

**DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
*Graduation Questionnaire Summary*  
 1998 - 2000

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
1. Current Status:			
Undergraduate Student.....	80%.....	80%.....	73%
Graduate Student.....	20.....	20.....	23
Unclassified Status (Omitted Question #9).....	0.....	0.....	4
2. <b>Undergraduate Students Only:</b>			
While pursuing this degree, did you:			
Originally enroll (and remain) at DSU.....	42%.....	44%.....	43%
Transfer from a 2-year institution .....	44.....	43.....	41
Transfer from a 4-year institution .....	14.....	13.....	15
3. <b>Graduate Students Only:</b>			
Undergraduate degree received from:			
Delta State.....	70%.....	67%.....	68%
Other institution .....	30.....	33.....	32
4. Number of semesters you have lived in a DSU dormitory:			
None .....	39%.....	39%.....	40%
One .....	5.....	6.....	6
Two .....	10.....	10.....	9
Three .....	9.....	9.....	7
Four or more .....	37.....	37.....	37
5. Are you an active member of a DSU fraternity or sorority?			
Yes .....	21%.....	19%.....	22%
No .....	79.....	81.....	78
6. How many other students in your major area do you know on a first name basis?			
None .....	1%.....	0%.....	1%
1 - 10 .....	23.....	23.....	23
11 - 20 .....	30.....	25.....	29
21+ .....	46.....	52.....	48
7. How many teachers in your major area do you know well enough to ask for a letter of recommendation?			
None .....	1%.....	1%.....	1%
1 - 4 .....	60.....	56.....	55
5 - 8 .....	29.....	33.....	35
9+ .....	10.....	10.....	10

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6. Please estimate your cumulative GPA (including only DSU courses) at the time you completed this degree:			
3.5 or better .....	31%	32%	33%
3.00 - 3.49 .....	37	37	34
2.50 - 2.99 .....	25	25	27
2.00 - 2.49 .....	7	6	5
1.99 or less .....	0	0	0
9. Number of years in attendance at DSU:			
one .....	1%	1%	1%
two .....	25	23	26
three .....	23	18	20
four .....	29	29	27
five or more.....	22	28	26
10. Average number of hours per week you were employed (on or off campus) during the past year:			
none .....	25%	23%	19%
1 - 10 .....	17	16	17
11 - 20 .....	23	20	20
21+ .....	35	41	44
11. What are your immediate employment plans?			
I plan to continue working in the same job or in a job			
I recently obtained.....	42%	44%	50%
I am currently looking for a job. ....	38	36	31
I do not plan to work outside the home.....	0	0	0
I plan to continue my education before working.....	15	15	15
I have not yet formulated my employment plans.....	4	4	4
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.....	72%	69%	70%
Somewhat related .....	16	21	22
Not related.....	12	10	8
13. Do you currently have plans for additional education?			
No, not at this time. ....	31%	31%	31%
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at this institution. ....	25	24	28
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at another institution. ....	30	26	25
I am currently undecided about additional education. ....	14	19	17

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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?			
Master's degree .....	60%	58%	59%
Specialist's degree (e.g. Ed.S.) .....	7	10	14
Professional degree (e.g. medicine, law, theology) .....	7	8	9
Doctoral degree (e.g. Ph.D., Ed.D., D.B.A.) .....	26	24	18

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	
<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
1.7	1.7	1.7	2.0	1.9	1.7
3.0	3.0	2.8	2.1	2.1	1.9
3.3	3.5	3.4	2.0	2.2	2.0
2.9	2.9	2.8	1.9	1.8	1.8
2.8	2.9	2.9	2.0	2.0	1.9
2.7	2.8	2.7	1.9	1.9	1.8
3.0	3.2	3.2	2.1	2.1	2.0
3.2	3.3	3.3	2.0	2.0	1.9
3.3	3.3	3.2	2.0	2.0	1.9
3.2	3.4	3.2	2.1	2.1	1.9
1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	1.9
2.4	2.5	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.1
3.5	3.4	3.5	2.1	2.4	2.1
2.4	2.4	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.4
2.8	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.3	2.1
1.7	1.6	1.7	2.4	2.4	2.2
2.1	2.3	2.4	1.8	1.9	1.8
2.2	2.4	2.3	2.0	2.0	1.9

How clear are the procedures for each service?      How would you rate the quality of service you received?

(1) CLEAR	(2) SOMEWHAT CONFUSING	(1) EXCELLENT	(2) GOOD		
(3) VERY CONFUSING	(4) DIDN'T USE	(3) FAIR	(4) POOR		
<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>2000</u>
1.5	1.5	1.3	1.9	2.1	1.9
1.5	1.5	1.3	1.8	2.0	1.8
1.4	1.4	1.3	1.8	2.0	1.8

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

	1 - Excellent	2 - Good	3 - Fair	4 - Poor		
				1998	1999	2000
16. Availability of my advisor.....				1.6	1.6	1.5
17. Willingness of my advisor to help me.....				1.5	1.5	1.4
18. Quality of courses in preparing me for employment and/or graduate school.....				1.7	1.6	1.6
19. Fairness of grading in my courses.....				1.7	1.7	1.7
20. Quality of instruction in courses in my major.....				1.7	1.6	1.6
21. Opportunities for interaction with faculty in my major.....				1.6	1.6	1.6
22. Ample number of library holdings in my major.....				2.1	2.0	1.8
23. Availability of professional activities or clubs in my major.....				2.1	2.1	1.9
24. Quality of courses for providing a good general education.....				1.7	1.6	1.6
25. Practicum or internship experiences in my major.....				1.8	1.9	1.8
26. Laboratory facilities related to my major.....				1.9	1.9	1.8
27. Classroom facilities related to my major.....				1.8	1.8	1.7
28. Quality of career advising in my major.....				1.9	1.9	1.8
29. Opportunities for formal student evaluation of instruction in my major.....				1.7	1.7	1.7
30. Professional competence of departmental faculty in my major.....				1.6	1.6	1.6
31. My initial contacts and first impression with the department.....				1.7	1.7	1.7
32. Overall quality of this department.....				1.6	1.6	1.6

**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		
				1998	1999	2000
33. Help students communicate effectively.....				1.7	1.7	1.7
34. Develop the ability to lead or guide others.....				1.8	1.8	1.7
35. Teach students to think critically, to solve problems, and to develop patterns of thought.....				1.7	1.7	1.7
36. Help students get along with people of different races and ethnic groups.....				1.9	1.9	1.8
37. Develop an appreciation of different cultures.....				1.9	1.9	1.9
38. Teach students to understand and appreciate the arts.....				1.9	1.9	1.8
39. Assist the student in the capacity to anticipate, handle, or bring about change.....				1.9	1.9	1.8
40. Help students to understand themselves, their society, and the contemporary world.....				1.9	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		
				1998	1999	2000
41. Improve computer literacy by making computer services available and by facilitating the use of appropriate software throughout the curriculum.	1.8	.....	1.8	.....	1.7	
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.	1.8	.....	1.7	.....	1.7	
43. A developmental studies program for underprepared students in mathematics, English, reading, and study skills.	1.8	.....	1.8	.....	1.8	
44. Provide sufficient faculty to maintain a student-teacher ratio that ensures opportunities for meaningful intellectual interaction between students and faculty.	1.7	.....	1.7	.....	1.7	
45. Opportunities to communicate with prospective employers or admission personnel from graduate or professional schools.	1.8	.....	1.8	.....	1.8	
46. Residency at time of admission:						
Resident of Mississippi	91%	.....	88%	.....	90%	
Non-resident of Mississippi	9	.....	12	.....	10	
47. Citizenship:						
U. S.	96%	.....	95%	.....	94%	
Other	5	.....	5	.....	6	
48. Current Age:						
24 or under	65%	.....	62%	.....	60%	
25 - 30	21	.....	22	.....	25	
31 - 35	4	.....	6	.....	5	
36 or over	10	.....	10	.....	10	
49. Sex:						
Male	30%	.....	30%	.....	32%	
Female	70	.....	70	.....	68	
50. Race:						
White	67%	.....	69%	.....	64%	
Black	31	.....	27	.....	33	
Other	2	.....	4	.....	3	
51. If you could start college again, would you enroll at DSU?						
Definitely Yes	54%	.....	55%	.....	53%	
Probably Yes	31	.....	32	.....	35	
Probably Not	9	.....	9	.....	10	
Definitely Not	4	.....	3	.....	2	
<b>TOTAL RESPONDENTS</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>490</b>	<b>.....</b>	<b>467</b>	