

Entering Student Survey Results Spring 2006

1. Which statement below reflects YOUR CURRENT GOALS?

Response	Frequency	Percent
To take a few courses but NOT earn a Degree, Diploma or	1	0.5%
To complete an Associate Degree, Diploma or Certificate	119	58.0%
To complete an Associate Degree AND go on to earn a	58	28.3%
To take a few courses then TRANSFER to a University	16	7.8%
I am uncertain about completing a Degree, or Certificate	11	5.4%

2. I plan to (select one):

Response	Frequency	Percent
Enroll for only this semester	1	0.5%
Enroll for this semester AND the next semester	16	7.8%
Enroll every semester until I reach my goal	182	88.8%
Unsure about future enrollment	6	2.9%

3. Do you have access to a personal computer, either at home or at work, that you can use for school work?

Response	Frequency	Percent
Yes	189	92.2%
No	16	7.8%

4. If yes, do you have access to the Internet from the computer with e-mail access?

Response	Frequency	Percent
Yes	174	87.0%
No	26	13.0%

5. While attending college, I plan to work:

Response	Frequency	Percent
Not at all	53	26.0%
1 - 20 hours per week	66	32.4%
21 - 39 hours per week	55	27.0%
40 hours per week	26	12.7%
More than 40 hours per week	4	2.0%

6. To increase my general knowledge and understanding of the world.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	161	78.5%
Somewhat Important	44	21.5%
Not important	0	0.0%

7. To decide on a career goal.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	180	88.2%
Somewhat Important	20	9.8%
Not important	4	2.0%

8. To develop or improve skills required in my current job.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	94	45.9%
Somewhat Important	45	22.0%
Not important	66	32.2%

9. To help me obtain a raise or promotion.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	90	43.9%
Somewhat Important	51	24.9%
Not important	64	31.2%

10. To help me prepare for a new career.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	196	95.6%
Somewhat Important	7	3.4%
Not important	2	1.0%

11. To be with others who want to learn.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	141	68.8%
Somewhat Important	51	24.9%
Not important	13	6.3%

12. To increase my self confidence.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	146	71.6%
Somewhat Important	51	25.0%
Not important	7	3.4%

13. To become more self reliant.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	167	81.9%
Somewhat Important	32	15.7%
Not important	5	2.5%

14. To improve my academic skills before going to a large university.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	90	44.1%
Somewhat Important	57	27.9%
Not important	57	27.9%

15. Costs less than other colleges.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	100	48.8%
Somewhat Important	69	33.7%
Not important	36	17.6%

16. I could not leave the area due to family obligations.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	121	59.3%
Somewhat Important	43	21.1%
Not important	40	19.6%

17. I can keep my job and still go to college.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	101	49.5%
Somewhat Important	41	20.1%
Not important	62	30.4%

18. My grades were too low to get into another college or university.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	19	9.3%
Somewhat Important	36	17.6%
Not important	150	73.2%

19. The college offers the courses I want.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	160	78.0%
Somewhat Important	37	18.0%
Not important	8	3.9%

20. The college has a reputation for good teaching/training.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	163	79.5%
Somewhat Important	36	17.6%
Not important	6	2.9%

21. Classes are small and more personal.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	155	75.6%
Somewhat Important	43	21.0%
Not important	7	3.4%

22. The college is close to my home.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	173	84.8%
Somewhat Important	28	13.7%
Not important	3	1.5%

23. My family wanted me to come here.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	38	18.5%
Somewhat Important	66	32.2%
Not important	101	49.3%

24. I can take courses at night.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	60	29.6%
Somewhat Important	72	35.5%
Not important	71	35.0%

25. I can take courses on weekends.

Response	Frequency	Percent
Very Important	38	18.5%
Somewhat Important	74	36.1%
Not important	93	45.4%

26. If there had not been a Community or Technical College in the area, I probably would (mark one):

Response	Frequency	Percent
Not attend college at all	89	43.6%
Go to one of the state Universities	70	34.3%
Go to a private college	16	7.8%
Go to a private technical college	22	10.8%
Go to an out-of-state college or university.	7	3.4%

27. Check any statement which is true for your family or parents.

Response	Frequency	Percent
I am the first person in my immediate family to go to college.	135	69.6%
One or both of my parents or guardians went to college but did	32	16.5%
One or both of my parents or guardians earned an associate	18	9.3%
One or both of my parents or guardians earned a Bachelor's	11	5.7%

28. What is your total annual income?

Response	Frequency	Percent
less than \$10,000	113	55.9%
\$10,000-\$14,999	49	24.3%
\$15,000-\$19,999	12	5.9%
\$20,000-\$24,999	21	10.4%
more than \$25,000	7	3.5%

29. What is your total family household income?

Response	Frequency	Percent
less than \$10,000	49	24.4%
\$10,000-\$14,999	50	24.9%
\$15,000-\$19,999	20	10.0%
\$20,000-\$24,999	22	10.9%
more than \$25,000	60	29.9%

30. Which of the following best describes the household in which you currently reside? Are you living...

Response	Frequency	Percent
with parents or grandparents	60	29.6%
with spouse	17	8.4%
with spouse and children	57	28.1%
with children	44	21.7%
other (Skip to Question 32)	25	12.3%

31. OTHER THAN YOURSELF, how many people rely on you for ALL or MOST of their financial support?

Response	Frequency	Percent
0	78	41.1%
1	38	20.0%
2	46	24.2%
3	14	7.4%
4 or more	14	7.4%

32. How many people live in your household?

Response	Frequency	Percent
0	2	1.0%
1	15	7.3%
2	41	20.0%
3	72	35.1%
4 or more	75	36.6%

33. Which of the following media:

Response	Frequency	Percent
Internet	44	22.3%
Television	6	3.0%
Radio	17	8.6%
Newspaper	26	13.2%
Brochure	104	52.8%

34. Which of the following people:

Response	Frequency	Percent
Faculty or staff member	15	7.5%
High school counselor or instructor	27	13.4%
Parents	26	12.9%
Friend or other relative	123	61.2%
Coworker or supervisor	10	5.0%