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THESIS / SURVEY STREAM

Is your program research-based, under the supervision of a research director/advisor, or is it more course-based without the same level of supervision? * **Response Required.**

Response	[THESIS]		[ACTUAL_STREAM]	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor << LONG STREAM	95.9%	93	95.9%	93
2. Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor << MEDIUM STREAM	1.0%	1	1.0%	1
3. Mainly course-based << SHORT STREAM	3.1%	3	3.1%	3
	Valid Responses		Valid	97
	Total Responses		Total	97

SECTION 1 - EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Q1: At which degree level are you currently enrolled?

Response	[DEGREE_SELF_REPORT]		[UNIV_PROGRAM_LEVEL]	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Master's	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
2. Doctoral	100.0%	97	100.0%	97
Not answered/Not available		0		0
	Valid Responses		Valid	97
	Total Responses		Total	97

Q2: In what disciplinary area are you pursuing your degree? [DISCIPLINE_COMBINED]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Humanities	9.3%	9
2. Fine and Applied Arts	0.0%	0
3. Social Sciences	16.5%	16
4. Business/Management	0.0%	0
5. Education	25.8%	25
6. Engineering	0.0%	0
7. Physical and Mathematical Sciences	13.4%	13
8. Environmental Science	0.0%	0
9. Biological Sciences	16.5%	16
10. Health Science	17.5%	17
11. Library & Information Sciences (Short only)	0.0%	0
12. Architecture/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design/Planning (Short only)	0.0%	0
13. Journalism (Short only)	0.0%	0
14. Public Administration/Public Policy/International Relations (Short only)	0.0%	0
15. Social Work (Short only)	0.0%	0
16. Law (Short only)	0.0%	0
17. Arts & Culture (Short only)	0.0%	0
18. Finance/Mathematics/Computing (Short only)	0.0%	0
19. Other (specified) (Short only)	1.0%	1
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

Q3: What is your current year of study?

Response	[YEARSTUDY]		[UNIV_YEARSTUDY]	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1st year	9.3%	9	12.4%	12
2nd year	15.5%	15	17.5%	17
3rd year	19.6%	19	19.6%	19
4th year	26.8%	26	24.7%	24
5th year	17.5%	17	11.3%	11
6th year or above	11.3%	11	14.4%	14
Not Answered/Not Available		0		0
	Valid Responses		Valid	97
	Total Responses		Total	97

Q4: What is your current status in your graduate program? [STATUS]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. I am still taking courses (All Streams)	20.6%	20
2. I have completed coursework (All Streams)	20.6%	20
3. I have passed qualifying exams/paper (Long & Medium)	20.6%	20
4. I have had my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted (Long & Medium)	27.8%	27
5. I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper (Long & Medium)	10.3%	10
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

Q5: What was your primary reason for enrolling in your program? [PRIM_REASON]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career in academia	51.5%	50
2. To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career outside of academia	11.3%	11
3. To satisfy my interest in the field, regardless of career prospects	33.0%	32
4. Other (specified)	4.1%	4
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

Q6: Do you expect to graduate by the end of the current academic year? [GRADUATE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	33.0%	32
2. No	67.0%	65
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

Other: Program/Degree Level, for Reporting (calculated, utilizing combined data) [UNIV_DEGREE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Doctoral	100.0%	97
2. Master's - With Thesis	0.0%	0
3. Master's - Without Thesis	0.0%	0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

Other: Academic Load (uploaded data) [UNIV_ACADLOAD]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Full-Time	84.5%	82
2. Part-Time	15.5%	15
Not Available		0
Valid Responses		97
Total Responses		97

SECTION 2 - GENERAL SATISFACTION

Q7 and Q8: Please select your response to the following statements. (All Streams, except #5)

		Definitely (5)	Probably (4)	Maybe (3)	Probably not (2)	Definitely not (1)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select this same university? [StartOver_Univ] <i>Response included if this question (or later) has been answered.</i>	Count	27	32	25	7	6	97	3.691
	% by Row	27.8%	33.0%	25.8%	7.2%	6.2%	100.0%	
2. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select the same field of study? [StartOver_Field]	Count	56	27	8	3	3	97	4.340
	% by Row	57.7%	27.8%	8.2%	3.1%	3.1%	100.0%	
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program? [StartOver_Program]	Count	35	31	19	7	4	96	3.896
	% by Row	36.5%	32.3%	19.8%	7.3%	4.2%	100.0%	
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field? [StartOver_OtherField]	Count	11	34	37	10	5	97	3.371
	% by Row	11.3%	35.1%	38.1%	10.3%	5.2%	100.0%	
5. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same faculty supervisor? (Long Stream only) [StartOver_Supervisor]	Count	59	12	11	5	5	92	4.250
	% by Row	64.1%	13.0%	12.0%	5.4%	5.4%	100.0%	

SECTION 3 - SATISFACTION WITH PROGRAM, QUALITY OF INTERACTIONS, AND COURSEWORK

Q9: Please rate the following dimensions of your program. (All Streams)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. The intellectual quality of the faculty [ProgRate_Faculty]	Count	40	35	16	2	3	96	4.115
	% by Row	41.7%	36.5%	16.7%	2.1%	3.1%	100.0%	
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students [ProgRate_Students]	Count	22	43	20	7	4	96	3.750
	% by Row	22.9%	44.8%	20.8%	7.3%	4.2%	100.0%	
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students [ProgRate_Relation]	Count	23	29	27	10	6	95	3.558
	% by Row	24.2%	30.5%	28.4%	10.5%	6.3%	100.0%	
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty [ProgRate_Teaching]	Count	25	30	30	6	5	96	3.667
	% by Row	26.0%	31.3%	31.3%	6.3%	5.2%	100.0%	
5. Advice on the availability of financial support [ProgRate_FundingAdv]	Count	10	24	21	25	15	95	2.884
	% by Row	10.5%	25.3%	22.1%	26.3%	15.8%	100.0%	
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance [ProgRate_Advising]	Count	26	21	28	14	7	96	3.469
	% by Row	27.1%	21.9%	29.2%	14.6%	7.3%	100.0%	
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program [ProgRate_Staff]	Count	34	30	15	10	6	95	3.800
	% by Row	35.8%	31.6%	15.8%	10.5%	6.3%	100.0%	
8. Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program [ProgRate_CourseAvail]	Count	14	24	26	15	14	93	3.097
	% by Row	15.1%	25.8%	28.0%	16.1%	15.1%	100.0%	
9. Quality of instruction in my courses [ProgRate_Teaching2]	Count	23	28	32	9	4	96	3.594
	% by Row	24.0%	29.2%	33.3%	9.4%	4.2%	100.0%	
10. Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals [ProgRate_Fit]	Count	25	28	24	10	8	95	3.547
	% by Row	26.3%	29.5%	25.3%	10.5%	8.4%	100.0%	
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork [ProgRate_Teamwork]	Count	14	25	29	14	14	96	3.115
	% by Row	14.6%	26.0%	30.2%	14.6%	14.6%	100.0%	
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department [ProgRate_CourseOut]	Count	16	21	28	19	10	94	3.149
	% by Row	17.0%	22.3%	29.8%	20.2%	10.6%	100.0%	
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work [ProgRate_Interdiscipline]	Count	17	20	28	18	12	95	3.126
	% by Row	17.9%	21.1%	29.5%	18.9%	12.6%	100.0%	
14. Amount of coursework [ProgRate_Workload]	Count	9	48	26	11	2	96	3.531
	% by Row	9.4%	50.0%	27.1%	11.5%	2.1%	100.0%	

SECTION 4 - PROFESSIONAL SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Q10: How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas? (Long and Medium Streams only)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Courses, workshops, or orientation on teaching [ProfSkill_Teaching]	Count	13	22	20	9	5	19	5	93	3.420
	% by Row	18.8%	31.9%	29.0%	13.0%	7.2%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations [ProfSkill_Exams]	Count	8	9	11	8	17	21	19	93	2.679
	% by Row	15.1%	17.0%	20.8%	15.1%	32.1%			100.0%	
3. Feedback on your research [ProfSkill_Feedback]	Count	26	23	19	13	9	1	2	93	3.489
	% by Row	28.9%	25.6%	21.1%	14.4%	10.0%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on standards for academic writing in your field [ProfSkill_WriteSTD2]	Count	6	24	18	9	11	18	6	92	3.074
	% by Row	8.8%	35.3%	26.5%	13.2%	16.2%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals [ProfSkill_WriteGrant]	Count	6	15	16	11	15	24	6	93	2.778
	% by Row	9.5%	23.8%	25.4%	17.5%	23.8%			100.0%	
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work [ProfSkill_Publish]	Count	11	12	12	11	17	24	5	92	2.825
	% by Row	17.5%	19.0%	19.0%	17.5%	27.0%			100.0%	
7. Advice/workshops on job searching (CV prep, interview skills, etc.) [ProfSkill_JobHunt]	Count	6	13	13	13	12	26	10	93	2.789
	% by Row	10.5%	22.8%	22.8%	22.8%	21.1%			100.0%	

Q11: How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas? (Long and Medium Streams only)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Advice/workshops on career options within academia [ProfSkill_CareerAcad]	Count	9	12	17	15	11	20	8	92	2.891
	% by Row	14.1%	18.8%	26.6%	23.4%	17.2%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options outside academia [ProfSkill_CareerOth]	Count	1	7	10	21	22	22	9	92	2.082
	% by Row	1.6%	11.5%	16.4%	34.4%	36.1%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops about research positions [ProfSkill_ResPos]	Count	5	9	13	14	17	26	8	92	2.500
	% by Row	8.6%	15.5%	22.4%	24.1%	29.3%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research [ProfSkill_HumanEthic]	Count	5	19	17	12	8	15	14	90	3.016
	% by Row	8.2%	31.1%	27.9%	19.7%	13.1%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals [ProfSkill_AnimEthic]	Count	3	5	7	9	10	16	42	92	2.471
	% by Row	8.8%	14.7%	20.6%	26.5%	29.4%			100.0%	
6. Advice on intellectual property issues [ProfSkill_IP]	Count	1	15	21	11	14	20	10	92	2.645
	% by Row	1.6%	24.2%	33.9%	17.7%	22.6%			100.0%	

Q12: How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas? (Short Stream only)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Advice/workshops on the standards for writing in your profession [ProfSkill_WriteSTD]	Count	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	2.333
	% by Row	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options [ProfSkill_Career]	Count	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	1.667
	% by Row	0.0%	0.0%	33.3%	0.0%	66.7%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops on professional ethics [ProfSkill_ProfEthic]	Count	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	3.667
	% by Row	0.0%	66.7%	33.3%	0.0%	0.0%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on job preparation and professional practice [ProfSkill_ProfPractice]	Count	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.500
	% by Row	0.0%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%			100.0%	
5. Opportunities for internships, practicum, and experiential learning as part of the program [ProfSkill_Internship]	Count	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	1.500
	% by Row	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%	50.0%			100.0%	
6. Opportunities for contact (lectures, seminars, discussion) with practicing professionals [ProfSkill_Contact]	Count	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	3	2.333
	% by Row	0.0%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	33.3%			100.0%	

SECTION 5 - RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Q13: How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas? (All Streams)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Conducting independent research since starting your graduate program [ResExp_Independent]	Count	29	29	14	12	9	2	1	96	3.613
	% by Row	31.2%	31.2%	15.1%	12.9%	9.7%			100.0%	
2. Training in research methods before beginning your own research [ResExp_Method]	Count	22	23	19	14	12	2	4	96	3.322
	% by Row	24.4%	25.6%	21.1%	15.6%	13.3%			100.0%	
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic [ResExp_Guidance]	Count	32	32	15	7	8	0	1	95	3.777
	% by Row	34.0%	34.0%	16.0%	7.4%	8.5%			100.0%	

Q14: How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas? (Long and Medium Streams only)

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
4. Research collaboration with one or more faculty members (Long and Medium only) [ResExp_Collaboration]	Count	26	20	9	9	18	5	4	91	3.329
	% by Row	31.7%	24.4%	11.0%	11.0%	22.0%			100.0%	
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal (Long and Medium only) [ResExp_WriteGrant]	Count	12	15	15	6	16	15	12	91	3.016
	% by Row	18.8%	23.4%	23.4%	9.4%	25.0%			100.0%	

SECTION 6 - PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Q15: Please select if the following occurs in your department (All Streams)

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		Yes (1)	No (2)	Total	0	1	2	3	4+	Total
1. Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research OCCURRED = [PresPub_Seminar] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Seminar]	Count	78	17	95	12	9	10	5	39	75
	% by Row	82.1%	17.9%	100.0%	16.0%	12.0%	13.3%	6.7%	52.0%	100.0%
2. Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_FundMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_FundMeet]	Count	66	29	95	15	14	10	10	14	63
	% by Row	69.5%	30.5%	100.0%	23.8%	22.2%	15.9%	15.9%	22.2%	100.0%
3. Attend national scholarly meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_NatlMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_NatlMeet]	Count	69	26	95	13	16	14	5	20	68
	% by Row	72.6%	27.4%	100.0%	19.1%	23.5%	20.6%	7.4%	29.4%	100.0%

Q16: Please select if the following occurs in your department (Long Stream only)

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		Yes (1)	No (2)	Total	0	1	2	3	4+	Total
4. Deliver any papers or present a poster at national scholarly meetings (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_PresMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_PresMeet]	Count	80	9	89	6	14	20	7	32	79
	% by Row	89.9%	10.1%	100.0%	7.6%	17.7%	25.3%	8.9%	40.5%	100.0%
5. Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_CoAuth] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_CoAuth]	Count	59	31	90	7	16	11	5	19	58
	% by Row	65.6%	34.4%	100.0%	12.1%	27.6%	19.0%	8.6%	32.8%	100.0%
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_Author] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Author]	Count	63	27	90	7	22	15	4	14	62
	% by Row	70.0%	30.0%	100.0%	11.3%	35.5%	24.2%	6.5%	22.6%	100.0%

SECTION 7 - ADVISOR AND THESIS / DISSERTATION / RESEARCH PAPER

Q17: Thesis/Dissertation advisors engage in a variety of mentoring activities. For each of the following statements, indicate the extent that it DESCRIBES THE BEHAVIOUR of your advisor. (Long Stream only)

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Total	Mean (out of 4)
1. My advisor was knowledgeable about formal degree requirements [Advisor_DegReq]	Count	52	27	7	2	88	3.466
	% by Row	59.1%	30.7%	8.0%	2.3%	100.0%	
2. My advisor served as my advocate when necessary [Advisor_Advocate]	Count	60	21	2	2	85	3.635
	% by Row	70.6%	24.7%	2.4%	2.4%	100.0%	
3. My advisor gave me constructive feedback on my work [Advisor_Feedback]	Count	60	23	3	2	88	3.602
	% by Row	68.2%	26.1%	3.4%	2.3%	100.0%	
4. My advisor returned my work promptly [Advisor_Promptly]	Count	57	24	6	1	88	3.557
	% by Row	64.8%	27.3%	6.8%	1.1%	100.0%	
5. My advisor promoted my professional development [Advisor_ProfDev]	Count	55	23	8	2	88	3.489
	% by Row	62.5%	26.1%	9.1%	2.3%	100.0%	
6. My advisor overall, performed the role well [Advisor_Role]	Count	58	22	5	3	88	3.534
	% by Row	65.9%	25.0%	5.7%	3.4%	100.0%	
7. My advisor was available for regular meetings [Advisor_Available]	Count	55	26	4	1	86	3.570
	% by Row	64.0%	30.2%	4.7%	1.2%	100.0%	
8. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams [Advisor_WrittenEx]	Count	43	29	10	2	84	3.345
	% by Row	51.2%	34.5%	11.9%	2.4%	100.0%	
9. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam [Advisor_OralEx]	Count	42	30	9	2	83	3.349
	% by Row	50.6%	36.1%	10.8%	2.4%	100.0%	
10. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic [Advisor_DissTop]	Count	54	26	3	5	88	3.466
	% by Row	61.4%	29.5%	3.4%	5.7%	100.0%	
11. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal [Advisor_ResProp]	Count	51	27	5	1	84	3.524
	% by Row	60.7%	32.1%	6.0%	1.2%	100.0%	
12. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation [Advisor_DissWrite]	Count	45	26	8	1	80	3.438
	% by Row	56.3%	32.5%	10.0%	1.3%	100.0%	
13. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee [Advisor_DissCmtee]	Count	51	24	5	2	82	3.512
	% by Row	62.2%	29.3%	6.1%	2.4%	100.0%	
14. My advisor encouraged discussions about current job market and various career prospects [Advisor_JobMarket]	Count	36	30	13	5	84	3.155
	% by Row	42.9%	35.7%	15.5%	6.0%	100.0%	

Q18: On average, how often per month do you meet or communicate with your dissertation advisor about:

Response	[DisResults]		[DisDraft]	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Four or more times (at least once a week)	47.1%	41	25.9%	21
2. One to three times (at least once a month)	41.4%	36	50.6%	41
3. Less than once a month	11.5%	10	23.5%	19
	Valid Responses	87	Valid	81
	Total Responses	87	Total	81

Q19: Do you have an advisory committee? [AdvCmtee]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	86.0%	74
2. No	14.0%	12
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		86
Total Responses		87

Q20: Please specify which statement(s) best describe your situation (check all that apply): (If Q19='Yes')

Response	Frequency	Count
1. My advisory committee expects to receive from me a written progress report, at least once a year [AdvCmtee_ProgRep]	33.8%	25
2. I am expected to meet at least annually with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_AnnMeet]	56.8%	42
3. I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_Met]	71.6%	53
Valid Responses		74
Total Responses		74

Q21: How have you interacted with your advisory committee? (If Q20 'I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee' is selected) [AdvCmtee_Interact]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. In a formal meeting	90.6%	48
2. Through email or telephonic contact (no formal meeting)	9.4%	5
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		53
Total Responses		53

Q22: Up to now, I have found my advisory committee's feedback constructive and useful. (If Q20 'I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee' is selected) [AdvCmtee_Useful]

Response	Frequency	Count	Mean (out of 4)
Strongly agree = 4	54.7%	29	3.434
Agree = 3	35.8%	19	
Disagree = 2	7.5%	4	
Strongly disagree = 1	1.9%	1	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		53	
Total Responses		53	

SECTION 8 - FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Q23: Please check all of the following forms of support you received while you have been enrolled in your program. Please check if you received support from this source: (All Streams)

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Federal Granting Council Scholarship/Fellowship [FinSup_Fed]	26.2%	22
2. Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship [FinSup_Prov]	42.9%	36
3. Support from a Foreign Government [FinSup_Foreign]	4.8%	4
4. External (to university) non-government fellowship [FinSup_External]	3.6%	3
5. Provincial bursary (non-refundable) [FinSup_ProvBursary]	2.4%	2
6. University-funded bursary [FinSup_UnivBursary]	41.7%	35
7. University-funded fellowships [FinSup_UnivFellowship]	61.9%	52
8. Full tuition scholarships or waivers [FinSup_FullWaiver]	17.9%	15
9. Partial tuition scholarships or waivers [FinSup_PartWaiver]	4.8%	4
10. Graduate research assistantship [FinSup_RA]	50.0%	42
11. Graduate teaching assistantship [FinSup_TA]	69.0%	58
12. Other part-time research employment [FinSup_PTResearch]	8.3%	7
13. Other part-time teaching employment [FinSup_PTTeaching]	15.5%	13
14. Residence Donship [FinSup_ResDonship]	0.0%	0
15. Other campus employment [FinSup_OthCampusJob]	4.8%	4
16. Off campus employment [FinSup_OffCampusJob]	15.5%	13
17. Employee benefit or employer funding [FinSup_Benefit]	2.4%	2
18. Loans, savings, or family assistance [FinSup_LoanAssist]	29.8%	25
Valid Responses		84
Total Responses		90

Q24: Please estimate the amount of undergraduate educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here. *Only those who report having some debt are included in the mean calculation. [UGDebt]

Response	Frequency	Count	Mean*
1. \$0	71.6%	63	\$6,193
2. \$1 - \$9,999	8.0%	7	
3. \$10,000 - \$19,999	4.5%	4	
4. \$20,000 - \$29,999	9.1%	8	
5. \$30,000 - \$39,999	4.5%	4	
6. \$40,000 - \$49,999	0.0%	0	
7. \$50,000 - \$59,999	2.3%	2	
8. \$60,000 - \$69,999	0.0%	0	
9. \$70,000 - \$79,999	0.0%	0	
10. \$80,000 or more	0.0%	0	
Not Answered		2	
Valid Responses		88	
Total Responses		90	

Q25: Please estimate the amount of graduate educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here. *Only those who report having some debt are included in the mean calculation. [GDebt]

Response	Frequency	Count	Mean*
1. \$0	65.9%	58	\$5,682
2. \$1 - \$9,999	17.0%	15	
3. \$10,000 - \$19,999	6.8%	6	
4. \$20,000 - \$29,999	3.4%	3	
5. \$30,000 - \$39,999	2.3%	2	
6. \$40,000 - \$49,999	3.4%	3	
7. \$50,000 - \$59,999	1.1%	1	
8. \$60,000 - \$69,999	0.0%	0	
9. \$70,000 - \$79,999	0.0%	0	
10. \$80,000 or more	0.0%	0	
Not Answered		2	
Valid Responses		88	
Total Responses		90	

SECTION 9 - UNIVERSITY RESOURCES AND STUDENT LIFE

Q26: Please rate the following university resources based on the quality you have experienced while using them. Please answer regarding your most recent year's experience in the graduate school at this university.

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Library facilities [UnivLibrary]	Count	21	30	20	9	5	5	0	90	3.624
	% by Row	24.7%	35.3%	23.5%	10.6%	5.9%			100.0%	
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOffice]	Count	20	18	10	14	14	9	5	90	3.211
	% by Row	26.3%	23.7%	13.2%	18.4%	18.4%			100.0%	
3. Research laboratories [UnivLab]	Count	18	19	14	5	2	12	20	90	3.793
	% by Row	31.0%	32.8%	24.1%	8.6%	3.4%			100.0%	
4. Health care services [UnivHealth]	Count	12	13	16	5	2	28	12	88	3.583
	% by Row	25.0%	27.1%	33.3%	10.4%	4.2%			100.0%	
5. Child care services [UnivChild]	Count	4	2	1	0	1	40	41	89	4.000
	% by Row	50.0%	25.0%	12.5%	0.0%	12.5%			100.0%	
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAid]	Count	7	12	16	6	4	29	15	89	3.267
	% by Row	15.6%	26.7%	35.6%	13.3%	8.9%			100.0%	
7. Career services [UnivCareer]	Count	4	5	11	6	2	43	17	88	3.107
	% by Row	14.3%	17.9%	39.3%	21.4%	7.1%			100.0%	
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounsel]	Count	5	8	7	5	3	44	15	87	3.250
	% by Row	17.9%	28.6%	25.0%	17.9%	10.7%			100.0%	
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthletic]	Count	10	18	15	8	2	26	9	88	3.491
	% by Row	18.9%	34.0%	28.3%	15.1%	3.8%			100.0%	
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternat_In]	Count	6	4	6	2	1	26	43	88	3.632
	% by Row	31.6%	21.1%	31.6%	10.5%	5.3%			100.0%	
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternation_Out]	Count	3	3	1	1	1	31	47	87	3.667
	% by Row	33.3%	33.3%	11.1%	11.1%	11.1%			100.0%	
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousing]	Count	4	8	0	3	3	34	35	87	3.389
	% by Row	22.2%	44.4%	0.0%	16.7%	16.7%			100.0%	
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbud]	Count	5	1	1	2	4	48	25	86	3.077
	% by Row	38.5%	7.7%	7.7%	15.4%	30.8%			100.0%	
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransport]	Count	8	14	13	10	6	21	16	88	3.157
	% by Row	15.7%	27.5%	25.5%	19.6%	11.8%			100.0%	
15. Food services [UnivFood]	Count	6	12	24	18	13	12	3	88	2.726
	% by Row	8.2%	16.4%	32.9%	24.7%	17.8%			100.0%	
16. University bookstore [UnivBooks]	Count	12	18	32	18	2	6	1	89	3.244
	% by Row	14.6%	22.0%	39.0%	22.0%	2.4%			100.0%	
17. Student government office [UnivGovt]	Count	6	13	6	5	1	40	17	88	3.581
	% by Row	19.4%	41.9%	19.4%	16.1%	3.2%			100.0%	
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrar]	Count	11	29	19	16	3	8	3	89	3.372
	% by Row	14.1%	37.2%	24.4%	20.5%	3.8%			100.0%	
19. Information technology services [UnivITS]	Count	9	29	20	10	8	9	2	87	3.276
	% by Row	11.8%	38.2%	26.3%	13.2%	10.5%			100.0%	
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisabl]	Count	5	5	2	3	1	33	39	88	3.625
	% by Row	31.3%	31.3%	12.5%	18.8%	6.3%			100.0%	

Q27: In some universities, resources are offered in multiple locations. To distinguish between resources or services that are offered by a "local office", for example based in a school, department or faculty, as opposed to a "central office" location offering their services campus-wide, please indicate if your rating applies to services received from a "local office" or from a "central office", or applies to both. Please answer regarding your most recent year's experience in the graduate school at this university. *(Data collected only if item was ranked in Q26).*

		Local office (1)	Central office (2)	Both (3)	Total
1. Library facilities [UnivLibraryLOC]	Count	6	56	17	79
	% by Row	7.6%	70.9%	21.5%	100.0%
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOfficeLOC]	Count	39	15	15	69
	% by Row	56.5%	21.7%	21.7%	100.0%
3. Research laboratories [UnivLabLOC]	Count	36	8	10	54
	% by Row	66.7%	14.8%	18.5%	100.0%
4. Health care services [UnivHealthLOC]	Count	9	31	4	44
	% by Row	20.5%	70.5%	9.1%	100.0%
5. Child care services [UnivChildLOC]	Count	2	5	1	8
	% by Row	25.0%	62.5%	12.5%	100.0%
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAidLOC]	Count	7	29	5	41
	% by Row	17.1%	70.7%	12.2%	100.0%
7. Career services [UnivCareerLOC]	Count	6	14	2	22
	% by Row	27.3%	63.6%	9.1%	100.0%
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounselLOC]	Count	5	17	3	25
	% by Row	20.0%	68.0%	12.0%	100.0%
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthleticLOC]	Count	7	35	6	48
	% by Row	14.6%	72.9%	12.5%	100.0%
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternat_InLOC]	Count	5	11	1	17
	% by Row	29.4%	64.7%	5.9%	100.0%
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternation_OutLOC]	Count	2	4	1	7
	% by Row	28.6%	57.1%	14.3%	100.0%
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousingLOC]	Count	3	10	3	16
	% by Row	18.8%	62.5%	18.8%	100.0%
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbudLOC]	Count	2	7	1	10
	% by Row	20.0%	70.0%	10.0%	100.0%
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransportLOC]	Count	4	35	9	48
	% by Row	8.3%	72.9%	18.8%	100.0%
15. Food services [UnivFoodLOC]	Count	7	49	12	68
	% by Row	10.3%	72.1%	17.6%	100.0%
16. University bookstore [UnivBooksLOC]	Count	10	63	4	77
	% by Row	13.0%	81.8%	5.2%	100.0%
17. Student government office [UnivGovtLOC]	Count	5	21	3	29
	% by Row	17.2%	72.4%	10.3%	100.0%
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrarLOC]	Count	9	54	9	72
	% by Row	12.5%	75.0%	12.5%	100.0%
19. Information technology services [UnivITSLOC]	Count	11	44	15	70
	% by Row	15.7%	62.9%	21.4%	100.0%
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisablLOC]	Count	3	8	1	12
	% by Row	25.0%	66.7%	8.3%	100.0%

SECTION 10 - SOCIAL LIFE

Q28: How often do the following social activities occur on campus and how often do you attend them?

		FREQUENCY OF OCCURRENCE OF ACTIVITIES ON CAMPUS				YOUR ATTENDANCE If Frequency of Occurrence = "Frequent" or "Occasional"			
		Frequent (3)	Occasional (2)	Never (1)	Total	Frequent (3)	Occasional (2)	Never (1)	Total
1. Organized university-wide social activities FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Univ] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Univ]	Count	26	42	17	85	3	31	34	68
	% by Row	30.6%	49.4%	20.0%	100.0%	4.4%	45.6%	50.0%	100.0%
2. Organized social activities within your department FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Dept] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Dept]	Count	8	60	16	84	14	48	4	66
	% by Row	9.5%	71.4%	19.0%	100.0%	21.2%	72.7%	6.1%	100.0%
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Group] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Group]	Count	9	49	27	85	34	19	3	56
	% by Row	10.6%	57.6%	31.8%	100.0%	60.7%	33.9%	5.4%	100.0%
4. Organized social activities within your residence FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Residence] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Residence]	Count	0	14	59	73	2	8	2	12
	% by Row	0.0%	19.2%	80.8%	100.0%	16.7%	66.7%	16.7%	100.0%

Q29: In the current academic year, have you been physically present on campus (or affiliated institute) on a regular basis, or have you been away most of the time (out of town, out of the country, field work, distance program, working at a separate location, etc.)? [PRESENT]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Physically present	70.6%	60
2. Away most of the time	29.4%	25
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		85
Total Responses		85

SECTION 11 - GENERAL ASSESSMENT

Q30: Overall, how would you rate the quality of:

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Your academic experience at this university? [QualAcad]	Count	29	30	13	11	2	85	3.859
	% by Row	34.1%	35.3%	15.3%	12.9%	2.4%	100.0%	
2. Your student life experience at this university? [QualLife]	Count	15	23	30	12	5	85	3.365
	% by Row	17.6%	27.1%	35.3%	14.1%	5.9%	100.0%	
3. Your graduate/professional program at this university? [QualProg]	Count	23	28	19	12	3	85	3.659
	% by Row	27.1%	32.9%	22.4%	14.1%	3.5%	100.0%	
4. Your overall experience at this university? [QualOverall]	Count	20	31	21	11	2	85	3.659
	% by Row	23.5%	36.5%	24.7%	12.9%	2.4%	100.0%	

Q31: Rate the extent to which the following factors are an obstacle to your academic progress.

		Not an obstacle (3)	A minor obstacle (2)	A major obstacle (1)	Total	Mean (out of 3)
1. Work/financial commitments [ObsWork]	Count	33	28	24	85	2.106
	% by Row	38.8%	32.9%	28.2%	100.0%	
2. Family obligations [ObsFamily]	Count	39	28	17	84	2.262
	% by Row	46.4%	33.3%	20.2%	100.0%	
3. Availability of faculty [ObsFaculty]	Count	54	24	6	84	2.571
	% by Row	64.3%	28.6%	7.1%	100.0%	
4. Program structure or requirements [ObsProgram]	Count	48	30	7	85	2.482
	% by Row	56.5%	35.3%	8.2%	100.0%	
5. Course scheduling [ObsSchedule]	Count	59	20	5	84	2.643
	% by Row	70.2%	23.8%	6.0%	100.0%	
6. Immigration laws or regulations [ObsImmigration]	Count	75	8	1	84	2.881
	% by Row	89.3%	9.5%	1.2%	100.0%	
7. Other (specified) [ObsOther]	Count	11	3	7	21	2.190
	% by Row	52.4%	14.3%	33.3%	100.0%	

Q32: As it relates to your current program, how important is it to have the opportunity to ...

		Not important (1)	Somewhat important (2)	Very important (3)	Not applicable (4)	Total	Mean (out of 3)
1. Study abroad [Importance_SInt]	Count	45	19	8	12	84	1.486
	% by Row	62.5%	26.4%	11.1%		100.0%	
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Importance_RInt]	Count	6	38	38	2	84	2.390
	% by Row	7.3%	46.3%	46.3%	100.0%		
3. Network with not for profit organizations [Importance_Org]	Count	26	29	19	10	84	1.905
	% by Row	35.1%	39.2%	25.7%	100.0%		
4. Network with businesses [Importance_Bus]	Count	32	27	11	13	83	1.700
	% by Row	45.7%	38.6%	15.7%	100.0%		
5. Network with local/provincial/federal government [Importance_Gov]	Count	20	33	22	9	84	2.027
	% by Row	26.7%	44.0%	29.3%	100.0%		

Q33: To date, as it relates to your current program, have opportunities been available to ...

		No opportunity (1)	Yes, to some extent (2)	Yes, to a great extent (3)	Not applicable (4)	Total	Mean (out of 3)
1. Study abroad [Opport_SInt]	Count	33	21	7	21	82	1.574
	% by Row	54.1%	34.4%	11.5%	100.0%		
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Opport_RInt]	Count	28	36	13	6	83	1.805
	% by Row	36.4%	46.8%	16.9%	100.0%		
3. Work/collaborate with not for profit organizations [Opport_Org]	Count	34	23	4	22	83	1.508
	% by Row	55.7%	37.7%	6.6%	100.0%		
4. Work/collaborate with businesses [Opport_Bus]	Count	34	19	4	25	82	1.474
	% by Row	59.6%	33.3%	7.0%	100.0%		
5. Work/collaborate with local/provincial/federal government [Opport_Gov]	Count	34	24	6	18	82	1.563
	% by Row	53.1%	37.5%	9.4%	100.0%		

SECTION 12 - PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Q34: Gender

Response	[GENDER]		[UNIV_GENDER]	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Male	45.9%	39	44.3%	43
2. Female	54.1%	46	55.7%	54
Not Answered/Not Available		0		0
	Valid Responses	85	Valid	97
	Total Responses	85	Total	97

Q35: Age [AGE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. 20 or younger	0.0%	0
2. 21 - 25	4.7%	4
3. 26 - 30	35.3%	30
4. 31 - 35	16.5%	14
5. 36 - 40	7.1%	6
6. 41 - 45	15.3%	13
7. Over 45	21.2%	18
Not Answered		0
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

Q36: Which of the following housing situations best describes your CURRENT residence? [RESIDENCE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. On-campus student housing (no resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	0.0%	0
2. On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	0.0%	0
3. Off-campus housing owned by this university	2.4%	2
4. Off-campus housing not owned by this university	97.6%	83
Not Answered		0
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

Q37: What is your marital status? [MARITAL]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Not married	34.1%	29
2. Married	43.5%	37
3. Divorced	3.5%	3
4. Separated	2.4%	2
5. Widowed	1.2%	1
6. With domestic partner	15.3%	13
7. Not Answered		0
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

Q38: How many, if any, children do you have? [CHILDREN]

Response	Frequency	Count
None/Not applicable	57.1%	48
1 child	13.1%	11
2 children	17.9%	15
3 children	7.1%	6
4 or more	4.8%	4
Not Answered		1
	Valid Responses	84
	Total Responses	85

Q39: What is your present citizenship status? [CITIZEN]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Canadian Citizen	78.8%	67
2. Canadian Permanent Resident	5.9%	5
3. Citizen of another country with a student visa or other non-immigrant visa	15.3%	13
Not Answered		0
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

Q40: Please indicate whether you consider yourself to be a member of one or more of the following visible minority groups: (choose all that apply)

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Black (e.g. African, African American, African Canadian, Caribbean) [gBlack]	6.3%	5
2. East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian) [gEastAsia]	2.5%	2
3. South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi) [gSouthAsia]	3.8%	3
4. Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese) [gSouthEastAsia]	3.8%	3
5. West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish) [gWestAsia]	2.5%	2
6. Latin American (e.g. Mexican, Indigenous Central and South American) [gLatAm]	2.5%	2
7. Mixed origin, please specify: [gMixed]	6.3%	5
8. None [NONE]	73.4%	58
	Valid Responses	79
	Total Responses	85

Q41: Do you self-identify with, or have ancestry as an Aboriginal person (status or non-status Indian, Métis or Inuit)? [ABORIGINAL]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	4.7%	4
2. No	95.3%	81
Not Answered		0
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

Q42. Do you self-identify with any disability or impairment? [DisablSelfID]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	4.7%	4
2. No	92.9%	79
3. I prefer not to respond	2.4%	2
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		85
Total Responses		85

Q43. Please specify which one(s) (choose all that apply) (If Q42='Yes')

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Sensory (vision or hearing) [Disabl_Sense]	25.0%	1
2. Mobility [Disabl_Mobil]	0.0%	0
3. Learning (e.g. ADHD, Dyslexia) [Disabl_Learn]	25.0%	1
4. Mental Health (e.g. Depression, Bipolar) [Disabl_Mental]	75.0%	3
5. Autism spectrum (e.g. Autism, Asperger's) [Disabl_Autism]	0.0%	0
6. Chronic (e.g. Chron's, Colitis, MS) [Disabl_Chronic]	25.0%	1
7. A disability or impairment not listed above, please specify [Disabl_Else]	0.0%	0
8. Prefer not to respond [Disabl_NotRespond]	0.0%	0
Valid Responses		4
Total Responses		4

Q44: How would you rate your institution's efforts to accommodate your disability or impairment in your graduate program? (If Q42='Yes')

[DisablRate]

Response	Frequency	Count	Mean (out of 5)
Excellent (5)	0.0%	0	1.500
Vergy good (4)	0.0%	0	
Good (3)	0.0%	0	
Fair (2)	50.0%	2	
Poor (1)	50.0%	2	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		4	
Total Responses		4	

SECTION 13 - ADDITIONAL INSTITUTION-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS (FOR BROCK STUDENTS ONLY)

[BROCK_Q1] Which of the following did you engage in during your graduate degree program (select all that apply):

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Participate in an internship, co-op, field placement, student teaching or clinical placement	82.9%	34
2. Hold a formal leadership role in a student organization or group	39.0%	16
3. Participate in a study abroad program	2.4%	1
	Valid Responses	41
	Total Responses	85

[BROCK_Q2] Which of the following did you engage in during your graduate degree program (select all that apply):

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Participate in research with community impact	80.5%	33
2. Work with a faculty member on a research project beyond your thesis research	126.8%	52
3. Complete a program component aimed at increasing your breath of knowledge and experience (comprehensive exam, portfolio, etc.).	134.1%	55
	Valid Responses	74
	Total Responses	85

[BROCK_Q3] If you are a part-time student, how successfully does your program meet your needs? (if Univ_Acad_Load = 2 Part-Time)

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	38.5%	5
2. To some extent	46.2%	6
3. Not very much	15.4%	2
4. Not at all	0.0%	0
5. N/A	0.0%	0
Not Answered		
	Valid Responses	13
	Total Responses	13

[BROCK_Q4] To what extent is the financial support offered to graduate students at Brock (in the form of funding packages offered at admission) important to you in terms of your ability to complete your degree within the defined length of your graduate program?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	64.7%	55
2. To some extent	21.2%	18
3. Not very much	3.5%	3
4. Not at all	4.7%	4
5. N/A	5.9%	5
Not Answered		
	Valid Responses	85
	Total Responses	85

[BROCK_Q5] To what extent has your experience as a teaching assistant been successful in terms of your professional development?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	42.9%	36
2. To some extent	28.6%	24
3. Not very much	6.0%	5
4. Not at all	3.6%	3
5. N/A	19.0%	16
Not Answered		1
	Valid Responses	84
	Total Responses	85

[BROCK_Q6] How satisfied are you with the opportunities for professional development provided by the University in general?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Very satisfied	14.5%	12
2. Satisfied	68.7%	57
3. Dissatisfied	12.0%	10
4. Very dissatisfied	4.8%	4
Not Answered		2
Valid Responses		83
Total Responses		85

[BROCK_Q7] To what extent do you believe that there are adequate dispute resolution mechanisms in place for dealing with serious problems that graduate students may encounter?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	4.7%	4
2. To some extent	34.1%	29
3. Not very much	21.2%	18
4. Not at all	11.8%	10
5. N/A	28.2%	24
Not Answered		
Valid Responses		85
Total Responses		85

[BROCK_Q8] To what extent do you feel that the graduate community at Brock is diverse and inclusive?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	34.5%	29
2. To some extent	48.8%	41
3. Not very much	11.9%	10
4. Not at all	4.8%	4
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		84
Total Responses		85

[BROCK_Q9] To what extent do you think that there is adequate support for graduate students experiencing extraordinary stress (including anxiety and depression) at Brock?

Response	Frequency	Count
1. To a great extent	16.7%	14
2. To some extent	34.5%	29
3. Not very much	19.0%	16
4. Not at all	4.8%	4
5. N/A	25.0%	21
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		84
Total Responses		85

[BROCK_Q10] In terms of the space needs of the University, please rank the importance of the following types of space (1 being the most crucial need, 2 the second, etc.)

		1 - Most Important	2	3	4 - Least Important	Total
1. Research-related space	Count	51	9	6	5	71
	% by Row	71.8%	12.7%	8.5%	7.0%	100.0%
2. Social space at the departmental level	Count	6	20	27	17	70
	% by Row	8.6%	28.6%	38.6%	24.3%	100.0%
3. Space associated with your responsibilities as a Teaching Assistant	Count	9	35	21	7	72
	% by Row	12.5%	48.6%	29.2%	9.7%	100.0%
4. Other types of space	Count	9	6	17	34	66
	% by Row	13.6%	9.1%	25.8%	51.5%	100.0%