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2020 Survey of Middle Years Students

This survey is being completed by students in the middle year(s) of their program, including second, third, and in some cases, fourth year students at approximately 50 Canadian universities. We want to learn more about what our students think of their university experience and how they are developing as they move through their programs of study.

If you cannot finish the survey in one sitting, you can close it and return to it using the link in the email we sent you. You will be returned to the page you were on when you closed. All of your responses are confidential.

shading	description
No shading	Question only in the Middle Years survey
	Question in all 3 surveys
	Question in the First Year Survey and the Middle Years Survey
	Question in the Middle Years Survey and the Graduating Survey

Acad	emic history
hist1	In what year did you begin your postsecondary studies? Year:
1.1.10	
hist2	In what year did you first enrol at <university name="">? Year:</university>
hist3	Have you transferred to <university name=""> from another postsecondary institution?</university>
hist4	Please choose the letter grade that best reflects your overall average grade:
	□ A (includes A+, A and A-)
	□ B (includes B+, B and B-)
	C (includes C+, C and C-)

Since starting your post-secondary education, have you ever interrupted your studies for one or more terms (not including inter-sessions, summer sessions or work terms)? Check all that apply.

hist5	No	
hist6	Yes, due to illness	
hist7	Yes, for financial reasons	
hist8	Yes, to have/raise children	
hist9	Yes, required to withdraw by the university	
hist10	Yes, for employment	
hist11	Yes, for other family reasons	
hist12	Yes, to travel	
hist13	Yes, for other reasons (please specify):	
hist13txt		

Activities

Since la	st September how often have you	Never	Occasionally	Often	Very often
act1	attended campus social events				
act2	attended public lectures and guest				
	speakers on campus				
act3	attended campus cultural events (theatre,				
	concerts, art exhibits, etc.)				
act4	participated in student government				
	(excluding voting in student elections)				
act5	participated in student clubs				
act6	participated in on-campus student				
	recreational and sports programs				
act7	attended home games of university				
	athletic teams				
act8	participated in on-campus community				
	service/volunteer activities				
act9	participated in off-campus community				
	service/volunteer activities				
	[If act8 or act9 <> "Never" branch to act10, or act10	otherwise	branch to act11]		

act10 During an average week how many hours do you spend in community service/volunteer activities? Hours: ____

During an average week in the current term, about how many hours do you spend on the following academic activities?

act11 In scheduled classes, labs, seminars and tutorials (hours per week): _____

act12 Academic work outside of class time (hours per week): _____

Employ	yment
work1	Excluding work related to a co-op program, are you employed during the current academic term?
	Yes, off campus
	Yes, on campus
	Yes, both off campus and on campus
	No, but I am looking for work
	No, and I am not looking for work
	[If work1= "Yes" branch to work2, otherwise branch to Professors section.]
work2	On average, how many hours per week are you employed in this work?
work3	What impact has this employment had on your academic performance?
	Very negative
	Somewhat negative
	No impact

- $\hfill\square$ Somewhat positive
- □ Very positive

Professors

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about your professors.

		Strongly			Strongly
	Most of my professors	disagree	Disagree	Agree	agree
prof1	Are reasonably accessible outside of				
	class				
prof2	Take a personal interest in my academic				
	progress				
prof3	Treat students as individuals, not just				
	numbers				
prof4	Encourage students to participate in				
	class discussions				
prof5	Are well organized in their teaching				
prof6	Seem knowledgeable in their fields				
prof7	Communicate well in their teaching				
prof8	Are intellectually stimulating in their				
	teaching				
prof9	Provide useful feedback on my academic				
	work				
prof10	Provide prompt feedback on my				
	academic work				
prof11	Are fair in their grading				
prof12	Are consistent in their grading				

	Most of my professors	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	No basis for opinion
prof13	Treat students the same regardless of gender					
prof14	Treat students the same regardless of race					
prof15	Look out for students' interests					

profxx Regardless of how well you think your professors did, which three statements do you think are the most important? choose from prof1 to prof15

				Yes,	
		Yes, all	Yes, most	some	No
		courses	courses	courses	courses
prof16	Were you given the chance to evaluate				
	the quality of teaching in your courses				
	this past fall?				

Considering all of your professors and courses, please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statement.

		Strongly			Strongly	
		disagree	Disagree	Agree	agree	
prof17	Generally, I am satisfied with the quality					
	of teaching I have received					

Staff

Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	No basis for opinion
staff1	Most teaching assistants in my academic program are helpful					
staff2	Most university support staff (e.g., clerks, secretaries, etc.) are helpful					

Growth and development

How much has your experience at <university name> contributed to your growth and development in the following areas?

		None	Very little	Some	Much	Very much
dvl1	Thinking logically and analytically					
dvl2	Mathematical skills					
dvl3	Dealing successfully with obstacles to achieve an objective					
dvl4	Thinking creatively to find ways to achieve an objective					
dvl5	Understanding abstract concepts					
dvl6	Speaking to small groups					
dvl7	Speaking to a class or audience					
dvl8	Writing clearly and correctly					
dvl9	Reading to absorb information accurately					
dvl10	Listening to others to absorb information accurately					
dvl11	Ability to find and use information					
dvl12	Second or third language skills					
dvl13	Skills for planning and completing projects					
dvl14	Effective study and learning skills					
dvl15	Working independently					
dvl16	Cooperative interaction in groups					
dvl17	Computer literacy skills					
dvl18	Persistence with difficult tasks					
dvl19	Entrepreneurial skills					
dvl20	Skills and knowledge for employment					
dvl21	Ability to lead a group to achieve an objective					
dvl22	Knowledge of career options					
dvl23	Self-confidence					
dvl24	Ability to evaluate your own strengths and weaknesses					
dvl25	Ability to interact with people from backgrounds different from your own					
dvl26	Appreciation of the arts					
dvl27	Spirituality					
dvl28	Time management skills					
dvl29	Moral and ethical judgment					

Commitment to completion Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know
cmt1	I have the financial resources to complete my program					
cmt2	I had adequate information about my program from the university before I enrolled					
cmt3	I am in the right program for me					
cmt4	Most of my courses are interesting					
cmt5	My course load is manageable					
cmt6	I normally go to all of my classes					
cmt7	I am willing to put a lot of effort into being successful at university					
cmt8	I can deal with stress					
cmt9	I have good study habits					
cmt10	I plan to come back to this university next year					
cmt11	I plan to transfer to another university next year					
cmt12	I plan to go to college/CEGEP next year					
cmt13	I plan to complete my degree at this university					
cmt14	A university degree is worth the cost					

Expectations and experience					
	Exceeded	Met	Fallen short		
exp18 Has <university name=""> exceeded, met or fallen short of your expectations?</university>					

Overall evaluation						
<mark>Please indi</mark>	Please indicate your level of satisfaction or dissatisfaction with <university name=""> in the following areas.</university>					
		Very			Very	
		dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	satisfied	
eval3	Concern shown by the university for					
	you as an individual					
eval9	Your decision to attend this university					
eval14	How likely is it that you would recommend	<mark>d <university mark="" n<=""></university></mark>	ame> to a frie	nd or family r	nember?	
	□ 0 Not at all likely through to □ 10 E	<mark>ktremely likely</mark>				
	[If eval14 =< 6 branch to eval14txt, otherw	vise branch to	the Goal devel	opment secti	on.]	
	Please explain why you gave a rating of [E	VAL14] out of	10 for recomm	ending this u	niveristy.	
<mark>eval14txt</mark>						

Goal development						
goal1	Have you chosen a major or discipline? 🛛 Yes 🖓 No					
•	have completed your undergraduate studies do you intend to:					
goal3	Apply to a professional program (e.g., Medicine, Law, etc.) 🗌 Yes 🗌 No 🗌 Unsure					
goal4	Apply to graduate school 🛛 Yes 🗆 No 🗆 Unsure					
an al F	Which of the following best describes your server plane?					
goal5	Which of the following best describes your career plans?					
	□ Thave a specific career in mind □ I have several possible careers in mind					
	□ I have some general ideas but I need to clarify them					
	□ I am unsure, but I want to develop a career plan					
	□ I am not thinking about a career at this stage of my studies					
goal6	How well do you know the career options your program or intended program could open for you?					
	Very well					
	Fairly well					
	Only a little					
	Not at all					
Diagon in						
	dicate what steps, if any, you have taken to prepare for employment/your career after graduation. oose all that apply.					
goal7	□ Talked with professors about employment/career					
goal8	□ Talked with parents/family about employment/career					
goal9	□ Talked with friends about employment/career					
goal10	□ Created resume or curriculum vitae (CV)					
goal11	□ Created an e-portfolio (an inventory of skills, abilities and experience maintained on the web)					
goal12						
goal13	□ Met with a career counsellor					
goal14	Worked in my chosen field of employment					
goal15	Volunteered in my chosen field of employment					
goal16	□ I have a career mentor					
goal17	None of the above					

Services

Please indicate which of the following services you have used since last September and how satisfied you are with the ones you have used.

				S	atisfaction if se	ervice used	
				Very			Very
		Used	-	dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Satisfied
srv1	Services for <mark>Indigenous</mark> students		srv1sat				
srv2	Services for international students		srv2sat				
srv3	Services for students with disabilities		srv3sat				
srv4	University libraries: physical books, magazines, stacks		srv4sat				
srv5	University libraries: electronic resources		srv5sat				
srv6	Employment services		srv6sat				
srv7	Career counselling		srv7sat				
srv8	Personal counselling		srv8sat				
srv9	Academic advising		srv9sat				
srv10	Tutoring		srv10sat				
srv11	Study skills and learning supports		srv11sat				
srv12	Writing skills		srv12sat				
srv13	University residences		srv13sat				
srv14	Advising for students who need financial aid		srv14sat				
srv15	Financial aid		srv15sat				
srv16	Athletic facilities		srv16sat				
srv17	Other recreational facilities		srv17sat				
srv18	University bookstores: physical stores		srv18sat				
srv19	University bookstores: online inventory check, ordering, etc.		srv19sat				
srv20	Campus medical services		srv20sat				
srv21	Co-op offices and supports		srv21sat				
srv22	Facilities for university-based social activities		srv22sat				
srv23	Facilities for student associations		srv23sat				
srv24	Computing services help desk		srv24sat				
srv25	Food services		srv25at				
srv26	Parking		srv26at				

Finances fin1 How many credit cards do you have? options: 0 through 10, 11 or more [If fin1 = 0 branch to fin3, otherwise fin2.] fin2 Do you usually pay off the whole balance every month? Yes No fin3 What is the total unpaid balance on all of your cards? \$______ Don't know

Debt				
 debt Have you acquired repayable debt to finance your university education? Yes □ No □ By repayable debt, we mean money you owe and have to pay back. We are interested in repayable debt that is directly helping to finance you university education, such as tuition, fees, books, but als might include basic living expenses that are incurred while attending university. 				
	[If debt = "Yes" branch to debt1, otherwise branch	n to the Income	section.]	
Please er	nter the approximate amount of debt from each sou	irce, in Canadia	n dollars.	
Repaya	able debt from government student loans:	debt1 🗆	debt1amt \$	
Repaya	able debt from loans from financial institutions:	debt2 🗆	debt2amt \$	
Repaya	able debt from loans from parents/family:	debt3 🗆	debt3amt \$	
Repaya	able debt from other sources:	debt4 🛛	debt4amt \$	

Income

Thinking about the current academic year, please indicate which of the following sources of income you are using to help pay for your university education. For each source please provide the approximate amount in Canadian dollars you expect to receive for the current academic year.

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inc1 🗆	inc1amt \$
inc2 🗆	inc2amt \$
inc3 🗆	inc3amt \$
inc4 🗆	inc4amt \$
inc5 🗆	inc5amt \$
inc6 🗆	inc6amt \$
inc7 🗆	inc7amt \$
inc8 🗆	inc8amt \$
inc9 🗆	inc9amt \$
inc10 🗆	inc10amt \$
inc11 🗆	inc11amt \$
inctxt	
	inc2 inc3 inc4 inc5 inc6 inc7 inc8 inc9 inc9 inc10 inc11

Living a	iving arrangements					
live1	Where are you currently living?					
	In on-campus housing (university residence, dorm, etc.)					
	With parents, guardians or relatives					
	In rented off-campus housing shared with others					
	In rented off-campus housing on your own					
	In a home you own					
livetxt	Other (please specify)					
	[If live1 <> "In on-campus housing" branch to live2, otherwise branch to live3]					
live2	Would you prefer to live in on-campus housing if you had the choice? 🛛 Yes 🖓 No					
live3	What is your marital status?					
	Single					
	Married or common law					
	In a relationship other than married or common law					
live4	Do you have children? 🛛 Yes 🖓 No					
	[If live4 = "Yes" branch to live5, otherwise branch to Disabilities/ Impairments section.]					
live5	How many up to age 5?					
live6	How many age 5 to 11?					
live7	How many 12 or older?					

Commuting				
comm1 At present, what method of transportation do you use most often to get to campus?				
	Vehicle (alone)			
	Vehicle (with others or in a car pool)			
	Public transportation			
	Walk			
	Bicycle			
	Other (please specify below):			
commtxt				
	Don't attend the campus			

Disabilities/ Impairments

Do you have any of the following disabilities/ impairments? Select all that apply.

dis11 I do not have a disability/ impairment

			How often are by this di	your daily acti sability/ impai	
			Sometimes	<mark>Often</mark>	<mark>Always</mark>
dis1	Mobility/ Dexterity	disf1			
dis2	Hearing	<mark>disf2</mark>			
dis3	Speech	<mark>disf3</mark>			
dis4	Vision (e.g. blindness, low vision)	<mark>disf4</mark>			
dis5	Learning/ Memory (e.g. dyslexia)	<mark>disf5</mark>			
dis7	Other physical disability	<mark>disf7</mark>			
dis8	Attention deficit disorder	<mark>disf8</mark>			
dis9	Mental health condition	<mark>disf9</mark>			
dis12	Chronic conditions (e.g. Multiple	disf12			
	Sclerosis, Crohn's, Autoimmune)				
dis10	Other (please specify)				
distxt					

Parental educational attainment

What is the highest level of education your parent(s)/guardian(s) have completed?				
	meduc	peduc		
	Parent/	Parent/		
	Guardian1	Guardian2		
Less than high school				
High school graduate				
Some college, CEGEP or technical school (no certificate or	П	П		
diploma)				
College, CEGEP or technical school graduate				
Some university (no degree or diploma)				
Undergraduate university degree (e.g., BA, BSc, etc.)				
Professional degree (e.g., law, medicine, etc.)				
Graduate degree (e.g., Master's, PhD)				
Other Parent/Guardian 1 (please specify) meductxt				
Other Parent/Guardian 2 (please specify) peductxt				
Don't know/Not applicable				

Ethnicity

Are you	(check all that apply)
eth1	Indigenous (e.g., status, non-status, Métis, Inuit)
eth2	Arab (e.g., Saudi, Egyptian, etc.)
eth3	Black
eth4	
eth5	Filipino
eth6	Japanese
eth7	🗆 Korean
eth8	Latin American
eth9	🛛 South Asian (e.g., East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)
eth10	Southeast Asian (e.g., Cambodian, Indonesian, Laotian, Vietnamese, etc.)
eth11	West Asian (e.g., Afghan, Iranian, etc.)
eth12	U White/ Caucasian
eth13	Other (please specify)
ethtxt	

[If eth1 is checked branch to ab1, otherwise branch to the Comments section.]

Which of the following describes your Indigenous background? (check all that apply)

- ab2 🛛 First Nations non-status
- ab3 🛛 Metis
- ab4 🛛 Inuit
- ab5 🛛 Other

Comments

Please take this opportunity to comment fully about your overall university experience. Your remarks will provide valuable information to the institution.

negativ	Looking back on your experiences as a student, what aspects of your experience at <university name=""> have been most negative? How could we have helped or done a better job?</university>	
	Comments (specify)	🛛 Don't know
positiv	Looking back on your experiences as a student, what	t aspects of your experience at <university< th=""></university<>
	name> have been most positive?	
	Comments (specify)	Don't know