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1. Indicate the number of terms, if any, that you were involved in the following activities and educational experiences.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		0 terms	1 term	2 terms	3 terms	4+ terms		
Question								
a. Independent study	1,928	74.27	16.49	5.96	1.76	1.50	0.40	0.80
b. Study abroad	1,897	85.61	11.44	1.95	0.37	0.63	0.19	0.54
c. Community service or volunteer work	1,917	43.61	13.98	10.69	6.68	25.04	1.56	1.66
d. Work with a faculty member on a research project outside of course or program	1,908	79.14	9.64	5.77	2.67	2.78	0.40	0.92
e. Practicum, internship, field or co-op experience, or clinical assignment	1,942	44.95	25.70	15.35	6.44	7.57	1.06	1.24
f. Service learning course or course option	1,866	89.66	7.13	1.88	0.70	0.64	0.16	0.54
g. Participate in a learning community or formal program where groups of students take classes together	1,927	83.65	6.18	2.70	2.13	5.35	0.39	1.03

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1. Indicate the number of terms, if any, that you were involved in the following activities and educational experiences.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
h. Self-designed major	1919	95.83	4.17
i. Capstone course or thesis	1900	67.68	32.32

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2. Compared with when you started your first year, how would you describe your following skills and knowledge?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Much weaker	Weaker	No change	Stronger	Much stronger		
Question								
a. Making effective oral presentations	1959	0.31	0.77	9.44	62.12	27.36	4.15	0.63
b. Writing effectively	1936	0.36	2.07	11.52	56.77	29.29	4.13	0.71
c. Understanding the world from a variety of viewpoints	1948	0.46	0.51	11.14	54.16	33.73	4.20	0.69
d. Using statistical or mathematical reasoning to solve problems	1946	0.98	3.70	25.85	50.31	19.17	3.83	0.81
e. Appreciating the arts	1951	0.77	2.77	36.80	42.49	17.17	3.73	0.80
f. Valuing cultural diversity	1942	1.24	2.37	24.72	48.92	22.76	3.90	0.82
g. Understanding methods and applying principles of reasoning in the natural sciences	1954	0.31	1.69	25.49	52.61	19.91	3.90	0.73
h. Understanding yourself	1940	0.41	1.19	13.14	47.84	37.42	4.21	0.74
i. Using computers and information technology	1959	0.20	0.71	18.02	54.82	26.24	4.06	0.70
j. Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	1954	0.51	1.64	22.42	54.30	21.14	3.94	0.74
k. Thinking critically and analytically	1955	0.26	0.82	6.65	59.49	32.79	4.24	0.63
l. Working cooperatively in a group	1951	0.51	1.79	17.94	55.77	23.99	4.01	0.73
m. Using foreign languages	1954	3.79	10.64	43.14	26.92	15.51	3.40	1.00
n. Developing insight into why you behave the way you do	1948	0.36	1.13	21.97	53.70	22.84	3.98	0.72

3.If you took more than four years to complete your degree requirements at UK, please answer the following questions.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
a. Work obligations limited my enrollment	1115	77.22	22.78
b. Family obligations limited my enrollment	1115	80.45	19.55
c. Tuition and other costs of attendance limited my enrollment	1115	85.29	14.71
d. A decision to change majors added to my requirements	1115	61.97	38.03
e. Required course was not offered when needed	1115	64.22	35.78
f. I lost credits in my major upon transferring	1115	75.43	24.57

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4. Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about: UNIVERSITY STUDIES PROGRAM:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Most of my USP courses have been intellectually challenging	1949	5.95	29.60	13.19	48.54	2.72	3.12	1.06
b. I understand why USP courses are required	1922	6.56	15.04	11.71	60.25	6.45	3.45	1.03
c. I understand how the various USP requirements fit together	1936	6.10	18.23	17.82	53.56	4.29	3.32	1.02
d. Most of my USP instructors described the goals of the courses	1937	12.13	32.11	20.91	32.73	2.12	2.81	1.09
e. The quality of instruction in my USP courses was as good as my major courses	1944	10.60	26.85	16.72	43.36	2.47	3.00	1.11
f. I understand the value of USP courses better now than at the time I took them	1938	7.12	26.26	19.45	43.19	3.97	3.11	1.06
g. The broad range of choices among courses to meet USP requirements was important to me	1943	4.58	12.71	13.79	54.14	14.77	3.62	1.03
h. I found USP requirements difficult to understand	1941	11.33	51.83	15.51	17.93	3.40	2.50	1.02

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4. Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about: YOUR MAJOR PROGRAM:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Required courses in my major were offered so that I could complete my degree on time	1951	2.92	13.53	4.72	58.18	20.66	3.80	1.01
b. Grading practices were appropriate and fair	1944	1.29	6.28	5.66	66.56	20.22	3.98	0.79
c. Faculty prepared carefully for their classes	1950	1.64	5.90	6.62	63.18	22.67	3.99	0.82
d. Faculty gave helpful feedback on my academic progress	1944	1.75	9.77	8.33	59.10	21.04	3.88	0.91
e. Faculty were accessible outside of the classroom	1953	0.67	2.76	3.89	62.57	30.11	4.19	0.69
f. Faculty were knowledgeable in their subject matter	1944	0.57	1.54	1.85	53.40	42.64	4.36	0.65
g. Faculty treated students with respect	1949	0.92	3.80	4.72	61.26	29.30	4.14	0.75
h. The department was characterized by mutual respect between students and professors	1945	1.18	4.32	8.69	58.51	27.30	4.06	0.80
i. The department helped me find appropriate employment or pursue further study	1951	9.43	20.45	20.19	34.50	15.43	3.26	1.22
j. I would recommend my major program to other students	1951	2.67	5.13	12.25	48.13	31.83	4.01	0.94

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5. Rate your level of satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the following student services.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied		
Question								
a. Recreation areas in Student Center	1457	2.33	7.55	32.67	45.37	12.08	3.57	0.88
b. Campus dining services	1714	10.21	16.80	28.53	40.37	4.08	3.11	1.06
c. Counseling & Testing Center (personal counseling)	870	4.02	8.74	44.25	34.25	8.74	3.35	0.91
d. Counseling & Testing Center (career counseling)	1008	4.37	9.52	43.15	36.71	6.25	3.31	0.89
e. Career Center Services	1281	3.59	8.82	34.35	44.57	8.67	3.46	0.90
f. Student Billing Services	1817	4.18	10.24	35.28	45.35	4.95	3.37	0.89
g. Registration	1909	4.56	12.83	25.25	50.86	6.50	3.42	0.95
h. Woman's Place	636	0.79	2.36	58.33	28.14	10.38	3.45	0.74
i. Health Services	1561	3.78	9.42	21.20	49.39	16.21	3.65	0.98
j. Fitness and athletic facilities	1688	0.89	1.48	11.02	49.47	37.14	4.20	0.76
k. Student Financial Aid Office	1354	4.28	10.19	34.34	42.69	8.49	3.41	0.93
l. UK Bookstore	1854	6.09	12.57	27.02	47.36	6.96	3.37	0.99
m. University Apartments	613	7.50	10.77	53.51	23.49	4.73	3.07	0.91
n. Residence Hall (living quarters)	1386	10.68	19.12	26.98	37.45	5.77	3.09	1.10
o. Residence Hall (dining services)	1388	10.95	18.30	30.55	36.10	4.11	3.04	1.07

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6.How would you rate the quality of each of the following aspects at UK?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Question							
a. Quality of instruction by overall faculty	1945	1.70	18.66	66.43	13.21	2.91	0.62
b. Quality of instruction by faculty in major	1934	1.76	9.00	44.16	45.09	3.33	0.71
c. Quality of instruction by teaching assistants	1931	9.17	33.87	47.90	9.06	2.57	0.78
d. Individual attention from instructors	1933	5.69	27.99	52.97	13.35	2.74	0.76
e. Preparation for my first career job	1936	14.57	30.63	43.08	11.73	2.52	0.88
f. Preparation for graduate or professional school	1925	8.31	26.44	50.08	15.17	2.72	0.82
g. Quality of library services	1944	1.03	9.36	52.37	37.24	3.26	0.66
h. Availability of computing resources	1936	1.14	9.66	51.50	37.71	3.26	0.67
i. Willingness of faculty to meet with students	1944	1.34	10.75	57.56	30.35	3.17	0.66
j. Quality of UK's library collection	1936	0.57	7.54	49.95	41.94	3.33	0.64
k. Quality of service provided by the computer lab staff	1933	2.22	17.18	59.86	20.74	2.99	0.68

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7. Rate your level of satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the following academic support programs.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. The Study	638	2.51	4.23	32.13	46.71	14.42	3.66	0.86
b. The Writing Center	809	3.34	7.05	28.31	46.48	14.83	3.62	0.93

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8.To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Spent sufficient time with me	1942	8.50	13.95	8.91	43.20	25.44	3.63	1.24
b. Was accessible when I needed help	1936	6.40	11.16	8.52	44.52	29.39	3.79	1.17
c. Reviewed my academic record prior to giving advice	1943	7.31	12.20	12.51	38.29	29.70	3.71	1.22
d. Is someone I would recommend to other students	1938	10.89	11.97	13.88	31.01	32.25	3.62	1.33

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9. Assess the extent to which the ACADEMIC CLIMATE is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student groups.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very discriminatory	Discriminatory	Supportive	Very supportive		
		Question					
a. Women	1913	0.26	2.09	70.83	26.82	3.24	0.49
b. Men	1909	0.68	2.36	69.62	27.34	3.24	0.52
c. African Americans	1907	1.36	3.93	67.75	26.95	3.20	0.57
d. Other racial minorities	1904	0.95	4.31	70.80	23.95	3.18	0.54
e. International students	1907	0.63	4.09	70.84	24.44	3.19	0.52
f. Disabled students	1901	0.84	5.68	71.23	22.25	3.15	0.54
g. Gay/Lesbian students	1898	1.05	5.80	72.76	20.39	3.12	0.54

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9. Assess the extent to which the SOCIAL CLIMATE is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student groups.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very discriminatory	Discriminatory	Supportive	Very supportive		
		Question					
a. Women	1910	0.68	3.04	70.73	25.55	3.21	0.52
b. Men	1907	1.15	1.94	68.80	28.11	3.24	0.54
c. African Americans	1901	2.37	10.36	64.49	22.78	3.08	0.65
d. Other racial minorities	1901	2.21	12.47	67.07	18.25	3.01	0.63
e. International students	1907	2.05	11.59	68.33	18.04	3.02	0.61
f. Disabled students	1898	2.11	11.96	69.44	16.49	3.00	0.61
g. Gay/lesbian students	1892	3.44	16.28	64.06	16.23	2.93	0.68

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10.To what extent do you feel UK emphasizes each of the following.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very little	Some	Quite a bit	Very much		
Question							
a. Studying and academic work outside of class	1936	2.89	24.48	48.40	24.23	2.94	0.77
b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically	1927	3.94	30.72	48.68	16.66	2.78	0.76
c. Providing the support you need to develop an active social life	1919	11.72	35.49	38.61	14.17	2.55	0.88
d. Encouraging contact among students of different backgrounds	1928	19.92	34.96	32.99	12.14	2.37	0.94
e. Developing scholarly, analytical, and intellectual qualities	1931	4.25	27.91	50.03	17.81	2.81	0.77
f. Developing aesthetic, expressive, and creative qualities	1924	10.03	38.62	39.86	11.49	2.53	0.82
g. Developing an understanding and appreciation of human diversity	1931	6.94	33.82	43.40	15.85	2.68	0.82
h. Developing information literacy skills	1928	3.99	28.58	51.24	16.18	2.80	0.75
i. Providing job-related skills and knowledge	1932	10.20	34.37	42.81	12.63	2.58	0.84
j. Offering courses that are practical	1931	7.51	35.58	44.12	12.79	2.62	0.80

The FREQ Procedure

11.To what extent has your college education fulfilled your expectations?				
q11	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Far below	33	1.69	33	1.69
Moderately below	250	12.79	283	14.48
Met expectations	735	37.62	1018	52.10
Moderately above	671	34.34	1689	86.44
Far above	265	13.56	1954	100.00

Frequency Missing = 12

12.How satisfied or dissatisfied were you with your experiences at UK?				
q12	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Very dissatisfied	30	1.53	30	1.53
Dissatisfied	99	5.06	129	6.60
Neutral	300	15.35	429	21.94
Satisfied	997	51.00	1426	72.94
Very satisfied	529	27.06	1955	100.00

Frequency Missing = 11

13.If you could start college again, would you enroll at UK?				
q13	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Definitely not	75	3.84	75	3.84
Probably not	344	17.63	419	21.48
Probably yes	873	44.75	1292	66.22
Definitely yes	659	33.78	1951	100.00

Frequency Missing = 15

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14. What are your immediate post-graduation plans (Paper Survey)?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
a. I will work at the job I had before I graduated	399	82.71	17.29
b. I will work at a new job I recently obtained	399	90.23	9.77
c. I am currently seeking employment	399	55.14	44.86
d. I do not plan to work	399	97.99	2.01
e. I plan to continue my education before working	399	54.39	45.61
f. I have no plans	399	96.74	3.26

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14. What are your immediate post-graduation plans(Online Survey)?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
a. Employment, full-time paid	1549	38.73	61.27
b. Employment, part-time paid	1549	88.19	11.81
c. Graduate or professional school, full-time	1549	69.46	30.54
d. Graduate or professional school, part-time	1549	90.64	9.36
e. Additional undergraduate coursework	1549	97.16	2.84
f. Military service	1549	98.90	1.10
g. Volunteer activity (e.g., Peace Corps)	1549	95.93	4.07
h. Starting or raising a family	1549	94.71	5.29
i. Other, please specify:	1549	96.90	3.10

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15.If you are continuing your education, what is the highest degree you plan to earn?				
q15	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No plans for graduate degree	442	23.88	442	23.88
Master's or Educational specialist degree	868	46.89	1310	70.77
Law degree	141	7.62	1451	78.39
Medicine degree	76	4.11	1527	82.50
Dentistry degree	22	1.19	1549	83.68
Pharmacy degree	12	0.65	1561	84.33
Other professional degree	45	2.43	1606	86.76
Ph.D or Ed.D	182	9.83	1788	96.60
Other doctoral degree	63	3.40	1851	100.00

Frequency Missing = 115

What is your gender?				
SEXCD	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Male	839	43.40	839	43.40
Female	1094	56.60	1933	100.00

Frequency Missing = 33

To which group do you belong? *				
CPE_ETHNICCD	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Nonresident Alien	11	0.57	11	0.57
African American	69	3.57	80	4.14
American Indian	2	0.10	82	4.24
Asian	34	1.76	116	6.00
Hispanic	18	0.93	134	6.93
White	1767	91.41	1901	98.34
Missing	32	1.66	1933	100.00

Frequency Missing = 33

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In which college are you enrolled?				
STEXT	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
College of Agriculture	180	9.16	180	9.16
College of Arts & Sciences	676	34.38	856	43.54
College of Business and Economics	293	14.90	1149	58.44
College of Communications & Inf Studies	194	9.87	1343	68.31
College of Design	37	1.88	1380	70.19
College of Education	202	10.27	1582	80.47
College of Engineering	170	8.65	1752	89.11
College of Fine Arts	68	3.46	1820	92.57
College of Health Sciences	36	1.83	1856	94.40
College of Nursing	72	3.66	1928	98.07
College of Social Work	38	1.93	1966	100.00