

**Delta State University**  
**Graduation Survey**  
*3 Year Summary*

	Spring 2009	Spring 2010	Spring 2011
<b>1. Degree Receiving:</b>			
Bachelor's (Undergraduate Student)	76%	79%	75%
Master's, Specialist's, & Doctoral (Graduate Student)	24%	21%	25%
<b>2. Undergraduate Students Only:</b>			
While pursuing this degree, did you:			
Originally enroll (and remain) at DSU	40%	41%	48%
Transfer from a 2 year institution	46%	49%	41%
Transfer from 4 year institution	13%	10%	11%
<b>3. Graduate Students Only:</b>			
Undergraduate degree received from:			
Delta State	68%	61%	49%
Other institution	32%	39%	51%
<b>4. Number of semesters you have lived in a DSU dormitory</b>			
None	47%	47%	49%
One	6%	4%	8%
Two	12%	17%	10%
Three	7%	5%	3%
Four or more	28%	26%	30%
<b>5. Are you an active member of a DSU social fraternity or sorority?</b>			
Yes	18%	17%	21%
No	82%	83%	79%
<b>6. How many other students in your major area do you know on a first name basis?</b>			
None	0%	2%	1%
1-10	26%	33%	27%
11-20	27%	30%	29%
21+	46%	36%	43%
<b>7. How many teachers in your major area do you know well enough to ask for a letter of recommendation?</b>			
None	2%	2%	2%
1-4	57%	59%	57%
5-8	36%	31%	33%
9+	4%	8%	8%
<b>8. Please estimate your cumulative GPA (including only DSU courses) at the time you completed this degree.</b>			
3.5+	33%	35%	37%
3.00-3.49	40%	39%	36%
2.50-2.99	26%	23%	25%
2.00-2.49	1%	3%	2%

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<b>9. Number of years in attendance at DSU:</b>			
One	2%	4%	3%
Two	26%	28%	23%
Three	22%	18%	19%
Four	25%	30%	35%
Five or more	25%	20%	19%
<b>10. Average number of hours per week you were employed (on or off campus) during the past year:</b>			
None	22%	31%	20%
1-10	16%	13%	21%
11-20	22%	21%	19%
21+	39%	35%	40%
<b>11. What are your immediate employment plans?</b>			
Continue working in the same job or in a job you recently obtained.	40%	31%	32%
Currently looking for a job.	43%	43%	51%
Do not plan to work outside the home.	0%	0%	0%
Continue my education before working.	15%	20%	15%
Have not yet formulated my employment plans.	2%	6%	2%
<b>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?</b>			
Directly related	70%	68%	64%
Somewhat related	21%	13%	23%
Not related	9%	19%	13%
<b>13. Do you currently have plans to continue your education?</b>			
No, not at this time.	28%	20%	26%
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at this institution.	24%	31%	22%
Yes, I plan to enroll at another institution.	29%	32%	31%
I am currently undecided about additional education.	19%	17%	21%
<b>14. If you indicated in #13 that you plan to continue your education, what is the highest degree you plan to earn?</b>			
Master's degree	56%	50%	60%
Specialist's degree (Ed.S.)	11%	6%	8%
Professional degree (e.g. medicine, law, theology)	6%	10%	4%
Doctoral degree (e.g. Ph.D., Ed.D., D.B.A.)	27%	34%	28%

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<b>Here we would like to ask you a few questions about general University programs and services. Please indicate the quality of the service you received.</b>			
<i>(1) Excellent (2) Good (3) Fair (4) Poor *N/A/Didn't Use</i>			
15. Roberts Library	1.5	1.6	1.5
16. Career Services	1.7	1.9	1.8
17. Counseling Center	1.7	1.8	1.8
18. Instructional Resource Center	1.6	1.7	1.5
19. Laundry	1.7	1.7	1.8
20. Health Service	1.6	1.8	1.8
21. Computer Labs	1.8	1.8	1.7
22. Food Services	2.2	2.1	2.0
23. Campus Police	2.0	2.1	2.0
24. Bookstore	1.9	1.9	1.8
25. Post Office	1.7	1.8	1.7
26. Student Business Services	1.7	1.7	1.8
27. Writing Center	1.7	1.8	1.8
28. Registration	1.7	1.7	1.7
29. Drop/Add Procedure	1.7	1.8	1.7
30. Pre-registration	1.6	1.6	1.6
<b>Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the following University activities and environmental conditions which you have directly experienced.</b>			
<i>(1) Very Satisfied (2) Satisfied (3) Neutral (4) Dissatisfied (5) Very Dissatisfied *N/A or Did Not Use</i>			
31. Intramural Activities	1.9	1.9	1.9
32. Intercollegiate Athletics	1.8	1.9	1.8
33. Campus Plays	2.0	2.1	1.9
34. Student Government Association	2.0	2.2	2.0
35. Residence Halls	2.3	2.6	2.3
36. Family Housing	2.1	2.4	2.2
37. Overall Classroom Conditions	***	***	1.9
38. Condition of University Grounds	***	***	1.8

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<b>For the following aims of general education, please rate how you believe Delta State meets these aims.</b>				
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39. Teach students to understand and appreciate the arts.	1.8	1.9	1.8	
40. Assist the student in the capacity to anticipate, handle, or bring about change.	1.9	2.0	1.9	
41. Help students to understand themselves, their society, and the contemporary world.	1.9	2.0	1.9	
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<b>Demographic Information</b>				
42. Residency at time of admission:				
Resident of Mississippi	93%	88%	91%	
Non-resident of Mississippi	7%	12%	9%	
43. Citizenship:				
U.S.	97%	98%	99%	
Other	3%	2%	1%	
44. Gender:				
Male	29%	33%	27%	
Female	71%	67%	73%	
45. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino?				
Yes	***	2%	1%	
No	***	98%	99%	
46. Please select one or more of the following:				
American Indian or Alaska Native	****	1%	1%	
Asian	****	1%	0%	
Black or African American	****	36%	38%	
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	****	0%	0%	
White	****	64%	62%	
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African American/Black	41%	***	***	
Asian American	0%	***	***	
Caucasian/White	57%	***	***	
Hispanic	1%	***	***	
Other, please specify	1%	***	***	
47. Age:				
24 or under	60%	60%	65%	
25-30	23%	25%	16%	
31-35	5%	8%	7%	
36 or over	12%	7%	12%	
48. If you could start college again, would you enroll at DSU?				
Definitely Yes	44%	36%	38%	
Probably Yes	39%	46%	42%	
Probably Not	13%	14%	16%	
Definitely Not	3%	4%	4%	
	Total Respondents	285	264	290
	Total Number of Spring Graduates	484	424	495
	<b>Response Rate</b>	<b>59%<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>62%<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>59%<sup>3</sup></b>
*Not Applicable/Didn't Use responses are not included in the overall percentage for each question.				
*Omits/Multi-Marks are not included in the overall percentage for each question.				
**Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.				
***These questions were added to the survey in Fall 2009.				
<sup>1</sup> For Spring 2009 total number of students was 484; however, the number of students who chose to participate in the commencement practice where the survey was administered, was 400. For this population of 400 the response rate was 71% (285/400).				
<sup>2</sup> For Spring 2010 total number of students was 424; however, the number of students who chose to participate in the commencement practice where the survey was administered, was 345. For this population of 345 the response rate was 77% (264/345).				
<sup>3</sup> For Spring 2011 total number of students was 495; however, the number of students who chose to participate in the commencement practice where the survey was administered, was 407. For this population of 407 the response rate was 71% (290/407).				