Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey - 2013

Summary Report
All Respondents

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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 with no supervisor formally assigned to you?* << Required.

Response	Student Response		Actual Stream (if override applied)	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor << LONG STREAM	66.2%	809	65.2%	797
Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor << MEDIUM STREAM	1.7%	21	1.6%	20
Mainly course-based << SHORT STREAM	32.1%	392	33.1%	405
Valid Responses		**1,222**	Valid	**1,222**
Total Responses		**1,222**	Total	**1,222**

SECTION 1 - EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Q1: At which degree level are you currently enrolled?

Response	Student Response		University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Master's	61.2%	748	61.9%	757
Doctoral	38.8%	474	38.1%	465
Not answered/Not available		0		0
Valid Responses		**1,222**	Valid	**1,222**
Total Responses		**1,222**	Total	**1,222**

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

Response	Frequency	Count
Humanities	6.6%	81
Fine and Applied Arts	0.0%	0
Social Sciences	10.6%	129
Business/Management	16.3%	199
Education	0.1%	1
Engineering	22.3%	272
Physical and Mathematical Sciences	5.9%	72
Environmental Science	1.7%	21
Biological Sciences	6.2%	76
Health Science	22.3%	272
Library & Information Sciences	0.0%	0
Architecture/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design/Planning	0.0%	0
Journalism	0.0%	0
Public Administration/Public Policy/International Relations	0.6%	7
Social Work	0.2%	2
Law	0.0%	0
Arts & Culture	0.8%	10
Finance/Mathematics/Computing	0.5%	6
Other	5.8%	71
Not Answered		3
Valid Responses		**1,219**
Total Responses		**1,222**

Q3: What is your current year of study?

Response	Student Response		University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1st year	40.5%	495	47.0%	574
2nd year	28.7%	350	27.6%	337
3rd year	12.9%	158	11.8%	144
4th year	8.4%	103	7.1%	87
5th year	5.1%	62	3.8%	47
6th year or above	4.3%	53	2.7%	33
Not Answered/Not Available		1		0
Valid Responses		**1,221**	Valid	**1,222**
Total Responses		**1,222**	Total	**1,222**

Q4: What is your current status in your graduate program?

Response	Frequency	Count
I am still taking courses (All Streams)	56.8%	693
I have completed coursework (All Streams)	17.0%	208
I have passed qualifying exams/paper (Long & Medium)	12.5%	153
I have had my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted (Long & Medium)	11.0%	134
I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper (Long & Medium)	2.7%	33
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**1,221**
Total Responses		**1,222**

Q5: Do you expect to graduate by the end of the current academic year?

Response	Frequency	Count
Yes	36.4%	444
No	63.6%	777
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**1,221**
Total Responses		**1,222**

Other: Program Level, for Reporting (calculated, utilizing combined data)

Response	Frequency	Count
Doctoral	38.1%	465
Master's - With Thesis	28.8%	352
Master's - Without Thesis	33.1%	405
Valid Responses		**1,222**
Total Responses		**1,222**

Other: Academic Load (uploaded data)

Response	University Data	
	Frequency	Count
Full-Time	85.4%	1,043
Part-Time	14.6%	179
Not Available		0
Valid Responses		**1,222**
Total Responses		**1,222**

SECTION 2 - GENERAL SATISFACTION

Q6 and Q7: Please select your response to the following statements.

		Definitely	Probably	Maybe	Probably not	Definitely not	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select this same university?	Count	402	474	221	89	32	1,218	3.924
	% by Row	33.0%	38.9%	18.1%	7.3%	2.6%	100.0%	
2. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select the same field of study?	Count	608	367	156	69	18	1,218	4.213
	% by Row	49.9%	30.1%	12.8%	5.7%	1.5%	100.0%	
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program?	Count	569	384	156	74	34	1,217	4.134
	% by Row	46.8%	31.6%	12.8%	6.1%	2.8%	100.0%	
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field?	Count	346	455	355	46	13	1,215	3.885
	% by Row	28.5%	37.4%	29.2%	3.8%	1.1%	100.0%	
5. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same faculty supervisor? (Long Stream only)	Count	411	181	96	48	58	794	4.057
	% by Row	51.8%	22.8%	12.1%	6.0%	7.3%	100.0%	

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

Q8: Please rate the following dimensions of your program. (All Streams)

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. The intellectual quality of the faculty	Count	540	462	134	50	11	1,197	4.228
	% by Row	45.1%	38.6%	11.2%	4.2%	0.9%	100.0%	
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students	Count	284	508	274	110	21	1,197	3.772
	% by Row	23.7%	42.4%	22.9%	9.2%	1.8%	100.0%	
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students	Count	320	448	274	117	35	1,194	3.755
	% by Row	26.8%	37.5%	22.9%	9.8%	2.9%	100.0%	
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty	Count	250	482	312	104	43	1,191	3.665
	% by Row	21.0%	40.5%	26.2%	8.7%	3.6%	100.0%	
5. Advice on the availability of financial support	Count	103	218	395	292	170	1,178	2.823
	% by Row	8.7%	18.5%	33.5%	24.8%	14.4%	100.0%	
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance	Count	218	336	360	184	80	1,178	3.363
	% by Row	18.5%	28.5%	30.6%	15.6%	6.8%	100.0%	
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program	Count	401	406	236	98	50	1,191	3.848
	% by Row	33.7%	34.1%	19.8%	8.2%	4.2%	100.0%	
8. Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program	Count	223	391	322	176	74	1,186	3.433
	% by Row	18.8%	33.0%	27.2%	14.8%	6.2%	100.0%	
9. Quality of instruction in my courses	Count	226	489	318	122	31	1,186	3.638
	% by Row	19.1%	41.2%	26.8%	10.3%	2.6%	100.0%	
10. Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals	Count	234	430	334	150	42	1,190	3.558
	% by Row	19.7%	36.1%	28.1%	12.6%	3.5%	100.0%	
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork	Count	269	364	307	151	93	1,184	3.477
	% by Row	22.7%	30.7%	25.9%	12.8%	7.9%	100.0%	
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department	Count	175	287	346	208	147	1,163	3.116
	% by Row	15.0%	24.7%	29.8%	17.9%	12.6%	100.0%	
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work	Count	211	304	337	206	107	1,165	3.263
	% by Row	18.1%	26.1%	28.9%	17.7%	9.2%	100.0%	
14. Amount of coursework	Count	143	403	474	148	21	1,189	3.420
	% by Row	12.0%	33.9%	39.9%	12.4%	1.8%	100.0%	

SECTION 4 - PROFESSIONAL SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Q9: How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas? (Long and Medium Streams only)

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Courses, workshops, or orientation on teaching	Count	81	192	241	113	44	85	28	784	3.228
	% by Row	12.1%	28.6%	35.9%	16.8%	6.6%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations	Count	39	101	139	103	75	167	157	781	2.838
	% by Row	8.5%	22.1%	30.4%	22.5%	16.4%			100.0%	
3. Feedback on your research	Count	141	207	227	95	43	21	48	782	3.432
	% by Row	19.8%	29.0%	31.8%	13.3%	6.0%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on the standards for academic writing in your field	Count	60	127	179	114	76	181	42	779	2.966
	% by Row	10.8%	22.8%	32.2%	20.5%	13.7%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals	Count	55	127	140	115	81	189	74	781	2.923
	% by Row	10.6%	24.5%	27.0%	22.2%	15.6%			100.0%	
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work	Count	66	120	130	141	96	173	56	782	2.854
	% by Row	11.9%	21.7%	23.5%	25.5%	17.4%			100.0%	

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

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Advice/workshops on career options within academia	Count	43	111	178	129	104	156	52	773	2.752
	% by Row	7.6%	19.6%	31.5%	22.8%	18.4%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options outside academia	Count	23	68	140	148	180	158	53	770	2.295
	% by Row	4.1%	12.2%	25.0%	26.5%	32.2%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops about research positions	Count	31	82	148	169	113	154	63	760	2.538
	% by Row	5.7%	15.1%	27.3%	31.1%	20.8%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research	Count	86	129	175	41	24	143	168	766	3.466
	% by Row	18.9%	28.4%	38.5%	9.0%	5.3%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals	Count	33	76	92	33	16	162	355	767	3.308
	% by Row	13.2%	30.4%	36.8%	13.2%	6.4%			100.0%	
6. Advice on intellectual property issues	Count	46	101	163	112	83	156	106	767	2.832
	% by Row	9.1%	20.0%	32.3%	22.2%	16.4%			100.0%	

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

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Advice/workshops on the standards for writing in your profession	Count	23	68	89	42	26	84	50	382	3.081
	% by Row	9.3%	27.4%	35.9%	16.9%	10.5%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options	Count	36	83	76	53	27	68	38	381	3.175
	% by Row	13.1%	30.2%	27.6%	19.3%	9.8%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops on professional ethics	Count	44	91	92	45	8	63	35	378	3.421
	% by Row	15.7%	32.5%	32.9%	16.1%	2.9%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on job preparation and professional practice	Count	55	83	70	36	31	60	37	372	3.345
	% by Row	20.0%	30.2%	25.5%	13.1%	11.3%			100.0%	
5. Opportunities for internships, practicum, and experiential learning as part of the program	Count	96	73	49	35	40	34	50	377	3.512
	% by Row	32.8%	24.9%	16.7%	11.9%	13.7%			100.0%	
6. Opportunities for contact (lectures, seminars, discussion) with practicing professionals	Count	85	106	89	36	15	26	25	382	3.634
	% by Row	25.7%	32.0%	26.9%	10.9%	4.5%			100.0%	

SECTION 5 - RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Q12: How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas? (All Streams)

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Conducting independent research since starting your graduate program	Count	204	279	258	114	61	52	181	1,149	3.492
	% by Row	22.3%	30.5%	28.2%	12.4%	6.7%			100.0%	
2. Training in research methods before beginning your own research	Count	136	235	244	187	111	64	170	1,147	3.107
	% by Row	14.9%	25.7%	26.7%	20.5%	12.2%			100.0%	
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic	Count	206	285	246	139	77	39	159	1,151	3.424
	% by Row	21.6%	29.9%	25.8%	14.6%	8.1%			100.0%	

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

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
4. Research collaboration with one or more faculty members (Long and Medium only)	Count	153	201	151	72	66	64	63	770	3.471
	% by Row	23.8%	31.3%	23.5%	11.2%	10.3%			100.0%	
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal (Long and Medium only)	Count	65	105	96	78	75	196	150	765	3.017
	% by Row	15.5%	25.1%	22.9%	18.6%	17.9%			100.0%	

SECTION 6 - PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Q14: Please select if the following occurs in your department (All Streams)

		Yes	No	Total	If Occurrence = "Yes", indicate the Number of Occurrences					
					0	1	2	3	4+	Total
1. Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research	Count	793	337	1,130	146	176	118	65	264	769
	% by Row	70.2%	29.8%	100.0%	19.0%	22.9%	15.3%	8.5%	34.3%	100.0%
2. Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings	Count	496	611	1,107	213	133	64	27	43	480
	% by Row	44.8%	55.2%	100.0%	44.4%	27.7%	13.3%	5.6%	9.0%	100.0%
3. Attend national scholarly meetings	Count	468	642	1,110	149	102	66	43	90	450
	% by Row	42.2%	57.8%	100.0%	33.1%	22.7%	14.7%	9.6%	20.0%	100.0%

Q15: Please select if the following occurs in your department (Long Stream only)

		Yes	No	Total	If Occurrence = "Yes", indicate the Number of Occurrences					
					0	1	2	3	4+	Total
4. Deliver any papers or present a poster at national scholarly meetings (Long only)	Count	502	238	740	133	113	93	38	108	485
	% by Row	67.8%	32.2%	100.0%	27.4%	23.3%	19.2%	7.8%	22.3%	100.0%
5. Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty (Long only)	Count	356	377	733	127	106	48	24	43	348
	% by Row	48.6%	51.4%	100.0%	36.5%	30.5%	13.8%	6.9%	12.4%	100.0%
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal (Long only)	Count	346	383	729	136	98	53	24	27	338
	% by Row	47.5%	52.5%	100.0%	40.2%	29.0%	15.7%	7.1%	8.0%	100.0%

SECTION 7 - ADVISOR AND THESIS / DISSERTATION / RESEARCH PAPER

Q16: 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. Was knowledgeable about formal degree requirements	Count	378	295	38	17	728	3.420
	% by Row	51.9%	40.5%	5.2%	2.3%	100.0%	
2. Served as my advocate when necessary	Count	405	254	40	19	718	3.455
	% by Row	56.4%	35.4%	5.6%	2.6%	100.0%	
3. Gave me constructive feedback on my work	Count	414	254	45	14	727	3.469
	% by Row	56.9%	34.9%	6.2%	1.9%	100.0%	
4. Returned my work promptly	Count	358	263	69	30	720	3.318
	% by Row	49.7%	36.5%	9.6%	4.2%	100.0%	
5. Promoted my professional development	Count	364	264	70	23	721	3.344
	% by Row	50.5%	36.6%	9.7%	3.2%	100.0%	
6. Overall, performed the role well	Count	384	254	61	25	724	3.377
	% by Row	53.0%	35.1%	8.4%	3.5%	100.0%	
7. Was available for regular meetings	Count	407	239	58	21	725	3.423
	% by Row	56.1%	33.0%	8.0%	2.9%	100.0%	
8. Was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams	Count	242	306	89	28	665	3.146
	% by Row	36.4%	46.0%	13.4%	4.2%	100.0%	
9. Was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam	Count	242	290	91	30	653	3.139
	% by Row	37.1%	44.4%	13.9%	4.6%	100.0%	
10. Was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic	Count	339	263	59	20	681	3.352
	% by Row	49.8%	38.6%	8.7%	2.9%	100.0%	
11. Was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal	Count	294	276	65	20	655	3.289
	% by Row	44.9%	42.1%	9.9%	3.1%	100.0%	
12. Was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation	Count	276	265	61	18	620	3.289
	% by Row	44.5%	42.7%	9.8%	2.9%	100.0%	
13. Was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee	Count	339	270	34	13	656	3.425
	% by Row	51.7%	41.2%	5.2%	2.0%	100.0%	

Q17: On average, how often per month do you meet or communicate with your dissertation advisor about:

	12a. Your ongoing research and results		12b. Your writing of the dissertation draft	
Response	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Four or more times (at least once a week)	42.6%	303	20.5%	131
One to three times (at least once a month)	43.1%	307	43.0%	275
Less than once a month	14.3%	102	36.6%	234
Valid Responses	712		Valid	640
Total Responses	712		Total	640

SECTION 8 - FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Q18: 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
Federal Granting Council Scholarship/Fellowship	18.5%	186
Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship	25.9%	260
Support from a Foreign Government	2.0%	20
External (to university) non-government fellowship	6.7%	67
University funded fellowships	19.3%	194
Graduate research assistantship	35.8%	360
Graduate teaching assistantship	61.3%	616
Other part-time research employment	6.1%	61
Other part-time teaching employment	2.7%	27
Residence Donship	0.1%	1
Full tuition scholarships or waivers	8.3%	83
Partial tuition scholarships or waivers	15.4%	155
Other campus employment	5.6%	56
Off campus employment	15.8%	159
Employee benefit or employer funding	8.1%	81
Loans, savings, or family assistance	32.5%	327
University funded bursary	26.6%	267
Valid Responses		1,005
Total Responses		1,144

Q19: Please estimate the amount of UNDERGRADUATE educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here.

Response	Frequency	Count
$0	66.2%	726
$1 - $9,999	7.1%	78
$10,000 - $19,999	7.7%	84
$20,000 - $29,999	7.5%	82
$30,000 - $39,999	5.3%	58
$40,000 - $49,999	3.5%	38
$50,000 - $59,999	1.4%	15
$60,000 - $69,999	0.5%	5
$70,000 - $79,999	0.5%	6
$80,000 or more	0.4%	4
Not Answered		46
Valid Responses		1,096
Total Responses		1,142

Q20: Please estimate the amount of GRADUATE educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here.

Response	Frequency	Count
$0	53.5%	591
$1 - $9,999	14.6%	161
$10,000 - $19,999	12.3%	136
$20,000 - $29,999	7.1%	78
$30,000 - $39,999	5.6%	62
$40,000 - $49,999	3.0%	33
$50,000 - $59,999	1.4%	16
$60,000 - $69,999	0.6%	7
$70,000 - $79,999	0.8%	9
$80,000 or more	1.0%	11
Not Answered		37
Valid Responses		1,104
Total Responses		1,141

SECTION 9 - UNIVERSITY RESOURCES AND STUDENT LIFE

Q21: 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	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Library facilities	Count	242	387	256	93	58	57	26	1,119	3.639
	% by Row	23.4%	37.4%	24.7%	9.0%	5.6%			100.0%	
2. Graduate student work/study space	Count	146	237	229	135	125	109	133	1,114	3.165
	% by Row	16.7%	27.2%	26.3%	15.5%	14.3%			100.0%	
3. Research laboratories	Count	101	191	156	62	31	175	388	1,104	3.497
	% by Row	18.7%	35.3%	28.8%	11.5%	5.7%			100.0%	
4. Health care services	Count	132	223	187	73	29	300	164	1,108	3.553
	% by Row	20.5%	34.6%	29.0%	11.3%	4.5%			100.0%	
5. Child care services	Count	24	36	34	17	14	427	547	1,099	3.312
	% by Row	19.2%	28.8%	27.2%	13.6%	11.2%			100.0%	
6. Financial aid office	Count	36	108	159	123	64	368	241	1,099	2.855
	% by Row	7.3%	22.0%	32.4%	25.1%	13.1%			100.0%	
7. Career services	Count	69	105	148	99	59	436	183	1,099	3.054
	% by Row	14.4%	21.9%	30.8%	20.6%	12.3%			100.0%	
8. Student counselling & resource center	Count	72	110	134	81	32	491	176	1,096	3.254
	% by Row	16.8%	25.6%	31.2%	18.9%	7.5%			100.0%	
9. Athletic facilities	Count	176	265	169	74	32	272	119	1,107	3.669
	% by Row	24.6%	37.0%	23.6%	10.3%	4.5%			100.0%	
10. Services to international students attending this university	Count	44	88	75	48	39	268	540	1,102	3.170
	% by Row	15.0%	29.9%	25.5%	16.3%	13.3%			100.0%	
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to)	Count	23	56	46	25	18	364	563	1,095	3.244
	% by Row	13.7%	33.3%	27.4%	14.9%	10.7%			100.0%	
12. Housing assistance	Count	18	50	77	60	54	416	420	1,095	2.683
	% by Row	6.9%	19.3%	29.7%	23.2%	20.8%			100.0%	
13. Ombudsperson's office	Count	27	41	41	16	16	533	404	1,078	3.333
	% by Row	19.1%	29.1%	29.1%	11.3%	11.3%			100.0%	
14. Public / Campus transportation service	Count	154	272	247	95	40	169	127	1,104	3.501
	% by Row	19.1%	33.7%	30.6%	11.8%	5.0%			100.0%	
15. Food services	Count	58	185	332	227	117	103	85	1,107	2.826
	% by Row	6.3%	20.1%	36.1%	24.7%	12.7%			100.0%	
16. University bookstore	Count	106	243	405	183	75	58	41	1,111	3.121
	% by Row	10.5%	24.0%	40.0%	18.1%	7.4%			100.0%	
17. Student government office	Count	35	82	108	55	19	514	278	1,091	3.197
	% by Row	11.7%	27.4%	36.1%	18.4%	6.4%			100.0%	
18. Registrarial processes	Count	83	228	373	173	97	89	54	1,097	3.028
	% by Row	8.7%	23.9%	39.1%	18.1%	10.2%			100.0%	
19. Information technology services	Count	91	251	311	148	77	144	79	1,101	3.149
	% by Row	10.4%	28.6%	35.4%	16.9%	8.8%			100.0%	

Q22: 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 Q21).

		Local office	Central office	Both	Total
1. Library facilities	Count	238	454	281	973
	% by Row	24.5%	46.7%	28.9%	100.0%
2. Graduate student work/study space	Count	599	100	107	806
	% by Row	74.3%	12.4%	13.3%	100.0%
3. Research laboratories	Count	361	57	75	493
	% by Row	73.2%	11.6%	15.2%	100.0%
4. Health care services	Count	73	428	80	581
	% by Row	12.6%	73.7%	13.8%	100.0%
5. Child care services	Count	21	59	16	96
	% by Row	21.9%	61.5%	16.7%	100.0%
6. Financial aid office	Count	69	281	81	431
	% by Row	16.0%	65.2%	18.8%	100.0%
7. Career services	Count	145	205	84	434
	% by Row	33.4%	47.2%	19.4%	100.0%
8. Student counselling & resource center	Count	96	209	76	381
	% by Row	25.2%	54.9%	19.9%	100.0%
9. Athletic facilities	Count	83	491	82	656
	% by Row	12.7%	74.8%	12.5%	100.0%
10. Services to international students attending this university	Count	36	155	55	246
	% by Row	14.6%	63.0%	22.4%	100.0%
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to)	Count	35	73	26	134
	% by Row	26.1%	54.5%	19.4%	100.0%
12. Housing assistance	Count	35	144	40	219
	% by Row	16.0%	65.8%	18.3%	100.0%
13. Ombudsperson's office	Count	24	70	20	114
	% by Row	21.1%	61.4%	17.5%	100.0%
14. Public / Campus transportation service	Count	101	467	170	738
	% by Row	13.7%	63.3%	23.0%	100.0%
15. Food services	Count	183	436	229	848
	% by Row	21.6%	51.4%	27.0%	100.0%
16. University bookstore	Count	189	567	184	940
	% by Row	20.1%	60.3%	19.6%	100.0%
17. Student government office	Count	66	147	44	257
	% by Row	25.7%	57.2%	17.1%	100.0%
18. Registrarial processes	Count	189	441	249	879
	% by Row	21.5%	50.2%	28.3%	100.0%
19. Information technology services	Count	155	382	257	794
	% by Row	19.5%	48.1%	32.4%	100.0%

SECTION 10 - SOCIAL LIFE

Q23: How often do the following social activities occur on campus and how often do you attend them?

		OCCURRENCE ON CAMPUS				YOUR ATTENDANCE (If Occurrence = "Frequent" or "Occasional")			
		Frequent	Occasional	Never	Total	Frequent	Occasional	Never	Total
1. Organized university-wide social activities	Count	376	536	133	1,045	28	400	456	884
	% by Row	36.0%	51.3%	12.7%	100.0%	3.2%	45.2%	51.6%	100.0%
2. Organized social activities within your department	Count	326	635	104	1,065	221	564	139	924
	% by Row	30.6%	59.6%	9.8%	100.0%	23.9%	61.0%	15.0%	100.0%
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group	Count	157	496	401	1,054	300	265	59	624
	% by Row	14.9%	47.1%	38.0%	100.0%	48.1%	42.5%	9.5%	100.0%
4. Organized social activities within your residence	Count	73	207	658	938	50	136	76	262
	% by Row	7.8%	22.1%	70.1%	100.0%	19.1%	51.9%	29.0%	100.0%

SECTION 11 - GENERAL ASSESSMENT

Q24: Overall, how would you rate the quality of:

		Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. Your academic experience at this university?	Count	310	474	218	75	33	1,110	3.859
	% by Row	27.9%	42.7%	19.6%	6.8%	3.0%	100.0%	
2. Your student life experience at this university?	Count	179	367	336	161	44	1,087	3.438
	% by Row	16.5%	33.8%	30.9%	14.8%	4.0%	100.0%	
3. Your graduate/professional program at this university?	Count	282	430	261	95	39	1,107	3.742
	% by Row	25.5%	38.8%	23.6%	8.6%	3.5%	100.0%	
4. Your overall experience at this university?	Count	250	450	280	97	30	1,107	3.716
	% by Row	22.6%	40.7%	25.3%	8.8%	2.7%	100.0%	

Q25: Rate the extent to which the following factors are an obstacle to your academic progress.

		Not an obstacle	A minor obstacle	A major obstacle	Total
Work/financial commitments	Count	398	444	266	1,108
	% by Row	35.9%	40.1%	24.0%	100.0%
Family obligations	Count	562	404	137	1,103
	% by Row	51.0%	36.6%	12.4%	100.0%
Availability of faculty	Count	737	297	65	1,099
	% by Row	67.1%	27.0%	5.9%	100.0%
Program structure or requirements	Count	633	367	99	1,099
	% by Row	57.6%	33.4%	9.0%	100.0%
Course scheduling	Count	658	358	85	1,101
	% by Row	59.8%	32.5%	7.7%	100.0%
Immigration laws or regulations	Count	951	89	49	1,089
	% by Row	87.3%	8.2%	4.5%	100.0%
Other	Count	125	22	95	242
	% by Row	51.7%	9.1%	39.3%	100.0%

SECTION 12 - PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Q26: Gender

Response	Student Response		University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Male	43.7%	487	44.4%	542
Female	56.3%	627	55.6%	680
Not Answered/Not Available		9		0
Valid Responses		1,114	Valid	1,222
Total Responses		1,123	Total	1,222

Q27: Age

Response	Frequency	Count
20 or younger	0.0%	0
21 - 25	39.2%	438
26 - 30	32.4%	362
31 - 35	11.4%	128
36 - 40	6.4%	72
41 - 45	4.9%	55
Over 45	5.6%	63
Not Answered		5
Valid Responses		1,118
Total Responses		1,123

Q28: Which of the following housing situations best describes your CURRENT residence?

Response	Frequency	Count
On-campus student housing (no resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	0.3%	3
On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	0.0%	0
Off-campus housing owned by this university	0.3%	3
Off-campus housing not owned by this university	99.5%	1,108
Not Answered		9
Valid Responses		1,114
Total Responses		1,123

Q29: What is your marital status?

Response	Frequency	Count
Not married	57.3%	635
Married	31.3%	347
Divorced	1.1%	12
Separated	0.5%	6
Widowed	0.2%	2
With domestic partner	9.6%	107
Not Answered		12
Valid Responses		1,109
Total Responses		1,121

Q30: How many, if any, children do you have?

Response	Frequency	Count
None/Not applicable	80.4%	895
1 child	6.6%	74
2 children	8.7%	97
3 children	3.1%	35
4 or more	1.1%	12
Not Answered		8
Valid Responses		1,113
Total Responses		1,121

Q31: What is your present citizenship status?

Response	Frequency	Count
Canadian Citizen	74.5%	830
Canadian Permanent Resident	6.9%	77
Citizen of another country with a student visa or other non-immigrant visa	18.6%	207
Not Answered		7
Valid Responses		1,114
Total Responses		1,121

Q32: Please indicate whether you consider yourself to be a member of one or more of the following visible minority groups: (multiple responses allowed)

Response	Frequency	Count
Black (e.g. African, African American, African Canadian, Caribbean)	3.9%	41
East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian)	13.6%	144
South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi)	11.8%	124
Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese)	1.6%	17
West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish)	8.6%	91
Latin American (e.g. Mexican, Indigenous Central and South American)	2.3%	24
Mixed origin, please specify:	2.8%	30
None	56.5%	596
Valid Responses		1,055
Total Responses		1,120

Q33: Do you self-identify with, or have ancestry as an Aboriginal person (status or non-status Indian, Métis or Inuit)?

Response	Frequency	Count
Yes	2.5%	27
No	97.5%	1,073
Not Answered		19
Valid Responses		1,100
Total Responses		1,119

SECTION 13: OTHER SUMMARY ITEMS

Project Summary	Totals
Number of students invited to participate	4,246
Responses received (partially or totally completed)	1,222
Response Rate	28.8%
Survey Open Date	1-Feb-13
Survey Close Date	18-Mar-13
Number of days open for data collection	45