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The FREQ Procedure

Q1.How academically challenging is your first year in college?				
Q1	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not at all challenging	15	3.01	15	3.01
Somewhat challenging	161	32.26	176	35.27
Challenging	253	50.70	429	85.97
Very challenging	70	14.03	499	100.00
Frequency Missing = 69				

Q2.How effective was your high school preparation for college-level work?				
Q2	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Very ineffective	40	8.03	40	8.03
Ineffective	107	21.49	147	29.52
Effective	225	45.18	372	74.70
Very effective	126	25.30	498	100.00
Frequency Missing = 70				

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Q3.During your first year at UK, how often have you used the following?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently		
Question							
a. Study skill advising or workshops	499	45.69	27.25	19.64	7.41	1.89	0.97
b. Financial aid advising	497	62.98	20.12	13.28	3.62	1.58	0.85
c. Student health services	497	42.25	22.94	25.75	9.05	2.02	1.02
d. Student psychological services	499	87.98	5.61	4.41	2.00	1.20	0.61
e. Academic advising online	497	51.91	24.95	17.10	6.04	1.77	0.94
f. Services of academic advisors/counselors	497	6.64	26.76	49.90	16.70	2.77	0.80
g. Career counseling	498	69.88	18.47	9.84	1.81	1.44	0.74
h. Peer tutoring services	499	50.30	17.03	20.04	12.63	1.95	1.10

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Q4.How often did you have the following types of contacts with UK faculty (including TAs, GAs, Lecturers, and Instructors) during your first year?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Never	Seldom	Occasionally	Frequently		
Question							
a. Talked with a faculty member at the end of class	499	6.41	33.67	45.09	14.83	2.68	0.80
b. Met with a faculty member during office hours	499	20.44	38.48	32.67	8.42	2.29	0.89
c. Discussed class-related issues by e-mail or other electronic means	499	2.40	15.63	48.10	33.87	3.13	0.76
d. Talked with a faculty member outside of class	499	20.64	40.08	28.86	10.42	2.29	0.91

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Q5. During your first year of college, how much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses								Mean	StDev
		None	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hours	3-5 hours	6-10 hours	11-15 hours	16-20 hours	Over 20 hours		
Question											
a. Attending classes/labs	498	.	0.20	0.80	3.61	7.43	33.13	44.98	9.84	6.47	0.97
b. Studying/homework	495	0.40	1.41	3.23	18.59	32.93	18.79	12.93	11.72	5.49	1.43
c. Socializing	488	1.02	3.07	7.38	21.52	31.56	17.42	8.81	9.22	5.13	1.51
d. Exercise/sports	489	7.16	19.43	19.84	28.83	18.00	3.68	1.43	1.64	3.56	1.47
e. Entertainment (concerts, theater, music, reading for fun, TV)	498	4.02	12.05	28.31	26.31	16.06	6.43	3.61	3.21	3.88	1.54
f. Participating in UK clubs/groups	499	29.66	16.63	19.04	19.64	9.82	3.41	0.60	1.20	2.82	1.62
g. Volunteering/Community service	493	39.55	30.22	15.82	9.33	2.03	1.42	0.20	1.42	2.16	1.37
h. Using on-line social networking sites	496	5.65	14.92	21.37	27.62	14.72	7.26	3.02	5.44	3.92	1.70
i. Working for pay ON CAMPUS	497	80.48	1.21	0.20	4.23	5.03	5.23	2.21	1.41	1.84	1.82
j. Working for pay OFF CAMPUS	496	79.64	2.42	2.22	2.62	3.23	4.03	1.81	4.03	1.87	1.94
k. Co-curricular activities (student organizations, publications, etc.)	498	49.00	14.66	16.27	12.05	4.42	1.81	0.80	1.00	2.22	1.53
l. Commuting to and from classes or job	499	31.66	20.84	27.66	13.23	2.61	2.20	1.20	0.60	2.49	1.41

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Q6. Compared with when you started your first year, how much progress have you made in the following skills and knowledge?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		No progress	Slight progress	Moderate progress	A lot of progress		
Question							
a. Making effective oral presentations	472	4.66	35.81	40.89	18.64	2.74	0.81
b. Writing effectively	471	8.92	33.97	42.46	14.65	2.63	0.84
c. Understanding the world from a variety of viewpoints	470	8.72	28.51	40.43	22.34	2.76	0.90
d. Using statistical or mathematical reasoning to solve problems	472	17.58	32.84	35.81	13.77	2.46	0.94
e. Appreciating the arts	471	26.11	34.18	27.39	12.31	2.26	0.98
f. Valuing cultural diversity in our society	469	14.93	34.12	33.69	17.27	2.53	0.95
g. Understanding methods and applying principles of reasoning in the natural sciences	470	18.09	32.55	34.68	14.68	2.46	0.95
h. Understanding yourself	469	9.59	23.45	34.54	32.41	2.90	0.97
i. Using computers and information technology	468	12.18	33.76	35.47	18.59	2.60	0.93
j. Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	470	19.15	34.68	31.28	14.89	2.42	0.96
k. Thinking critically and analytically	470	5.53	29.15	42.13	23.19	2.83	0.85
l. Working cooperatively in a group	469	6.82	29.85	43.07	20.26	2.77	0.85

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Q7.Since entering UK, how successful have you been in:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Very unsuccessful	Unsuccessful	Not sure	Successful	Very successful		
Question								
a. Meeting and making friends	473	4.23	5.50	12.47	44.82	32.98	3.97	1.03
b. Adjusting to social environment of the campus	473	3.38	5.29	14.16	45.45	31.71	3.97	0.99
c. Managing your time effectively	472	2.97	10.17	19.70	47.46	19.70	3.71	0.99
d. Developing effective study skills	472	3.81	13.35	20.97	46.19	15.68	3.57	1.03
e. Adjusting to the academic demands of college	473	2.11	10.15	16.28	49.68	21.78	3.79	0.97

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Q8. Where do you live?				
Q8	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
UK residence hall	396	84.43	396	84.43
UK apartment	2	0.43	398	84.86
Private house/condo/apartment	34	7.25	432	92.11
Greek housing	9	1.92	441	94.03
Parents' house	28	5.97	469	100.00
Frequency Missing = 99				

Q9. How many hours OUT OF CLASS per week do you spend on campus?				
Q9	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
None	5	1.06	5	1.06
1-5 hours	52	11.04	57	12.10
6-10 hours	31	6.58	88	18.68
11-15 hours	35	7.43	123	26.11
16-20 hours	27	5.73	150	31.85
Over 20 hours	321	68.15	471	100.00
Frequency Missing = 97				

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Q10.If you don't live at home, how often did you go home in addition to regularly scheduled breaks (such as Thanksgiving, Spring Break, etc.)?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Do not live on campus	Never	Once or twice	3 to 5 times	6 or more times		
Question								
a. During FALL semester	462	7.36	11.90	24.68	31.82	24.24	3.54	1.19
b. During SPRING semester	463	7.99	13.17	31.10	28.94	18.79	3.37	1.16

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Q11.How concerned are you about your ability to pay for your remaining college education?				
Q11	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Not concerned, I am confident I will have enough funds	154	33.05	154	33.05
Somewhat concerned, I probably will have enough funds	193	41.42	347	74.46
Very concerned, not sure I will have enough funds	119	25.54	466	100.00
Frequency Missing = 102				

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Q12.How would you rate your first year experience in each of the following aspects at UK?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Question							
a. Overall quality of instruction	463	3.24	19.87	58.96	17.93	2.92	0.71
b. Individual attention from instructors	463	9.72	31.75	43.84	14.69	2.63	0.85
c. Willingness of faculty to meet with students	463	1.51	15.12	49.89	33.48	3.15	0.72
d. Academic challenges in your courses	462	1.95	16.02	54.55	27.49	3.08	0.71
e. Intellectual atmosphere on campus	463	9.50	22.46	49.03	19.01	2.78	0.86
f. First year programs (honors program, first-year seminars, undergraduate research, learning communities, etc.)	462	10.39	28.35	43.07	18.18	2.69	0.89
g. Opportunities for community service/volunteering	463	9.29	30.24	41.90	18.57	2.70	0.88
h. Student leadership opportunities	463	7.78	29.37	43.84	19.01	2.74	0.85
i. Opportunities for co-curricular and extracurricular activities	462	3.90	20.78	45.24	30.09	3.02	0.82
j. Opportunities for getting to know other students and having active social life	463	6.91	15.33	43.41	34.34	3.05	0.88

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Q13.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	461	4.34	8.89	9.98	46.42	30.37	3.90	1.07
b. Was accessible when I needed help	461	3.90	7.59	7.38	45.12	36.01	4.02	1.04
c. Is someone I would recommend to other students	461	6.51	6.72	14.97	30.80	41.00	3.93	1.19

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Q14.How satisfied are you with the following facilities and services:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses						Mean	StDev
		No Experience /Can't Rate	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied		
Question									
a. Classroom facilities	465	0.43	1.29	8.17	30.32	50.11	9.68	4.57	0.86
b. Computer labs	465	20.00	0.65	4.73	20.65	38.71	15.27	4.03	1.70
c. Library facilities and services	465	3.01	0.43	1.08	7.74	43.23	44.52	5.21	1.02
d. Library online services	459	14.16	0.65	3.27	18.08	39.87	23.97	4.41	1.59
e. Lab facilities and equipment	462	23.81	7.36	7.58	18.83	31.39	11.04	3.60	1.76
f. Financial aid services	461	26.03	4.34	9.98	23.21	26.25	10.20	3.50	1.74
g. Academic advising services	462	0.65	4.55	7.36	17.75	41.77	27.92	4.79	1.11
h. Career Services	459	46.84	0.87	2.18	21.35	19.83	8.93	2.93	1.92
i. Student health services	463	31.32	1.08	3.24	12.96	30.24	21.17	3.73	2.00
j. Psychological/Personal Counseling Services	464	65.95	0.86	1.29	15.09	11.42	5.39	2.21	1.77
k. Peer tutoring services	463	47.52	0.65	1.73	15.12	21.17	13.82	3.03	2.04
l. Writing Center	463	58.75	0.65	1.73	15.55	14.69	8.64	2.53	1.91
m. Academic Enhancement Services (The Study)	465	50.97	1.08	3.23	13.98	15.05	15.70	2.88	2.05
n. Campus housing	464	10.34	20.69	20.26	18.32	23.06	7.33	3.45	1.48
o. Recreational facilities	464	12.50	0.65	2.37	11.21	40.95	32.33	4.64	1.57

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Q15.Overall, how satisfied or dissatisfied were you with your first year of college?				
Q15	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Very Dissatisfied	15	3.23	15	3.23
Dissatisfied	36	7.74	51	10.97
Neutral	68	14.62	119	25.59
Satisfied	215	46.24	334	71.83
Very Satisfied	131	28.17	465	100.00
Frequency Missing = 103				

Q16.What are your plans for next fall?				
Q16	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Return to UK	426	92.01	426	92.01
Take a break from college and return later	4	0.86	430	92.87
Attend another institution	33	7.13	463	100.00
Frequency Missing = 105				

Q17.If you could start college again, would you enroll at UK?				
Q17	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Definitely not	15	3.23	15	3.23
Probably not	74	15.91	89	19.14
Probably yes	181	38.92	270	58.06
Definitely yes	195	41.94	465	100.00
Frequency Missing = 103				

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College_Name				
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Agriculture	64	11.27	64	11.27
Arts & Sciences	133	23.42	197	34.68
Business and Economics	45	7.92	242	42.61
Communication and Information	23	4.05	265	46.65
Design	12	2.11	277	48.77
Education	29	5.11	306	53.87
Engineering	89	15.67	395	69.54
Fine Arts	15	2.64	410	72.18
Health Sciences	18	3.17	428	75.35
Nursing	28	4.93	456	80.28
Social Work	3	0.53	459	80.81
Undergraduate Studies	109	19.19	568	100.00