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Summary Report

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THESIS / SURVEY STREAM

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

Response	[THESIS]		[ACTUAL_STREAM]	
	Student Response		Actual Stream (if override applied)	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor << LONG STREAM	53.9%	332	53.9%	332
2. Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor << MEDIUM STREAM	1.8%	11	1.8%	11
3. Mainly course-based << SHORT STREAM	44.3%	273	44.3%	273
	Valid Responses		Valid	616
	Total Responses		Total	616

SECTION 1 - EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Q1: At which degree level are you currently enrolled?

Response	[DEGREE_SELF_REPORT]		[UNIV_PROGRAM_LEVEL]	
	Student Response		University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Master's	78.6%	484	78.6%	484
2. Doctoral	21.4%	132	21.4%	132
Not answered/Not available		0		0
	Valid Responses		Valid	616
	Total Responses		Total	616

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Humanities (Long & Medium)	3.4%	21
2. Fine and Applied Arts (Long & Medium)	3.3%	20
3. Social Sciences (Long & Medium)	9.3%	57
4. Business/Management (All)	10.4%	64
5. Education (All)	19.2%	118
6. Engineering (All)	22.7%	139
7. Physical and Mathematical Sciences (Long & Medium)	4.9%	30
8. Environmental Science (All)	1.8%	11
9. Biological Sciences (Long & Medium)	3.9%	24
10. Health Science (All)	3.8%	23
11. Library & Information Sciences (Short)	0.0%	0
12. Architecture/Landscape Architecture/Urban Design/Planning (Short)	0.0%	0
13. Journalism (Short)	0.2%	1
14. Public Administration/Public Policy/International Relations (Short)	8.3%	51
15. Social Work (Short)	2.1%	13
16. Law (Short)	0.0%	0
17. Arts & Culture (Short)	1.0%	6
18. Finance/Mathematics/Computing (Short)	0.7%	4
19. Other (specified) (Short)	5.1%	31
Not Answered		3
	Valid Responses	613
	Total Responses	616

Q3: What is your current year of study?

Response	[YEARSTUDY]		[UNIV_YEARSTUDY]	
	Student Response		University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1st year	29.8%	183		0
2nd year	35.3%	217		0
3rd year	18.2%	112		0
4th year	7.3%	45		0
5th year	5.0%	31		0
6th year or above	4.4%	27		0
Not Answered/Not Available		1		0
	Valid Responses		Valid	0
	Total Responses		Total	0

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. I am still taking courses (All Streams)	58.5%	360
2. I have completed coursework (All Streams)	21.5%	132
3. I have passed qualifying exams/paper (Long & Medium)	4.1%	25
4. I have had my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted (Long & Medium)	10.4%	64
5. I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper (Long & Medium)	5.5%	34
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		615
Total Responses		616

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	33.9%	209
2. To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career outside of academia	40.1%	247
3. To satisfy my interest in the field, regardless of career prospects	22.1%	136
4. Other (specified)	3.9%	24
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		616
Total Responses		616

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	40.3%	248
2. No	59.7%	368
Not Answered		0
Valid Responses		616
Total Responses		616

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Doctoral	21.4%	132
2. Master's - With Thesis	34.4%	212
3. Master's - Without Thesis	44.2%	272
Valid Responses		616
Total Responses		616

Other: Academic Load (uploaded data) [UNIV_ACADLOAD]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Full-Time	62.2%	383
2. Part-Time	37.8%	233
Not Available		0
Valid Responses		616
Total Responses		616

SECTION 2 - GENERAL SATISFACTION

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

		Definitely (5)	Probably (4)	Maybe (3)	Probably not (2)	Definitely not (1)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
1. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select this same university? [StartOver_Univ] <i>Response included if this question (or later) has been answered.</i>	Count	188	221	115	62	30	616	3.771
	% by Row	30.5%	35.9%	18.7%	10.1%	4.9%	100.0%	
2. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select the same field of study? [StartOver_Field]	Count	332	174	63	35	11	615	4.270
	% by Row	54.0%	28.3%	10.2%	5.7%	1.8%	100.0%	
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program? [StartOver_Program]	Count	250	182	105	48	30	615	3.933
	% by Row	40.7%	29.6%	17.1%	7.8%	4.9%	100.0%	
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field? [StartOver_OtherField]	Count	161	185	197	49	24	616	3.666
	% by Row	26.1%	30.0%	32.0%	8.0%	3.9%	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	189	65	35	25	17	331	4.160
	% by Row	57.1%	19.6%	10.6%	7.6%	5.1%	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	216	229	121	30	16	612	3.979
	% by Row	35.3%	37.4%	19.8%	4.9%	2.6%	100.0%	
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students [ProgRate_Students]	Count	115	250	175	58	13	611	3.648
	% by Row	18.8%	40.9%	28.6%	9.5%	2.1%	100.0%	
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students [ProgRate_Relation]	Count	159	218	152	54	28	611	3.697
	% by Row	26.0%	35.7%	24.9%	8.8%	4.6%	100.0%	
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty [ProgRate_Teaching]	Count	130	230	168	61	21	610	3.634
	% by Row	21.3%	37.7%	27.5%	10.0%	3.4%	100.0%	
5. Advice on the availability of financial support [ProgRate_FundingAdv]	Count	58	129	187	149	83	606	2.884
	% by Row	9.6%	21.3%	30.9%	24.6%	13.7%	100.0%	
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance [ProgRate_Advising]	Count	96	182	193	90	47	608	3.313
	% by Row	15.8%	29.9%	31.7%	14.8%	7.7%	100.0%	
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program [ProgRate_Staff]	Count	150	209	166	56	26	607	3.661
	% by Row	24.7%	34.4%	27.3%	9.2%	4.3%	100.0%	
8. Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program [ProgRate_CourseAvail]	Count	101	142	177	110	80	610	3.121
	% by Row	16.6%	23.3%	29.0%	18.0%	13.1%	100.0%	
9. Quality of instruction in my courses [ProgRate_Teaching2]	Count	121	215	189	70	16	611	3.581
	% by Row	19.8%	35.2%	30.9%	11.5%	2.6%	100.0%	
10. Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals [ProgRate_Fit]	Count	146	201	155	73	34	609	3.578
	% by Row	24.0%	33.0%	25.5%	12.0%	5.6%	100.0%	
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork [ProgRate_Teamwork]	Count	109	205	167	90	38	609	3.422
	% by Row	17.9%	33.7%	27.4%	14.8%	6.2%	100.0%	
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department [ProgRate_CourseOut]	Count	76	129	175	134	84	598	2.965
	% by Row	12.7%	21.6%	29.3%	22.4%	14.0%	100.0%	
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work [ProgRate_Interdiscipline]	Count	75	141	176	133	75	600	3.013
	% by Row	12.5%	23.5%	29.3%	22.2%	12.5%	100.0%	
14. Amount of coursework [ProgRate_Workload]	Count	77	203	245	62	23	610	3.408
	% by Row	12.6%	33.3%	40.2%	10.2%	3.8%	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	44	78	84	47	31	34	18	336	3.201
	% by Row	15.5%	27.5%	29.6%	16.5%	10.9%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations [ProfSkill_Exams]	Count	33	44	60	48	28	56	67	336	3.028
	% by Row	15.5%	20.7%	28.2%	22.5%	13.1%			100.0%	
3. Feedback on your research [ProfSkill_Feedback]	Count	69	89	78	43	21	11	25	336	3.473
	% by Row	23.0%	29.7%	26.0%	14.3%	7.0%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on standards for academic writing in your field [ProfSkill_WriteSTD2]	Count	47	66	77	49	30	50	19	338	3.190
	% by Row	17.5%	24.5%	28.6%	18.2%	11.2%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals [ProfSkill_WriteGrant]	Count	30	46	57	39	55	66	43	336	2.811
	% by Row	13.2%	20.3%	25.1%	17.2%	24.2%			100.0%	
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work [ProfSkill_Publish]	Count	45	44	63	46	39	59	36	332	3.042
	% by Row	19.0%	18.6%	26.6%	19.4%	16.5%			100.0%	
7. Advice/workshops on job searching (CV prep, interview skills, etc.) [ProfSkill_JobHunt]	Count	28	38	57	58	44	63	45	333	2.769
	% by Row	12.4%	16.9%	25.3%	25.8%	19.6%			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	28	42	53	48	74	56	30	331	2.600
	% by Row	11.4%	17.1%	21.6%	19.6%	30.2%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options outside academia [ProfSkill_CareerOth]	Count	21	34	61	64	61	51	36	328	2.544
	% by Row	8.7%	14.1%	25.3%	26.6%	25.3%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops about research positions [ProfSkill_ResPos]	Count	24	45	51	54	69	56	29	328	2.593
	% by Row	9.9%	18.5%	21.0%	22.2%	28.4%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research [ProfSkill_HumanEthic]	Count	37	42	54	48	34	46	66	327	3.000
	% by Row	17.2%	19.5%	25.1%	22.3%	15.8%			100.0%	
5. Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals [ProfSkill_AnimEthic]	Count	26	20	32	24	25	63	139	329	2.984
	% by Row	20.5%	15.7%	25.2%	18.9%	19.7%			100.0%	
6. Advice on intellectual property issues [ProfSkill_IP]	Count	39	48	60	55	36	47	45	330	2.996
	% by Row	16.4%	20.2%	25.2%	23.1%	15.1%			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	30	65	61	25	12	60	14	267	3.394
	% by Row	15.5%	33.7%	31.6%	13.0%	6.2%			100.0%	
2. Advice/workshops on career options [ProfSkill_Career]	Count	16	38	52	33	33	59	34	265	2.831
	% by Row	9.3%	22.1%	30.2%	19.2%	19.2%			100.0%	
3. Advice/workshops on professional ethics [ProfSkill_ProfEthic]	Count	37	63	59	23	15	44	25	266	3.426
	% by Row	18.8%	32.0%	29.9%	11.7%	7.6%			100.0%	
4. Advice/workshops on job preparation and professional practice [ProfSkill_ProfPractice]	Count	27	41	50	29	29	55	35	266	3.045
	% by Row	15.3%	23.3%	28.4%	16.5%	16.5%			100.0%	
5. Opportunities for internships, practicum, and experiential learning as part of the program [ProfSkill_Internship]	Count	45	49	49	24	26	47	27	267	3.326
	% by Row	23.3%	25.4%	25.4%	12.4%	13.5%			100.0%	
6. Opportunities for contact (lectures, seminars, discussion) with practicing professionals [ProfSkill_Contact]	Count	42	61	58	36	22	30	18	267	3.297
	% by Row	19.2%	27.9%	26.5%	16.4%	10.0%			100.0%	

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	97	137	110	62	35	40	108	589	3.451
	% by Row	22.0%	31.1%	24.9%	14.1%	7.9%			100.0%	
2. Training in research methods before beginning your own research [ResExp_Method]	Count	65	119	140	84	52	38	94	592	3.133
	% by Row	14.1%	25.9%	30.4%	18.3%	11.3%			100.0%	
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic [ResExp_Guidance]	Count	95	127	103	77	54	30	106	592	3.289
	% by Row	20.8%	27.9%	22.6%	16.9%	11.8%			100.0%	

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

		Excellent (5)	Very good (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Did not participate (6)	Not applicable (7)	Total	Mean (out of 5)
4. Research collaboration with one or more faculty members (Long and Medium only) [ResExp_Collaboration]	Count	56	85	52	44	34	26	29	326	3.314
	% by Row	20.7%	31.4%	19.2%	16.2%	12.5%			100.0%	
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal (Long and Medium only) [ResExp_WriteGrant]	Count	33	40	51	29	40	72	59	324	2.984
	% by Row	17.1%	20.7%	26.4%	15.0%	20.7%			100.0%	

SECTION 6 - PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Q15: Please select if the following occurs in your department

					If Occurrence = "Yes", indicate the Number of Occurrences					
		Yes (1)	No (2)	Total	0	1	2	3	4+	Total
1. Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research OCCURRED = [PresPub_Seminar] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Seminar]	Count	390	192	582	89	84	73	39	88	373
	% by Row	67.0%	33.0%	100.0%	23.9%	22.5%	19.6%	10.5%	23.6%	100.0%
2. Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_FundMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_FundMeet]	Count	239	334	573	126	64	24	8	6	228
	% by Row	41.7%	58.3%	100.0%	55.3%	28.1%	10.5%	3.5%	2.6%	100.0%
3. Attend national scholarly meetings OCCURRED = [PresPub_NatlMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_NatlMeet]	Count	195	375	570	91	52	19	9	13	184
	% by Row	34.2%	65.8%	100.0%	49.5%	28.3%	10.3%	4.9%	7.1%	100.0%

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

					If Occurrence = "Yes", indicate the Number of Occurrences					
		Yes (1)	No (2)	Total	0	1	2	3	4+	Total
4. Deliver any papers or present a poster at national scholarly meetings (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_PresMeet] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_PresMeet]	Count	161	149	310	31	50	33	18	21	153
	% by Row	51.9%	48.1%	100.0%	20.3%	32.7%	21.6%	11.8%	13.7%	100.0%
5. Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_CoAuth] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_CoAuth]	Count	130	178	308	34	33	25	13	16	121
	% by Row	42.2%	57.8%	100.0%	28.1%	27.3%	20.7%	10.7%	13.2%	100.0%
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal (Long only) OCCURRED = [PresPub_Author] # TIMES = [PresPubNum_Author]	Count	123	185	308	33	43	21	11	8	116
	% by Row	39.9%	60.1%	100.0%	28.4%	37.1%	18.1%	9.5%	6.9%	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	167	110	17	4	298	3.477
	% by Row	56.0%	36.9%	5.7%	1.3%	100.0%	
2. My advisor served as my advocate when necessary [Advisor_Advocate]	Count	164	112	15	6	297	3.461
	% by Row	55.2%	37.7%	5.1%	2.0%	100.0%	
3. My advisor gave me constructive feedback on my work [Advisor_Feedback]	Count	168	102	21	7	298	3.446
	% by Row	56.4%	34.2%	7.0%	2.3%	100.0%	
4. My advisor returned my work promptly [Advisor_Promptly]	Count	157	117	18	6	298	3.426
	% by Row	52.7%	39.3%	6.0%	2.0%	100.0%	
5. My advisor promoted my professional development [Advisor_ProfDev]	Count	148	109	30	10	297	3.330
	% by Row	49.8%	36.7%	10.1%	3.4%	100.0%	
6. My advisor overall, performed the role well [Advisor_Role]	Count	160	107	27	5	299	3.411
	% by Row	53.5%	35.8%	9.0%	1.7%	100.0%	
7. My advisor was available for regular meetings [Advisor_Available]	Count	174	101	19	6	300	3.477
	% by Row	58.0%	33.7%	6.3%	2.0%	100.0%	
8. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams [Advisor_WrittenEx]	Count	120	117	29	15	281	3.217
	% by Row	42.7%	41.6%	10.3%	5.3%	100.0%	
9. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam [Advisor_OralEx]	Count	121	117	30	12	280	3.239
	% by Row	43.2%	41.8%	10.7%	4.3%	100.0%	
10. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic [Advisor_DissTop]	Count	147	106	27	9	289	3.353
	% by Row	50.9%	36.7%	9.3%	3.1%	100.0%	
11. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal [Advisor_ResProp]	Count	139	111	26	10	286	3.325
	% by Row	48.6%	38.8%	9.1%	3.5%	100.0%	
12. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation [Advisor_DissWrite]	Count	134	109	31	9	283	3.300
	% by Row	47.3%	38.5%	11.0%	3.2%	100.0%	
13. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee [Advisor_DissCmtee]	Count	150	109	18	9	286	3.399
	% by Row	52.4%	38.1%	6.3%	3.1%	100.0%	
14. My advisor encouraged discussions about current job market and various career prospects [Advisor_JobMarket]	Count	109	92	62	20	283	3.025
	% by Row	38.5%	32.5%	21.9%	7.1%	100.0%	

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

Response	[DisResults]		[DisDraft]	
	18a. Your ongoing research and results		18b. Your writing of the dissertation draft	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
Four or more times (at least once a week) = 3	43.8%	128	29.9%	84
One to three times (at least once a month) = 2	36.3%	106	39.9%	112
Less than once a month = 1	19.9%	58	30.2%	85
	Valid Responses	292	Valid	281
	Total Responses	292	Total	281

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	50.3%	153
2. No	49.7%	151
Not Answered		4
Valid Responses		304
Total Responses		308

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]	32.7%	50
2. I am expected to meet at least annually with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_AnnMeet]	28.8%	44
3. I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee [AdvCmtee_Met]	66.7%	102
Valid Responses		153
Total Responses		153

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	80.0%	80
2. Through email or telephonic contact (no formal meeting)	20.0%	20
Not Answered		1
Valid Responses		100
Total Responses		101

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	48.0%	48	3.340
Agree = 3	41.0%	41	
Disagree = 2	8.0%	8	
Strongly disagree = 1	3.0%	3	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		100	
Total Responses		100	

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]	10.5%	52
2. Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship [FinSup_Prov]	16.8%	83
3. Support from a Foreign Government [FinSup_Foreign]	3.2%	16
4. External (to university) non-government fellowship [FinSup_External]	5.7%	28
5. Provincial bursary (non-refundable) [FinSup_ProvBursary]	3.8%	19
6. University-funded bursary [FinSup_UnivBursary]	17.8%	88
7. University-funded fellowships [FinSup_UnivFellowship]	14.9%	74
8. Full tuition scholarships or waivers [FinSup_FullWaiver]	3.8%	19
9. Partial tuition scholarships or waivers [FinSup_PartWaiver]	7.7%	38
10. Graduate research assistantship [FinSup_RA]	25.3%	125
11. Graduate teaching assistanceship [FinSup_TA]	40.8%	202
12. Other part-time research employment [FinSup_PTResearch]	10.3%	51
13. Other part-time teaching employment [FinSup_PTeaching]	11.3%	56
14. Residence Donship [FinSup_ResDonship]	0.4%	2
15. Other campus employment [FinSup_OthCampusJob]	8.1%	40
16. Off campus employment [FinSup_OffCampusJob]	28.7%	142
17. Employee benefit or employer funding [FinSup_Benefit]	20.4%	101
18. Loans, savings, or family assistance [FinSup_LoanAssist]	40.2%	199
Valid Responses		495
Total Responses		582

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	69.0%	379	\$8,707
2. \$1 - \$9,999	6.7%	37	
3. \$10,000 - \$19,999	6.4%	35	
4. \$20,000 - \$29,999	5.8%	32	
5. \$30,000 - \$39,999	3.6%	20	
6. \$40,000 - \$49,999	4.0%	22	
7. \$50,000 - \$59,999	1.8%	10	
8. \$60,000 - \$69,999	1.3%	7	
9. \$70,000 - \$79,999	0.4%	2	
10. \$80,000 or more	0.9%	5	
Not Answered		30	
Valid Responses		549	
Total Responses		579	

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	48.0%	266	\$10,957
2. \$1 - \$9,999	16.8%	93	
3. \$10,000 - \$19,999	14.4%	80	
4. \$20,000 - \$29,999	8.7%	48	
5. \$30,000 - \$39,999	4.7%	26	
6. \$40,000 - \$49,999	3.1%	17	
7. \$50,000 - \$59,999	2.2%	12	
8. \$60,000 - \$69,999	0.9%	5	
9. \$70,000 - \$79,999	0.9%	5	
10. \$80,000 or more	0.4%	2	
Not Answered		25	
Valid Responses		554	
Total Responses		579	

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	168	170	145	39	6	22	24	574	3.862
	% by Row	31.8%	32.2%	27.5%	7.4%	1.1%			100.0%	
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOffice]	Count	88	89	105	53	39	109	90	573	3.358
	% by Row	23.5%	23.8%	28.1%	14.2%	10.4%			100.0%	
3. Research laboratories [UnivLab]	Count	59	65	67	38	17	126	190	562	3.451
	% by Row	24.0%	26.4%	27.2%	15.4%	6.9%			100.0%	
4. Health care services [UnivHealth]	Count	47	62	82	65	26	163	125	570	3.138
	% by Row	16.7%	22.0%	29.1%	23.0%	9.2%			100.0%	
5. Child care services [UnivChild]	Count	28	19	27	17	16	207	249	563	3.243
	% by Row	26.2%	17.8%	25.2%	15.9%	15.0%			100.0%	
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAid]	Count	34	35	64	63	36	189	142	563	2.862
	% by Row	14.7%	15.1%	27.6%	27.2%	15.5%			100.0%	
7. Career services [UnivCareer]	Count	50	43	57	56	43	207	109	565	3.004
	% by Row	20.1%	17.3%	22.9%	22.5%	17.3%			100.0%	
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounsel]	Count	53	47	69	45	22	218	107	561	3.271
	% by Row	22.5%	19.9%	29.2%	19.1%	9.3%			100.0%	
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthletic]	Count	86	112	117	40	11	120	82	568	3.607
	% by Row	23.5%	30.6%	32.0%	10.9%	3.0%			100.0%	
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternatIN]	Count	51	63	67	45	20	120	204	570	3.325
	% by Row	20.7%	25.6%	27.2%	18.3%	8.1%			100.0%	
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternatOUT]	Count	31	27	36	23	13	158	270	558	3.308
	% by Row	23.8%	20.8%	27.7%	17.7%	10.0%			100.0%	
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousing]	Count	21	26	32	37	28	189	229	562	2.826
	% by Row	14.6%	18.1%	22.2%	25.7%	19.4%			100.0%	
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbud]	Count	24	16	33	17	14	222	233	559	3.183
	% by Row	23.1%	15.4%	31.7%	16.3%	13.5%			100.0%	
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransport]	Count	34	45	72	59	66	149	139	564	2.717
	% by Row	12.3%	16.3%	26.1%	21.4%	23.9%			100.0%	
15. Food services [UnivFood]	Count	35	58	111	119	92	59	92	566	2.578
	% by Row	8.4%	14.0%	26.7%	28.7%	22.2%			100.0%	
16. University bookstore [UnivBooks]	Count	68	128	165	99	28	45	35	568	3.223
	% by Row	13.9%	26.2%	33.8%	20.3%	5.7%			100.0%	
17. Student government office [UnivGovt]	Count	24	31	63	35	22	227	149	551	3.000
	% by Row	13.7%	17.7%	36.0%	20.0%	12.6%			100.0%	
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrar]	Count	69	134	167	85	30	42	38	565	3.262
	% by Row	14.2%	27.6%	34.4%	17.5%	6.2%			100.0%	
19. Information technology services [UnivITS]	Count	75	140	149	67	23	66	46	566	3.390
	% by Row	16.5%	30.8%	32.8%	14.8%	5.1%			100.0%	
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisabl]	Count	32	32	38	15	1	163	281	562	3.669
	% by Row	27.1%	27.1%	32.2%	12.7%	0.8%			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	92	306	108	506
	% by Row	18.2%	60.5%	21.3%	100.0%
2. Graduate student work/study space [UnivGradOfficeLOC]	Count	218	84	50	352
	% by Row	61.9%	23.9%	14.2%	100.0%
3. Research laboratories [UnivLabLOC]	Count	135	54	38	227
	% by Row	59.5%	23.8%	16.7%	100.0%
4. Health care services [UnivHealthLOC]	Count	64	167	32	263
	% by Row	24.3%	63.5%	12.2%	100.0%
5. Child care services [UnivChildLOC]	Count	32	44	18	94
	% by Row	34.0%	46.8%	19.1%	100.0%
6. Financial aid office [UnivFinAidLOC]	Count	62	118	31	211
	% by Row	29.4%	55.9%	14.7%	100.0%
7. Career services [UnivCareerLOC]	Count	76	119	33	228
	% by Row	33.3%	52.2%	14.5%	100.0%
8. Student counselling & resource center [UnivCounselLOC]	Count	82	99	34	215
	% by Row	38.1%	46.0%	15.8%	100.0%
9. Athletic facilities [UnivAthleticLOC]	Count	85	214	43	342
	% by Row	24.9%	62.6%	12.6%	100.0%
10. Services to international students attending this university [UnivInternatINLOC]	Count	65	129	35	229
	% by Row	28.4%	56.3%	15.3%	100.0%
11. Services to students attending this university studying abroad (or preparing to) [UnivInternatOUTLOC]	Count	48	47	21	116
	% by Row	41.4%	40.5%	18.1%	100.0%
12. Housing assistance [UnivHousingLOC]	Count	33	74	25	132
	% by Row	25.0%	56.1%	18.9%	100.0%
13. Ombudsperson's office [UnivOmbudLOC]	Count	35	42	15	92
	% by Row	38.0%	45.7%	16.3%	100.0%
14. Public / Campus transportation service [UnivTransportLOC]	Count	52	153	52	257
	% by Row	20.2%	59.5%	20.2%	100.0%
15. Food services [UnivFoodLOC]	Count	91	219	76	386
	% by Row	23.6%	56.7%	19.7%	100.0%
16. University bookstore [UnivBooksLOC]	Count	103	308	50	461
	% by Row	22.3%	66.8%	10.8%	100.0%
17. Student government office [UnivGovtLOC]	Count	48	91	25	164
	% by Row	29.3%	55.5%	15.2%	100.0%
18. Registrarial processes [UnivRegistrarLOC]	Count	115	249	92	456
	% by Row	25.2%	54.6%	20.2%	100.0%
19. Information technology services [UnivITSLOC]	Count	94	236	88	418
	% by Row	22.5%	56.5%	21.1%	100.0%
20. Disability/Access services office [UnivDisablLOC]	Count	38	46	23	107
	% by Row	35.5%	43.0%	21.5%	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	189	284	84	557	27	212	200	439
	% by Row	33.9%	51.0%	15.1%	100.0%	6.2%	48.3%	45.6%	100.0%
2. Organized social activities within your department FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Dept] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Dept]	Count	96	370	93	559	76	199	147	422
	% by Row	17.2%	66.2%	16.6%	100.0%	18.0%	47.2%	34.8%	100.0%
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Group] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Group]	Count	59	283	207	549	94	121	89	304
	% by Row	10.7%	51.5%	37.7%	100.0%	30.9%	39.8%	29.3%	100.0%
4. Organized social activities within your residence FREQUENCY = [SocACT_Residence] ATTENDANCE = [SocATT_Residence]	Count	49	171	289	509	25	73	98	196
	% by Row	9.6%	33.6%	56.8%	100.0%	12.8%	37.2%	50.0%	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	73.5%	417
2. Away most of the time	26.5%	150
Not Answered		5
Valid Responses		567
Total Responses		572

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	135	203	154	54	22	568	3.660
	% by Row	23.8%	35.7%	27.1%	9.5%	3.9%	100.0%	
2. Your student life experience at this university? [QualLife]	Count	85	155	195	80	40	555	3.297
	% by Row	15.3%	27.9%	35.1%	14.4%	7.2%	100.0%	
3. Your graduate/professional program at this university? [QualProg]	Count	131	179	158	72	28	568	3.551
	% by Row	23.1%	31.5%	27.8%	12.7%	4.9%	100.0%	
4. Your overall experience at this university? [QualOverall]	Count	114	187	174	68	24	567	3.527
	% by Row	20.1%	33.0%	30.7%	12.0%	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	114	246	204	564	1.840
	% by Row	20.2%	43.6%	36.2%	100.0%	
2. Family obligations [ObsFamily]	Count	260	206	93	559	2.299
	% by Row	46.5%	36.9%	16.6%	100.0%	
3. Availability of faculty [ObsFaculty]	Count	360	162	38	560	2.575
	% by Row	64.3%	28.9%	6.8%	100.0%	
4. Program structure or requirements [ObsProgram]	Count	301	187	72	560	2.409
	% by Row	53.8%	33.4%	12.9%	100.0%	
5. Course scheduling [ObsSchedule]	Count	278	196	86	560	2.343
	% by Row	49.6%	35.0%	15.4%	100.0%	
6. Immigration laws or regulations [ObsImmigration]	Count	425	88	39	552	2.699
	% by Row	77.0%	15.9%	7.1%	100.0%	
7. Other (specified) [ObsOther]	Count	281	23	41	345	2.696
	% by Row	81.4%	6.7%	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	223	153	114	72	562	1.778
	% by Row	45.5%	31.2%	23.3%		100.0%	
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Importance_RInt]	Count	155	156	181	69	561	2.053
	% by Row	31.5%	31.7%	36.8%		100.0%	
3. Network with not for profit organizations [Importance_Org]	Count	140	186	164	69	559	2.049
	% by Row	28.6%	38.0%	33.5%		100.0%	
4. Network with businesses [Importance_Bus]	Count	137	156	201	65	559	2.130
	% by Row	27.7%	31.6%	40.7%		100.0%	
5. Network with local/provincial/federal government [Importance_Gov]	Count	90	154	264	50	558	2.343
	% by Row	17.7%	30.3%	52.0%		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	180	197	42	128	547	1.671
	% by Row	43.0%	47.0%	10.0%		100.0%	
2. Collaborate on research internationally [Opport_RInt]	Count	209	160	51	126	546	1.624
	% by Row	49.8%	38.1%	12.1%		100.0%	
3. Work/collaborate with not for profit organizations [Opport_Org]	Count	213	169	47	114	543	1.613
	% by Row	49.7%	39.4%	11.0%		100.0%	
4. Work/collaborate with businesses [Opport_Bus]	Count	232	144	45	121	542	1.556
	% by Row	55.1%	34.2%	10.7%		100.0%	
5. Work/collaborate with local/provincial/federal government [Opport_Gov]	Count	208	170	71	94	543	1.695
	% by Row	46.3%	37.9%	15.8%		100.0%	

SECTION 12 - PERSONAL DEMOGRAPHICS

Q34: Gender

Response	[GENDER] Student Response		[UNIV_GENDER] University Data	
	Frequency	Count	Frequency	Count
1. Male	39.9%	226	40.1%	247
2. Female	60.1%	341	59.9%	369
Not Answered/Not Available		1		0
	Valid Responses	567	Valid	616
	Total Responses	568	Total	616

Q35: Age [AGE]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. 20 or younger	0.0%	0
2. 21 - 25	15.4%	87
3. 26 - 30	32.0%	181
4. 31 - 35	20.7%	117
5. 36 - 40	12.2%	69
6. 41 - 45	9.4%	53
7. Over 45	10.4%	59
Not Answered		2
	Valid Responses	566
	Total Responses	568

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)	1.4%	8
2. On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)	2.7%	15
3. Off-campus housing owned by this university	0.5%	3
4. Off-campus housing not owned by this university	95.4%	540
Not Answered		2
	Valid Responses	566
	Total Responses	568

Q37: What is your marital status? [MARITAL]

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Not married	40.0%	226
2. Married	48.1%	272
3. Divorced	2.5%	14
4. Separated	1.4%	8
5. Widowed	0.2%	1
6. With domestic partner	7.8%	44
Not Answered		3
	Valid Responses	565
	Total Responses	568

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

Response	Frequency	Count
None/Not applicable	65.5%	370
1 child	10.1%	57
2 children	16.1%	91
3 children	6.0%	34
4 or more	2.3%	13
Not Answered		3
	Valid Responses	565
	Total Responses	568

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Canadian Citizen	57.2%	324
2. Canadian Permanent Resident	7.4%	42
3. Citizen of another country with a student visa or other non-immigrant visa	35.3%	200
Not Answered		2
	Valid Responses	566
	Total Responses	568

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]	11.1%	60
2. East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian) [gEastAsia]	16.5%	89
3. South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi) [gSouthAsia]	10.6%	57
4. Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese) [gSouthEastAsia]	1.9%	10
5. West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish) [gWestAsia]	5.2%	28
6. Latin American (e.g. Mexican, Indigenous Central and South American) [gLatAm]	2.0%	11
7. Mixed origin, please specify: [gMixed]	3.5%	19
8. None [NONE]	51.9%	280
	Valid Responses	540
	Total Responses	568

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	5.7%	32
2. No	94.3%	530
Not Answered		6
	Valid Responses	562
	Total Responses	568

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Yes	3.0%	17
2. No	93.2%	523
3. I prefer not to respond	3.7%	21
Not Answered		7
Valid Responses		561
Total Responses		568

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

Response	Frequency	Count
1. Sensory (vision or hearing) [Disabl_Sense]	35.3%	6
2. Mobility [Disabl_Mobil]	17.6%	3
3. Learning (e.g. ADHD, Dyslexia) [Disabl_Learn]	17.6%	3
4. Mental Health (e.g. Depression, Bipolar) [Disabl_Mental]	35.3%	6
5. Autism spectrum (e.g. Autism, Asperger's) [Disabl_Autism]	5.9%	1
6. Chronic (e.g. Chron's, Colitis, MS) [Disabl_Chronic]	17.6%	3
7. A disability or impairment not listed above, please specify [Disabl_Else]	23.5%	4
8. Prefer not to respond [Disabl_NotRespond]	5.9%	1
Valid Responses		17
Total Responses		17

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)	11.8%	2	3.059
Very good (4)	17.6%	3	
Good (3)	47.1%	8	
Fair (2)	11.8%	2	
Poor (1)	11.8%	2	
Not Answered		0	
Valid Responses		17	
Total Responses		17	

SECTION 13: OTHER SUMMARY ITEMS

Project Summary	2016	2013
Number of students invited to participate	1,695	1,402
Responses received (partially or totally completed)	616	559
Response rate	36.3%	39.9%
Survey Open Date	9-Feb-16	5-Feb-13
Survey Close Date	24-Mar-16	22-Mar-13
Number of days open for data collection	44	45