TIDE PRIDE!
There is not much to do in my major without attended Graduate school, and I cannot afford to do so.

I think Human Development and Family Studies is too general. I think it should be just broken down into the concentrations. For example instead of having concentrations just make that the major. Instead of being a HD major with a concentration in Family Studies just let the major be Family Studies.

It's where I should've started

Yes

I had a wonderful time in classes and the friends I have made

It worked best for my familial situation. It provided the flexibility I needed to graduate in a timely fashion.

I would love to try and do Pre-Med or something that would guarantee me a job. I've been back home for several months now and just have a nannying job.

Overall great education and social environment

UA is a great school but VERY expensive!

I liked Interior Design but I am passionate about music and singing. I took some voice classes with I improved tremendously and enjoyed. I think I would really like to be a music teacher if I did it all over again.

Interior design is my life, and has since I was a child. I wouldn't change a thing at all.

I always knew that I wanted to go into residential interior design, but after knowing how little UA's Interior Design Department touched on residential design, I think I might have looked into different schools with better Interior Design programs.

School was great, I had major issues with people my age from Tuscaloosa.

I think that the RHM program is one of the strongest on campus. Teachers are awesome, classes are awesome. Maybe could be made a little more challenging classes. This major, compared to interior design (and I am sure many other majors on campus), was “a breeze.”

I have enjoyed every class I have taken in this major.

I would chose RHM because it is a passion of mine.

Yes

I appreciated that the tuition was very reasonable and the class schedules were manageable.

This degree provides advancement in my current career.

Nursing was an excellent degree/career choice, and the Capstone College of Nursing was proved to be the right school for fostering my skills and development in my chosen field of interest.

I don't see myself doing anything else.

Nursing was very hard and sometimes it was harder than I thought it should have been on some things.

Through my exposure to science in my nursing major I have developed an interest and passion for biology and chemistry. I now plan on pursuing medical school. I was unaware of my interest and aptitude in these areas when I began college.

I feel that I have grown into the nursing major, and would not choose differently.

Capstone College of Nursing is a great school.

It was difficult but hopefully worth it

I love Alabama - Roll Tide!

I have a love for my major that I feel is special and rare, and U of A helped me succeed to do what I love to do

At the end of the day it is about money, not bettering the educational future of the next generation. Also, STOP promoting the false ideal of the American dream. The current economy is proof of that. Promote practical majors like: nursing, medicine, dentistry, nutrition, engineering, and technical majors not art, marketing etc.

It was a great college and would recommend it to others

I would not choose this (Nursing) major at this school.

Yes, I loved my major. I know this is what I was supposed to do.

The job field is wide open in nursing so yes I would

I love it here!

I have loved my experience here
Social Work/help the vulnerable is what I want to do the most.
Despite shortcomings, I feel the University of Alabama provides a good education. I am proud of my community, and I would not have gone to another university to attain my goals. I am proud of my accomplishments here.
I loved my major, Social Work, the people in it, the professors teaching, and the opportunities offered.
I love social work and the school of social work was the perfect fit for me.
Unsure if I'm cut out for it
I love social work and the population I will be working to help.
Job market is not very strong
This University is one of the top schools in the country. My mom is an employee there so I already had a lot of great connections. The program I chose was accredited.
**Question 13: Choose Major Again**

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

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Please explain your reason(s) for your answer.

4 I grew up in Tuscaloosa and it was always my goal to attend the UA because of the academic reputation.
5 I would choose my majors sooner.
7 I declared my major during my first semester at UA. I knew I wanted to do anthropology for a long time.
9 My family wanted me to come here and also it was close enough to my hometown for visits but also far enough away that I felt like I had a sense agency in my life.
12 I love Art History.
13 Alabama is a beautiful campus, that is what initially drew me to UA. I thoroughly enjoyed my tour, they do a great job.
14 The job market for Art History has significantly declined since I was a freshman. I would choose nursing from the beginning if I had the chance.
15 It was close to where my family was living at the time and my brother was attending the law school when I started.
16 I feel like I am not ready for the “real world” with my choice of degree.
22 My family wanted me to stay near by.
24 I chose the school for a number of reasons but one of the most significant was the strength of the Communication and Information Sciences school.
26 I chose Art because it is the subject which I am most passionate about, though, if there had been a Creative Writing major, I would certainly have taken it too.
27 Graphic Design is greatly underdeveloped at UA.
28 Getting into the University Fellows Experience cinched the decision for me.
32 I love Biology and am incredibly interested and fascinated by it every day.
38 Because of unnecessary classes for my major. I think it's ridiculous that I'm required to take Organic I, II and I lab when I'm not on a pre-med track.
39 I got a good scholarship
40 As a first generation college student, it was my dream to come here. The name Alabama demands respect and academic accreditation.
41 I am still just as invested in my major of choice as I was beginning my experience here.
42 A biology degree is a great accomplishment.
43 I would have picked something harder than bio. I felt like I could cram and forget material and still make As.
51 my older sister attended the school at the time of my enrollment
53 Wasn't adjusting to life at UAB.
60 Biology has prepared me for veterinary school.
61 This major is relative to my career goals.
66 The presidential scholarship offered to me, which paid my tuition.
67 I got a scholarship that allowed me to attend UA without going into debt.
70 I visited my senior year and really enjoyed the sorority life that I experienced for weekend intervals throughout the year.
I am pre-med, and although I could major in anything I wanted, I chose biology because I love learning about the human body, things that affect it, and all other life, in general. I think the elective courses I took in major with greatly increase my success and the ease at which I learn new information in medical school.

I was born and raised in Tuscaloosa.

I enjoy my major but it is not very career centered.

I started out wanting to go to graduate school in a curriculum that suggested a biology major for undergraduates. I no longer have the desire to continue in school, so I wish I had pursued a degree in something that I had more general interest and pleasure in doing for a career.

Family wanted me to attend here.

Best education close to home.

I am interested in Science. So maybe I choose another major in science department.

I wanted to start over.

I don't have time for organized activities.

I would have gone somewhere that has a Communicative Disorder department that is funded, is in better shape, and has faculty that are unified and get along.

Best choice I've made

Communicative Disorders gives me the opportunity to do two things I love: help others and teach.

I received a Presidential Scholarship, full tuition for 4 academic years.

I also like doing things with computers

National Merit Scholarship

I have always wanted to attend, and it worked out because my major was offered.

You can't beat the half off in state tuition. That was a blessing.

The campus is nice and inviting.

It has given me a great gateway to medical school!

My majors have amazing teachers and staff and I wouldn't trade them for anything. Also loved the courses that are provided

I'm from upstate New York and I wanted something different.

I am the first generation to attend college, so I figured I had to attend the best.

Everyone in the nation knows UA has a great academic reputation.

I would not have chosen psychology. I would have done CJ from the beginning had I known what I do now.

I couldn't have asked for a better group of instructors and classes. I have loved every minute of it.

My entire family lives in the state of Alabama.

My father and sister are both UA alumnus. It is an honor to become a UA graduate in my family.

In addition to having a scholarship through the GI Bill, I loved the city of Tuscaloosa and the UA campus as a whole. Touring the campus, meeting faculty and students, and having the financial aid to support me were the reasons I chose UA.

The Greek System and the campus tour really highlighted UA and made me attend here.

ROLL TIDE!

I have a long history of family who came to the University of Alabama and obtained degrees. Both my mother and father came to the University of Alabama. My father received a fine job that he still maintains to this day after graduating from the University. My mother came back and got her masters in Social Work from the University. My older sister also came to the University and got her degree. I have two cousins who graduated with their bachelor's degrees. One is an alumni of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority and the other just obtained her Ph.D. I have two aunts and uncles who graduated from the University. One uncle received his masters and the other earned his Pre Med and later his M.D. My grandmother, who is 90 years old, was employed by the University as head nurse at the Russell Student Health Center until the late 1990s. Now, I came here and am graduating beside the rest of my family.

Criminal Justice is something of interest to me which makes it easier to pay attention and learn in the classroom environment.
It looks awesome on my resume to say I am a graduate of The University of Alabama. I enjoyed learning more in my field. It was a combination of my family is close by, a lot of my friends were attending this institution, then dance program is the only certified in the South East, and I had received multiple scholarships my freshman year.

It is a gorgeous campus! I loved the dance program! I chose it because I enjoy it. I still enjoy it. I learned a great deal in all of my courses. I love my major and can’t imagine what else I would do. English major is pretty much useless unless you plan to keep getting higher degrees in it. UA offered me the best scholarship. That’s pretty much the only reason I came here. It won’t let me click more than one, but it was really a number of factors that led to me coming here: friends came here, and wanted me to live with them; location, I was not ready to really leave home behind just yet; and my last minute taking of the ACT yielded a 30.

My choice was based on the scholarship I received. I chose my major because it makes me happy. My mother is an alumnus. Already said it.

The scholarship package I received because of national merit is the only reason I chose UA and stayed here. UA provided the financial aid I needed to go to college. The other out of state schools that I applied to did not give me any kind of scholarship money.

English isn’t directly marketable. I’m now interested in pursuing a PhD in clinical psychology. I might have to take more undergraduate courses in psychology before I can make that idea a reality.

I believe having the University of Alabama on your resume looks great to future employers. I have wanted to attend UA since I was a child. I knew as an incoming freshman that I wanted to major in English. I don’t know what I want to do with it, but it was an obvious major choice for me.

I love English, but career options seem limited. I might have to start again.

It was close. I would want to go into engineering and make English my minor.

I love my major!

German is my passion, and I want to use it, but there are not many career opportunities for German majors.

I love it.

It was free. It would have been stupid to pass that up.

It was the cheapest, and you know what they say, “YOU GET WHAT YOU PAY FOR!”

Love geology.

I have a passion and love for geology. My grandfather and my father and uncle attended UA. It was a point of pride for my dad to send me to UA even though the cost was higher than staying in state in Florida. It is also higher ranked than the other schools in Florida aside from UF which I had no interest in attending. When transferring to UA after my freshman year at another university all of my credits transferred which solidified my decision to attend UA because my main goal at that point was to get out of college as quickly as possible.

I would probably switch from my current major to TCF.

It was the best to go here. It was one of my life’s dreams to attend and receive a diploma from UA. I made this dream become a reality.

It is something I enjoy. As I do not have a very specific career I wish to pursue, it was good for me to go into something that was challenging but fun.

I like my major.

I want to go into the health field.
I loved learning my major and the passionate teachers I had made me enjoy it even more.

UA is where I had always wanted to go as a little girl and where my parents always wanted me to go.

The education and history departments are well known and very reputable.

Great Campus

I am from Tuscaloosa, always wanted to go here.

The history department is full of knowledgeable professors, and other than a few individuals is a great department to work with.

I actually despised history in high school. In fact, despise is a nice word. I came into the history department here simply to take the HY203 and 204 requirements. I fell in love with the passion of the teachers and the devotion they had. I graduated with a biology degree last year and used my last year of athletic ability to acquire a history degree. I have enjoyed it so much. I enjoy my classes. I enjoy my teachers. While nobody enjoys papers or tests or long lectures when it's raining and you'd rather be sleeping, I can honestly say that I have enjoyed being a part of the History department.

I changed my major three times and even now I want to change it again.

Born, raised and established here

In-state tuition.

I received a scholarship to attend school here.

I love it.

New College allowed me the freedom to explore new ideas and interests. As a very indecisive person, I needed that support to figure out what I really want to do. After my experience with New College, I am ready to move into more specialized education for a career.

It is the only major I am interested enough in at this time to devote four years of study to.

New College was the perfect fit for me, and it is the reason I stayed at Alabama after my freshman year when I did not even have a major yet.

If I could not go to a school where my major was already established, then yes, I would choose my same route. Otherwise I would likely take the most closely related major.

I had family attend here.

I love New College and I really think we have the best department and the best faculty.

I have a family and live in Tuscaloosa, so going to another school was not an option.

There isn't a 13a question?

I was limited in what I could take online. There are many “online” schools but I wanted to go to a college that had an outstanding reputation. UA allowed me to get an education and I have much pride in letting people know where I went to school.

I am happy with my major.

I had many friends that were attending UA and I chose to attend there because they were going.

IT has more to do with the program and the lack of knowledge from the advisors of the EXT degree program.

One of the major reasons I chose UA was that it allowed me to explore various programs and studies that are not offered everywhere. While I thoroughly enjoyed my major, there are other areas of interest where I could see myself choosing as well. Not only for career opportunities, but for general interest, too.

Had I attended on campus, rather than through EXD, I would have had more options for majors, potentially causing me to select a different one.

Interdisciplinary Degree is too vague, even though there is a major. Major is also vague - Social Sciences.

I absolutely loved my major and the classes involved with it. I looked forward to going to my major classes every day.

Yes, I appreciate the interdisciplinary approach taken by the International Studies major.

I have recognized many career paths I could choose due to my major, and faculty encouraged me to explore these options.

No. I refuse to explain.
New College has been incredibly formative for me, especially since I doubled with Mathematics.

I love mathematics. The only difference is that I would double-major in philosophy as well.

I'm going to graduate school for a different discipline than my undergrad, so I might have gone back and chosen that major.

It is not the perfect fit, but I am good at it and it should be valuable. (I hope)

Not what I expected and there really aren't any job openings.

microbiology was just something that interested me coming in but I've decided to pursue a career in medicine while here

Not enough available jobs.

Cheap in-state

I have a passion for music-making that I would never give up.

Scholarships and not needing to actually pay for school is why I came here.

I had several good options for undergraduate school, but knowing that I wanted to be able to afford graduate school (and that UA was a great school), I chose UA. The academics are strong; campus is beautiful; and campus life is thriving.

I love my major and I can't think of anything that could suit me better.

The Political Science major does not involve course that would be extremely beneficial without further education. Ex: lobbying, research, non-profit political management.

I've enjoyed Political Science, though I may have gone into something more interesting for a minor.

Most of my family had attended UA before me.

Wanted a change, and to get out of state.

I am going on to graduate school in the same field, it is my passion.

I got to shape it towards my interests as an individual, unlike many other majors. As a polisci major, I was able to take gender/race-studies courses, which overlapped my political interests. Loved it!

Political Science is my passion. I am attending law school in the fall. Political Science was the logical choice to prepare for law school.

I wanted to attend a research institution, but I was strongly attracted by the opportunity to participate in a small liberal arts program.

I love learning about political science.

Enlight of new found information, The best route for my career would have been business.

I feel like I would have done Engineering because of how many available jobs there are but then again I have no idea.

I'd have gone to the new college.

UA was closer to home and cheaper than out of state options.

It was orionially my minor but because of bad advising I would have spent another 2 years trying to graduate.

I don't know what else I would take because I never had an advisor to ask me what else I would want to do. The only individual who made an impact in my life and took an interest in my future was Cathy Elliott who was my student-athlete monitor.

I have been wanting to pursue psychology since my senior year of high school. I couldn't imagine being in any other field.

I wanted a new experience, love football, and was able to get all my classes!

As a psychology major, you are not trained to go right into the workforce. There is so many things that you can do, and no particular job is for you.

I have always wanted to attend UA for a variety of reasons. My dad came here, we grew up coming to football games. The atmosphere of this university is unbelievable. As I got older, I put more value on education and UA was the perfect fit!

If I could do it again, I wod have started as a psychology major.

I am going to graduate school in a field related to my major and I feel well prepared.

After coming to a football game as a high school senior, I took a Capstone tour and knew Alabama was the right fit.

Not many job opportunities unless you go to grad school
My majors are very fulfilling and useful to learning about the people that I work with as well as the clients I serve. Would make my minor my major. Wasn't informed about what is entailed post-graduation. I don't plan to do anything with it. UA is a known school throughout the country. With UA being on my resume I know I will stand out among other possible employees.

Friends attend UA. The dance and psychology/law program are the best around that is affordable. There are so many majors I would have loved to double in to have the knowledge about, but I am happy with my psychology major.

Sorority. My grandfather, aunt, both my parents, and sister are all alumni of UA so that strongly factored into my decision. It isn't too far from home, but just far enough (4hours), and I could get in-state tuition rates.

Alabama is far enough from my home that I could dedicate myself to academics and minimize distractions. it is the most research-oriented and academically open major. Pre-optometry.

I enjoyed studying Spanish, and I think I gained a wide range of knowledge about both Spanish language and culture. It will help me on the future. Good major, helps me stand out in the graduate school admissions process and have something unique to talk about. Plus the small class sizes and repeat professors was great- I got to know lots of people.

I found that the finance department is almost exclusively focused on investments, which I realized was not really what I wanted to do. I was accepted into the Honors Program and received a partial scholarship which helped pay for school.

Musical theatre is not offered in GA. I would have started as a theatre major, knowing what I know now; the only change I would have made would have been to have added a business focus alongside the major. Track & field program plus a great theatre production department with success rate. I couldn't find something that I wanted to major in, so I just picked theatre. Not much use out in the working world!

I needed money and this school offered me tuitions with practical experience in a costume shop. There are not a lot of classes geared towards just the theatre majors. Majority of the classes focus on the musical theatre track- which not ever one is a part of. I would consider it though if the major was a BFA and not a BA.

There's nothing else I'd rather be doing. There is no 13a. I love Accounting and even though it is a difficult major, I know it will pay off. I feel I could have excelled and had a passion for another major. I got a scholarship and it had a reputable accounting program. I was enticed by the out of state scholarships at first, but fell in love with the campus and social environment.

I chose Accounting to get a well-paying, secure job- I got great job, but I would have rather majored in History and English and become a High School teacher. I started at UA to finish up my pre-pharmacy degree at an institution that offered the best value. After I changed my major, I learned quickly to love UA for other reason beside the value. In-state tuition.

Every professor is amazing, personable, eager to see students succeed and utilize personal contacts for our benefit. It runs in the family, and although I could choose something else, I would not.

My brother wanted to go here and talked me into going here. But he did not have to talk very long for me to make my mind up.
I came to Alabama for the reputation of its accounting program. I fell in love with the school.
The growth in accounting is substantial and the university has a great program set up to ensure success.
When looking at the surrounding colleges in Alabama, and evaluating the Accounting programs at these colleges, I felt that UA would be the best place for me.
Accounting is still what I want to do even though I didn't not like the way it was taught here.
I'm 27 and I still don't know what I want to do with the rest of my life. I would have chosen a major in something I am interested in rather than just good at.
I have lost interest in the subject.
Of course I'd choose the same major--I already know the answers to the tests!
UA is the top University in the State.
I might have chosen a different minor.
Need better, more rigorous finance courses offered at 300 level.
Was originally a History major at NC State because of a mistake on my college application and was unable to transfer to NC States business school. In looking for the school that offered the best blend of social, career and educational opportunity I found Alabama and was introduced to the stellar, ever-improving finance program.
Interesting field with a lot of job opportunity.
If I could have checked each one I would have. At the time I graduated high school, the main reason was location. I had to go in state and had been down to Alabama before. I always loved the overall atmosphere of the university and of course Alabama football!
Lots of Jobs
There are too many reasons to choice from
Finance is what i truly enjoy
Coming from Louisiana, the TOPS program allowed me to attend any state university tuition free, so when Alabama offered me a scholarship that almost matched it, it seemed like a no brainer.
I have learned a lot about Finance at the University of Alabama.
It's a good field.
I found that the finance department is almost exclusively focused on investments, which I realized was not really what I wanted to do.
I was told I could go to any college in the state of Alabama by my parents. UA I felt at the time was the best college in the state.
I think my major is useful for my future goals.
Alabama has always had a sterling academic reputation. This is most important, but secondly was family for me. I am the third generation of my family to attend college here.
DL opportunity
In state tuition and being close to home
 Might do engineering
Family attended
Business is always what i wanted to do.
I had always known of UA's business school and that's what I wanted to study.
Not a good major for my line of work.
UA has a strong brand that employers respect.
I live and work in Mobile and UA has a strong presence everywhere and especially in the State of Alabama.
It was the highest ranked business school with a full online B.S. program. When i began, it was in Business weeks top 10 business schools, and for good reason.
As a child I have always wanted to graduate from the University of Alabama. I may not have had the chance if it were not for the on-line program. I was not mature enough to attend college after high school; therefore, I might not would have graduated and the on-line classes have provided me the ability to succeed.
It was close to home but not too close.
I thought it would provide me with what I was looking for but the more classes I took the more I realized that I hate everything about my program. But I felt too deep to start over.

The Academic reputation of the business school was a big factor in choosing this school because I have always wanted to own my own business. Another reason is that the cost of out of state tuition is so high that I wanted to stay in state, and no one wants to go to Auburn. The Social Life here isn’t so bad either.

My brother and grandfather attended UA
UA’s business school had great reviews.
I love my major, it gives me a lot of different job opportunities.
I waited too long to pick a major in the business school. I would have chosen a different business major to pursue through graduation had I started out freshman year in the business school. By the time I realized what major I wanted to do it was too late for me to change since I can’t afford another year after my scholarship runs out and don’t want to take out a student loan.
Poor grades from the college of engineering required me to switch majors. Low gpa only allowed for a general business degree
Would have got a specialty in something instead of just a general business major
I started out as a business major in 1995.
I was born in Tuscaloosa and every member of my immediate family has attained a degree at The University of Alabama.
Golf scholarship.
I should have really thought about what would make me happy in the future.
I would like to own my own business one day.
UA was close to my home town of Birmingham.
Had nothing to do with my career path I wanted and hasn’t helped one bit with getting a job in the field I want which is anything in the music industry, I mean fuck, you guys let some dumb fucking kid book b.o.b for 100k+ in scholarship money and loose your asses and it go down as the worst loss in concert history. That is a joke as is your staff for allowing such a idiotic decision. Who the fuck knows who that is?? I get failed for trying to do one project that has to do with the music industry and you guys loose that money on a shit concert bc you listen to some frat jack ass who is a trust fund baby machine fuck. That’s sloppy, I'm not proud of a university that does that.
I knew I wanted a business degree and that I didn’t want to go to far from home. UA was the perfect fit.
My older brother attended UA, and I knew from that time that I would follow in his footsteps.
Although I value my education, if I had to start over, I would analyze what majors have the highest job placements and if I was passionate about the topic.
Football. And no, I don’t play. Roll Tide.
After being accepted to various schools across the country, it was imperative that I began campus visits. Furthermore, from the forty-five minute flight from Jacksonville, to the drive from Birmingham, to the outstanding tour led by a Capstone Women, I immediately new The University of Alabama was going to be my next home. Moreover, I have implied that the campus visit is what convinced me to attend The University of Alabama, but in actuality it was the students. Every student I interacted with was eager to answer any question or concerns in regards to campus, and that is why I chose to attend Alabama. The University of Alabama now has over 33,000 students, and has still manages to cater to every students needs. Therefore, this is why I referred to The University of Alabama as my next home, because that is exactly what it felt like.
I am happy with the major I chose but I might choose a different major. The reason I may have chosen a different major is not because of the professor's but because of the economy.
A great way to secure a job after college.
It just clicks with me. Thats the best way I can explain it.
I was undecided between a smaller school and UA. I chose UA because it had more options.
I feel I have learned valuable skills and strategy to prosper in an organization that will hire me. I also REGRET not majoring in a foreign language but I chose computer instead
I wanted a big school, close to home but not too close. I also really appreciate a school with a respected athletic program because it provides the students with such great experiences that
help bring everyone together. I love that everyone is able to connect through our football program.
It really does bring people together.
606  I would double major if i could do it again
610  Management classes interest me, and I feel they have prepared me.
611  Business is the best degree you can get from UA in my opinion and it is well respected here
and outside of Alabama, however I wanted to pursue urban design and sustainable practices and
UA does not offer that.
612  It is close to home.
613  I wish I had chosen to double major in a language as well as international business.
619  I've had the most fun and learned the most I ever have in this major. I have a job before I
graduate due to the confidence and knowledge I gained through my classes.
621  I received a full paid tuition scholarship to several schools but Alabama was where my
family went so I really wanted to come here.
623  I have been able to grow both personally and professionally and to secure a good job. It has
 taught me to be confident and not afraid to ask questions.
625  I have received a top notch education from the MIS department. It has prepared me very
well for the working world, as well as helped me to secure employment.
629  The University's MIS program gave me the foundation to grow as a professional. I enjoyed
working closely with everyone within my major and made friendships with people I will keep in
contact with whenever possible.
635  UA was not too far away from my hometown, but far enough for me to be on my own.
636  I have heard and personally believe that my major is one of if not the best major at UA. You
get so much real world project experience that you don't get anywhere else.
639  My major has provided me with opportunities that not only business students at UA don't
get, but also business students at other universities.
640  I like it a lot
642  I already have a job for when I graduate
645  I would for sure choose this major again because it gave me a great opportunity to do well
647  I felt at home when I visited.
648  The Management Information System department is one of the best majors to pursue and it
truly prepared me for success in my career. I would model that type of system to every single
major on campus. Real-Work experience with real clients. can't beat that with any classroom and
teacher
651  Great major, I think they adequately prepared me for the job I will get.
656  MIS has proven to be the most driven and professionally active major on the campus. 100%
job placement...what's more important than that?
660  I sometimes question my choice but I am still happy with it.
661  Family influenced my decision.
669  instate tuition
670  I visited my older sister her freshman year and knew I wanted to come.
671  I started out in Engineering. I would have went straight into marketing instead of
engineering if I could do it again.
673  I am a legacy and continued Tradition
674  There is no 13a.
675  Great academic programs.
677  I came to Alabama for more than one reason so it is hard to pick just one. My top 3 are
Cost, what I was majoring in, and athletics.
684  I come from out of state so I toured many schools in the South East and I fell in love with
Alabama... great colleges, close enough to my home state(GA), good southern atmosphere, great
greek program, athletics are amazing. One thing that could hurt my chance of coming here was
the cost of out of state tuition... but I made it work.
685  i like my major
691  My family encouraged my decision to attend UA, I am very glad they were so persistent.
692  I knew I wanted to study business at UA.
694  I received full academic scholarship, far more than I received anywhere else.
Business Marketing has taught me about myself and the outside business world. It is a fun major with many jobs.

I love the major I am currently in. One of the many things I have enjoyed is the ability I had to put the things I was learning in the classroom to good use when I was working part time for a real estate company. I felt involved in the class lectures and believed my professors loved what they were teaching and cared about each one of their students!

I am a double major in marketing and advertising. I love advertising so much more than marketing. If I had to do it over again I would definitely still choose advertising but possibly a different second major.

It had always been my dream to attend UA.

Roll tide

I'm passionate about marketing and sales. This is what I want to do and will never change my mind.

Within close proximity to home town.

I just do not like business. It has nothing to do with the upper level staff, which is excellent, but more to do with my personality and feeling like I would have been happier studying a different field. This is why I wish I had had a more well-rounded and engaging education in my core curriculum.

Alabama GI Bill

I could have honestly chosen any and all of the below choices. Love the scholarships provided through the Honors program.

I love Marketing and I have learned and grown a lot.

I came here for the academic reputation, major/field of study, location, and somewhat for the athletics.

I discovered and settled into my major late in the game; I could have benefited much more if I was focused on it for more than just my final year of college.

The campus is beautiful

Great Opportunity

It's very hard to apply its usefulness to real world situations where technology is involved because most things taught in the classroom are done by hand.

I don't really enjoy my major. It is not interesting to me.

All of my family is in Alabama and I living in Virginia my goal was to be closer to my family.

My family moved here back in 2006

Mother and sister are alumni

ROLL TIDE ROLL!

I feel that the major is beginning to fall behind in what it is teaching compared to what is being used in the real world. Almost every OM job that I applied for wanted me to have a background in SAP which I had never seen or used before.

I love it.

I am really good at math so I should have started out in engineering.

Football

I enjoy my major and its professors and graduate students. I like the fact that the professors and my advisor knows who I am and how well I am doing. This shows me that they really care. I have also learned so much and met so many bright people from my major.

I got offered better scholarships at other schools but the Blount Undergraduate Program really spoke to me and won me over.

they give great scholarships for out of state

Alabama born and raised. I only applied to two other colleges UAB and Georgia.

I probably would have went with journalism instead of advertising but they are both communications so it's still kind of the same. If I had the drive to be a doctor I would be doing that for sure.

It took me a while to find this major, but I am very glad that I chose it. It fits me very well.

Ended up loving it

The communication studies program has some of the best professors in the university, they are constantly striving to connect, educate and challenge their students everyday.
I love everything about this campus and UA but I am also a 4th generation. There is a sense of family pride and history that I wanted to be apart of and put my name on it. UA has one of the best ranked COM Studies departments in the state of Alabama, let alone the US.

Regardless of where I attended school, I was going to major in Communication Alabama and I am furthering my Communications degree in the fall, pursuing a PhD in Health Communication.

Most of my friends attended UA.

I love Communications; I just would have chosen it sooner.

I'm really not sure. I think I would still have this major, but maybe do a double major with English instead of it being my minor. Or maybe I would do a double major in something similar to Communication Studies, like Public Relations or Advertising.

After doing my internship, I decided working in a newspaper is not something I will make do for a career. I can still do other things with my major, but I would change if it I knew as a freshman what I now know.

UA's College of Communication and Information Sciences is the most reputable college of its kind in the South.

My history major, YES. I would choose over and over again. But my journalism major I would reconsider.

I came to UA on a field trip in the 11th grade and loved the campus environment and academic success.

Bad market through most of my education, but assurances from many people I'll have a job in the market when I graduate.

My parents insisted I attend UA because of its proximity to home.

I did not realize until my internships- which were placed at the end of my junior year- that I journalism was not the right fit for me. By that time, I was already too far in debt to start a new major.

I won't use my degree in the future.

Tracy Sims.

I hate provide you with such a narrow-minded answer, but its the truth. When I was 17-18, my vision did not exactly extend beyond the distance of 4-5 years. Obviously after time being spent at UA, that narrow-mindedness has broadened, and would again choose UA for an excellerated intellectual environment if it existed.

I love public relations and the professors in the APR department were the most helpful and genuine teachers I encountered at UA. I felt challenged with the work and I think I was more than ready to enter the work place.

I wanted to learn PR, that's why I choose UA.

I heard the Greek life was awesome here! It for sure met all my expectations and I am happy I chose to be apart of the Greek life!

I wanted I enjoy alabama football and Greek life.

I came to the University of Alabama because I wanted a different experience than any of my friends or family has ever had. Most of my friends and family choose between two or three small religious liberal arts colleges, and I wanted something different, something more than what they experienced. I recieved that at UA.

I didn't find my major so much as it found me. I began as a Journalism major but changed to PR after working with the Crimson White and learning firsthand about the PR-Journalism relationship.

I received full academic scholarship, far more than I received anywhere else.

I love writing and public relations allows me to do that. However, I chose PR because it was broad enough to obtain several types of job post-graduation. If I had to choose again, I would choose something more specific so that it would be easier to find places that needed my occupation.

If I could do it again, I would have stuck with pre-dental.

My sister came here.

Friends that go here.

APR departments rankings drew me to UA!

Publics Relations has made me who I am.
Alabama's public relations school is in the top five of the country. I wanted to go to a good PR school and Alabama was ranked extremely high. I switched majors many times, but I'm glad I found what I like. UA is away from home but not too far from home. There are many different reasons that contribute to why I chose to attend UA. Of all the reasons listed below the ones that contributed to me were social life, athletics, major and location. Another major factor was UA's Veteran Affairs office and how the university handled students with the 911 GI Bill.

The public relations department was excellent. All of the teachers know what they are talking about and actually care about my success. Many of my former teachers have still continued to advise me for jobs and help me succeed.

I love TCF.

TCF Rocks!

I'm not 100% sure. Along the way, I've had some broadcasting teachers tell me that local news is a dying industry and we are the next platform to collapse. It's hard to stay motivated about a high-stress, low-pay career path when the teachers in my own college are discouraging me from continuing down this path. Given today's economy and what I've learned from these teachers, I'd think about choosing a more stable and reliable career. However, I probably wouldn't be as happy.

I'm thankful for everything I've learned in these past 4 years and I'm excited about my future endeavors!

I have loved TCF, had numerous job offers, and a great relationship with faculty, but, ultimately, I will be attending Law School in the Fall, so knowing what I know about myself now, I might choose a major with a more direct correlation to law.

I love my field but definitely more job opportunities in computer science

My older sister went here so that's why I chose to come here.

Fun

It felt like home.

I am from Tuscaloosa. The University was a convenient location, the had a department for the major I wanted to pursue, and in-state tuition was reasonably affordable when I started school in 2008. If it were as expensive as it is now, I may have had to choose another option.

I've known what I wanted to do for a career since I was 13. I'd be miserable doing anything else. Even though the major here was weak, better than any other option I can think of.

I was given tons of scholarships for going here.

I have had good friends in the past that have gone to the University of Alabama, and I have heard such good things about the experiences on campus. The academics is fantastic, and I am proud to receive an education at the University.

I love working in film and television, and it is a dream to be able to what I love for a living.

I had no intentions of going to college, especially in-state. When I was in high school, I auditioned at IMTA to become an actress, where Eva Longoria, Katie Holmes, Jessica Biel, Ashton Kutcher and more -were discovered. At the competition, I ended up winning first place in monologue, in my division of 700+ contestants. I had dreams of leaving high school and going straight to Hollywood. However my parents insisted that I go to college and receive “education insurance” in the event that I never land a role in movie, I atleast would have a degree to fall back on. I was still adamant about going to Hollywood. I ended up applying to one school, University of Alabama just to get them off my back. When I came to visit, it was like love at first sight. The scenery, the buildings, the dorms, the students playing on quad; I knew then, I wanted to be a kid for a little while longer. After deciding to come here, when I get here for Bama Bound, the lady helping me with my schedule turned out to be a coach for the Forensic Council, who introduced me to acting and speech in another spectrum. I ended up auditioning and became apart of the Forensic Council, receiving a full-tution scholarship and additional practice in acting, public speaking, improvisation, and performing.

Because I'm more passionate about my major now than I was when I first came to UA.

I wanted to move away from home to experience college life.
I have never changed my major. I have always known I wanted to be an elementary teacher. This program was rigorous and hard, but I learned so much I would never change being a teacher.

There was much disorganization during my time in the program. It seemed like every semester was the “guinea pig” semester where different strategies and techniques were implemented and the kinks had not been worked out.

I choose UA because when a person is 18 and coming out of high school they tend to still listen to their parents. My father always told me UA would be the best choice and I listened. Not right away. I also attended Birmingham-Southern College and other surrounding schools first. I was only content with my education when I finally made my last stop at UA.

The job market is very small for my major.

I was informed by a graduate from UA that we had an awesome Kineisology department. I am so glad that I picked it and would not trade it for anything.

Kinesiology is very interesting. It will definitely assist me when I begin Physical Therapy school.

I would definitely still choose this major if I had to do it over again. I find the material interesting, and the professors very helpful and knowledgeable.

Almost didn't feel challenged to my full potential.

Family has always wanted me to go to UA.

I would have done a liberal arts major instead.

I was able to win a National Championship which was my childhood goal.

No other university has a program like MAP. It addressed both fields I wanted to pursue and I did not have to choose. Also, having a dual certification makes me more marketable.

Instate and had a decent music department.

I loved the campus.

It was close enough to my family, but far enough away to feel independent. Also, some of my high school friends chose UA and that was helpful in finding a roommate. I've always been a Bama fan and my grandfather played football for Bear Bryant. It was always where I wanted to go.

I was from Birmingham.

It was far enough from home to have the college experience of living away from home, but it wasn't too far away.

I think I could be happy doing nursing too.

I have been an alabam fan my whole life, it was the only school I applied to.

I chose Alabama for various reasons but the main one was because of the Presidential Scholarship that I received upon application. Not only that but the timing of it. I was torn between attending UA and Auburn University and in the months leading to that decision I was offered half tuition to both schools. My ACT score happened to go up and UA beat Auburn to the punch. I received an offer for a full scholarship to UA a full month before Auburn offered the same. That month led me to the best decision I could have made. So in a family of Auburn alumni and fans, I will be the lone UA graduate and for that, I am thankful. Forget the football rivalry and anything else, I know that I made the right choice and I have not regretted a single day of it.

I always planned to attend UA, so when I received scholarships there wasn't any question.

Their is no other major I would choose that make me feel as fulfilled as teaching.

I absolutely love education and am very excited to begin teaching.

I may consider the MAP program or a Communicative Disorders major.

The music education program is exceptional and the faculty and staff made me feel welcome and wanted.

I love AEM. Challenging and fun.

I really enjoy the subject.

I have enjoyed most of my studies in Aerospace Engineering, but I feel like I haven't learned as much as I had expected. I would reconsider computer science or electrical engineering for the number of job opportunities.

Seriously?? 2>1, it's not rocket science.

Social life was the main interest I had after graduating high school.
There were some rough points along the way because it is a very difficult major, but I know that I will benefit from it later in life. A degree in engineering will open doors that not all other degrees would open. My teachers kicked ass. Through co-op and other e+ programs I have developed an excitement for the industry. I might look at mechanical engineering. I am satisfied with my major and where it has gotten me, but if I had to do it over again I probably would not have entered UA as an undecided engineering major and I would have taken more time to try out different classes options. I might very well have still ended up as a civil/environmental engineering major, but for example I would have liked to have looked into majors such as Environmental Science or Geology more instead of zeroing in on engineering so soon because it's awesome! :) I am an engineer, it is what I want to do close to home and far enough away from home Engineers Rock! Some of the professors have no desire to teach. in state tuition and my family are most of my tuition was paid for by scholarships and the rest of it as well as books and others fees were covered by financial aid. Collectively me and my brother were offered more in scholarships to attend this university, but the campus and facilities for our department were also vital in our decision withe the SEC and SERC being completed while we attended. Scholarships made attendance possible, but in reality it was a combination of the academics, social life, athletics, scholarships, and the overall atmosphere of this great university. I am accepted to dental school, and I am proud of that accomplishment. I am extremely proud of my Chemical Engineering undergraduate degree, and that I was able to accomplish it in four years. Through Chemical Engineering I have found that my personal strengths are in mathematics and economic analysis. If I could choose a major I would choose some quantitative economic major. I have nothing against chemE and it is a great major. This just depended in my interest. It fits all three circles: I enjoy working with chemical processes, I can make a lot of money doing it, and I'm very good at it. Also, Mrs. Sues is the most awesome person I've ever had the pleasure of meeting. It has been intellectually stimulating, and it is a field with many opportunities. I just wanted somewhere different My parents told me I had to go to an in-state school. I love this major and it is interesting to me. I know that computer science will be able to help me find a job after graduation. I have fallen in love with my major! I have always wanted to go to UA since I was younger so to me there was not other school to attnd but UA. I was already attending UAB, which I liked. My girlfriend at the time was about to graduate and was going to attend UA. We were pretty serious at the time and she talked me into coming here. I have been regretting that decision every since. I received scholarships to other schools but my tour of the engineering department here made my decision. Good career I changed my major from electrical to computer engineering after taking several ECE courses and physics 106. I originally chose electrical engineering because I expected the topics to be more difficult for me to learn unassisted than the topics covered in the computer engineering curriculum. I changed majors because the professors teaching these courses made the material impossibly boring by reducing interesting concepts to rote memorization. I did regret this decision somewhat when I found that switching to computer engineering would prevent me from taking Electromagnetics with Dr. Robert Scharstein due to a timing conflict with a required course. Dr.
Scharstein is the only professor I've had at this university who has left me more interested in topics taught than I was when I started the class. Even though I am not sure what other majors would look like, I really enjoyed learning about my major. Engineering is not an open enough area of study for me anymore, everything has already been done and is in a book for you to look up. Economics seems to be a much more current field, and I have not ruled out further studies. I was raised an Alabama fan my entire life, so I knew I always wanted to come here. Most of my family graduated from UA and its a tradition. I enjoy it. I have enjoyed all the material in my courses and my Co-op helped solidify that this is definitely what I want to do. Wanted to be a part of a nationally recognized marching band and travel across the US with the athletics program. Because I love building things. I like the challenge. The ME department is great. I was pleased with what I saw of the mechanical engineering department and its faculty. Although I enjoy my major and my field, I feel as though I might have missed my passion. I've always enjoyed engineering. Brother was here. With my major, I can pursue a large number of career paths, but I realized that MIS is a better fit for me. I didn't necessarily think about what I wanted to do with my life when I entered college, but I assumed Mechanical Engineering would leave me with plenty of opportunity in the working world. Only school in alabama that has MTE. Love fashion. I realized the spring semester of my junior year that I wanted a career in sales. Fashion retailing allowed me the opportunity to participate in a sales internship in New York City, however the money in NYC was incomparable to that of living somewhere else. My mom wouldn't pay for anything out of state and I've always considered UA the best public college in Alabama. I am an Athletic Training student and I have decided to go to Physical Therapy school so I may not choose the same route if I had chosen PT to start with. Best school with my major in the SEC. Top school for this major. I would probably choose History, but I still love CHES. Enjoy the area. i had an athletic scholarship here. My family has always been long time supporters of UA. I am from Tuscaloosa. Great school. I love kids. Yes. I would, but I would still be wishing it was harder. I chose this major knowing it wouldn't challenge me academically, but it would lead me where I wanted to go in life. My major has definitely opened my eyes into seeing that I was meant to do with my life. I absolutely love teaching; through the experience of my internship, I have grown to learn that I am capable and truly enjoy teaching young children. Children have always been my passion, I just wish I would have chosen this path from the beginning instead of switching majors so often. I absolutely love my major and the faculty in it. Close to home, very home-town feel. I would still major in the same thing, but I would change how I went about obtaining my major. If I would have known how competitive it would be, I would have made sure to have good
grades even in the classes that did not really matter. The first 2 years I was at junior college ruined my GPA going forward.

I had a very good friend (Alabama alum) that sadly took his life. Prior to the incident he talked to me in length about UA. Hearing how proud he was to be an alumni and knowing, from my own observation, the tradition of the school made it a no brainer.

Strong academic foundation for future studies.

I choose UA because I wanted to be in the apparel design program. I found out the program wasn't for me and I change my major. I am happy I stayed within my department because I knew they had the highest graduation rate on campus.

The UA is the leader of the pack in the Tuscaloosa Area in Alabama as a whole.

I originally was going into nursing so that was the main reason I wanted to be there. I would have double majored in Communications as well!

My sister came here and I followed her.

Not many colleges have Human Development and Family Studies majors.

Not far from home but still close

For academics

I love my major and what I am going to be doing for the rest of my life

It was a comfortable distance from family.

I had just heard so many great things about UA in every aspect of the school.

I would have a chosen a major with better job prospects.

My family loves the school and many attended UA.

I went to UA for the interior design program and the majority of it was paid for my the Alabama PACT program.

I love interior design, so I would probably still choose this major if I had to start all over again, but I wish we had learned more about residential design. Out of 8 semesters here, in 2 semesters I was able to design a residential project. I think the interior design department needs to SERIOUSLY reassess their curriculum and classes.

My passion for my major has fizzled and I feel like it is a niche degree.

This is what I want to do in my career

Followed a friend here.

My neighbor back home is an Alumni and so is his father. They convinced me to apply and come tour campus.

I really enjoyed being in the south.

Location, and sister and Brother both graduated from UA

I resisted nursing for a long time, but have found it is my calling. I wish I had decided sooner to pursue it.

Academic reputation is extremely important in career advancement. I believe it makes a difference where the degree was earned as it is a reflection on the work that was put into it.

My mom graduated from UA.

family attended UA.

I heard much about UA and decided to come because of the reputation.

If I get a job before graduation, then I definately would still choose the major.

This experience ended up being so much more than I could have ever imagined

Alabama has one of the most-renowned and best nursing schools in the state.

I love nursing. Absolutely one of THE MOST fulfilling jobs available.
Nursing is what I was created to do, despite the difficulty of the schooling it takes to be an RN. It was most convenient for me location-wise and financially. I had friends coming to UA, and they wanted me to come look at it. Then, when I came, I thought it looked exactly the way I always imagined college should look. It was like a picture.

Grew up an Alabama football fan. Nursing is my passion and fits my personality perfectly! I love helping the under privileged. Attending UA is a family tradition.

Social Services is my passion. I looked at other universities but Alabama had my major and family and friends were close. Plus, relatives went here.

The adviser I visited with before deciding to enroll at UA sold me on the program and seemed genuinely interested in me as a student. Social work is the major I chose. The social work program and the profession itself is a lot different that I thought it would be.

Social Work is a great major, but offers limited employment. Social Work is clearly a major that requires graduate studies in order to improve the chances of gaining employment. I would have rather picked a major that could grant me better employment opportunities, such as science or math related major. Social Work should be designed as an 5 year program with graduate work included to make sure students are employable.
Question 14: Reason for Attending UA

What is the primary reason you chose to attend UA?

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The following is the list of comments from the “Other” category.

11 Marching Band
14 Blount Program
29 husband got job in alabama
36 Updated Facilities for Major
89 friends did not come here.
122 Family
129 Lifelong dream
143 It was good for what I wanted to do with my career, my father went there, I loved the energy here, and I've always wanted to attend UA
149 dance
175 Indecision
184 proximity
212 Dream
231 Born & Raised ROLL TIDE
240 New College
255 External Degree
264 Advancement opportunities
268 Started in 1983, enrolled as a distance learner in 2010
269 Distance Learning and Portfolio credit options
301 To study with Skip Snead
326 Food, Music, Weather, Women- not necessarily in that order- Football goes without saying.
And I've been living the dream since Fall of '09. Roll Tide!
327 Blount Undergraduate Initiative
328 It's the only place I ever wanted to attend
345 all the above, I have no primary reason.
347 New experience
363 always assumed I would go to UA
364 Seemed like the perfect fit for multiple reasons
365 Fellows, CBH, Honors
390 A place far enough from home where I could focus on academics
424 A little bit of all the answers above
449 Mallet Assembly+Top 50 Accounting School
460 Football
I chose UA because nobody else offered all of these.

All of the above

Tradition and Academic Prestige

In-state Tuition, Good Business School, Great Athletics, Great Greek/Social atmosphere

Something different being from out of state

Location and On-line courses

Excellent online program and HUGE FOOTBALL FAN

Entire Environment

Fishing team

Campus Visit

Beautiful campus

always wanted to

All of the above

It felt like home.

All of the above

Roll Tide!!!

Always wanted to

University Fellows

I chose randomly, and I'm the luckiest girl in the world.

all of the above

only college I really liked

Combination of the above

I wanted to get away from what everyone else from high school was doing.

The campus

Blount Undergrad Program

all of the above

Fell in love with the beautiful campus

My sister went to Auburn. I thought it would be fun to go to their rival school.

Boyfriend of the time

it felt like home

family friends

Culture (social life, athletics, priorities)

Learning and extra curriculars: greek life, volunteer work, internships go hand in hand.

ROLL TIDE!

destiny

Honors College housing

fell in love with campus

Felt like the right place

All of the above!

Always grew up an Alabama fan

friend feel of campus

Roll Tide 4 Life!

Seemed right

Boys State: comfortable with the beautiful campus

Random

Location

several of the above, personal comfort here as well.

Co-op

Alabama Football Team Fan

Million Dollar Band

Work at Mugshots

It's history and historical significance.

Lifelong love for university

accept credits from Jeff State

The vast opportunities I would be offered.

finished degree online; online access
The schools character
It was always my dream to come here
I just felt at home when I came to visit for the first time.
I felt comfortable here
convenience of Distance Learning Program
All of the above
fan
Campus looked like i had always imagined college would look.
bama fan
Friend/Family member suggested I attend this University
from tuscaloosa
Football
this is where the Lord wanted me
Always wanted to attend UA
I am a black student and I had white teachers tell me I would never make here and I wanted to prove them wrong and to encourage others like me to never give up on their dreams.
Question 15: Participation in Clubs and Organizations

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

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Did you hold an office in any of the above organizations?
The following are the offices and remarks listed by the respondents.

2 secretary
3 Secretary for American studies club
4 Lambda Alpha- Vice President
   Anthropology Club- Undergraduate Liaison
9 Vice President, House Manager, and Academic Chair for Phi Delta Theta Fraternity;
   Assistant Researcher to the Human Behavioral and Evolutionary Research Group led by Dr. Chris Lynn in the Anthropology Department
13 I was an executive officer for my sorority, specifically in charge of recruitment activities for the 2011-2012 term.
14 Head Member of SOS Brigade, Cultural Club at UA.
26 I participated in Mosaic, the Honors College magazine, and held the position of Creative Director during my senior year. I was also a member of two honors societies, but was not particularly active in them.
28 Yes. I was the secretary of Sigma Alpha Iota, the founder and director of the Art Department Ambassadors, a Student Program Director for the University Fellows and the Vice President of the Honors College Assembly.
32 I was social chair of the men's club soccer team.
33 President
34 Sorority- financial vice president assistant
37 I was a member of the Elected Committee of my fraternity.
43 Yes. Executive and supportive positions within my sorority.
59 I was President of the Pre-Pharmacy Club my junior year.
62 Social chair of a fraternity.
68 Yes, President
72 Yes, Vice President
83 Historian
92 Community Service Center - Student Director
93 Curriculum committee for READ Alabama and Publicity committee for International Justice Mission UA
96 Undergraduate Social Chair for (NSSLHA)National Student Speech Language and Hearing Association.
97 I was secretary in the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association.
98 Yes. In Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity I was the Historian for a semester and the Initiate Advisor for the following year.
102 Yes, I was Courtesy, Standards, Ritual, and Scholarship Chair at one point in the Alpha Delta Chi sorority.
105 Action Civitan- President
112 Yes, President
114 I was the Founding Father of the Criminal Justice Mock Trial Association. Also am the Pre Law Peer Mentor for Pre Law Student Association
124 I was an RA for two years which provided me with leadership positions in several aspects. I was also a Partnership Tuscaloosa Representative for the Office of External Affairs my sophomore year.
134 Assistant to the Vice President of Academic Excellence of Kappa Kappa Gamma
141 I was the parliamentarian of my Sorority and committee chair of a lot of committees.
146 Yes! I was a New Member Educator for Gamma Phi Beta in 2011.
151 Director
152 Yes, Golden Key International Honour Society Social Director, Vice President and President.
153 I was President of quite a few organizations, as well as Vice President and Director.
161 I was the president of Sigma Tau Delta and Editor-in-chief of Dewpoint.
164 I was the Coordinator for the Tuscaloosa Initiative for Language Education in the Alabama International Relations Club.
166 Section Leader for my Junior and Senior years.
169 Recruitment Chair for Sigma Tau Delta International English Honor Society.
170 Social Chair in the English honors society.
172 Scholarship Chair
175 Negative.
179 I was secretary for Sigma Tau Delta, the English honor society.
186 In my sorority, I held three different positions, two on the Executive Board.
190 Yes; President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Alumni Secretary
195 I was on the leadership team for Fellowship of Christian Athletes.
197 Naw bruh
199 Treasure
203 Captain
206 Sergeant at Arms for Phi Kappa Sigma
216 Yes.
Presidentes UAIOA
220 I am Vice President of the UA chapter of Phi Alpha Theta National History Honor Society.
224 Yes president of the pre law students association
231 Team Captain of the Women’s Rowing Team.
241 Honors College Assembly Director.
242 Vice President
243 Vice President of New College Council, Media Coordinator of New College Council, Media Coordinator of Sustained Dialogue, Student Moderator of Sustained Dialogue
245 Yes. I was president, house coordinator, and event coordinator of the New College Council, vice-president and class representative of the Blount Student Organization, and the founder and director of Blount Student Ambassadors.
262 Yes. Vice President
269 I was an EXD student, off campus.
270 Yes. I held offices in the HCA, French Club, Cultural Experiences Club, and in my honoraries.
272 New Member Educator in my sorority.
277 Treasurer ABXY Gaming Network
Standards Chair, Vice President of Internal Affairs, and President of a sorority
Secretary and President of Society of Physics Students. Co-chair in Lambda Sigma.
Yes -- many. President, Fundraising Coordinator, Vice-President, etc.
I was president of Pi Mu Epsilon (math), vice president of Alabama Atheists and Agnostics, and librarian of the Mallet Assembly.
Finance Vice President of sorority
Risk Management Chair for my Greek organization.
I was president of the Men's Volleyball club for one year and an officer for 3 years
Secretary and president of the Society of Physics Students
Senator in SGA, Asst. Rush Chair in sorority
Yes
President of a large student organization and served in an advisory capacity in the student government.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon- Social Chairman and Rush Chairman
Interfraternity Council- Vice President of Judicial
Omicron Delta Kappa- Treasurer
Recording Secretary for AOII and Criminal Justice Student Association.
Yes. Associate Justice for SGA and Parliamentarian for Future Black Law Students Association
Black Belt Development Initiative Coordinator of the Alabama International relations Club
Many offices over a four year period. Suffice to say my leadership experience was made possible by the good people on this campus who actively work to make it the great place it is.
I held a lot of offices during my time at UA. Please find a copy of my resume if you wish to know more.
Marketing director for one political club, vice chair of another political club, and historian of a social fraternity.
You cannot hold a high position in ANY office unless part of the Machine. Let's be serious.
Director of Blackbelt Initiative for the SGA
President, Parliamentarian, Executive Assistant
Homecoming Director, Student Director in the Community Service Center, Lead Research Assistant, Secretary of Blue Key Honor Society
Yes - secretary, president
Founding President of Pre-Occupational Therapy Society, Scholarship chair of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority
Historian for Afro-American Gospel Choir
Vice President- UA South Asian Society
Resource Manager- DIET
Publicity Committee- UA Golden Key
University of Alabama SGA Homecoming Director (Director of Campus Outreach- Fall 2012)
Yes, recording secretary of my sorority
Social Chairman for sorority
Treasurer of Women's Rugby
Research assistant, secretary lambda sigma honor society, historian alpha lambda delta, Vice President of membership kappa alpha theta
President of Alabama International Relations Club
Student/Faculty Liason, VP of Public relations and Recruitment
secretary treasurer
Pre-Optometry Society - Vice President
Vice President of Finance- Sorority
Mentor, Student Leader, Student Director- Al's Pals (through UA community service center)
Ambassador for Campus Health and Safety- SGA
Yes. Vice President. Vice President of Programming.
Alpha Psi Omega secretary
I was a Bible study leader for three years and a worship leader for three years at the BCM.
President, secretary for the Beta Eta chapter of Omega Psi Phi
Homecoming chair
House Manager at my Fraternity

In Alpha Phi: Texas Chair of Recruitment, Historian, and Marshall.

Vice President, Mortar Board National Honor Society, 1st Vice President, Afro American Gospel Choir, Member at Large, Afro American Gospel Choir

Chinese Culture Club: Vice-President

Judicial Board within fraternity

I held a few positions in my sorority, including assistant scholarship chair, fraternity education chair, and a few committees

Student Senator on SGA

Leadership Chair in Kappa Delta Sorority

Service Coordinator in Beta Alpha Psi Honor Society

Yes, President of my Sorority

I was on the Leadership team of RUF.

Yes, senior VP in a business fraternity on campus.

I did not hold any office in an organization.

Assistant Membership Coordinator for my sorority

Section Leader of the Million Dollar Band

NABA - Corresponding Secretary

Yes, Corresponding Secretary, VP Brotherhood Activities

Beta Alpha Psi - No Offices Held

I took quite a few of the lower-ranked positions. Extracurricular college clubs aren't my greatest passion, and they're likely not my future.

Treasurer of fraternity

Honors College Assembly - Chairman of Cultural Experience, Chinese Culture Club – Secretary, Faculty Scholar, Navigators - Music Leader, International Navigators - English Teacher

President of Dunamis Campus Ministries

Vice President - Sigma Chi Fraternity- 2011

Sorority - Treasurer

House and Grounds Chair (2009)–Delta Tau Delta

Co-Founder and President of Alabama Greek Missions

Principal Investigator in a research project with the Black Belt Community Foundation on the success rate of microloans in rural communities in Alabama

Vice-President of Housing, Pledge Class President, and Policy and Standards Board Member for Pi Beta Phi

President and Treasurer of Interfraternity council, President of Cardinal Key, Treasurer of Blue Key Society

Captain, UA paintball team

President and Treasurer of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity

Yes. A couple.

Vice President of the Alabama Insurance Society

Executive Council for Pi Beta Phi sorority

Panhellenic board member 2007

Risk Manager

Secretary in Fraternity

I was a distance student working and going to school full time.

Homecoming Director, Pledge Class President

I didn't do any of them

Alabama Insurance Society - Executive Board

Treasurer of the bass fishing team

Secretary and Rush Chairman

Yes. President, Secretary, Treasurer, Committee Chairs

I wish but all the elections are rigged. Would have not lost 100k on a stupid ass concert.

Yes, I was President of two organizations and members of many others.

Philanthropy Chair for Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity, Fundraising Chair/Treasurer for Alabama International Justice Mission, Treasurer for Campus Crusade for Christ

I was a pledge educator in Alpha Kappa Psi professional business fraternity.
Yes
SGA: Vice President, Deputy Chief of Staff, Senator. College Council: President
Fraternity: Sports Chair, Social Chair, Rush Chair, Second-Term Associate Justice
Religious Organization: Treasurer
Sorority: President
Freshman Forum Co-Chair
President of Alabama Crew
Vice President of education sorority
No, but I did participate in the Air Force ROTC and that is not on the list.
Secretary of the African Students Association
Women in Information Technology- Vice President
Standing committee member, SGA. House Manager, Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity.
President
treasurer and vice president
President of Women in IT
Pledge Class President and T-shirt Chair in Alpha Tau Omega (ATO)
President - Alabama CrossFit Club, Vice-President - Alabama Crew
New Member Educator and Honor Board Member.
recruitment chairs in multiple organizations, social chair, class representative positions,
fundraising chair, new member educator
Assistant Rush Chair
Panhellenic Delegate for Delta Zeta Sorority.
Rush chairmen in my fraternity
President, Panhellenic delegate, assistant recruitment
president, director, PR chair, environmental chair
Vice President of Advertising and Promotions for AMA
Temporarily was Vice President of my fraternity.
Section Leader for the band. Alumni officer for Phi Mu Alpha. Staff for the Sales Program.
SGA Director of Athletics
First Year Council and Homecoming Chairman for SGA, Pledge trainer and Recruitment
Chairman for Sorority, New Member Chairman and Social Chairman for Lambda Sigma
Vice President and treasure of my pledge class. I am a sigma chi
Yes. Project Leader for SIFE ABC project.
Yes. Vice President of Philanthropy in SOMS
Army ROTC XO
Vice President of Campus Life
Yes in the fraternity: Secretary, House Manager, Assistant new member educator, Judicial Board member
Photo editor of the Corolla and Rush chair or a fraternity and Greek Life chair.
Philanthropy Chair for Capstone AdFed, Assistant Design Editor for Corolla
Recruitment executive.
SGA- Deputy Vice President of Campus Life
Up 'til Dawn- Logistics Chair
I was a radio DJ for a while.
I was a section leader for the clarinet section in the Million Dollar Band.
President of Alabama International Justice Mission
President of The 86 Movement
Yes. Participated on many of the leadership teams.
I was the Director of Community Outreach at the Alabama Management Society.
Homecoming Chair, Secretary - Student Executive Council CCIS
I held an office as a leader in the Impact Movement:UA Chapter.
Vice President
President of Lambda Pi Eta honor society
782 Chaplain of Sigma Nu Fraternity, Theta Chapter (2011)
792 President and Community Chef of Homegrown Alabama
793 Senate, First Year Council; Vice President of Academics (sorority); Desk editor, columnist, reporter (Crimson White)
795 Editor of the Corolla
797 Senior Sports Reporter/Assistant Sports Editor at The Crimson WHite
798 I was Editor-in-Chief of the Corolla.
807 No offices held in the above. I hope this does not hinder my opinion for not having any leadership roles. However, there is an intangible leadership existence among any group of individuals, that isn't always labeled with a position.
809 Sorority recruitment team, LessThanUThink executive leadership team, The Capstone Agency executive board
812 PRSSA (Public Relations Student Society of America) chapter president, Platform Magazine President, Capstone Agency Director
817 UA Equestrian Team- Treasurer, Circle K- PR chair
818 president, director, PR chair, environmental chair
824 President of Sigma Lambda Honor Society
825 Executive Press Secretary, Student Government Association, Associate Justice, Student Judicial Board, Chief of Staff, Student Judicial Board, President, Kappa Tau Alpha
826 Secretary, VP of communication, social media board, student executive council
828 Vice President of Communication for sorority and Assistant to Vice President of Panhellenic
829 President of the National Council of Negro Women.
832 PACE chair in Kappa Delta.
833 President in Cultural club
834 I held office in the Student Government Association, the Crimson White, my own social Sorority and the Panhellenic Association.
850 Yes. I was House Director from 2011-2012 on the Executive Council. I also served 3 years on the Program Council, as the Skit Chair & Music Chair. I was also one of the representatives at the 2009-2010 Greek Leadership Institute. I've also spent two years interning at WVUA-TV as a Student Reporter and Capstone Correspondent.
851 Rush chairman in a social fraternity
856 House Manager at my Fraternity
857 Executive Officer in Circle K all four years
862 Journalist in sorority, 2nd vp in nphc
863 Correspondant for Greek Week Spring 2010 for Sigma Nu
869 Part-Time. I used to work at Shelton-State Community College at the electric engineering department.
870 First Year Council, Founder of The Austin Shepherd Foundation
883 Co-Captain of Club Volleyball, Junior Honor Board member, Director of Senior Pursuits, Director of Intramurals in the Delta Gamma Fraternity
890 College of education senator, Sorority- ritual chair, secretary, judicial chair
894 Treasurer
907 President, Section Leader
911 Yes, Vice president of my sorority and of the exercise physiology club.
913 Yes. I was an executive officer for my social Fraternity.
914 President and Vice President
919 I was a treasurer in the Campus Vets Association.
930 Student Alumni Association- VP of community service
939 Event Coordinator in the University of Exercise Physiology Club
945 Co-section leader of the 2009 MDB Drumline.
947 Secretary of the academic club SACDA
951 Vice president of Student Council for Exceptional Children
953 Executive office in a social sorority.
957 Director of Stillman College Relations, Director of Partnership Tuscaloosa, 2nd Vice President & Treasurer of Afro American Gospel Choir, Chaplain of Theta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha.
Secretary, Education Outreach Chair
Yes. AOII chaplain, assistant house manager, and house manager
Yes, executive member for 2 years in my sorority.
As a member of a social sorority, I was on the executive board for one year as the Panhellenic Representative. I was also on the Recruitment Board, Academic Excellence Board, Standards Board, Halloween Chair, Big Sis/Little Sis Chair.
I was the Secretary General for the Alabama Model United Nations Conference and the Outreach Director for the Alabama International Relations Club.
President of fraternity for two consecutive years.
President of the Ambassadors of the College of Engineering, Section leader in the Million Dollar Band, Co-captain of ASCE Concrete Canoe Team
I have been President and Vice President of the UA Student Chapter of Engineers Without Borders
Co-Captain, Steel Bridge Team
SWE-secretary and ECE representative
Environmental Council Treasurer
Secretary of the American Institute for Chemical Engineers (AIChe)
Vice President of Omega Chi Epsilon (chemE honor society)
Mu Theta Tau: Inner Guard, Scribe (Recording Secretary), Vice Regent (Vice President).
President of Upsilon Pi Epsilon
Secretary, UA Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery
ACM - Treasurer
Vice President of UACM
Phi Sigma Theta Treasurer
I was the National Communications Coordinator for RHA when RHA existed as a school organization.
Treasurer
President of Lakeside Learning Community (RHA), President of Table Tennis Sports Club, Project Manager Mechanical Engineering Senior Design, Operations Manager Engineers Without Borders Peru Trip,
President of Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society
I was president of the Mechanical Engineering honor society
Drum Major of the Million Dollar Band
I was both trumpet section leader, and for the year of 2012-2013 I was the drum major.
I was president for 1 organization
I was the Vice President of the Material Advantage Student chapter
club teams - Treasurer for Alabam Triathletes for a couple years and Secretary for Alabama Cycling for a year (& took lots of photos for both), academic - photographer for SWE for a year or so.
Yes, Founder; general member
Yes, Philanthropy and Standards Chair of sorority
Sisterhood committee
ATSA 2Y Class Representative
Secretary of Alpha Epsilon Delta; Student leader for Alabama Action Abroad; Director of Standards and Ethics and Executive Board of Alpha Epsilon Delta
Pre-Physician Assistant Society President
I am president of the UA Action Campus Civitan.
Public relations officer for Apwondo and Initiation chair for Phi Upsilon Omicron honor society
President of Pre-PT Society
Vice President of Association of Child Life
President
SGA senator
Executive Risk Management and Social Officer for Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority (2 years)
I was a member of the Programs Council and Homecoming Committee for my sorority, Zeta Tau Alpha.
Alabama Yell Crew Vice President (2005), Gameday Coordinator (2006)
president- eta sigma delta
no, just a member
Co-Captain of Alabama's Dance Team, Executive Board of my sorority
Yes. Vice-President of Philanthropy for Project Health.
I was vice president for the Orthodox Christian Fellowship club.
I was on the Baptist Campus Ministry's Leadership team for two years.
negative
Recognition chair
President
SGA- Senator and Homecoming Outreach Committee, Honors Societies- Secretary of Phi Alpha Sigma, Sorority- Pledge Class President, Swap Chair, and By Laws Revision Committee
n/a. Due to responsibilities regarding work and school, I was unable to find much time for extra curricular activities.
YES, PHI ALPHA-TREASURER
**Question 16: Work Status Throughout College**

Generally, what was your work status throughout college?

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Other

11 Peace Corps.
14 Pursuing a second degree, BSN at UA
28 I am currently waiting to hear back from graduate schools.
29 plan to develop my own personal art business
86 have applied to UAB medical school, not yet accepted
87 I am currently deciding on what type of graduate school to attend.
88 I am going to prepare to go to a professional school.
89 enrolled in alternative education certification
107 No need for employment; husband's job is relocating the family
141 Prepare for the LSAT
142 Will attend a police academy within the next 6 months
143 I plan on looking for a job after graduation and possibly going back to school in the future
150 Choosing between moving to NY to continue my field of study or auditioning to perform on cruise ships
185 Missionary School in Mozambique and Israel with Iris Ministries
186 Traveling and studying for law school
187 Taking a year off and going to Law School Fall 2014
188 I'm joining the Mississippi Teacher Corps and going to graduate school at the University of Mississippi.
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Might be accepted to medical school
Non Profit Work for Impact Alabama
I plan to work full time and pursue graduate school at UofA.
Opening my second business.
Seeking employment while wanting to go to a graduate school
becoming a professional golfer.
plan to attend grad school after year off
Internships to make a portfolio to apply to graduate program not at UA (not offered)
I am currently enrolled in another college as well, Highlands College, and plan to pursue being a pastor. I hope to be able to use at least some of what I learned here at UA.
I have accepted a job related to my field of study, and I will be returning to the University of Alabama in the Fall of 2013 to begin Law School.
I am starting my own business
Evaluating job offers among prospects.
Full time mom while searching for a job
Paid Internship related to my major
I will be working full-time AND attending graduate school part-time.
contemplating many job offers
I am still waiting for a job offer after all interviews
will not be attending school, have not decided whether or not I will seek a job.
Getting married
Paid Internship
I have a job offer in my field but am undecided on whether to accept or not
Playing professional tennis
I am in a graduate program at UA now.
I plan to either work on my graduate degree, or to start working first.
I have accepted a part time job and plan on attending law school here at UA.
I am still seeking employment, but I want to take more undergrad courses.
publishing and promoting my book
I am living in Europe with my husband and seeking employment here.
I will attend graduate school at some point in the near future.
Applying for physical therapy school
I will be moving home and applying to professional school full-time in the spring.
I'm having a baby and will then seek employment
I plan to work in my profession full-time and attend graduate school at Arizona State University
I will be going to a graduate school part-time next year and working full-time.
Work full-time for my family business.
I plan to work with missions across the world for a short period of time until I start searching for jobs as a teacher.
I have 2 job interviews in Houston in January
I plan on attending my Dietetic Internship at Tulane University
applying for a dietetic internship
I plan to continue my current position and career with UA and hope to begin graduate courses.
Stay at home mom
Full time Nanny
Keeping part-time job and researching grad school in a different field
I am starting my own independent Hospitality services and Organization
Work fulltime/ Grad School parttime- University Of AL
I had an interview for a job and am awaiting an offer
I waiting to hear back from Teach For America and from there teach for two to three years and obtain my masters in Education or Social Work
Question 18: Additional Comments

Additional comments: Elaborate on anything covered or not covered in the survey.

5  UA has come a long way in the past few years. It begins to seem like a top-tier school, and has a very comfortable atmosphere. Facilities still need to catch up with the student growth. Some building are in dire need of repair and modernization, others are perfect.

13  The Art History and History department need to rework their attention to graduating students needs. It seems the business schools do a good job of preparing students. In contrast, in my fields of study I have felt alone in my search for internships, interviews and applying to graduate school. Independently I signed up for a course on interviewing as an elective, but the class was very basic and not hands on. I suggest that advisors be more aware of application stipulations for graduates as my advisors seemed ignorant of what was required even for our own graduate program. Students in their sophomore and junior years of college need to understand that preparation for life beyond undergraduate work is essential.

14  There is not enough parking on campus for students. Also, traffic regulations on gamedays are ridiculous. I once went to the store during a game, and was not able to get back to the dorm for an hour because the roads were blocked. Also, there have been several times myself and my friends have been forced to stay another semester at the university and extend our graduation because classes that are needed for a major or minor are scheduled on the same day and at the same time, or just canceled all together. This is also very frustrating for a student when trying to make a schedule and life plan. Many students cannot afford to stay year after year because they can't complete degree requirements because they can only take classes one at a time.

27  I went to the writing center for a paper I needed help with. I got someone who couldn't speak good English. And that's all I have to say about that.

32  Dr. Ryan Earley is a unique and incredible educator. I've never seen a professor that loves teaching as much as he does and that is able to put the excitement of education into anyone willing to listen.

39  DO NOT turn the biology department into an assembly line for premed students. Not all of us have any interest in a medical career and would have loved a more diverse class selection.

40  The Honors College is what made my undergraduate education second to none. Also, our biology department could be one of the strongest in the nation; we should invest more in it.

41  ROLL TIDE!

63  Students don't really learn in 300 & 400 level classes with 100+ students and scantron multiple choice tests. Being able to correctly recognize a multiple choice answer doesn't necessarily mean that you understand anything about the biochem pathway being tested. A high quality education in biology/biochem will only come from essay style tests (which usually require smaller class sizes).

74  I was not admitted to professional school this year. I plan to remain at UA after graduation, and work on the areas of my application that need improvement. I plan to re-apply this summer, and work in a reaserach laboratory.

84  The education seems to be getting more like a business not an actual learning experience. Classroom size is a big problem because it does not allow people to know their teachers and take time with them to understand the material as well. I do not like the changes I have seen in the vast enlargement of the student body because of the large negative effects it is having on both social environments with increased shootings and increasing costs due to student body growth.

89  Chemistry man, something has to change with that department. I wasted years taking those classes and it does not matter one bit as it relates to my future.

93  The communicative disorder department has too many students and not enough resources, the staff doesn't like each other and it is clear to the students. Also, the CD building is run down and out dated.

137 I believe and I am not alone on this issue that it is totally and completely ridiculous that University Transportation Services tickets students who park at the Student Recreational Center during the day if the student just wants to use the facility. I understand that a decal is required
for parking there, but it is very upsetting when a student who attends and pays to go to this great
University is forced to pay a ticket for parking in a place where he or she is trying to better
themselves. This is unethical in my opinion. I am sure that the University has heard this speech
before so here it is again. The student population pays millions of dollars yearly to attend this
University yet we are ticketed for such a minor infraction in which we have to pay more money to
the University. I understand that people take advantage of the system and they should be subject
to fine, but surely something can be done to improve this issue. Overall, this has been the one
thing in my career here at the University that has angered me most of all. That being said I would
like to offer some praise. I love this University and I love what it has to offer people as well as the
generations to come. In the future, I hope to send my children here to gain a fine education.
Touching lives is what the commercials state and I must say that you have touched mine. I have
had a great opportunity to attend this University while its athletic programs have achieved
numerous NCAA National Championships and it is an honor to be a part of that class. My
experiences and education that I have acquired here at the University of Alabama will give me the
means to obtain a career in which I will better my community and my nation. I have done a few
surveys on this issue and still, my protest was not answered. Now that I have completed this
survey and had the opportunity to be heard, I would appreciate it if my opinion was respected.
Thank you for allowing me the opportunity in this survey and to be a student here at the
University of Alabama. Roll Tide!!!
146 Roll Tide to Sweet 16!
151 Feel free to contact me if you would like suggestions or would like to learn more about my
experience.
157 Peace.
161 The creative writing department is superb (especially the instructors).
166 Roll Tide!
174 Parking needs to be expanded.
180 This place is a money-pit. “I can’t wait to pay to go here for the rest of my life”...said NO
ONE ever.
184 Yea. Your prices suck and parking is a pain in the ass. Also, I'm pretty sure all that money
you spend to build fraternitites could go to something more important. UA is a pompous pain in
the butt and I wouldn't have chosen here if I didn't live 30 minutes away. Fuck you all
190 I named Dr. Senkbeil as having the most significant contribution to my education, but I
would be remiss if I did not also mention the extreme positive impact that Dr. Geoffrey Tick and
Mr. Scott McWaters made in my life while at UA. All three of these educators showed tremendous
interest in me as a student and as a person. They are great examples of why the University of
Alabama is a place I consider home.
198 This university is wearing a mask of academic achievement. The past wave of Chinese
exchange students weren't able to tell this wave of students what they experienced, but the next
wave knows and this wave will tell more. I would not invest money into this university nor do I
want to be apart of it when the house of cards falls and everything is exposed. This school has
promised so many the world and has left them empty handed.
Please do not send me donation requests, you have already taken too much and I will not give you
anymore.
200 Bring in more companies at career fairs suited to my area of study, Geology. The are really
only 2 competitors the come to these career fairs and they are Schlumberger and Halliburton. The
others dont list geology as an area of interst. The other companies are looking for engineers.
205 To expand on question 9a. “All things considered, how would you characterize the
intellectual environment at UA?” I would like to add the following: While the professors are
excellent and the quality of education is strong, the dominant student culture does everything to
turn their back on personal growth, new experiences, and intellectual stimulation. Most of the
conversations you overhear are purely superficial and many people are too content with going
through the motions in terms of classwork without actually questioning their beliefs or opinions.
You can find certain niches within the university that foster a strong intellectual environment such
as in New College, Blount, and the Honors College. There are so many excellent resources and
knowledgeable professors on campus, but after years in college I have been able to gather that
most people attend college for the wrong reasons and try replicate the same social structures that
are in place in high school leading them to graduate college immature and emotionally stunted. I'm sure this is the reality at most universities and there is not much that can be done to change the situation other than make it more challenging while being more selective in admissions to weed out people who are undeserving and are not open to any personal growth and progress that comes with a college education.

209 This survey is faulty. For example, question 14b refers to question 15a when it actually refers to 14a.

221 The worst thing about going to The University of Alabama is the parking. The buses are always late and have driven by me several times leaving me late for class and standing in the rain. The parking is absolutely ridiculous. This was the worst part about my experience at The University of Alabama.

222 1. My Advisor, Dr. David Beito, was horrible. He was not helpful and I felt as though I had to do everything on my own. 2. Dr. Steven Bunker, Dr. David Durham, Dr. John Beeler, and Dr. Schwab have been professors that have really been awesome. These people made their classes interesting. They were always available for anything a student needed and were so helpful.

231 Please, for the sake of all the other students coming through, get ten Hoor fixed up. I have graduated from the science and the history departments. We have to get ten Hoor completed before that stairwell turns into a dangerous fire hazard.

246 I'm in New College. Best decision of my life.

257 It was a pleasure attending such a great University. Every experience was rewarding and fulfilling. I wish I had had the opportunity to attend classes in person, but the EXD Program provided the next best thing.

262 Dr. Quanda Stevenson should never be allowed to teach at UA or any other institution as a professor. Her reputation is racial. She professes to have started an educational program CAPE Community Awareness Program Education as its founder and president and the Secretary of State does not have her registered or have the entity reserved in her name. This is reckless just like her grading final term papers from her iphone because she can't log onto her account at UA. - LAZY professor...

267 I completed the majority of my classes at other universities close to where I lived. When I was told of UA's EXD program, I immediately enrolled to complete my degree. I found it to be a wonderful opportunity and only regret I was unable to spend time on-campus. I would like to clarify my answers to question 1: Do not take my responses as anything negative towards the university; I am a 30 year old veteran of the Iraq War and an experienced leader of soldiers. I had already developed the skills listed in question 1 before enrolling at UA. I have nothing negative to say about UA. Roll Tide!

268 Many of the questions are orientend toward traditional, on campus students. You may consider offering a similar survey for Life Track/distance learners.

269 Obtaining my degree was a life goal. I am 59 years old and have a financially stable career. I did not need a degree to advance, but enjoy learning and may pursue a masters.

279 Roll Tide.

293 The facilities in the Biology building need to be updated. The doors are falling off the stalls in the bathrooms and the classrooms have mold.

300 UA Parking Services has been a constant pain these 4 years, and it needs to be re-evaluated. Parking Passes are overpriced, and they are constantly kicking students out of their lots for some non-student-related event at the Bryant Conference Center.

301 There are no computer labs available to all students in the school of music. Time to update!!! This addition could change the school of music significantly. Let's make it happen!

305 I am graduating with a philosophy major and am headed to Vanderbilt University's Nurse Practitioner program.

306 This is a party school for football and frat guys. The university obviously cares more about the games than it does it's students. That was my biggest problem here.

315 In terms of my minor, Business, the minor is alright, with the exception of the Finance requirement, as that class has thus far been the single worse experience I have had in my college career.

323 Roll Tide!
Because it is the flagship University, the Capstone provided me the opportunity to participate in numerous jobs throughout my four years-working in political offices from local representatives to having the honor of working with Governor Bentley and his fine staff. The reputation of this institution is excellent. Please keep it in good hands and continue to let it flourish. There are so many great people here, too many to name individually. Everyone from the grounds crew to the highest offices in the administration do a fine job and take pride in their work. Always recruit good people to work here-people who are passionate about this place. Continue to grow the research division of the school. While this institution grows in size and population I am confident it will continue to grow nationally in rank and reputation. This place truly is the best kept secret in the country, and I am glad that I discovered this secret four years ago. We have experienced tremendous success athletically during my time and also unimaginable devastation. These experiences will always bind us together. Thank you for all you do and Roll Tide!

It would have been equally beneficial for the University to make it easier to approach people about questions of what to do following graduation because I am clueless as to what to do with my degree and what types of jobs I am qualified for.

Thanks a lot for an amazing experience! My children will be coming here one day when I decide to have some. They have no choice! ROLL TIDE!!!!

My advisor was extremely unhelpful and did not inform me of anything to help me for my future.

Enjoyed the experience, not the average college experience, but really made me grow as a person.

I was pretty lost when I first came to UA as a transfer student and didn't have much guidance. Once I found my path, I couldn't have had a better experience.

I enjoyed UA

Only thing I have to comment on is there has been numerous time advisors have told students incorrectly what classes that need to be taken, I was told I had to take a certain math when I didn't and it only hurt my grade so advising as a whole, not in any specific department, this was before I was going to psychology advising but it is a problem and I know of others who have had similar things happen.

I feel like professors are good at UA. However, I was dissapointed that people in authority seem to be really nice to parents and prospective students but very different in a negative way, once you are an enrolled student.

I have been very blessed in my four years on campus. I have participated or been a member of: the men's club soccer team, St. Francis Catholic Student Center and Parish, Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Bama Students For Life, Resident Advisor, Study Abroad in Cuba and the Alabama International Trade Center. I have grown in knowledge, maturity, experience, skills, faith and in my relationships. I can not be more thankful for the college experience I have had here at The University of Alabama, Roll Tide!

Advising & registration information was not consistent across departments. Staff, when faced with issues with their process, tended to give a “that's just the way it is” answer as opposed to evolving their system. Previous campus students who returned to school later in life found it difficult to take online classes even though they were no longer living in Tuscaloosa since they had originally enrolled (14 years prior) as a campus student.

As the graduation process needs to be more clear. I had to often search for information rather than being kept up to date via instructional emails after my initial application for graduation. I think that once a student is approved for graduation there should be clear instruction sent to them on anything else they need to do to graduate including purchasing cap and gown, announcements, etc.

My experience was extremely positive overall. My professors were thoughtful, caring, and highly educated. The only part that I wish had been different would be my advisement in my major department. I felt like our one advisor was not accessible enough, and did not give the proper attention to the few inquiries I did have. For the most part I performed my own advisement each semester and submitted my suggestions via email for approval. My intention is not to throw anyone under the bus, but I do believe this is an important part of the university experience, and
possibly the department advisor should have more available hours and/or a full time coworker that is capable of performing some of the advising functions, so that the burden is shared.

467 Roll Tide!

513 Make summer classes a little cheaper than they are now

518 Great university to attend

522 Just improvement needs to be in Advising and help with students in the career field as well.

524 I will be in a marketing and general management position at Service Master.

531 The distance program is not for everyone. There are many levels of “online preparedness” from one course to another. There are many courses which are simply not online friendly (stats & finance 400) and some that have poor delivery (GBA300). It takes a great deal of discipline and determination to navigate alone through the process. This is especially true for those of us who have full time careers and went to school in our “free time”. The experience was wonderful and I know I received a quality education. I did graduate with honors while working full time and received a promotion shortly after. I am very grateful to UA and opportunities it has provided me. Anyone I interview in the future who has completed the distance program while working will have great merit in my book

532 THANK YOU UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA, your online program helped me achieve a goal I had nearly lost sight of!!!

543 I really really am going to miss UA. This whole chapter of my life is so dear to my heart, and I will always support this school. Roll Tide till the day that I die!!

549 TA's should not be allowed to teach all classes. Many times, I have had a TA and they taught poorly and couldn't always answer a question.

553 Taking this survey made me realize somethings and I regret going to UA. I will not be attending Grad school here.

560 The University of Alabama is a great place to learn both on campus and by distance. The survey should consider offering two surveys, one for on campus learners and one for eLearning students.

579 I hope this might open some people's eyes though it will probably be overlooked like a majority of your students. Thanks for the piece of paper.

584 UA has been an awesome experience I will never forget. UA will always be home.

The number one thing I will remember about my time at UA is how I came to know Jesus Christ during my time here, and I am eternally grateful to all of my friends and the people at Campus Crusade for Christ who invested their time in me. I will frequently come back to UA for football games and to hang out with old friends. I really do love this place. Roll Tide.

590 The University of Alabama gives students an opportunity of a lifetime, and I proud to attend such a wonderful university!

596 What about the ROTC Programs they were not listed as clubs or organizations. I am commissioning as an Army officer on the day of graduation and I will be in the National Guard. I could not select both Military Service and seeking employment.

602 My college experience was beyond amazing. I am so sad that I have to leave but I will cherish my time here forever. Something not mentioned above was my study abroad experience. I went on the Honors at Oxford trip and that really was life-changing. Everything about that trip was perfect. I especially want to give credit to Dr. Tricia McElroy. She is great. She ran that program so smoothly and she made it a point to befriend each and every student on that trip. I think study abroad is such a great thing for college students to experience and I really think everyone should get that experience. Thank you so much for everything, Roll Tide!

606 I love UA!

632 Overall UA experience was good. However, I think that the dining dollars and bama cash should be optional, not removed completely. I did not use bama cash or dining dollars at all throughout my attendance at UA because I had a part-time job to pay for all extra expenses. I don't know if other students have the same situation.

635 Roll Tide!

636 In this survey the question numbers in the questions asking for explanation are off.

637 Out of state tuition is becoming ridiculously high and causing students to finish their education at other institutions.

659 Parking Sucks
Need new advisers (i.e. Brandy Frost)

Dr. Dulek is a boss. Roll tide

I have had the best four years of my life. I have met so many people and changed for the better. I hope that I will be dropping my future children off here in the next 25-30 years. Roll Tide!

I am going to be working full time after graduation and getting my masters at the same time. I will be going to school part time.

Dr. Adam Rapp was also a great part in making a positive contribution to my education as well.

Poor advising in the business department

UA is a fantastic university. I think its business school could be improved. I found it easy, and, to me, easy equates to not well taught. Some classes were difficult but the majority were easier than they should have been. I also, cannot stand how Greeks control everything. If Greeks didn't control the school, I feel like we would have a better reputation as a school.

I received full scholarship to get my masters at Missouri thanks to APR and the opportunities my connections there provided me.

I am in the interview process with 5 different companies made possible through the sales program.

Too much racial tension between all races.

I do not regret coming to school at UA because it has taught me so much about life and provided me with some of the best friends I could ever hope to have. However that probably could be said for anywhere had I attended a different school. I just wish I had done a more thorough college search and chosen a school that better represents my values and personality than those provided here at UA.

The survey laid out terrible and it is too long and ask too much for person contribution and due to this alot of people will not complete it or will skew results.

In all honesty, the choices the university has made on what to do with their money is terrible. Recently there was an article about the university building a $1.8 million dollar fountain. Really? Why do we need a $1.8 million dollar fountain? How is a fountain going to contribute to the success of the students at the university? As an out-of-state student, watching my parent's and my hard earned money go towards a fountain just angers me beyond belief. How about improvements to the classrooms, or more scholarship offers, or even offering more/better professors? When choosing a college to attend, a fountain was not my top 5 consider, actually, I didn't even consider it! I just believe the university could do so much better with the over-priced cost of tuition money they receive from students.

The advisers in the Business college have little to no knowledge of the classes Army ROTC Cadets are required to take regardless of their major. For example all ROTC Cadets are required to take a Military History class taught by COL Nunis at the Bureau of Mines Military building. There are additional classes that can suffice this requirement, but the advisory staff had no idea.

Additionally, the advisory staff didn't tell me until my senior year that a leadership class that I was required to take for my MKT degree could have it's place taken by an ROTC leadership class I had already taken. They failed to tell me until the last minute when I brought the issue up to the Advisers. The Business Advisers as a whole needs to increase their knowledge of the class requirements of Army ROTC cadets in order to prevent extra and unnecessary courses.

Football ticket situations are ridiculous. Having to pay full price to have my 8 month old with me at a game is absolutely insane--he sits in my lap/arms the entire time. It also looks bad when his seat that is listed on the ticket is empty the whole game [they don't care where in the stadium, as long as a ticket is accounted for him]. Also, the conversion fees for student guest tickets are unreasonable. I'm sure it may be to handle overcrowding and prevent students from being able to sell tickets for profit, but the fee is usually at least double what I actually paid for the ticket. I doubt I will ever get to enjoy the “student section” again with my brother [still attending] after I leave this year. Getting help from staff was almost always a hassle or roundabout ordeal. I'm just disappointed for those repeated problems. Great campus, always loved Bama. Ever since my parents brought me to a game when I was 11 I knew I wanted to come here. Currently working for the same in my little one(s). ROLL TIDE ROLL

I also plan to get my masters online through the University of Alabama
The Operations management major needs all classes to be offered in spring and fall semesters. Many students graduate a semester late due solely to scheduling conflicts.

The University of Alabama has an amazing APR department and provides students with a multitude of opportunities to get involved and be successful. I would recommend UA's College of C&IS to any student looking to prepare themselves for a career in Advertising or PR.

The advertising major's special requirement of upper level courses outside of the college of communication is a terrible system. I completely understand needing to be well rounded and versed in other fields, but there are very few courses that can be entered in upper level without multiple pre-requisites. Because of this requirement, I was involved in many classes that I could not focus on along with my other major courses. Because of this, my GPA suffered. Terrible system that needs fixing. The one thing I regret about my major.

There needs to be more courses offered for the creative side of advertising. Currently there is only one, and I believe I could have gained a better knowledge of the creative field with more than a semester of exposure.

An absolutely wonderful experience. I couldn't imagine a better college education or adventure. Thanks and Roll Tide.

One thing I don't like is the racial tension that exists at UA. I wish the president of someone in high authority could address this and stop sweeping it under the rug. IT'S A PROBLEM THAT ACTUALLY EXISTS! They are people that are getting hurt by this. I have met people that have gone through racism at UA. Another thing is that I have a problem with financial aid here at UA. I am blessed to have came in contact with people willing to help me in certain financial binds. I can say this, this school makes over 4 million dollars in football revenue ALONE! It is ridiculous to have tuition go up every year and not inform students on ways that they can receive federal money. I know people that have withdrawn from UA because they didn't have any money to attend. That is crazy. UA actually has funds to be able to support students that weren't born with a silver spoon in their mouths. Another thing is that this school has put TOO MUCH emphasis on Frats and Soros on this campus. That is pure foolishness. Maybe some frats and sororities have done good for this school, but it is crazy that these people get to have first pick in everything. They have special sections for themselves and constantly have new houses built for them while students like myself are being bumped off the waiting list. I have enjoyed attending this school, but hey, no school is perfect.

The University of Alabama is a special place. I have enjoyed my time here (2008-2012) and have learned so much! I enjoyed my experience in greek life. I have met so many wonderful students and faculty that have made my time here enjoyable. I was glad I decided on my major later in my college career and would not change it. Communication Studies is a wonderful major that is very broad and taught me a variety of communication skills. Roll Tide!

I really enjoyed all of my classes at UA. I really appreciated and enjoyed all of my teachers. Favorite place to study at UA: Rodgers Library. Wish there was just as much recognition for academic success as there is athletic success.

I mention this briefly above, but since I am taking this survey I do hope you will take the time to consider my words seriously. I think Alabama has great potential to be a top public university. The resources are available, the students are ready, but the administration MUST enforce some changes. For one, Panhellenic sororities cannot continue to be segregated. It is backwards and embarrassing, and inexcusable for the year 2013. Secondly, the university must start paying attention to the individual needs of the students already on campus, rather than the potential students and upping the numbers. Recruiting is important, but once students arrive, they find themselves often in a hostile environment. The rapidly growing numbers do not do much for the student experience either. If numbers are going to grow, the University needs to have prepared resources, rather than playing a catch-up game with housing, rec center, food, etc. I have enjoyed much of my time here at UA, but other times I have seen such ugliness and sadness that it makes me regret my choice to attend. But, Roll Tide for life.

I love the University of Alabama. Roll tide!!!

I received full scholarship to get my masters at Missouri thanks to APR and the opportunities my connections there provided me.
828  There should be more connections for graduating seniors with Alumni in the city students are returning to. With everyone saying how bad employment is right now Alabama should be making more of an effort to assist recent graduates.
831  Roll Tide!
836  UA has provided me with an amazing college experience and education that I will cherish forever!
851  The parking situation is horrible and needs to be fixed, the dining dollars is a complete scam and needs to be either combined with bama cash or made acceptable at more establishments around Tuscaloosa not just those with ties to the University (i.e. Phil Weaver), there needs to be an addition put on to the Student Health Center—the University has expanded considerably since my arrival in 2008 and the necessary measures have not been made to accommodate the rate of growth.
865  Sample syllabuses should be given for review before registering for a class. Catalog descriptions not informative enough. TCF needs an overhaul. Not enough courses, classes per course, or teachers. Teachers do not try enough, give us enough to do that's actual relevant. Do not keep track to make sure each student understands relevant content needed to do well in this career (tests are not the answer for that). Can never get into classes I need or want. Register for classes day of to only find I need permission, despite no mention is given online or in catalog, or from advisors. TCF dept not big enough. Teachers play favorites too often. Not enough chances to write or create your own products for your own ideas. Too much doing basic labor for others in class. Not every student getting same experience, opportunity, or education.
866  DR. CHANDRA CLARK AND MR. MICHAEL BRUCE CAN SAVE THIS COLLEGE. I cannot state that enough.
869  I am proud to become an alumni at the University of Alabama, and I am looking forward to the future. I want to work on my second degree, or to start working to get some experience in the work force.
872  ROLL TIDE !!!
907  Plan to take a break from school and work a job not related to my major, but accept a job related to my major after the summer.
909  Roll Tide Roll
913  Great Campus, great people, and most of all great times.
919  What does appreciating racial equality have anything to do with education as part of question 1? I would think that education looks past the idea of race. Dumb question.
951  During my internship I could not go to job interviews and lost a job because I could not go. I should have been able to take time off to go to this interview because now I am unemployed.
963  I would like to say thank you to the excellent leadership that I have seen while a student here. The University continues to grow and change and I hope that it will always be growth in a positive direction. I would also like to express my appreciation to all of the faculty, staff and other students who have made my time here so great.
971  The focus on greek life is ridiculous. Not once during my experience at UA did I feel completely welcomed because I was not greek. The fact that UA has a housing issue and needs work with some of its academic buildings and they decide that they need MORE greek buildings is ridiculous. UA needs to build more academic buildings also to make up for the amount of students they are accepting. OR put a cap on students accepted considering UA is becoming a joke. I have personally heard people say “if you have a pulse you can get into UA.” It’s EMBARRASSING!
982  STOP EXPANDING THE SCHOOL SO QUICKLY! I understand that the tuition money is very useful, but we need to finish new facilities before admitting more students than the school can accommodate. I know this will probably be ignored, but it creates an unnecessary headache for all of us.
994  I could not be more proud to have been at this institution throughout the dynamic growth and progress the University is currently experiencing. I look forward to hearing of continued academic and athletic success in Tuscaloosa for years to come.
1009  I have had a full time job since I started college and my very first adviser told me that I would drop engineering because it was to difficult to have a job and do engineering. Luckily I am strong enough to not let his idiotic words bring me down!!
great school, great traditions, success of football team and atmosphere is great. While I had many friends in the Greek system, the Greek divide on campus is one of the most frustrating things about the University of Alabama for non-Greek students. I wish that meal plans were not required for freshman. Also, I haven't been to the dining halls in about a year, but I remember that last year they were becoming overcrowded with the influx of students that have been admitted in the past years. I hope UA continues to improve. I think it's headed in a good direction, and I appreciated my education here. I absolutely loved my time at the capstone, and am sad to see it come to an end. The University has impacted my life and prepared me for a successful life. I love this school, and everything it has given me the opportunity to accomplish with my life. This University is amazing and thank you for an amazing opportunity and experience.

The two part questions in this survey are numbered incorrectly. EX: 14b. Did you hold an office in any of the above (15a) organizations? If so, what office? Should read: Did you hold an office in any of the above (14a) organizations? If so, what office? Just sayin’...

I think that the curriculum should be more stable. It has changed 3 or 4 times since I've been here. Only 1 of them was a major change, but it was still hard to keep track of everything. It got better once the College of Engineering setup a centralized advising office who's entire job was to track curriculum changes and progression. Addition to Question 4: The CS facilities are extremely nice, but the problem is the schedules. With the RFID systems and all the cameras, why should a lab ever close? If I want to work on my MATLAB or VLSI project at 2am, I can't because only the computers in the lab are loaded with the software and it is prohibitively expensive to buy my own. Everything at this university seems to revolve around everyone but the students at times. What happens if I need to study on a Friday before a football game? I can't because my car will get towed. What happens if I need to come in and study on a Saturday? Can't because parking is reserved for the booster. What happens if I need to stay late to work on a project? I have to walk my butt in the cold/rain all the way to the middle of no where in the pitch dark to get to my $250 parking lot. That is ridiculous. Yes, there is Crimson Ride, but there's no telling how many drunk frat-rats you'll have to deal with or how long you'll have to wait. The student seating at football games should be re-evaluated. Why should I have to go stand in line for 4 hours to get a half-way decent seat when the frat-rats can show up 20 minutes before and get their Premium seats? And you're whole “Reserved Seating only until 30 minutes before the game” is a joke. Yes, the cops can't throw me out of their seats, but the frat-rats will just dump Jack and Cokes on you until you leave.

Electrical engineering labs need new equipment badly. Especially in electronics labs, even the TA and professor could not get the correct data because the equipment was faulty.

On questions 9 - 13 you all should put the boxes under the question they are referring to like you did in question 14.

Great school, but honestly has a ways to go with the racial incidents on campus. I have been here since 2008 and have seen something negative in this area once or more a year and that personally is sickening. Other than that great school ROLL TIDE!

The numbers on the boxes referring to additional information on the above questions appear to be wrong.

Thanks for everything Bama. I will always love my time here. ROLL TIDE!

The growth rate is much too high in relation to the expansion of the campus. Admission standards are too low in general.

Million Dollar Band was a great experience.

I don't believe that the racial equality question should be included in the survey. If we want to live in a truly non-racial society, then we need to not categorize the individuals of that society. We are all students and we do not need to created boundaries among us. The correct question to ask is, were all students treated with equality among staff and instructors?

Bus system needs major improvements and shorter routes

Need more parking spots or a parking deck in the center of campus (Since someone decided to close the bus hub parking deck). Make an Express shuttle that only goes from commuter/rec to bus hub and back.

Would have been nice for my major to offer more elective options.
Roll Tide! 

Spend more money on hiring good instructors. The student to faculty ratio is abhorrent. Roll Tide! 

Being an apparel design student it would benefit the school and students if the departments did more to help design students get internships. A program similar to the apparel retail internship program would really benefit students and help them get jobs. 

I highly recommend that professors push internships throughout our collegiate career instead of our senior year. It is the biggest burden I have crossed when trying to find a job. 

The parking situation at the U of A stinks!!! Parking decals are too expensive and the parking enforcement officers are unreasonable. For example, tickets were being written at 5:00 in the afternoon before a holiday weekend, when the parking lot was half empty. There is no reason for that!!!!

UA is great school I have shared my experience with others. 

Build another rec. 

I just wanted to say thank you one more time. I am proud to be an Alabama alumni, and I will forever be greatful. “Roll Tide”. 

I cannot stress enough how horrible Jason Blumenthal was to me. He does not deserve to be an advisor, and I am stunned that he is allowed to be an instructor. I avoided all of his classes because I knew from my experience with him as an advisor, that he would not be an effective teacher. 

Overall my experience at UA has made my life better. 

I have enjoyed my year at the University. I have learned alot and it has open my eyes to alot about myself. I hope I can continue to grow and prosper with the UA making not only my place of learning but my acheivement as well. 

BEST FOUR YEARS OF MY LIFE! ROLL TIDE Thanks for everything. 

I initially came to Alabama because I liked the campus, but I really didn't care what school I attended. Now I realize that I would have really missed out going to another school. I would never change my college experience for any other. I LOVE the University of Alabama and recommend others to go there as well! ROLL TIDE, Y'ALL! 

I am very proud to have gone to The University of Alabama. I am both impressed and satisfied with the education I received. 

I really think that the Interior Design Department could use some restructuring. I don't think the University pays enough attention to it. Some of the teachers don't know what they are talking/teaching about. The Program focusses TOO MUCH on commercial design, and not enough on residential. Some students do not want to go into commercial design, and I feel like that is very UNFAIR to the students who want to go into residential design. I think that the whole department needs restructuring from the faculty down to the curriculum. 

Tyra Hilliard and Kim Boyle are the BEST teachers! 

I excited to be a U.A. Graduate!! 

Opinion of distance learning students which I am 

All of my instructors have provided impact and I couldn't realistically choose one who had greater impact over another, therefore I did not answer question #8. 

Overall, I would not recommend friends for the nursing progam at UA. However, I would recommend them for other majors. It is a wonderful and beautiful campus with a lot of history, however, it is overpriced considering the quality of education offered in the nursing program. I did think my professors/instructors in lower division courses were excellent though. 

I will also continue to work a full time job. I have applied for positions related to my field of study. 

I think the school needs to make great strides in retention. Making sure that all students can be successful in their college career. College should not just cater to those who are labeled smart, but improve the lives of the students who are struggling with their courses.