Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey - 2016

Summary Report

Master's - With Thesis

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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] Student Response		[ACTUAL_STREAM] Actual Stream (if override applied)	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor **<< LONG STREAM**	95.3%	202	95.3%	202
2. Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor **<< MEDIUM STREAM**	4.7%	10	4.7%	10
3. Mainly course-based **<< SHORT STREAM**	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
Valid Responses		212	Valid	212
Total Responses		212	Total	212

SECTION 1 - EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Q1: At which degree level are you currently enrolled?

Response	[DEGREE_SELF_REPORT] Student Response		[UNIV_PROGRAM_LEVEL] University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Master's	100.0%	212	100.0%	212
2. Doctoral	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
Not answered/Not available		0		0
Valid Responses		212	Valid	212
Total Responses		212	Total	212

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Humanities (Long & Medium)	9.0%	19
2. Fine and Applied Arts (Long & Medium)	8.1%	17
3. Social Sciences (Long & Medium)	17.5%	37
4. Business/Management (All)	1.4%	3
5. Education (All)	15.6%	33
6. Engineering (All)	28.4%	60
7. Physical and Mathematical Sciences (Long & Medium)	7.1%	15
8. Environmental Science (All)	3.8%	8
9. Biological Sciences (Long & Medium)	6.2%	13
10. Health Science (All)	2.8%	6
11. Library & Information Sciences (Short)	0.0%	0
12. Architecture/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design/Planning (Short)	0.0%	0
13. Journalism (Short)	0.0%	0
14. Public Administration/Public Policy/International Relations (Short)	0.0%	0
15. Social Work (Short)	0.0%	0
16. Law (Short)	0.0%	0
17. Arts & Culture (Short)	0.0%	0
18. Finance/Mathematics/Computing (Short)	0.0%	0
19. Other (specified) (Short)	0.0%	0
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses	211	
Total Responses	212	

Q3: What is your current year of study?

Response	[YEARSTUDY] Student Response		[UNIV_YEARSTUDY] University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1st year	27.4%	58		0
2nd year	39.2%	83		0
3rd year	21.7%	46		0
4th year	4.7%	10		0
5th year	3.8%	8		0
6th year or above	3.3%	7		0
Not Answered/Not Available		0		0
Valid Responses		212	Valid	0
Total Responses		212	Total	0

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. I am still taking courses (All Streams)	36.8%	78
2. I have completed coursework (All Streams)	31.1%	66
3. I have passed qualifying exams/paper (Long & Medium)	1.4%	3
4. I have had my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted (Long & Medium)	17.0%	36
5. I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper (Long & Medium)	13.7%	29
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		212
Total Responses		212

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	40.1%	85
2. To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career outside of academia	29.7%	63
3. To satisfy my interest in the field, regardless of career prospects	26.9%	57
4. Other (specified)	3.3%	7
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		212
Total Responses		212

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	53.3%	113
2. No	46.7%	99
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		212
Total Responses		212

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Doctoral	0.0%	0
2. Master's - With Thesis	100.0%	212
3. Master's - Without Thesis	0.0%	0
Valid Responses		212
Total Responses		212

Other: Academic Load (uploaded data) [UNIV_ACADLOAD]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Full-Time	63.7%	135
2. Part-Time	36.3%	77
Not Available		0
Valid Responses		212
Total Responses		212

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]** *Response included if this question (or later) has been answered.*	Count	48	83	41	28	12	212	3.599
	% by Row	22.6%	39.2%	19.3%	13.2%	5.7%	100.0%	
2. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select the same field of study? **[StartOver_Field]**	Count	109	61	21	17	3	211	4.213
	% by Row	51.7%	28.9%	10.0%	8.1%	1.4%	100.0%	
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program? **[StartOver_Program]**	Count	71	63	47	17	14	212	3.755
	% by Row	33.5%	29.7%	22.2%	8.0%	6.6%	100.0%	
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field? **[StartOver_OtherField]**	Count	43	63	77	18	11	212	3.514
	% by Row	20.3%	29.7%	36.3%	8.5%	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	112	42	20	17	11	202	4.124
	% by Row	55.4%	20.8%	9.9%	8.4%	5.4%	100.0%	

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

Q9: Please rate the following dimensions of your program.

		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	78	75	38	9	10	210	3.962
	% by Row	37.1%	35.7%	18.1%	4.3%	4.8%	100.0%	
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students **[ProgRate_Students]**	Count	37	86	60	23	4	210	3.614
	% by Row	17.6%	41.0%	28.6%	11.0%	1.9%	100.0%	
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students **[ProgRate_Relation]**	Count	55	72	49	22	13	211	3.635
	% by Row	26.1%	34.1%	23.2%	10.4%	6.2%	100.0%	
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty **[ProgRate_Teaching]**	Count	41	69	65	22	11	208	3.514
	% by Row	19.7%	33.2%	31.3%	10.6%	5.3%	100.0%	
5. Advice on the availability of financial support **[ProgRate_FundingAdv]**	Count	23	41	62	52	31	209	2.871
	% by Row	11.0%	19.6%	29.7%	24.9%	14.8%	100.0%	
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance **[ProgRate_Advising]**	Count	35	66	67	23	19	210	3.357
	% by Row	16.7%	31.4%	31.9%	11.0%	9.0%	100.0%	
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program **[ProgRate_Staff]**	Count	51	81	52	15	11	210	3.695
	% by Row	24.3%	38.6%	24.8%	7.1%	5.2%	100.0%	
8. Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program **[ProgRate_CourseAvail]**	Count	33	44	67	35	31	210	3.062
	% by Row	15.7%	21.0%	31.9%	16.7%	14.8%	100.0%	
9. Quality of instruction in my courses **[ProgRate_Teaching2]**	Count	44	69	62	27	8	210	3.543
	% by Row	21.0%	32.9%	29.5%	12.9%	3.8%	100.0%	
10. Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals **[ProgRate_Fit]**	Count	52	60	48	34	13	207	3.502
	% by Row	25.1%	29.0%	23.2%	16.4%	6.3%	100.0%	
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork **[ProgRate_Teamwork]**	Count	28	61	59	40	20	208	3.178
	% by Row	13.5%	29.3%	28.4%	19.2%	9.6%	100.0%	
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department **[ProgRate_CourseOut]**	Count	27	40	62	50	24	203	2.980
	% by Row	13.3%	19.7%	30.5%	24.6%	11.8%	100.0%	
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work **[ProgRate_Interdiscipline]**	Count	32	41	57	49	27	206	3.010
	% by Row	15.5%	19.9%	27.7%	23.8%	13.1%	100.0%	
14. Amount of coursework **[ProgRate_Workload]**	Count	31	60	92	22	4	209	3.440
	% by Row	14.8%	28.7%	44.0%	10.5%	1.9%	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	28	56	50	22	13	25	14	208	3.379
	% by Row	16.6%	33.1%	29.6%	13.0%	7.7%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations **[ProfSkill_Exams]**	Count	17	27	32	22	11	41	59	209	3.156
	% by Row	15.6%	24.8%	29.4%	20.2%	10.1%			100.0%	
3. Feedback on your research **[ProfSkill_Feedback]**	Count	44	48	53	23	12	9	20	209	3.494
	% by Row	24.4%	26.7%	29.4%	12.8%	6.7%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on standards for academic writing in your field **[ProfSkill_WriteSTD2]**	Count	30	40	44	28	22	30	15	209	3.171
	% by Row	18.3%	24.4%	26.8%	17.1%	13.4%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals **[ProfSkill_WriteGrant]**	Count	18	22	33	21	34	47	33	208	2.758
	% by Row	14.1%	17.2%	25.8%	16.4%	26.6%			100.0%	
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work **[ProfSkill_Publish]**	Count	25	25	36	28	24	40	29	207	2.993
	% by Row	18.1%	18.1%	26.1%	20.3%	17.4%			100.0%	
7. Advice/workshops on job searching (CV prep, interview skills, etc.) **[ProfSkill_JobHunt]**	Count	18	27	36	32	25	42	27	207	2.862
	% by Row	13.0%	19.6%	26.1%	23.2%	18.1%			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	16	26	38	29	41	36	20	206	2.647
	% by Row	10.7%	17.3%	25.3%	19.3%	27.3%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options outside academia **[ProfSkill_CareerOth]**	Count	15	23	42	33	36	33	22	204	2.651
	% by Row	10.1%	15.4%	28.2%	22.1%	24.2%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops about research positions **[ProfSkill_ResPos]**	Count	16	26	36	32	42	33	18	203	2.618
	% by Row	10.5%	17.1%	23.7%	21.1%	27.6%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research **[ProfSkill_HumanEthic]**	Count	25	24	34	28	18	29	46	204	3.078
	% by Row	19.4%	18.6%	26.4%	21.7%	14.0%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals **[ProfSkill_AnimEthic]**	Count	17	13	20	11	17	39	87	204	3.026
	% by Row	21.8%	16.7%	25.6%	14.1%	21.8%			100.0%	
6. Advice on intellectual property issues **[ProfSkill_IP]**	Count	27	29	38	29	21	27	34	205	3.083
	% by Row	18.8%	20.1%	26.4%	20.1%	14.6%			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	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									
2. Advice/workshops on career options **[ProfSkill_Career]**	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									
3. Advice/workshops on professional ethics **[ProfSkill_ProfEthic]**	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									
4. Advice/workshops on job preparation and professional practice **[ProfSkill_ProfPractice]**	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									
5. Opportunities for internships, practicum, and experiential learning as part of the program **[ProfSkill_Internship]**	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									
6. Opportunities for contact (lectures, seminars, discussion) with practicing professionals **[ProfSkill_Contact]**	Count	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	% by Row									

SECTION 5 - RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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

		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	48	59	35	30	16	8	8	204	3.495
	% by Row	25.5%	31.4%	18.6%	16.0%	8.5%			100.0%	
2. Training in research methods before beginning your own research [ResExp_Method]	Count	29	49	54	36	23	6	7	204	3.131
	% by Row	15.2%	25.7%	28.3%	18.8%	12.0%			100.0%	
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic [ResExp_Guidance]	Count	48	54	38	32	22	2	8	204	3.381
	% by Row	24.7%	27.8%	19.6%	16.5%	11.3%			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_Collbration]	Count	37	46	34	24	20	18	23	202	3.348
	% by Row	23.0%	28.6%	21.1%	14.9%	12.4%			100.0%	
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal (Long and Medium only) [ResExp_WriteGrant]	Count	17	23	28	17	20	48	47	200	3.000
	% by Row	16.2%	21.9%	26.7%	16.2%	19.0%			100.0%	

SECTION 6 - PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Q15: Please select if the following occurs in your department.

		Yes (1)	No (2)	Total	If Occurrence = "Yes", indicate the Number of Occurrences					
					0	1	2	3	4+	Total
1. Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research OCCURRED = [PresPub_Seminar] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Seminar]	Count	160	41	201	28	35	36	18	37	154
	% by Row	79.6%	20.4%	100.0%	18.2%	22.7%	23.4%	11.7%	24.0%	100.0%
2. Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_FundMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_FundMeet]	Count	87	112	199	36	30	11	5	2	84
	% by Row	43.7%	56.3%	100.0%	42.9%	35.7%	13.1%	6.0%	2.4%	100.0%
3. Attend national scholarly meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_NatlMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_NatlMeet]	Count	69	130	199	28	24	10	3	1	66
	% by Row	34.7%	65.3%	100.0%	42.4%	36.4%	15.2%	4.5%	1.5%	100.0%

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

		Yes (1)	No (2)	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) OCCURRED = [PresPub_PresMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_PresMeet]	Count	86	102	188	24	31	16	7	4	82
	% by Row	45.7%	54.3%	100.0%	29.3%	37.8%	19.5%	8.5%	4.9%	100.0%
5. Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_CoAuth] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_CoAuth]	Count	58	129	187	24	17	9	3	0	53
	% by Row	31.0%	69.0%	100.0%	45.3%	32.1%	17.0%	5.7%	0.0%	100.0%
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_Author] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Author]	Count	54	133	187	24	22	5	0	0	51
	% by Row	28.9%	71.1%	100.0%	47.1%	43.1%	9.8%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%

SECTION 7 - ADVISOR AND THESIS / DISSERTATION / RESEARCH PAPER (Long Stream Only)

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.

		Strongly agree (4)	Agree (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly disagree (1)	Total	Mean (out of 4)
1. My advisor was knowledgeable about formal degree requirements [Advisor_DegReq]	Count	98	69	12	3	182	3.440
	% by Row	53.8%	37.9%	6.6%	1.6%	100.0%	
2. My advisor served as my advocate when necessary [Advisor_Advocate]	Count	93	77	8	3	181	3.436
	% by Row	51.4%	42.5%	4.4%	1.7%	100.0%	
3. My advisor gave me constructive feedback on my work [Advisor_Feedback]	Count	97	65	13	6	181	3.398
	% by Row	53.6%	35.9%	7.2%	3.3%	100.0%	
4. My advisor returned my work promptly [Advisor_Promptly]	Count	89	75	11	6	181	3.365
	% by Row	49.2%	41.4%	6.1%	3.3%	100.0%	
5. My advisor promoted my professional development [Advisor_ProfDev]	Count	81	74	18	7	180	3.272
	% by Row	45.0%	41.1%	10.0%	3.9%	100.0%	
6. My advisor overall, performed the role well [Advisor_Role]	Count	90	71	17	3	181	3.370
	% by Row	49.7%	39.2%	9.4%	1.7%	100.0%	
7. My advisor was available for regular meetings [Advisor_Available]	Count	104	61	13	5	183	3.443
	% by Row	56.8%	33.3%	7.1%	2.7%	100.0%	
8. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams [Advisor_WrittenEx]	Count	65	79	18	9	171	3.170
	% by Row	38.0%	46.2%	10.5%	5.3%	100.0%	
9. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam [Advisor_OralEx]	Count	70	71	21	7	169	3.207
	% by Row	41.4%	42.0%	12.4%	4.1%	100.0%	
10. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic [Advisor_DissTop]	Count	80	73	19	4	176	3.301
	% by Row	45.5%	41.5%	10.8%	2.3%	100.0%	
11. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal [Advisor_ResProp]	Count	76	77	16	7	176	3.261
	% by Row	43.2%	43.8%	9.1%	4.0%	100.0%	
12. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation [Advisor_DissWrite]	Count	72	77	19	7	175	3.223
	% by Row	41.1%	44.0%	10.9%	4.0%	100.0%	
13. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee [Advisor_DissCmtee]	Count	74	77	13	7	171	3.275
	% by Row	43.3%	45.0%	7.6%	4.1%	100.0%	
14. My advisor encouraged discussions about current job market and various career prospects [Advisor_JobMarket]	Count	60	62	38	12	172	2.988
	% by Row	34.9%	36.0%	22.1%	7.0%	100.0%	

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

	[DisResults]		[DisDraft]	
	18a. Your ongoing research and results		18b. Your writing of the dissertation draft	
Response	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Four or more times (at least once a week) = 3	43.1%	75	32.5%	55
One to three times (at least once a month) = 2	39.7%	69	41.4%	70
Less than once a month = 1	17.2%	30	26.0%	44
Valid Responses	174		Valid	169
Total Responses	174		Total	169

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	38.3%	70
2. No	61.7%	113
Not Answered		3
Valid Responses		183
Total Responses		186

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]	18.6%	13
2. I am expected to meet at least annually with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_AnnMeet]	22.9%	16
3. I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_Met]	74.3%	52
Valid Responses		70
Total Responses		70

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	82.0%	41
2. Through email or telepohone contact (no formal meeting)	18.0%	9
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		50
Total Responses		51

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]

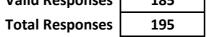| Response	Frequency	Count	Mean (out of 4)
Strongly agree = 4	50.0%	25	3.440
Agree = 3	44.0%	22	
Disagree = 2	6.0%	3	
Strongly disagree = 1	0.0%	0	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		50	
Total Responses		50	

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:

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Federal Granting Council Scholarship/Fellowship **[FinSup_Fed]**	12.4%	22
2. Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship **[FinSup_Prov]**	22.0%	39
3. Support from a Foreign Government **[FinSup_Foreign]**	1.1%	2
4. External (to university) non-government fellowship **[FinSup_External]**	7.9%	14
5. Provincial bursary (non-refundable) **[FinSup_ProvBursary]**	3.4%	6
6. University-funded bursary **[FinSup_UnivBursary]**	21.5%	38
7. University-funded fellowships **[FinSup_UnivFellowship]**	13.6%	24
8. Full tuition scholarships or waivers **[FinSup_FullWaiver]**	3.4%	6
9. Partial tuition scholarships or waivers **[FinSup_PartWaiver]**	8.5%	15
10. Graduate research assistantship **[FinSup_RA]**	32.8%	58
11. Graduate teaching assistanceship **[FinSup_TA]**	52.0%	92
12. Other part-time research employment **[FinSup_PTResearch]**	11.9%	21
13. Other part-time teaching employment **[FinSup_PTTeaching]**	15.3%	27
14. Residence Donship **[FinSup_ResDonship]**	0.0%	0
15. Other campus employment **[FinSup_OthCampusJob]**	9.6%	17
16. Off campus employment **[FinSup_OffCampusJob]**	28.2%	50
17. Employee benefit or employer funding **[FinSup_Benefit]**	11.3%	20
18. Loans, savings, or family assistance **[FinSup_LoanAssist]**	37.3%	66
Valid Responses		177
Total Responses		196

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	66.5%	123	$10,541
2. $1 - $9,999	4.9%	9	
3. $10,000 - $19,999	7.0%	13	
4. $20,000 - $29,999	7.6%	14	
5. $30,000 - $39,999	3.2%	6	
6. $40,000 - $49,999	4.9%	9	
7. $50,000 - $59,999	2.2%	4	
8. $60,000 - $69,999	1.6%	3	
9. $70,000 - $79,999	0.5%	1	
10. $80,000 or more	1.6%	3	
Not Answered		10	
Valid Responses		185	
Total Responses		195	

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	50.8%	95	$8,610
2. $1 - $9,999	19.3%	36	
3. $10,000 - $19,999	14.4%	27	
4. $20,000 - $29,999	8.6%	16	
5. $30,000 - $39,999	2.7%	5	
6. $40,000 - $49,999	1.6%	3	
7. $50,000 - $59,999	1.1%	2	
8. $60,000 - $69,999	1.1%	2	
9. $70,000 - $79,999	0.5%	1	
10. $80,000 or more	0.0%	0	
Not Answered		8	
Valid Responses		187	
Total Responses		195	

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	59	57	52	18	0	4	3	193	3.844
	% by Row	31.7%	30.6%	28.0%	9.7%	0.0%			100.0%	
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOffice]	Count	33	30	45	21	18	28	18	193	3.265
	% by Row	22.4%	20.4%	30.6%	14.3%	12.2%			100.0%	
3. Research laboratories [UnivLab]	Count	27	26	27	17	5	33	55	190	3.520
	% by Row	26.5%	25.5%	26.5%	16.7%	4.9%			100.0%	
4. Health care services [UnivHealth]	Count	19	28	37	24	8	45	32	193	3.224
	% by Row	16.4%	24.1%	31.9%	20.7%	6.9%			100.0%	
5. Child care services [UnivChild]	Count	9	12	10	7	6	64	83	191	3.250
	% by Row	20.5%	27.3%	22.7%	15.9%	13.6%			100.0%	
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAid]	Count	14	15	26	31	9	60	38	193	2.937
	% by Row	14.7%	15.8%	27.4%	32.6%	9.5%			100.0%	
7. Career services [UnivCareer]	Count	16	17	25	18	20	68	27	191	2.906
	% by Row	16.7%	17.7%	26.0%	18.8%	20.8%			100.0%	
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounsel]	Count	19	17	31	17	8	73	25	190	3.239
	% by Row	20.7%	18.5%	33.7%	18.5%	8.7%			100.0%	
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthletic]	Count	28	45	52	17	3	32	15	192	3.538
	% by Row	19.3%	31.0%	35.9%	11.7%	2.1%			100.0%	
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternatIN]	Count	18	27	21	20	9	36	62	193	3.263
	% by Row	18.9%	28.4%	22.1%	21.1%	9.5%			100.0%	
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternatOUT]	Count	13	13	13	10	3	50	90	192	3.442
	% by Row	25.0%	25.0%	25.0%	19.2%	5.8%			100.0%	
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousing]	Count	7	17	12	9	13	59	74	191	2.931
	% by Row	12.1%	29.3%	20.7%	15.5%	22.4%			100.0%	
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbud]	Count	10	10	10	7	4	73	77	191	3.366
	% by Row	24.4%	24.4%	24.4%	17.1%	9.8%			100.0%	
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransport]	Count	13	16	25	32	30	40	35	191	2.569
	% by Row	11.2%	13.8%	21.6%	27.6%	25.9%			100.0%	
15. Food services [UnivFood]	Count	12	19	42	46	33	16	22	190	2.546
	% by Row	7.9%	12.5%	27.6%	30.3%	21.7%			100.0%	
16. University bookstore [UnivBooks]	Count	25	39	65	38	9	9	7	192	3.188
	% by Row	14.2%	22.2%	36.9%	21.6%	5.1%			100.0%	
17. Student government office [UnivGovt]	Count	9	17	19	19	8	72	46	190	3.000
	% by Row	12.5%	23.6%	26.4%	26.4%	11.1%			100.0%	
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrar]	Count	24	47	65	27	9	11	9	192	3.291
	% by Row	14.0%	27.3%	37.8%	15.7%	5.2%			100.0%	
19. Information technology services [UnivITS]	Count	28	51	47	25	6	22	14	193	3.446
	% by Row	17.8%	32.5%	29.9%	15.9%	3.8%			100.0%	
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisabl]	Count	13	11	13	6	1	50	99	193	3.659
	% by Row	29.5%	25.0%	29.5%	13.6%	2.3%			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	34	106	40	180
	% by Row	18.9%	58.9%	22.2%	100.0%
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOfficeLOC]	Count	83	40	18	141
	% by Row	58.9%	28.4%	12.8%	100.0%
3. Research laboratories [UnivLabLOC]	Count	57	25	15	97
	% by Row	58.8%	25.8%	15.5%	100.0%
4. Health care services [UnivHealthLOC]	Count	25	75	10	110
	% by Row	22.7%	68.2%	9.1%	100.0%
5. Child care services [UnivChildLOC]	Count	13	20	5	38
	% by Row	34.2%	52.6%	13.2%	100.0%
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAidLOC]	Count	20	56	10	86
	% by Row	23.3%	65.1%	11.6%	100.0%
7. Career services [UnivCareerLOC]	Count	26	53	9	88
	% by Row	29.5%	60.2%	10.2%	100.0%
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounselLOC]	Count	29	45	10	84
	% by Row	34.5%	53.6%	11.9%	100.0%
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthleticLOC]	Count	33	84	19	136
	% by Row	24.3%	61.8%	14.0%	100.0%
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternatINLOC]	Count	20	54	14	88
	% by Row	22.7%	61.4%	15.9%	100.0%
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternatOUTLOC]	Count	18	17	12	47
	% by Row	38.3%	36.2%	25.5%	100.0%
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousingLOC]	Count	12	30	11	53
	% by Row	22.6%	56.6%	20.8%	100.0%
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbudLOC]	Count	13	17	7	37
	% by Row	35.1%	45.9%	18.9%	100.0%
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransportLOC]	Count	23	65	23	111
	% by Row	20.7%	58.6%	20.7%	100.0%
15. Food services [UnivFoodLOC]	Count	32	77	31	140
	% by Row	22.9%	55.0%	22.1%	100.0%
16. University bookstore [UnivBooksLOC]	Count	37	107	22	166
	% by Row	22.3%	64.5%	13.3%	100.0%
17. Student government office [UnivGovtLOC]	Count	18	37	13	68
	% by Row	26.5%	54.4%	19.1%	100.0%
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrarLOC]	Count	45	88	30	163
	% by Row	27.6%	54.0%	18.4%	100.0%
19. Information technology services [UnivITSLOC]	Count	38	75	32	145
	% by Row	26.2%	51.7%	22.1%	100.0%
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisablLOC]	Count	12	17	10	39
	% by Row	30.8%	43.6%	25.6%	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	74	96	16	186	12	88	59	159
	% by Row	39.8%	51.6%	8.6%	100.0%	7.5%	55.3%	37.1%	100.0%
2. Organized social activities within your department FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Dept] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Dept]	Count	38	126	23	187	33	69	43	145
	% by Row	20.3%	67.4%	12.3%	100.0%	22.8%	47.6%	29.7%	100.0%
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Group] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Group]	Count	30	91	64	185	42	46	17	105
	% by Row	16.2%	49.2%	34.6%	100.0%	40.0%	43.8%	16.2%	100.0%
4. Organized social activities within your residence FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Residence] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Residence]	Count	22	49	99	170	10	30	22	62
	% by Row	12.9%	28.8%	58.2%	100.0%	16.1%	48.4%	35.5%	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	76.8%	146
2. Away most of the time	23.2%	44
Not Answered		3
Valid Responses		**190**
Total Responses		**193**

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	42	71	44	27	8	192	3.583
	% by Row	21.9%	37.0%	22.9%	14.1%	4.2%	100.0%	
2. Your student life experience at this university? [QualLife]	Count	25	60	67	26	11	189	3.328
	% by Row	13.2%	31.7%	35.4%	13.8%	5.8%	100.0%	
3. Your graduate/professional program at this university? [QualProg]	Count	38	65	44	34	11	192	3.443
	% by Row	19.8%	33.9%	22.9%	17.7%	5.7%	100.0%	
4. Your overall experience at this university? [QualOverall]	Count	33	68	50	32	8	191	3.450
	% by Row	17.3%	35.6%	26.2%	16.8%	4.2%	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	36	84	71	191	1.817
	% by Row	18.8%	44.0%	37.2%	100.0%	
2. Family obligations [ObsFamily]	Count	105	63	21	189	2.444
	% by Row	55.6%	33.3%	11.1%	100.0%	
3. Availability of faculty [ObsFaculty]	Count	103	70	17	190	2.453
	% by Row	54.2%	36.8%	8.9%	100.0%	
4. Program structure or requirements [ObsProgram]	Count	106	58	26	190	2.421
	% by Row	55.8%	30.5%	13.7%	100.0%	
5. Course scheduling [ObsSchedule]	Count	101	64	24	189	2.407
	% by Row	53.4%	33.9%	12.7%	100.0%	
6. Immigration laws or regulations [ObsImmigration]	Count	136	33	21	190	2.605
	% by Row	71.6%	17.4%	11.1%	100.0%	
7. Other (specified) [ObsOther]	Count	97	14	15	126	2.651
	% by Row	77.0%	11.1%	11.9%	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	70	58	36	23	187	1.793
	% by Row	42.7%	35.4%	22.0%		100.0%	
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Importance_RInt]	Count	50	60	62	15	187	2.070
	% by Row	29.1%	34.9%	36.0%		100.0%	
3. Network with not for profit organizations [Importance_Org]	Count	50	52	63	22	187	2.079
	% by Row	30.3%	31.5%	38.2%		100.0%	
4. Network with businesses [Importance_Bus]	Count	54	45	68	20	187	2.084
	% by Row	32.3%	26.9%	40.7%		100.0%	
5. Network with local/provincial/federal government [Importance_Gov]	Count	34	50	88	15	187	2.314
	% by Row	19.8%	29.1%	51.2%		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	67	68	11	39	185	1.616
	% by Row	45.9%	46.6%	7.5%		100.0%	
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Opport_RInt]	Count	80	60	14	30	184	1.571
	% by Row	51.9%	39.0%	9.1%		100.0%	
3. Work/collaborate with not for profit organizations [Opport_Org]	Count	75	60	14	35	184	1.591
	% by Row	50.3%	40.3%	9.4%		100.0%	
4. Work/collaborate with businesses [Opport_Bus]	Count	87	50	11	36	184	1.486
	% by Row	58.8%	33.8%	7.4%		100.0%	
5. Work/collaborate with local/provincial/federal government [Opport_Gov]	Count	74	65	16	30	185	1.626
	% by Row	47.7%	41.9%	10.3%		100.0%	

SECTION 12 - PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Q34: Gender

Response	[GENDER] Student Response		[UNIV_GENDER] University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Male	40.1%	77	41.0%	87
2. Female	59.9%	115	59.0%	125
Not Answered/Not Available		1		0
Valid Responses		**192**	Valid	**212**
Total Responses		**193**	Total	**212**

Q35: Age [AGE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. 20 or younger	0.0%	0
2. 21 - 25	27.1%	52
3. 26 - 30	36.5%	70
4. 31 - 35	15.1%	29
5. 36 - 40	11.5%	22
6. 41 - 45	6.3%	12
7. Over 45	3.6%	7
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**192**
Total Responses		**193**

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)	2.1%	4
2. On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	2.6%	5
3. Off-campus housing owned by this university	1.0%	2
4. Off-campus housing not owned by this university	94.3%	181
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**192**
Total Responses		**193**

Q37: What is your marital status? [MARITAL]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Not married	53.1%	102
2. Married	34.4%	66
3. Divorced	2.6%	5
4. Separated	2.1%	4
5. Widowed	0.0%	0
6. With domestic partner	7.8%	15
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**192**
Total Responses		**193**

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

Response	Frequency	Count
None/Not applicable	77.1%	148
1 child	9.4%	18
2 children	9.9%	19
3 children	3.1%	6
4 or more	0.5%	1
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		**192**
Total Responses		**193**

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Canadian Citizen	53.9%	104
2. Canadian Permanent Resident	5.2%	10
3. Citizen of another country with a student visa or other non-immigrant visa	40.9%	79
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		193
Total Responses		193

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]	9.4%	17
2. East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian) [gEastAsia]	18.9%	34
3. South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi) [gSouthAsia]	6.7%	12
4. Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese) [gSouthEastAsia]	2.8%	5
5. West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish) [gWestAsia]	7.8%	14
6. Latin American (e.g. Mexican, Indigenous Central and South American) [gLatAm]	2.8%	5
7. Mixed origin, please specify: [gMixed]	3.9%	7
8. None [NONE]	49.4%	89
Valid Responses		180
Total Responses		193

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	6.3%	12
2. No	93.7%	179
Not Answered		2
Valid Responses		191
Total Responses		193

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	3.7%	7
2. No	92.1%	176
3. I prefer not to respond	4.2%	8
Not Answered		2
Valid Responses		191
Total Responses		193

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Sensory (vision or hearing) [Disabl_Sense]	28.6%	2
2. Mobility [Disabl_Mobil]	14.3%	1
3. Learning (e.g. ADHD, Dyslexia) [Disabl_Learn]	0.0%	0
4. Mental Health (e.g. Depression, Bipolar) [Disabl_Mental]	57.1%	4
5. Autism spectrum (e.g. Autism, Asperger's) [Disabl_Autism]	14.3%	1
6. Chronic (e.g. Chron's, Colitis, MS) [Disabl_Chronic]	0.0%	0
7. A disability or impairment not listed above, please specify [Disabl_Else]	28.6%	2
8. Prefer not to respond [Disabl_NotRespond]	0.0%	0
Valid Responses		7
Total Responses		7

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)	14.3%	1	3.000
Very good (4)	14.3%	1	
Good (3)	42.9%	3	
Fair (2)	14.3%	1	
Poor (1)	14.3%	1	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		7	
Total Responses		7	