

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY
1997 Graduation Questionnaire Summary

	A&S	BUS	EDU	NUR	ALL
1. Current Status:					
Undergraduate Student	90%	79%	70%	89%	81%
Graduate Student	10	21	30	11	19
2. Undergraduate Students Only:					
While pursuing this degree, did you:					
Originally enroll (and remain) at DSU	38%	36%	39%	25%	37%
Transfer from a 2-year institution	41	44	49	50	44
Transfer from a 4-year institution	20	20	12	25	19
3. Graduate Students Only:					
Undergraduate degree received from:					
Delta State	58%	74%	55%	57%	63%
Other institution	42	26	45	43	37
4. Number of semesters you have lived in a DSU dormitory:					
None	38%	43%	43%	66%	42%
One	2	4	5	10	4
Two	12	8	12	10	11
Three	7	10	9	7	8
Four or more	41	34	32	7	34
5. Are you an active member of a DSU fraternity or sorority?					
Yes	18%	20%	22%	10%	18%
No	82	80	78	90	82
6. How many other students in your major area do you know on a first name basis?					
None	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
1 - 10	34	29	25	0	28
11 - 20	23	37	27	24	27
21+	43	34	48	76	44
7. How many teachers in your major area do you know well enough to ask for a letter of recommendation?					
None	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
1 - 4	57	58	54	46	55
5 - 8	32	34	34	39	34
9+	10	7	11	14	10

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8. Please estimate your cumulative GPA (including only DSU courses) at the time you completed this degree:					
3.5 or better	27%	22%	29%	31%	27%
3.00 - 3.49	32	36	39	62	37
2.50 - 2.99	29	27	26	7	26
2.00 - 2.49	12	15	5	0	10
1.99 or less	0	0	0	0	0
9. Number of years in attendance at DSU:					
one	3%	3%	2%	10%	4%
two	25	22	30	24	26
three	25	25	28	31	26
four	28	31	22	7	25
five or more	19	18	18	28	20
10. Average number of hours per week you were employed (on or off campus) during the past year:					
none	30%	15%	22%	45%	26%
1 - 10	16	17	18	10	16
11 - 20	23	21	15	17	20
21+	31	46	45	28	38
11. What are your immediate employment plans?					
I plan to continue working in the same job or in a job I recently obtained.	31%	48%	53%	83%	45%
I am currently looking for a job.	34	40	27	17	32
I do not plan to work outside the home.	1	0	2	0	1
I plan to continue my education before working.	26	11	15	0	18
I have not yet formulated my employment plans.	8	1	3	0	5
12. If you indicated in #11 that you currently have or will be starting a new job, to what extent is it related to your major area of study at DSU?					
Directly related	54%	71%	72%	100%	68%
Somewhat related	19	22	16	0	17
Not related	28	8	12	0	15
13. Do you currently have plans for additional education?					
No, not at this time.	25%	40%	24%	28%	29%
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at this institution.	23	17	42	24	26
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at another institution.	37	26	21	31	30
I am currently undecided about additional education.	15	18	14	17	15

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14	If you indicated in #13 that you plan to continue your education, what is the highest degree that you plan to earn?				
	53%	72%	47%	77%	56%
	9	9	19	0	12
	15	2	4	5	8
	23	17	30	18	24

15. Here we would like to ask you a few questions about general University programs and services. Please indicate how frequently you have used each service and indicate the quality of service you received.

<u>How often have you used this service?</u>					<u>How would you rate the quality of service you received?</u>				
(1) FREQUENTLY		(2) OCCASIONALLY			(1) EXCELLENT		(2) GOOD		
(3) SELDOM		(4) NEVER			(3) FAIR		(4) POOR		
A&S	BUS	EDU	NUR	ALL	A&S	BUS	EDU	NUR	ALL
1.5	1.8	1.6	1.2	1.6	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.3	2.0
3.2	2.6	3.1	3.9	3.1	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.3	2.2
3.4	3.6	3.3	3.8	3.4	1.9	2.5	2.0	2.4	2.1
3.2	3.6	2.7	3.6	3.2	1.9	2.2	1.7	1.9	1.9
3.0	3.0	3.2	3.2	3.0	2.1	2.2	2.1	1.7	2.1
2.6	2.8	2.8	3.0	2.7	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.8	1.8
3.6	3.2	3.3	3.8	3.1	2.0	2.3	2.2	1.8	2.1
3.1	3.3	3.3	3.8	3.3	1.9	2.3	2.1	1.8	2.1
3.1	3.2	3.3	3.7	3.2	1.9	2.1	2.0	1.7	1.9
3.2	3.4	3.4	3.8	3.3	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.0
2.0	1.5	2.4	2.8	2.0	2.0	2.2	2.1	1.9	2.1
2.4	2.3	2.6	3.4	2.5	2.2	2.5	2.1	2.1	2.2
3.4	3.4	3.2	3.6	3.4	2.4	2.4	2.1	1.4	2.2
2.4	2.3	2.5	2.9	2.4	2.7	2.7	2.4	2.1	2.6
2.7	2.9	2.9	3.2	2.8	2.3	2.4	2.1	2.1	2.3
1.6	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	2.1	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.1
2.2	2.1	2.5	3.1	2.3	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9
2.2	2.0	2.2	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.9	2.2	2.0

<u>How clear are the procedures for each service?</u>					<u>How would you rate the quality of service you received?</u>				
(1) CLEAR		(2) SOMEWHAT CONFUSING			(1) EXCELLENT		(2) GOOD		
(3) VERY CONFUSING		(4) DIDN'T USE			(3) FAIR		(4) POOR		
A&S	BUS	EDU	NUR	ALL	A&S	BUS	EDU	NUR	ALL
1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.9
1.4	1.5	1.4	1.2	1.4	1.9	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.9
1.4	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8

Thinking about your major, please rate the quality of each of the following:

	1 - Excellent	2 - Good	3 - Fair	4 - Poor				
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16. Availability of my advisor.			1.5	1.5	1.6	1.9	1.5	
17. Willingness of my advisor to help me.			1.5	1.5	1.4	1.8	1.5	
18. Quality of courses in preparing me for employment and/or graduate school.			1.6	1.7	1.4	1.7	1.6	
19. Fairness of grading in my courses.			1.6	1.8	1.6	2.1	1.7	
20. Quality of instruction in courses in my major.			1.5	1.6	1.4	1.9	1.6	
21. Opportunities for interaction with faculty in my major.			1.6	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.6	
22. Ample number of library holdings in my major.			2.2	2.2	1.7	2.5	2.1	
23. Availability of professional activities or clubs in my major.			2.2	2.1	1.7	2.3	2.0	
24. Quality of courses for providing a good general education.			1.6	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.6	
25. Practicum or internship experiences in my major.			1.8	2.1	1.5	1.4	1.6	
26. Laboratory facilities related to my major.			1.8	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.8	
27. Classroom facilities related to my major.			1.7	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	
28. Quality of career advising in my major.			1.9	1.9	1.6	1.8	1.8	
29. Opportunities for formal student evaluation of instruction in my major.			1.7	1.8	1.5	1.8	1.7	
30. Professional competence of departmental faculty in my major.			1.5	1.6	1.4	1.8	1.5	
31. My initial contacts and first impression with the department.			1.6	1.7	1.5	1.7	1.6	
32. Overall quality of this department.			1.5	1.7	1.5	1.8	1.5	

For the following aims of general education, please rate how well you believe Delta State meets these aims:

	1 - Excellent	2 - Good	3 - Fair	4 - Poor				
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33. Help students communicate effectively.			1.8	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.7	
34. Develop the ability to lead or guide others.			1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	
35. Teach students to think critically, to solve problems, and to develop patterns of thought.			1.7	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.7	
36. Help students get along with people of different races and ethnic groups.			2.0	2.0	1.7	1.9	1.9	
37. Develop an appreciation of different cultures.			2.0	2.1	1.7	1.9	1.9	
38. Teach students to understand and appreciate the arts.			1.9	2.1	1.4	1.9	1.9	
39. Assist the student in the capacity to anticipate, handle, or bring about change.			2.0	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.9	
40. Help students to understand themselves, their society, and the contemporary world.			1.9	2.0	1.7	1.8	1.8	

For each one of the following goals, rate the extent to which you believe Delta State fulfills the goals:

	1 - Excellent	2 - Good	3 - Fair	4 - Poor				
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41. Improve computer literacy by making computer services available and by facilitating the use of appropriate software throughout the curriculum				1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6	1.8
42. Provide a curriculum that properly prepares students in their chosen fields to complete licensure requirements, enter the work force, and continue advanced study in graduate or professional schools.				1.7	1.8	1.6	1.6	1.7
43. A developmental studies program for underprepared students in mathematics, English, reading, and study skills.				1.8	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.7
44. Provide sufficient faculty to maintain a student-teacher ratio that ensures opportunities for meaningful intellectual interaction between students and faculty.				1.6	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.6
45. Opportunities to communicate with prospective employers or admission personnel from graduate or professional schools.				1.9	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.8
46. Residency at time of admission:								
Resident of Mississippi				90%	86%	97%	93%	91%
Non-resident of Mississippi				10	14	3	7	9
47. Citizenship:								
U. S.				94%	92%	98%	100%	95%
Other				6	8	2	0	5
48. Current Age:								
24 or under				73%	69%	53%	38%	64%
25 - 30				17	16	25	24	19
31 - 35				4	7	9	10	7
36 or over				5	9	13	28	10
49. Sex:								
Male				38%	46%	18%	14%	34%
Female				62	54	82	86	66
50. Race:								
White				69%	66%	65%	79%	68%
Black				29	32	32	21	30
Other				2	2	3	0	2
51. If you could start college again, would you enroll at DSU?								
Definitely Yes				49%	51%	58%	46%	51%
Probably Yes				35	33	37	29	35
Probably Not				10	16	4	25	11
Definitely Not				6	0	1	0	3
TOTAL RESPONDENTS				176	101	102	29	404