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## INTRODUCTION

The graduate exit survey is a quarterly survey of all graduate students set to finish their degrees. This survey is fully explained and documented in "2010 Exit Survey of Graduate Students Completing Degrees Fall 2009, Winter 2010, Spring 2010, and Summer 2010" which may be found on the Office of Survey Research's website (<http://www.wvu.edu/socad/osr/>). This addendum breaks down the data from that survey by college and department. Hopefully, this data will provide a finer degree of analysis allowing departments and colleges greater latitude in their self-evaluation efforts.

## Clarifying Notes

1. Unless otherwise noted, percentages given are of the number responding to a question divided by the number asked that question. This denominator may contain fewer students than the 231 responding to the survey due to question branching, random selection of respondents for certain questions, and survey attrition.
2. In many cases percentages do not sum to one hundred because of rounding.
3. A blank space indicates no respondent chose that response option. A report of 0% indicates that the percent of responses rounded down to, but is not equal with, zero.
4. Because of survey length, some questions were asked of a random sample of students. The notes associated with such questions indicate when this occurs.
5. This report presents responses from all students completing any question regardless of whether the respondent completed the survey or not.

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# A. College-Level Responses

## Attending Graduate School

A.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Undergraduate student	34%	47%	21%	25%	42%	19%	42%
Employed in a field related to your program	35%	33%	52%	50%	13%	63%	21%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program	27%	16%	25%	25%	38%	19%	33%
Other	4%	4%	3%		7%		4%

A.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Definitely not	3%		3%		5%		4%
Probably not	7%	6%	5%		12%	6%	8%
Maybe	18%	27%	12%	75%	15%	25%	13%
Probably	37%	43%	38%	25%	35%	38%	25%
Definitely	36%	24%	43%		33%	31%	50%

A.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Definitely not	0%				2%		
Probably not	2%		1%		5%		4%
Maybe	12%	4%	19%	25%	10%	19%	
Probably	20%	27%	26%		10%	31%	13%
Definitely	65%	69%	53%	75%	73%	50%	83%

A.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Definitely not	1%		3%				4%
Probably not	7%	2%	1%		15%	6%	13%
Maybe	14%	16%	8%	50%	17%	19%	13%
Probably	30%	31%	25%		35%	25%	38%
Definitely	49%	51%	64%	50%	33%	50%	33%

## Academic Program

A.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

A.5.a. Importance  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	224	48	76	4	58	15	23
Level of academic challenge	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.3	4.3	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.2	3.7
Professional training opportunities	4.2	4.1	4.4	4.8	4.4	4.1	3.4
Research opportunities	3.3	2.5	3.2	3.5	3.5	3.5	4.1
Quality of research conducted	3.5	2.9	3.4	3.8	3.7	3.9	4.3
Quality of instruction	4.7	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.6
Quality of advising	4.2	3.8	4.3	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.7	3.6	3.7	4.5	3.8	3.5	3.8
Overall quality of the degree program	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.3	4.7	4.6	4.5

A.5..b. Satisfaction  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	228	48	77	4	59	16	24
Level of academic challenge	3.9	3.8	3.9	3.5	4.0	3.6	3.9
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	3.9	3.7	4.3	3.3	4.0	3.5	3.7
Professional training opportunities	3.6	3.1	4.0	3.8	3.7	3.2	3.3
Research opportunities	3.6	3.4	3.6	3.8	3.7	3.4	3.9
Quality of research conducted	3.6	3.4	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.1	3.8
Quality of instruction	4.0	3.8	4.2	4.3	3.9	3.4	4.0
Quality of advising	3.7	3.5	3.9	4.3	3.6	2.8	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.7	3.9	3.7	3.3	3.8	3.3	3.7
Overall quality of the degree program	4.0	3.9	4.1	3.8	3.9	3.7	4.0

## Professional Development

A.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	228	48	76	4	60	16	24
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?	45%	23%	49%	50%	45%	81%	50%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	63%	52%	70%	50%	63%	81%	54%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?	32%	10%	17%	50%	48%	75%	54%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?	7%		7%		10%	13%	13%
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?	4%		4%		5%	13%	4%
None of the above	29%	35%	29%	25%	28%	13%	29%

A.6.a. Professional development questions asked of respondents who responded "yes" in A.6. (Means are reported.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	228	48	76	4	60	16	24
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.0	1.6	2.2	2.0
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	2.5
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	1.8	1.6	1.3	1.0	1.8	2.0	2.2
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	1.1		1.4		1.0	1.0	1.0
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.9		0.7		1.0	1.0	1.0

A.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Yes, I have written a paper for publication	5%		1%		3%	19%	21%
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication	23%	2%	12%		35%	44%	58%
No	18%	12%	30%	100%	13%		4%
I did not write a thesis	54%	86%	57%		48%	38%	17%

## Graduate Study at Western

A.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	231	49	77	4	61	16	24
Yes	37%	14%	10%	75%	59%	56%	92%
No	63%	86%	90%	25%	39%	44%	8%

A.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	229	49	76	4	60	16	24
Family obligations	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.6
Availability of faculty	1.4	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	1.5
Course scheduling/availability	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.0	1.6	1.3	1.5
Thesis research	1.3	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.5	1.5	1.8
Other	1.4	1.3	1.5	1.0	1.2	2.2	1.3

A.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
All respondents	224	49	72	4	59	16	24
Mean (if debt >0)	\$14,150	\$11,025	\$16,415	\$18,750	\$16,398	\$16,406	\$5,938
Respondents who incurred debt	154	30	52	4	43	13	12
Mean (if debt >0)	\$20,582	\$18,007	\$22,729	\$18,750	\$22,500	\$20,192	\$11,875

## Plans for the Future

A.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

A.11.a. Likelihood  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	229	49	77	4	60	16	23
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.1	2.4	3.5	4.3	3.0	3.3	3.4
Teaching at the K-12 level	2.6	1.5	3.4	2.8	2.5	2.9	2.1
Conducting independent research	3.2	2.6	3.4	4.3	3.3	3.5	3.5
Formulating a research topic	3.2	2.4	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.6	3.5
Collaborating on research with faculty members	3.0	2.0	3.4	2.5	3.1	3.6	3.6
Writing a grant proposal	3.4	2.4	3.8	4.0	3.1	4.8	3.4

A.11.b. Satisfaction  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	219	46	74	4	57	16	22
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.5	3.1	3.6	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.7
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.5	3.2	3.8	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4
Conducting independent research	3.7	3.5	3.7	4.3	3.9	3.5	3.9
Formulating a research topic	3.7	3.4	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.4	4.0
Collaborating on research with faculty members	3.5	3.1	3.7	3.3	3.6	3.3	4.0
Writing a grant proposal	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.3	2.8	3.1	3.5

A.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Further graduate study	9%	4%	6%	25%	10%		29%
Employment in a school or community college	39%		68%	75%	45%	6%	29%
Employment in a business or industry	24%	76%			18%	6%	25%
Employment in a non-profit organization	10%	6%	6%		12%	44%	4%
Employment with a government or government agency	8%	8%	5%		5%	31%	13%
Self-employment	2%	4%	3%				
Volunteer service	1%		1%		2%	6%	
Other	7%	2%	10%		8%	6%	



## Plans for the Future (cont.)

A.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in A.12.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	21	2	5	1	6		7
Masters	19%		40%		17%		14%
Ph.D.	76%	100%	60%	100%	83%		71%
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)	5%						14%

A.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in A.12.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	21	2	5	1	6		7
Yes	81%	100%	60%	100%	83%		86%
No	19%		40%		17%		14%

A.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	230	49	77	4	60	16	24
Yes	33%	27%	39%	25%	28%	38%	33%
No	67%	73%	61%	75%	72%	63%	67%

A.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (All respondents represented.) (Means are reported.)

		WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in A.12.)	N	229	49	77	4	60	15	24
	Mean	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.4	0.7	0.5
Of respondents receiving at least one offer	N	74	13	30	1	17	5	8
	Mean	1.6	1.9	1.3	1.0	1.5	2.2	1.5

A.13.b. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in A.13.) (Means are reported.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	74	13	30	1	17	5	8
Mean	1.4	1.6	1.1	1.0	1.5	2.2	1.5

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

A.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in A.12.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	69	12	29	1	13	7	7
Yes	77%	83%	86%	100%	62%	71%	57%
No	23%	17%	14%		38%	29%	43%

A.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in A.14.)

	WWU	CBE	Woodring	CFPA	CHSS	Huxley	CST
N	48	10	20	1	8	5	4
Yes	98%	90%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
No	2%	10%					

## B. College of Business and Economics

### Attending Graduate School

B.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Undergraduate student	100%	40%	47%
Employed in a field related to your program		37%	33%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program		19%	16%
Other		5%	4%

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B.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Definitely not			
Probably not		7%	6%
Maybe	50%	23%	27%
Probably	17%	47%	43%
Definitely	33%	23%	24%

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B.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Definitely not			
Probably not			
Maybe		5%	4%
Probably	17%	28%	27%
Definitely	83%	67%	69%

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B.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Definitely not			
Probably not		2%	2%
Maybe	17%	16%	16%
Probably	17%	33%	31%
Definitely	67%	49%	51%

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## Academic Program

B.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

### B.5.a. Importance

(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	5	43	48
Level of academic challenge	4.2	4.2	4.2
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.4	4.3	4.3
Professional training opportunities	5.0	4.0	4.1
Research opportunities	3.2	2.4	2.5
Quality of research conducted	3.2	2.9	2.9
Quality of instruction	5.0	4.7	4.7
Quality of advising	3.8	3.8	3.8
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.6	3.6	3.6
Overall quality of the degree program	4.4	4.6	4.6

### B.5..b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	5	43	48
Level of academic challenge	4.4	3.7	3.8
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.0	3.7	3.7
Professional training opportunities	3.3	3.1	3.1
Research opportunities	3.8	3.3	3.4
Quality of research conducted	4.0	3.3	3.4
Quality of instruction	4.8	3.7	3.8
Quality of advising	4.5	3.3	3.5
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	4.5	3.8	3.9
Overall quality of the degree program	4.3	3.8	3.9

## Professional Development

B.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	42	48
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?	33%	21%	23%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	17%	57%	52%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?		12%	10%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?			
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?			
None of the above	50%	33%	35%

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B.6.a. Professional development questions asked of respondents who responded "yes" in B.6.) (Means are reported.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	42	48
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	0.3	0.5	0.4
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	0.2	1.1	1.0
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	0.0	0.2	0.2
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	0.0	0.0	0.0
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.0	0.0	0.0

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B.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Yes, I have written a paper for publication			
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication		2%	2%
No		14%	12%
I did not write a thesis	100%	84%	86%

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## Graduate Study at Western

B.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Yes		16%	14%
No	100%	84%	86%

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B.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Family obligations	1.5	1.7	1.7
Availability of faculty	1.0	1.3	1.2
Course scheduling/availability	1.2	1.7	1.6
Thesis research	1.0	1.0	1.0
Other	1.0	1.4	1.3

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B.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
All respondents	6	43	49
Mean (if debt >0)	\$20,111	\$9,757	\$11,025
Respondents who incurred debt	6	24	30
Mean (if debt >0)	\$20,111	\$17,481	\$18,007

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## Plans for the Future

B.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

### B.11.a. Likelihood

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	2.3	2.4	2.4
Teaching at the K-12 level	1.4	1.6	1.5
Conducting independent research	2.2	2.7	2.6
Formulating a research topic	2.3	2.4	2.4
Collaborating on research with faculty members	2.2	2.0	2.0
Writing a grant proposal	1.6	2.5	2.4

### B.11.b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	5	41	46
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.0	3.1	3.1
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.3	3.2	3.2
Conducting independent research	3.8	3.5	3.5
Formulating a research topic	3.5	3.3	3.4
Collaborating on research with faculty members	3.0	3.1	3.1
Writing a grant proposal	2.8	2.8	2.8

B.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Further graduate study		5%	4%
Employment in a school or community college			
Employment in a business or industry	83%	74%	76%
Employment in a non-profit organization	17%	7%	8%
Employment with a government or government agency		7%	6%
Self-employment		5%	4%
Volunteer service			
Other		2%	2%

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

B.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in B.12.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N		2	2
Masters			
Ph.D.		100%	100%
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)			

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B.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in B.12.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N		2	2
Yes		100%	100%
No			

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B.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	6	43	49
Yes	50%	23%	27%
No	50%	77%	73%

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B.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (Means are reported.)

		MPAC	MBA	CBE
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in B.12.)	N	6	43	49
	Mean	1.0	0.4	0.5
Of respondents receiving at least one offer	N	3.0	10.0	13.0
	Mean	1.9	2.0	1.9

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B.13.b. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in B.13.) (Means are reported.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	3	10	13
Mean	1.7	1.6	1.6



## Plans for the Future (cont.)

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B.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in B.12.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	3	9	12
Yes	67%	89%	83%
No	33%	11%	17%

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B.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in B.14.)

	MPAC	MBA	CBE
N	2	8	10
Yes	100%	88%	90%
No		13%	10%

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## C. Woodring College of Education

### Attending Graduate School

C.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Undergraduate student	100%		6%				63%	7%	43%		21%
Employed in a field related to your program		67%	67%	100%	100%	100%	13%	36%	43%	100%	52%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program		22%	28%				19%	57%	14%		25%
Other		11%					6%				3%

C.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Definitely not							6%	7%			3%
Probably not		11%	11%			14%					5%
Maybe						14%	13%	29%	14%	100%	12%
Probably		44%	33%		100%	29%	31%	36%	57%		38%
Definitely	100%	44%	56%	100%		43%	50%	29%	29%		43%

C.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Definitely not											
Probably not			6%								1%
Maybe		33%	6%		67%	14%	25%	14%	29%		19%
Probably		22%	17%			29%	25%	43%	43%		26%
Definitely	100%	44%	72%	100%	33%	57%	50%	43%	29%	100%	53%

## Attending Graduate School (cont.)

C.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Definitely not							6%	7%			3%
Probably not						14%					1%
Maybe		11%	6%				13%	7%		100%	8%
Probably		11%	11%		33%	57%	31%	36%	14%		25%
Definitely	100%	78%	83%	100%	67%	29%	50%	50%	86%		64%

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## Academic Program

C.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

### C.5.a. Importance

(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	13	7	1	76
Level of academic challenge	4.0	4.3	4.2	3.0	3.7	4.6	4.2	4.2	4.0	5.0	4.2
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	3.0	4.3	4.5	5.0	4.7	4.9	4.4	4.5	4.4	5.0	4.5
Professional training opportunities	4.0	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.7	4.1	4.5	4.4	4.6	5.0	4.4
Research opportunities	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.0	2.7	3.6	3.1	2.9	3.1	4.0	3.2
Quality of research conducted	4.0	3.5	3.4	3.0	2.7	3.9	3.4	3.2	3.4	4.0	3.4
Quality of instruction	5.0	4.6	4.6	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.7	4.6	4.9	5.0	4.7
Quality of advising	5.0	4.3	4.4	5.0	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.5	4.1	5.0	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.0	4.0	3.8	3.0	3.3	4.0	3.8	3.2	3.3	4.0	3.7
Overall quality of the degree program	5.0	4.4	4.7	5.0	4.3	5.0	4.6	4.6	4.6	5.0	4.6

## Academic Program (cont.)

### C.5.b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Level of academic challenge	5.0	3.8	4.4	5.0	4.0	3.1	3.9	3.2	4.4	4.0	3.9
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.0	4.1	4.6	5.0	4.7	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.9	3.0	4.3
Professional training opportunities	5.0	3.6	4.3	4.0	4.3	3.6	4.0	3.7	4.1	4.0	4.0
Research opportunities	4.0	3.3	3.9	4.0	3.3	3.9	3.5	3.5	3.4	4.0	3.6
Quality of research conducted	4.0	3.0	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.4	3.6	3.6	4.1	3.0	3.7
Quality of instruction	5.0	4.2	4.3	5.0	4.7	3.1	4.1	4.1	4.7	4.0	4.2
Quality of advising	5.0	3.7	4.2	5.0	4.7	4.1	3.2	4.1	4.3	4.0	3.9
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	4.0	4.3	3.6	4.0	4.0	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.0	4.0	3.7
Overall quality of the degree program	5.0	4.2	4.6	5.0	4.3	3.4	3.9	3.7	4.4	4.0	4.1

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## Professional Development

C.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	13	7	1	76
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?	100%	44%	67%		33%	57%	31%	31%	86%		49%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	100%	56%	94%	100%	67%	86%	56%	38%	100%		70%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?		11%	28%			14%	13%	8%	43%		17%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?			17%				6%	8%			7%
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?			17%								4%
None of the above		44%	6%		33%	14%	38%	62%		100%	29%

C.6.a. Professional development questions (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in C.6.) (Means are reported.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	16	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	75
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	2.0	1.1	2.1	0.0	0.3	1.1	0.4	0.2	1.1	0.0	1.0
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	4.0	1.9	2.2	3.0	1.3	1.6	0.7	0.4	1.9	0.0	1.4
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.0	0.2
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

## Professional Development (cont.)

C.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Yes, I have written a paper for publication							6%				1%
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication			11%				13%	21%	29%		12%
No		22%	6%			57%	19%	57%	57%	100%	30%
I did not write a thesis	100%	78%	83%	100%	100%	43%	63%	21%	14%		57%

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## Graduate Study at Western

C.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Yes			6%			29%	19%		29%		10%
No	100%	100%	94%	100%	100%	71%	81%	100%	71%	100%	90%

C.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	13	7	1	76
Family obligations	1.0	1.4	1.8	1.0	1.7	1.4	1.9	1.5	1.3	1.0	1.6
Availability of faculty	1.0	1.7	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.4	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.3
Course scheduling/availability	3.0	2.0	2.2	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.7	1.0	1.9
Thesis research		1.0	1.7		1.0	1.4	1.3	2.0	2.0	3.0	1.5
Other	2.0	1.0	1.2	1.0	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.1	2.0	1.2

C.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
All respondents	1	7	18	1	3	7	15	13	6	1	72
Mean (if debt >0)	\$25	\$7,286	\$12,548	\$40,000	\$13,333	\$16,857	\$18,200	\$25,385	\$14,000	\$20,000	\$16,415
Respondents who incurred debt	1	3	13	1	1	6	10	11	5	1	52
Mean (if debt >0)	\$25	\$17,000	\$17,374	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$19,667	\$27,300	\$30,000	\$16,800	\$20,000	\$22,729



## Plans for the Future

C.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

### C.11.a. Likelihood

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	4.0	3.4	4.8	4.0	1.7	3.4	2.6	3.2	3.9	4.0	3.5
Teaching at the K-12 level	1.0	2.0	1.4	5.0	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	1.4	5.0	3.4
Conducting independent research	5.0	3.4	3.9	3.0	2.7	3.4	3.0	3.4	3.3	3.0	3.4
Formulating a research topic	5.0	3.6	3.9	3.0	2.3	3.3	3.3	3.5	3.4	4.0	3.5
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.0	3.6	3.8	2.0	3.3	3.4	2.9	3.4	2.7	4.0	3.4
Writing a grant proposal	5.0	3.1	3.6	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.0	4.2	3.8	3.0	3.8

### C.11.b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	17	1	3	6	15	14	7	1	74
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	5.0	3.4	4.6	3.0	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.1	3.9	4.0	3.6
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.0	3.0	3.4	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.1	3.0	5.0	3.8
Conducting independent research	4.0	3.1	4.0	3.0	3.7	4.0	3.7	3.4	4.0	4.0	3.7
Formulating a research topic	4.0	3.2	4.2	3.0	3.3	4.0	3.8	3.4	4.3	4.0	3.8
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.0	3.2	4.2	3.0	4.0	4.2	3.6	3.5	3.7	4.0	3.7
Writing a grant proposal	5.0	2.3	3.5	4.0	2.7	3.2	2.4	2.5	2.4	3.0	2.8

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

C.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Further graduate study			11%				13%		14%		6%
Employment in a school or community college			67%	100%	100%	100%	63%	86%	86%	100%	68%
Employment in a business or industry											
Employment in a non-profit organization		33%					6%				5%
Employment with a government or government agency	100%	22%	6%				6%				6%
Self-employment		22%									3%
Volunteer service			6%								1%
Other		22%	11%				13%	14%			10%

C.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in C.12.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N			2				2		1		5
Masters							100%				40%
Ph.D.			100%						100%		60%
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)											

C.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in C.12.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N			2				2		1		5
Yes			50%				100%				60%
No			50%						100%		40%

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

C.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
Yes	100%	44%	33%		33%	29%	44%	50%	29%		39%
No		56%	67%	100%	67%	71%	56%	50%	71%	100%	61%

C.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (Means are reported.)

		STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in C.12.)	N	1	9	18	1	3	7	16	14	7	1	77
	Mean	4.0	0.4	0.4	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.0	0.5
Of respondents receiving at least one offer	N	1	4	6		1	2	7	7	2		30
	Mean	4.0	1.0	1.3		1.0	1.0	1.1	1.6	1.0		1.3

C.13.a. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in C.13.) (Means are reported.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	4	6		1	2	7	7	2		30
Mean	1.1	0.0	1.0	1.2		1.0	1.0	0.9	1.6	1.0	

C.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in C.12.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N	1	5	6		1	2	6	6	2		29
Yes	100%	80%	100%		100%	50%	83%	100%	50%		86%
No		20%				50%	17%		50%		

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

C.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in C.14.)

	STPA	RCS	CCE	EDADM	EDADO	LIT	MITM	MITS	SAA	SPED	Woodring
N		4	4		1	1	3	6	1		20
Yes		100%	100%		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		100%
No											

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## D. College of Humanities and Social Sciences

### Attending Graduate School

D.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Undergraduate student		54%	40%	67%	43%	60%	27%	42%
Employed in a field related to your program	50%	8%	13%		14%		20%	13%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program	50%	23%	40%		43%	40%	53%	38%
Other		15%	7%	33%				7%

D.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Definitely not					14%	20%	7%	5%
Probably not		15%			43%	40%		12%
Maybe	50%	8%	13%	33%	14%	40%	7%	15%
Probably	50%	31%	53%	33%	29%		33%	35%
Definitely		46%	33%	33%			53%	33%

D.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Definitely not						20%		2%
Probably not			7%			20%	7%	5%
Maybe			7%	33%	14%		20%	10%
Probably			13%		29%		13%	10%
Definitely	100%	100%	73%	67%	57%	60%	60%	73%

D.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Definitely not								
Probably not		23%			43%	40%	7%	15%
Maybe		15%	13%		29%	40%	13%	17%
Probably	50%	38%	53%	33%	29%	20%	20%	35%
Definitely	50%	23%	33%	67%			60%	33%

## Academic Program

D.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

### D.5.a. Importance

(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	6	5	14	58
Level of academic challenge	3.5	4.2	4.7	4.3	4.2	4.6	3.9	4.3
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	3.5	4.4	4.1	4.0	5.0	4.0	4.4	4.3
Professional training opportunities	3.5	4.5	4.4	3.7	5.0	5.0	4.3	4.4
Research opportunities	4.5	2.9	3.6	4.3	3.2	4.6	3.4	3.5
Quality of research conducted	4.5	3.7	3.6	4.3	3.2	4.6	3.4	3.7
Quality of instruction	4.5	4.8	5.0	4.7	4.7	5.0	4.7	4.8
Quality of advising	4.5	4.3	4.0	3.7	4.5	4.8	4.6	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.0	3.9	3.4	3.3	4.0	4.2	4.1	3.8
Overall quality of the degree program	4.0	4.6	4.9	4.7	5.0	4.8	4.7	4.7

### D.5.b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	2	7	5	15	59
Level of academic challenge	4.0	4.0	4.3	5.0	3.4	3.2	4.1	4.0
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.0	4.1	4.2	5.0	2.9	3.6	4.2	4.0
Professional training opportunities	3.0	4.4	4.3	3.5	2.3	2.0	3.9	3.7
Research opportunities	4.5	3.3	3.8	4.0	4.3	3.0	3.8	3.7
Quality of research conducted	4.5	3.6	3.6	3.0	4.3	2.0	3.6	3.6
Quality of instruction	4.0	3.8	4.1	5.0	3.0	3.6	4.1	3.9
Quality of advising	3.5	3.7	3.1	3.5	3.4	2.2	4.5	3.6
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	4.0	4.8	3.7	4.0	2.4	3.6	3.8	3.8
Overall quality of the degree program	4.0	4.0	4.1	5.0	3.3	2.8	4.1	3.9

## Professional Development

D.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?		31%	47%	67%	43%	20%	67%	45%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	50%	38%	73%	67%	57%	20%	93%	63%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?	50%	15%	80%	67%		20%	73%	48%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?		8%			29%		20%	10%
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?			20%					5%
None of the above	50%	54%	13%	33%	29%	80%		28%

D.6.a. Professional development questions asked of respondents who responded "yes" in D.6. (Means are reported.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	8	5	15	61
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	0.0	0.4	0.5	0.7	1.0	0.8	1.3	0.7
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	1.5	0.4	1.5	0.7	1.3	0.6	2.2	1.3
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	1.5	0.2	1.5	1.0	0.0	0.2	1.3	0.9
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.2	0.1
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

D.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Yes, I have written a paper for publication			7%				7%	3%
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication	50%	8%	27%	67%	43%	80%	40%	35%
No	50%	15%			57%	20%		13%
I did not write a thesis		77%	67%	33%			53%	48%

## Graduate Study at Western

D.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Yes	50%	62%	80%		43%	60%	60%	60%
No	50%	38%	20%	100%	57%	40%	40%	40%

D.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Family obligations	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.7	1.4	1.0	1.6	1.4
Availability of faculty	1.5	1.2	1.4	1.7	1.1	2.0	1.3	1.4
Course scheduling/availability	1.5	1.3	1.7	2.0	1.4	2.6	1.2	1.6
Thesis research	2.5	1.2	1.1	1.7	2.1	1.6	1.6	1.5
Other		1.5	1.0	1.0	1.7	1.7	1.0	1.2

D.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
All respondents	2	12	15	3	7	5	15	59
Mean (if debt >0)	\$0	\$30,583	\$16,000	\$3,333	\$12,429	\$15,200	\$12,500	\$16,398
Respondents who incurred debt		11	10	2	4	3	13	43
Mean (if debt >0)		\$33,364	\$24,000	\$5,000	\$21,750	\$25,333	\$14,423	\$22,500



## Plans for the Future

D.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

D.11.a. Likelihood  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.0	1.8	4.4	3.7	2.0	3.2	2.9	3.0
Teaching at the K-12 level	2.5	3.9	2.3	2.7	2.0	2.4	1.7	2.5
Conducting independent research	4.0	2.5	3.5	4.7	2.7	4.4	3.2	3.3
Formulating a research topic	4.5	2.5	3.5	4.7	3.0	4.0	3.3	3.3
Collaborating on research with faculty members	3.0	2.4	3.5	2.7	3.1	4.0	3.2	3.1
Writing a grant proposal	4.0	2.8	3.3	3.7	3.1	3.0	3.2	3.1

D.11.b. Satisfaction  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	2	7	4	14	57
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.5	3.2	4.3	3.5	3.1	2.5	3.4	3.5
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.0	3.8	3.6	3.5	2.7	2.5	3.4	3.4
Conducting independent research	5.0	3.4	4.1	4.5	4.0	3.4	4.1	3.9
Formulating a research topic	5.0	3.5	3.9	4.5	3.4	3.6	4.1	3.9
Collaborating on research with faculty members	3.0	3.3	3.5	3.5	3.9	3.4	3.9	3.6
Writing a grant proposal	3.0	3.2	2.9	3.0	2.4	2.2	2.7	2.8

D.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Further graduate study			13%			40%	13%	10%
Employment in a school or community college		62%	60%	67%	29%	20%	33%	45%
Employment in a business or industry		15%	20%	33%	29%	40%	7%	18%
Employment in a non-profit organization	50%	15%					27%	12%
Employment with a government or government agency	50%	8%					7%	5%
Self-employment								
Volunteer service					14%			2%
Other			7%		29%		13%	8%

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

D.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in D.12.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N			2			2	2	6
Masters						50%		17%
Ph.D.			100%			50%	100%	83%
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)								

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D.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in D.12.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N			2			2	2	6
Yes			50%			100%	100%	83%
No			50%					17%

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D.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
Yes		62%	13%		57%		20%	28%
No	100%	38%	87%	100%	43%	100%	80%	72%

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D.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (Means are reported.)

		ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in D.12.)	N	2	13	15	3	7	5	15	60
	Mean	0.0	1.0	0.1	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.3	0.4
Of respondents receiving at least one offer	N		8	2		4		3	17
	Mean		1.6	1.0		1.8		1.3	1.5

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D.13.b. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in D.13.) (Means are reported.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N		8	2		4		3	17
Mean		1.6	1.0		1.8		1.3	1.5

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

D.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in D.12.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N	1	8	1		1		2	13
Yes		50%	100%		100%		100%	62%
No	100%	50%						38%

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D.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in D.14.)

	ANTH	CSD	ENG	HIST	PE	PLSC	PSY	CHSS
N		4	1		1		2	8
Yes		100%	100%		100%		100%	100%
No								

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# E. Huxley College

## Attending Graduate School

E.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Undergraduate student	40%	9%	19%
Employed in a field related to your program	60%	64%	63%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program		27%	19%
Other			

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E.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Definitely not			
Probably not		9%	6%
Maybe	20%	27%	25%
Probably	40%	36%	38%
Definitely	40%	27%	31%

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E.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Definitely not			
Probably not			
Maybe	40%	9%	19%
Probably	20%	36%	31%
Definitely	40%	55%	50%

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E.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Definitely not			
Probably not		9%	6%
Maybe	20%	18%	19%
Probably	20%	27%	25%
Definitely	60%	45%	50%

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## Academic Program

E.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

### E.5.a. Importance

(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	10	15
Level of academic challenge	4.4	4.1	4.2
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.2	4.2	4.2
Professional training opportunities	3.8	4.3	4.1
Research opportunities	4.0	3.2	3.5
Quality of research conducted	4.6	3.5	3.9
Quality of instruction	4.8	4.7	4.7
Quality of advising	4.4	4.2	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	4.2	3.2	3.5
Overall quality of the degree program	4.6	4.6	4.6

### E.5..b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Level of academic challenge	3.8	3.5	3.6
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	3.6	3.5	3.5
Professional training opportunities	3.0	3.3	3.2
Research opportunities	4.2	3.1	3.4
Quality of research conducted	3.6	2.9	3.1
Quality of instruction	4.2	3.1	3.4
Quality of advising	3.6	2.5	2.8
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.6	3.2	3.3
Overall quality of the degree program	4.0	3.5	3.7

## Professional Development

E.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?	80%	82%	81%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	80%	82%	81%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?	100%	64%	75%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?	40%		13%
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?	40%		13%
None of the above		18%	13%

E.6.a. Professional development questions asked of respondents who responded "yes" in E.6. (Means are reported.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	2.0	1.6	1.8
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	2.2	2.5	2.4
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	1.4	1.5	1.5
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	0.4	0.0	0.1
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.4	0.0	0.1

E.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Yes, I have written a paper for publication	20%	18%	19%
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication	80%	27%	44%
No			
I did not write a thesis		55%	38%

## Graduate Study at Western

E.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Yes	80%	45%	56%
No	20%	55%	44%

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E.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Family obligations	2.4	1.5	1.8
Availability of faculty	1.6	2.0	1.9
Course scheduling/availability	1.0	1.5	1.3
Thesis research	1.4	1.5	1.5
Other	2.3	2.0	2.2

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E.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
All respondents	5	11	16
Mean (if debt >0)	\$13,500	\$17,727	\$16,406
Respondents who incurred debt	4	9	13
Mean (if debt >0)	\$16,875	\$21,667	\$20,192

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## Plans for the Future

E.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

E.11.a. Likelihood  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	4.2	2.9	3.3
Teaching at the K-12 level	1.8	3.5	2.9
Conducting independent research	4.4	3.1	3.5
Formulating a research topic	4.4	3.3	3.6
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.4	3.2	3.6
Writing a grant proposal	4.8	4.8	4.8

E.11.b. Satisfaction  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.6	3.4	3.4
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.0	3.5	3.4
Conducting independent research	4.4	3.1	3.5
Formulating a research topic	3.8	3.2	3.4
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.2	2.9	3.3
Writing a grant proposal	3.0	3.2	3.1

E.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Further graduate study			
Employment in a school or community college	20%		6%
Employment in a business or industry	20%		6%
Employment in a non-profit organization		64%	44%
Employment with a government or government agency	60%	18%	31%
Self-employment			
Volunteer service		9%	6%
Other		9%	6%



## Plans for the Future (cont.)

E.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in E.12.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N			
Masters			
Ph.D.			
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)			

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E.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in E.12.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N			
Yes			
No			

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E.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	5	11	16
Yes	40%	36%	38%
No	60%	64%	63%

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E.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (Means are reported.)

		ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in E.12.)	N	4	11	15
	Mean	0.3	0.9	0.7
Of respondents receiving at least one offer	N	1	4	5
	Mean	1.0	2.5	2.2

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E.13.b. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in E.13.) (Means are reported.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	1	4	5
Mean	1.0	4.0	5.0

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

E.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in E.12.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	3	4	7
Yes	33%	100%	71%
No	67%		29%

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E.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in E.14.)

	ESCI	ESTU	Huxley
N	1	4	5
Yes	100%	100%	100%
No			

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## F. College of Sciences and Technology

### Attending Graduate School

F.1. What was your primary activity immediately prior to enrolling in your program at Western?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Undergraduate student	33%		80%	20%	67%		42%
Employed in a field related to your program	22%			40%		100%	21%
Employed in a field unrelated to your program	44%	100%	20%	40%			33%
Other					33%		4%

F.2. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select WWU?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Definitely not	11%						4%
Probably not			40%				8%
Maybe			20%	40%			13%
Probably	22%		20%	40%	33%		25%
Definitely	67%	100%	20%	20%	67%	100%	50%

F.3. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same field of study?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Definitely not							
Probably not			20%				4%
Maybe							
Probably	22%			20%			13%
Definitely	78%	100%	80%	80%	100%	100%	83%

F.4. Would you recommend Western to someone considering your program?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Definitely not	11%						4%
Probably not			60%				13%
Maybe	11%			40%			13%
Probably	44%		40%	40%	33%		38%
Definitely	33%	100%		20%	67%	100%	33%

## Academic Program

F.5. For each of the following, please rate both the importance of, as well as your satisfaction with that aspect of your program.

F.5.a. Importance  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "not at all important" to "extremely important") (Means are reported)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	8	1	5	5	3	1	23
Level of academic challenge	4.0	4.0	4.4	4.8	4.0	3.0	4.2
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.6	3.0	4.0	3.7
Professional training opportunities	4.0	5.0	2.4	3.2	3.0	4.0	3.4
Research opportunities	4.9	5.0	4.2	4.2	2.3	2.0	4.1
Quality of research conducted	4.9	5.0	4.2	4.8	3.0	2.0	4.3
Quality of instruction	4.5	5.0	4.6	4.8	4.7	4.0	4.6
Quality of advising	4.6	5.0	3.8	4.4	4.3	4.0	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	4.0	4.0	3.8	3.8	3.3	3.0	3.8
Overall quality of the degree program	4.5	4.0	4.6	4.8	4.7	3.0	4.5

F.5.b. Satisfaction  
(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Level of academic challenge	3.9	4.0	3.2	3.8	5.0	4.0	3.9
Keeping pace with recent trends and developments in the field	3.4	4.0	3.2	4.0	4.3	4.0	3.7
Professional training opportunities	2.9	5.0	2.8	3.2	4.0	5.0	3.3
Research opportunities	4.0	5.0	3.0	4.2	4.5	4.0	3.9
Quality of research conducted	4.1	5.0	3.2	4.0	3.3	4.0	3.8
Quality of instruction	3.8	5.0	2.8	4.8	5.0	4.0	4.0
Quality of advising	4.6	5.0	2.8	4.8	5.0	4.0	4.3
Adequacy of space, facilities and/or equipment	3.8	4.0	4.2	2.6	4.3	4.0	3.7
Overall quality of the degree program	4.1	4.0	3.0	4.2	5.0	4.0	4.0

## Professional Development

F.6. Have you done any of the following during your graduate study at Western?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Attended a national or regional meeting associated with your discipline?	67%	100%		100%			50%
Attended an academic or professional conference?	67%	100%		100%	33%		54%
Presented research at a seminar or conference?	89%	100%		80%			54%
Co-authored an article in a refereed journal with a program faculty?	22%		20%				13%
Published as the sole or first author in a refereed journal?	11%						4%
None of the above			80%		67%	100%	29%

F.6.a. Professional development questions asked of respondents who responded "yes" in F.6. (Means are reported.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
How many national or regional meetings associated with your discipline have you attended?	1.4	3.0	0.0	1.6	0.0	0.0	1.0
How many academic or professional conferences have you attended?	2.2	2.0	0.0	1.8	0.3	0.0	1.3
At how many seminars or conferences have you presented research?	2.1	5.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0	1.2
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as a co-author?	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
How many articles have you published in refereed journals as the sole or first author?	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

F.7. Have you written, or do you plan to write a paper for publication based on your thesis?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Yes, I have written a paper for publication	22%		60%				21%
Yes, I plan to write a paper for publication	78%	100%	20%	100%			58%
No					33%		4%
I did not write a thesis			20%		67%	100%	17%

## Graduate Study at Western

F.8. While at Western, did you hold a Graduate Teaching Assistantship position?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Yes	100%	100%	60%	100%	100%	100%	92%
No			40%				8%

F.9. Rate the extent to which the following factors were an obstacle to your academic progress and/or time to degree. (Scale of 1 - 3, "no impact" to "major impact.") (Means are reported.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Family obligations	1.7	1.0	1.8	1.4	1.7	2.0	1.6
Availability of faculty	1.7	1.0	1.6	1.4	1.0	1.0	1.5
Course scheduling/availability	1.3	1.0	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.0	1.5
Thesis research	2.1	1.0	1.6	2.2	1.0	2.0	1.8
Other	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0		1.3

F.10. Approximately how much debt did you incur to finance your graduate education at Western?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
All respondents	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Mean (if debt >0)	\$6,167	\$4,000	\$5,200	\$6,600	\$6,667	\$4,000	\$5,938
Respondents who incurred debt	4	1	2	3	1	1	12
Mean (if debt >0)	\$13,875	\$4,000	\$13,000	\$11,000	\$20,000	\$4,000	\$11,875

## Plans for the Future

F.11. For each of the following activities, please rate both the likelihood you will engage in the activity, as well as your satisfaction with the level of preparation offered in your program.

### F.11.a. Likelihood

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very unlikely" to "very likely") (Means are reported)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	8	1	5	5	3	1	23
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.3	3.0	2.0	4.8	4.7	2.0	3.4
Teaching at the K-12 level	2.0	3.0	1.6	2.6	1.3	5.0	2.1
Conducting independent research	4.0	5.0	2.6	4.0	2.7	3.0	3.5
Formulating a research topic	3.9	5.0	2.6	4.0	3.0	3.0	3.5
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.1	5.0	1.8	4.6	3.0	3.0	3.6
Writing a grant proposal	4.4	4.0	2.0	3.8	3.0	2.0	3.4

### F.11.b. Satisfaction

(Scale of 1 - 5, "very dissatisfied" to "very satisfied") (Means are reported)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	8	1	4	5	3	1	22
Teaching at a higher-ed institution	3.6	3.0	3.0	4.4	4.3	3.0	3.7
Teaching at the K-12 level	3.3	3.0	3.0	4.0	3.0	4.0	3.4
Conducting independent research	3.9	5.0	3.5	4.6	3.3	3.0	3.9
Formulating a research topic	4.5	5.0	3.3	4.2	3.7	3.0	4.0
Collaborating on research with faculty members	4.3	5.0	3.0	4.6	3.7	3.0	4.0
Writing a grant proposal	3.5	4.0	2.3	4.4	3.3	3.0	3.5

F.12. What are your immediate post-graduate plans?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Further graduate study	44%	100%		20%	33%		29%
Employment in a school or community college	11%			60%	67%	100%	29%
Employment in a business or industry			100%	20%			25%
Employment in a non-profit organization	33%						13%
Employment with a government or government agency	11%						4%
Self-employment							
Volunteer service							
Other							

## Plans for the Future (cont.)

F.12.a. Which of the following degrees do you plan to pursue? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in F.12.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	4	1		1	1		7
Masters	25%						14%
Ph.D.	75%	100%		100%			71%
Professional (JD, MD, etc.)					100%		14%

F.12.b. Have you already been admitted for further graduate study? (Asked of respondents who answered "further graduate study" in F.12.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	4	1		1	1		7
Yes	100%			100%	100%		86%
No		100%					14%

F.13. Have you received any offers of post-graduation employment?

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	9	1	5	5	3	1	24
Yes	22%		40%	60%	33%		33%
No	78%	100%	60%	40%	67%	100%	67%

F.13.a. How many job offers have you received? (Means are reported.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
Of all respondents seeking employment (chose options 2 - 5 in F.12.)							
N				5	3	1	24
Mean	0.3	0.0	0.6	1.0	0.3	0.0	0.5
Of respondents receiving at least one offer							
N	2		2	3	1		8
Mean	1.5		1.5	1.7	1.0		1.5

F.13.b. Of those offers, how many are related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in F.13.) (Means are reported.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	2		2	3	1		8
Mean	1.5		1.5	1.7	1.0		1.5



## Plans for the Future (cont.)

F.14. Have you accepted a job offer? (Asked of respondents who answered "employment" in F.12.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N	1		2	3	1		7
Yes			50%	67%	100%		57%
No	100%		50%	33%			43%

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F.14.a. Is the position you accepted related to your field of study? (Asked of respondents who answered "yes" in F.14.)

	BIOL	CHEM	CSCI	GEOL	MATH	SCED	CST
N			1	2	1		4
Yes			100%	100%	100%		100%
No							

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