



**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON CAMPUS  
SURVEY OF GRADATE ALUMNI  
1996-97 GRADUATING CLASS**

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**TABLE 1**  
**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON CAMPUS**  
**SURVEY OF GRADUATE ALUMNI**  
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**CURRENT STATUS**

CURRENT EDUCATION STATUS	NUMBER OF RESPONSES	PERCENT RESPONDING
<b>Have you enrolled at a college or university since graduating from UK?</b>		
No	365	84.5
Yes, part-time	36	8.3
Yes, full-time	31	7.2
<b>If yes, what is your current degree objective?</b>		
Undergraduate degree	5	9.1
Master's or Education Specialist	21	38.2
Ed.D.	2	3.6
Ph.D.	21	38.2
Professional degree (e.g., medicine, law)	6	10.9
<b>What is your employment status?</b>		
Employed full-time (35 or more hours per week)	366	85.1
Employed part-time (less than 35 hours per week)	40	9.3
Unemployed, currently seeking employment	7	1.6

<b>CURRENT EDUCATION STATUS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RESPONSES</b>	<b>PERCENT RESPONDING</b>
Unemployed, NOT seeking employment	17	4.0
<b>If you are employed, to what extent is your current position related to your graduate education?</b>		
It is <i>directly</i> related to my graduate education	299	73.8
It is <i>somewhat</i> related to my graduate education	75	18.5
It is <i>not</i> related to my graduate education	31	7.7
<b>If your current position is NOT related to your graduate education, which statement best describes your situation?</b>		
I found a more desirable position in another field	6	19.4
I was unable to find a position related to my graduate education	12	38.7
I have not seriously looked for a position related to my graduate education	6	19.4
Other	7	22.6
<b>Which of these best describes the environment where you are employed?</b>		
Elementary, middle, or secondary school	50	12.7
Post-secondary technical school or two-year college	10	2.5
Four-year college or university	58	14.7
Research university	35	8.9
Business or industry	95	24.1
Government or non-profit organization	74	18.8
Hospital or health care organization	49	12.4

<b>CURRENT EDUCATION STATUS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RESPONSES</b>	<b>PERCENT RESPONDING</b>
<b>Self-employed</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2.5</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3.3</b>
<b>May we have permission to ask your employer to evaluate the preparation you received at U.K. for your present position?</b>		
<b>No</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>45.4</b>
<b>Yes</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>54.3</b>

**TABLE 2**  
**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON CAMPUS**  
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**FINANCIAL AID RECEIVED**

FINANCIAL AID RECEIVED	NUMBER OF RESPONSES	PERCENT RESPONDING
<b>During most semesters at the university, what type of aid did you receive?</b>		
<b>Research or graduate assistantships</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>27.4</b>
<b>Teaching assistantship (without independent teaching section)</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>11.6</b>
<b>Fellowship</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>Grants or loans</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>22.5</b>
<b>None</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>32.9</b>

**TABLE 3**  
**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON CAMPUS**  
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**QUALITY OF GRADUATE EDUCATION**

<b>How would you characterize the quality of the following aspects of your graduate education</b>	<b>Number of Responses</b>	<b>Poor (1)</b>	<b>Fair (2)</b>	<b>Good (3)</b>	<b>Excellent (4)</b>	<b>Mean</b>
<b>Instruction in my program</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>1.87</b>	<b>13.35</b>	<b>54.33</b>	<b>30.44</b>	<b>3.13</b>
<b>Preparation to conduct research</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>6.45</b>	<b>31.27</b>	<b>40.94</b>	<b>21.34</b>	<b>2.77</b>
<b>Prepare to teach</b>	<b>408</b>	<b>3.92</b>	<b>23.53</b>	<b>47.30</b>	<b>25.25</b>	<b>2.94</b>
<b>Advising on my thesis/dissertation</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>8.71</b>	<b>16.67</b>	<b>38.26</b>	<b>36.36</b>	<b>3.02</b>
<b>Availability of required courses</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>3.72</b>	<b>18.14</b>	<b>48.37</b>	<b>29.77</b>	<b>3.04</b>
<b>Availability of courses in my specialty area</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>9.51</b>	<b>23.17</b>	<b>40.24</b>	<b>27.07</b>	<b>2.85</b>
<b>Mentoring that assisted my obtaining employment</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>29.08</b>	<b>25.52</b>	<b>23.74</b>	<b>21.66</b>	<b>2.38</b>
<b>Quality of curriculum in providing job related skills and knowledge</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>7.67</b>	<b>27.82</b>	<b>42.45</b>	<b>22.06</b>	<b>2.79</b>
<b>The department was characterized by mutual respect between students and professors</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>6.56</b>	<b>16.39</b>	<b>38.17</b>	<b>38.88</b>	<b>3.09</b>

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<b>The department actively helped me find appropriate employment or pursue further study</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>40.18</b>	<b>21.75</b>	<b>22.96</b>	<b>15.11</b>	<b>2.13</b>
<b>Overall graduate experience</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>3.03</b>	<b>18.88</b>	<b>51.75</b>	<b>26.34</b>	<b>3.01</b>

**TABLE 4**  
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**QUALITY OR AVAILABILITY OF ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

<b>How satisfied were you with the quality or availability of the following academic support services?</b>	<b>Number of Responses</b>	<b>Very Dissatisfied (1)</b>	<b>Dissatisfied (2)</b>	<b>Satisfied (3)</b>	<b>Very Satisfied (4)</b>	<b>Mean</b>
<b>Availability of computing resources</b>	388	2.84	11.86	62.11	23.20	3.06
<b>Adequacy of library holdings for my program</b>	422	3.08	10.66	60.66	25.59	3.09
<b>Opportunities to interact with faculty</b>	429	1.40	9.56	50.58	38.46	3.26



**TABLE 5**  
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**PREPARATION RECEIVED IN PROGRAM**

Which of the following best reflects your opinion about the preparation received in your program?	Number of Responses	Strongly Disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Neutral (3)	Agree (4)	Strongly Agree (5)	Mean
My course work prepared me for my qualifying examinations	370	2.16	3.78	13.51	51.08	29.46	4.02
I am well prepared to teach	352	1.99	10.80	23.58	39.20	24.43	3.73
A faculty member took a special interest in my progress	418	5.50	11.72	14.59	31.10	37.08	3.83
I was informed about my academic progress or problems on a timely basis	425	3.29	5.41	15.76	45.65	29.88	3.93
Financial aid was awarded fairly in my program	301	7.97	8.64	22.59	36.88	23.92	3.60

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**TABLE 6**  
**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY LEXINGTON CAMPUS**  
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**DIVERSITY ISSUES**

Please assess the extent to which you believe the UK academic/social climate is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student populations	Number of Responses	Very Discriminatory (1)	Discriminatory (2)	Supportive (3)	Very Supportive (4)	Mean
<b>Academic Climate</b>						
<b>Women</b>	<b>360</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>5.28</b>	<b>52.78</b>	<b>41.39</b>	<b>3.35</b>
<b>Men</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>.</b>	<b>4.26</b>	<b>55.78</b>	<b>39.60</b>	<b>3.35</b>
<b>African Americans</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>.</b>	<b>1.48</b>	<b>47.48</b>	<b>51.04</b>	<b>3.50</b>
<b>Other racial minorities</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>1.53</b>	<b>49.08</b>	<b>49.08</b>	<b>3.47</b>
<b>International students</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>1.54</b>	<b>6.79</b>	<b>54.63</b>	<b>37.34</b>	<b>3.27</b>
<b>Disabled students</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>2.26</b>	<b>11.29</b>	<b>54.84</b>	<b>31.61</b>	<b>3.16</b>
<b>Gay/Lesbian students</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>1.57</b>	<b>5.97</b>	<b>57.86</b>	<b>34.59</b>	<b>3.25</b>
<b>Social Climate</b>						
<b>Women</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>1.94</b>	<b>11.61</b>	<b>55.16</b>	<b>31.29</b>	<b>3.16</b>
<b>Men</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>0.92</b>	<b>3.07</b>	<b>57.06</b>	<b>38.96</b>	<b>3.34</b>
<b>African Americans</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>8.71</b>	<b>55.48</b>	<b>34.19</b>	<b>3.22</b>

<b>Please assess the extent to which you believe the UK academic/social climate is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student populations</b>	<b>Number of Responses</b>	<b>Very Discriminatory (1)</b>	<b>Discriminatory (2)</b>	<b>Supportive (3)</b>	<b>Very Supportive (4)</b>	<b>Mean</b>
<b>Other racial minorities</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>0.67</b>	<b>7.00</b>	<b>59.33</b>	<b>33.00</b>	<b>3.25</b>
<b>International students</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>8.56</b>	<b>60.27</b>	<b>29.79</b>	<b>3.18</b>
<b>Disabled students</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>1.95</b>	<b>8.59</b>	<b>65.23</b>	<b>24.22</b>	<b>3.12</b>
<b>Gay/Lesbian students</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>3.17</b>	<b>15.87</b>	<b>56.75</b>	<b>24.21</b>	<b>3.02</b>

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**TABLE 7**  
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**COLLEGE WHILE ATTENDING UK**

COLLEGE WHILE ATTENDING UK	NUMBER OF RESPONSES	PERCENT OF RESPONDENTS
College of Agriculture	23	5.3
College of Allied Health	13	3.0
College of Arts and Sciences	45	10.4
College of Business and Economics	41	9.5
College of Communications and Information Studies	37	8.6
College of Dentistry	1	0.2
College of Education	83	19.2
College of Engineering	34	7.9
College of Fine Arts	8	1.9
Graduate Medical Sector	11	2.5
College of Human Environmental Sciences	13	3.0
Graduate Lexington Campus	24	5.6
	16	3.7

<b>COLLEGE WHILE ATTENDING UK</b>	<b>NUMBER OF RESPONSES</b>	<b>PERCENT OF RESPONDENTS</b>
<b>Medicine</b>		
<b>College of Nursing</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>5.1</b>
<b>College of Pharmacy</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1.4</b>
<b>College of Social Work</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>12.7</b>

