

GRADUATING SENIOR SURVEY

Spring 2008 Summary

Method

Sample/Population

The target population of this study consisted of 1,323 seniors who were precertified to graduate in Spring 2008. All 1,323 seniors were sent an email invitation to participate in the survey. A total of 520 seniors completed the survey, yielding a 39% response rate.

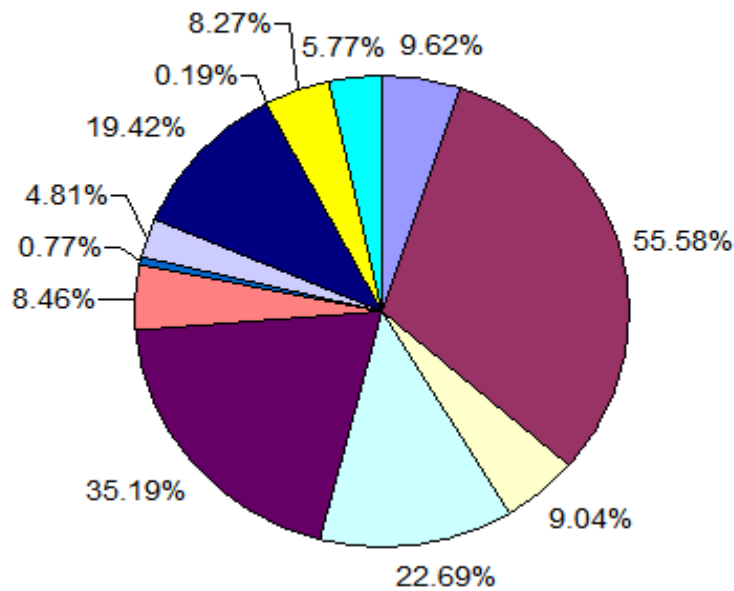
Process/Survey Implementation

The survey was implemented by the Office of Institutional Research using the Websurveyor online survey tool. Approximately two weeks before the Spring graduation date of May 2, 2008, all precertified graduating seniors were sent an initial invitation via email to participate in the survey. One week later they were sent a reminder note to complete the survey if they had not already done so. After another week had passed, nonrespondents were sent a final reminder to complete the survey.

University-Wide Results

Although much of the Graduating Senior Survey is targeted toward specific Colleges and Majors, with tailored questions for each, the results of the questions that were common to all Colleges and Majors are summarized below.

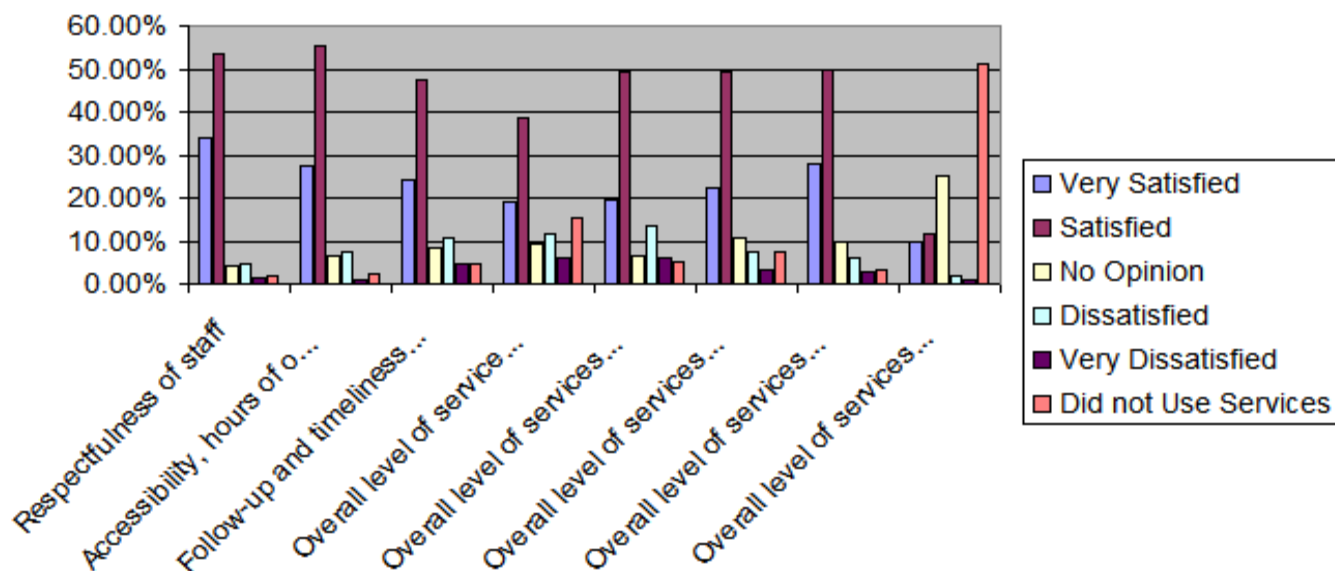
**What are your immediate plans after graduation?
(Question #1)**



- take a year or more off from school and work
- pursue a career in my field of study
- pursue a career not in my field of study
- continue working at the job I currently hold
- pursue a graduate education
- attend medical school, law school or professional school
- obtain another undergraduate degree
- start my own business/company
- work full/part time while I continue my education
- not work outside the home
- seek an internship in my field of study
- I have not decided

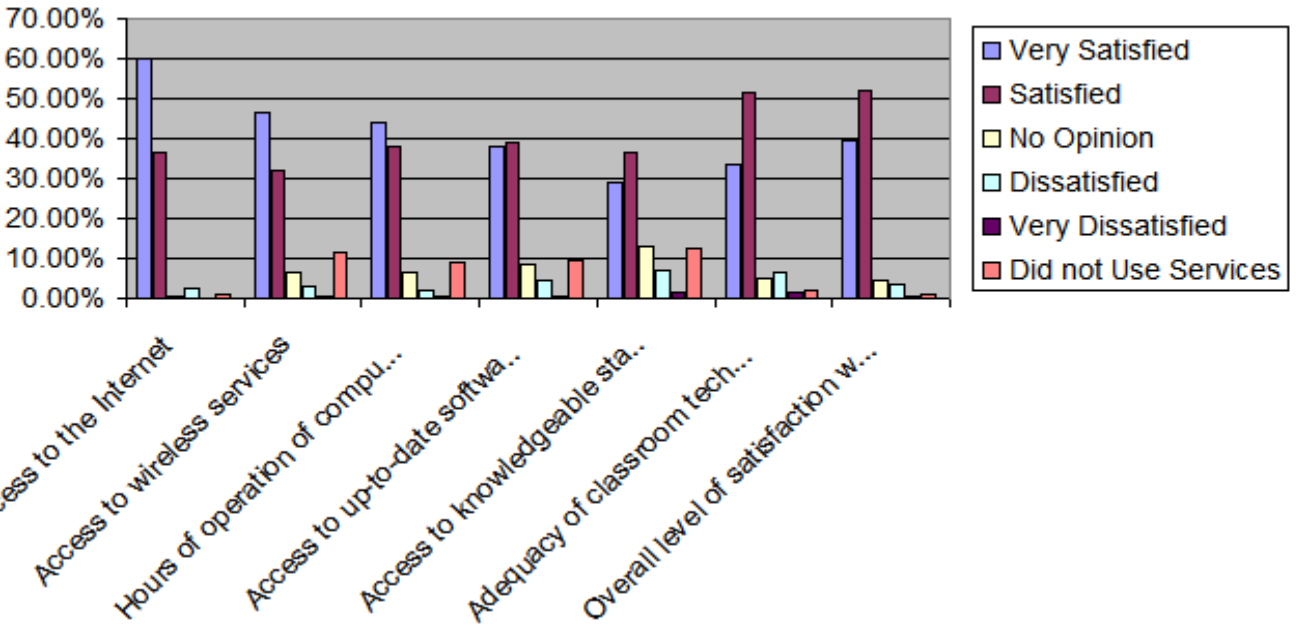
Question #1 (Percentages)	
take a year or more off from school and work	9.62%
pursue a career in my field of study	55.58%
pursue a career not in my field of study	9.04%
continue working at the job I currently hold	22.69%
pursue a graduate education	35.19%
attend medical school, law school or professional school	8.46%
obtain another undergraduate degree	0.77%
start my own business/company	4.81%
work full/part time while I continue my education	19.42%
not work outside the home	0.19%
seek an internship in my field of study	8.27%
I have not decided	5.77%

One Stop Student Services (Question #2)



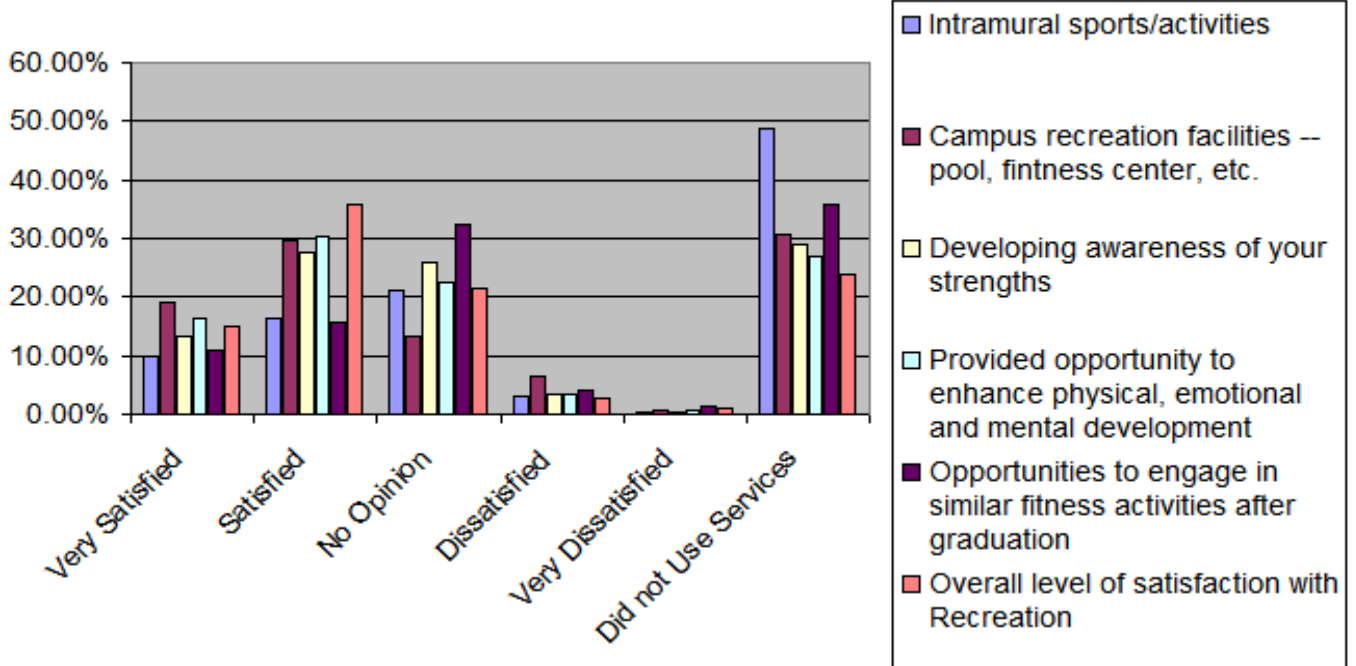
Question #2 (Percentages)	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	No Opinion	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not Use Services
Respectfulness of staff	34.01%	53.65%	4.04%	4.83%	1.55%	1.92%
Accessibility, hours of operation	27.59%	55.12%	6.60%	7.38%	0.96%	2.34%
Follow-up and timeliness of service in person or by email	24.25%	47.49%	8.38%	10.72%	4.67%	4.48%
Overall level of services dealing with financial aid issues (scholarships, loans, grants)	18.97%	38.74%	9.13%	11.43%	6.22%	15.51%
Overall level of services dealing with registration (waitlist, registration times, computer access)	19.51%	49.23%	6.54%	13.54%	5.99%	5.20%
Overall level of services dealing with student record issues (grades, change of address, change of majors)	22.15%	49.34%	10.47%	7.37%	3.30%	7.37%
Overall level of services dealing with the graduation process (application, diplomas, transcripts)	27.95%	49.92%	9.91%	6.04%	2.69%	3.49%
Overall level of services with the veterans affairs process	9.70%	11.45%	25.00%	1.73%	0.96%	51.16%

Information Technology Services (Question #3)



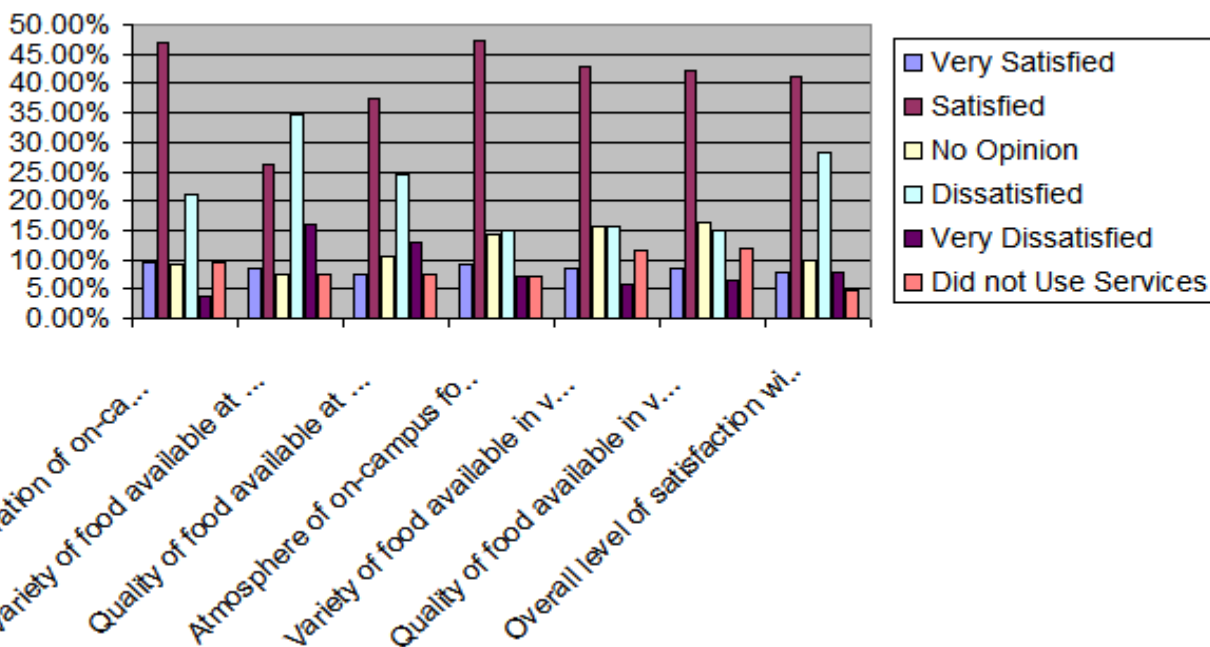
Question #3 (Percentages)	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	No Opinion	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not Use Services
Access to the Internet	59.85%	36.29%	0.58%	2.31%	0.00%	0.96%
Access to wireless services	46.34%	31.92%	6.63%	2.89%	0.58%	11.65%
Hours of operation of computer labs and help desk	43.84%	37.90%	6.45%	2.14%	0.58%	9.09%
Access to up-to-date software and hardware	37.99%	38.92%	8.55%	4.63%	0.58%	9.33%
Access to knowledgeable staff for help	28.83%	36.75%	13.18%	6.96%	1.54%	12.74%
Adequacy of classroom technology	33.67%	51.46%	5.22%	6.37%	1.34%	1.94%
Overall level of satisfaction with technology services	39.29%	51.81%	4.44%	3.30%	0.39%	0.77%

Recreation (Question #4)



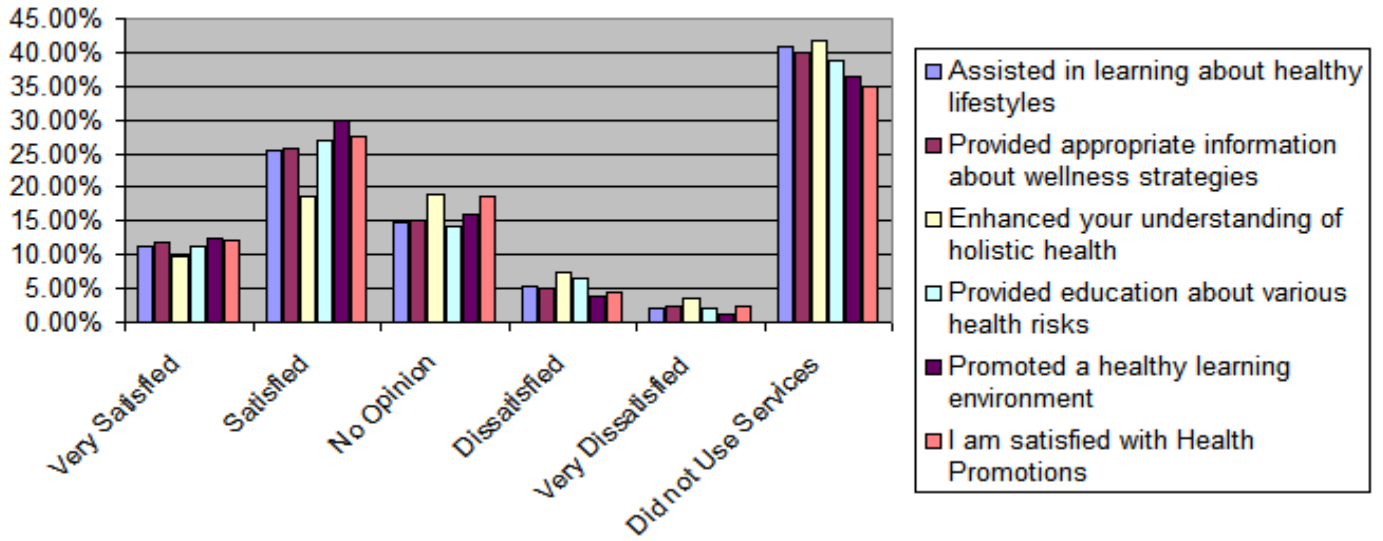
Question #4 (Percentages)	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	No Opinion	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not Use Services
Intramural sports/activities	9.92%	16.53%	21.23%	3.11%	0.38%	48.83%
Campus recreation facilities -- pool, fitness center, etc.	18.96%	29.79%	13.37%	6.56%	0.57%	30.74%
Developing awareness of your strengths	13.39%	27.77%	26.03%	3.28%	0.39%	29.13%
Provided opportunity to enhance physical, emotional and mental development	16.30%	30.50%	22.35%	3.30%	0.58%	26.97%
Opportunities to engage in similar fitness activities after graduation	10.91%	15.53%	32.42%	4.08%	1.35%	35.71%
Overall level of satisfaction with Recreation	14.94%	35.87%	21.31%	2.89%	0.96%	24.03%

Food Services (Question #5)



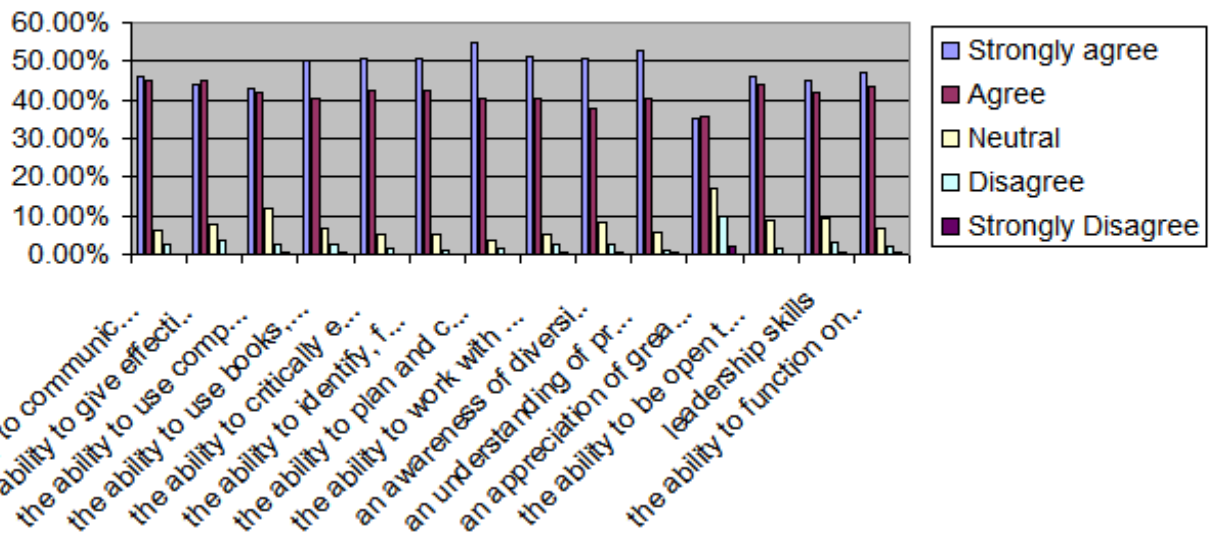
Question #5 (Percentages)	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	No Opinion	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not Use Services
Hours of operation of on-campus food venues	9.47%	47.03%	9.07%	21.11%	3.87%	9.45%
Variety of food available at on-campus food venues (excluding vending)	8.53%	26.11%	7.53%	34.64%	15.86%	7.32%
Quality of food available at on-campus food venues (excluding vending)	7.36%	37.43%	10.45%	24.43%	12.82%	7.51%
Atmosphere of on-campus food venues	9.33%	47.18%	14.35%	14.95%	7.21%	6.98%
Variety of food available in vending machines	8.36%	43.03%	15.74%	15.59%	5.65%	11.63%
Quality of food available in vending machines	8.37%	42.21%	16.34%	14.80%	6.42%	11.86%
Overall level of satisfaction with food services	7.90%	41.27%	9.89%	28.33%	7.97%	4.64%

Health Promotion (Question #6)



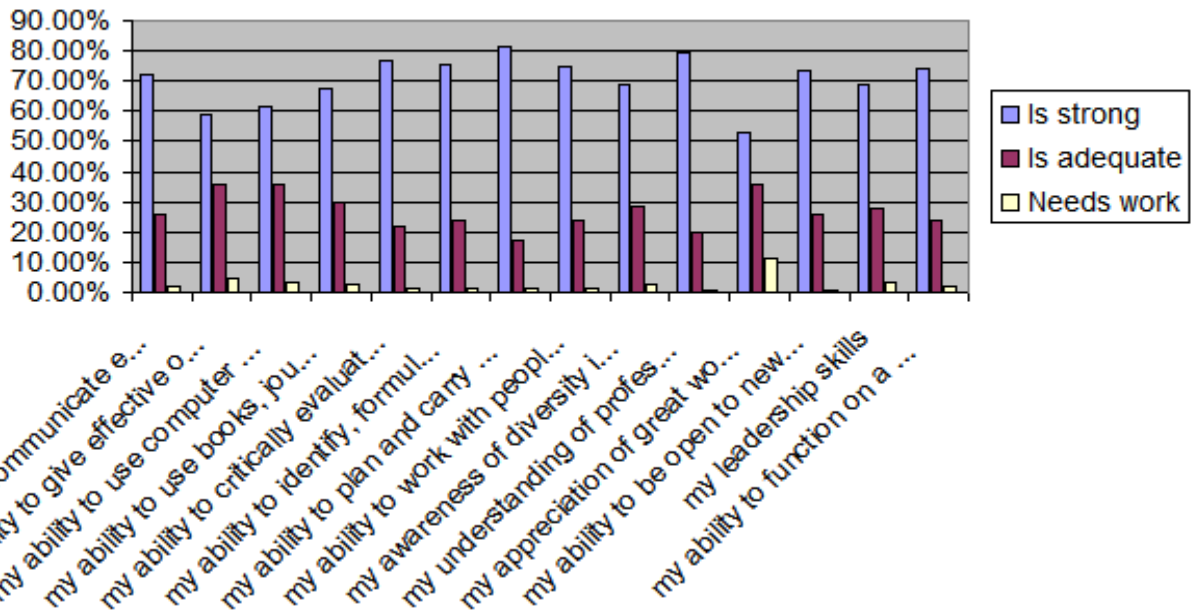
Question #6 (Percentages)	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	No Opinion	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Did not Use Services
Assisted in learning about healthy lifestyles	11.38%	25.55%	14.73%	5.41%	2.11%	40.83%
Provided appropriate information about wellness strategies	11.89%	25.88%	14.95%	4.90%	2.51%	39.87%
Enhanced your understanding of holistic health	9.69%	18.67%	19.02%	7.40%	3.49%	41.74%
Provided education about various health risks	11.26%	27.03%	14.33%	6.57%	2.13%	38.68%
Promoted a healthy learning environment	12.54%	30.00%	16.07%	3.86%	1.15%	36.37%
I am satisfied with Health Promotions	12.23%	27.42%	18.60%	4.48%	2.30%	34.96%

**As a result of all the courses I've completed at UNF
(Question #7)**



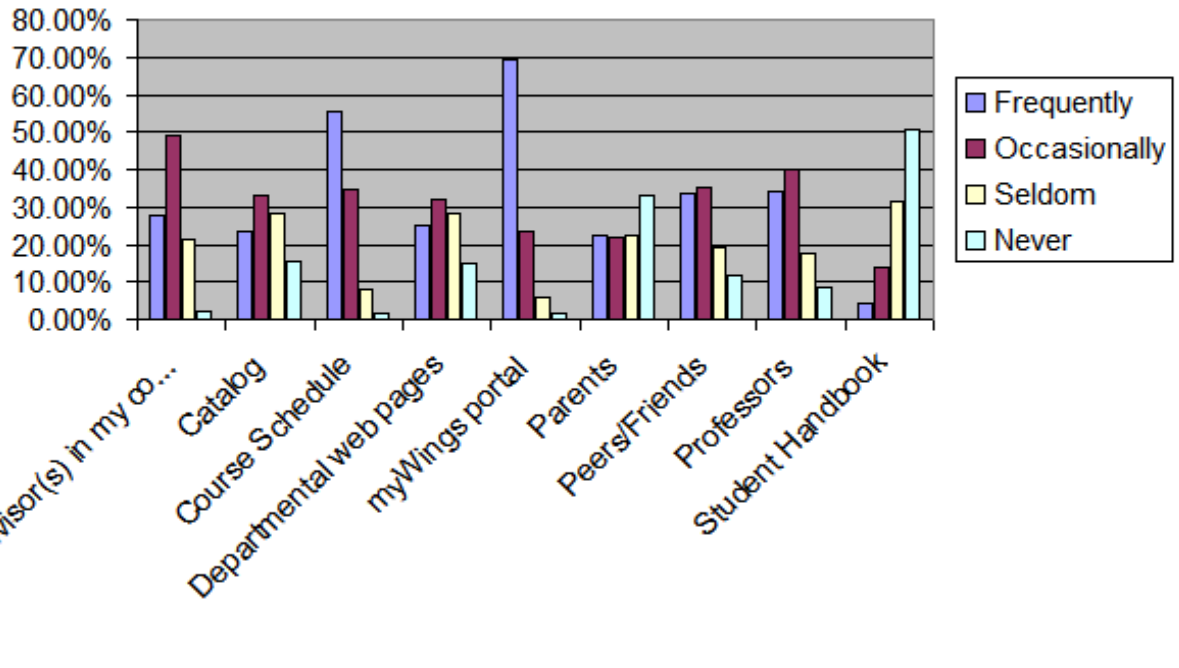
Question #7 (Percentages)	Strongly agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
the ability to communicate effectively in writing	45.86%	45.06%	6.39%	2.69%	0.00%
the ability to give effective oral presentations	43.98%	44.74%	7.59%	3.50%	0.19%
the ability to use computer technology	43.02%	41.81%	12.08%	2.52%	0.58%
the ability to use books, journals, and/or articles from the library/internet etc. for a research paper/project	50.09%	40.17%	6.63%	2.72%	0.39%
the ability to critically evaluate information for decision making	50.78%	42.26%	5.43%	1.53%	0.00%
the ability to identify, formulate, and solve problems	50.87%	42.56%	5.42%	1.15%	0.00%
the ability to plan and carry out projects independently	54.88%	40.10%	3.67%	1.35%	0.00%
the ability to work with people from different backgrounds	51.16%	40.33%	5.42%	2.69%	0.39%
an awareness of diversity in cultures, philosophies, and lifestyles	50.62%	37.91%	8.17%	2.71%	0.58%
an understanding of professional and ethical responsibility	52.73%	40.26%	5.47%	1.15%	0.39%
an appreciation of great works of music, art, drama, and literature	35.10%	35.86%	17.04%	10.05%	1.94%
the ability to be open to new ideas and practices	45.95%	43.77%	8.55%	1.74%	0.00%
leadership skills	44.94%	42.10%	9.30%	2.89%	0.77%
the ability to function on a team	47.04%	43.41%	6.66%	2.12%	0.77%

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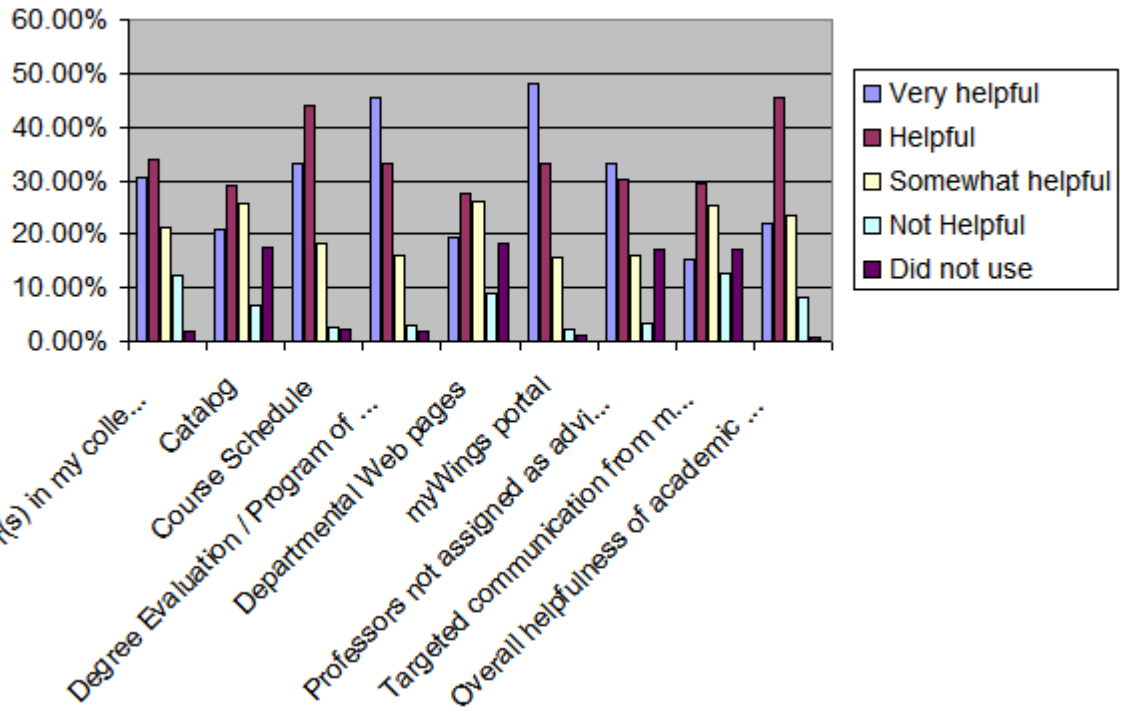
Question #8 (Percentages)	Is strong	Is adequate	Needs work
my ability to communicate effectively in writing	71.89%	25.80%	2.31%
my ability to give effective oral presentations	59.12%	35.95%	4.94%
my ability to use computer technology	61.31%	35.50%	3.19%
my ability to use books, journals, and/or articles from the library/internet etc. for a research paper/project	67.35%	29.85%	2.80%
my ability to critically evaluate information for decision making	77.09%	21.73%	1.18%
my ability to identify, formulate, and solve problems	75.33%	23.49%	1.18%
my ability to plan and carry out projects independently	81.34%	17.48%	1.18%
my ability to work with people from different backgrounds	74.84%	24.00%	1.15%
my awareness of diversity in cultures, philosophies, and lifestyles	68.66%	28.78%	2.56%
my understanding of professional and ethical responsibility	79.32%	19.91%	0.77%
my appreciation of great works of music, art, drama, and literature	52.85%	35.79%	11.36%
my ability to be open to new ideas and practices	73.34%	25.70%	0.96%
my leadership skills	68.75%	28.10%	3.15%
my ability to function on a team	73.89%	24.14%	1.98%

**How often did you consult the following sources to guide you
(Question #9)**



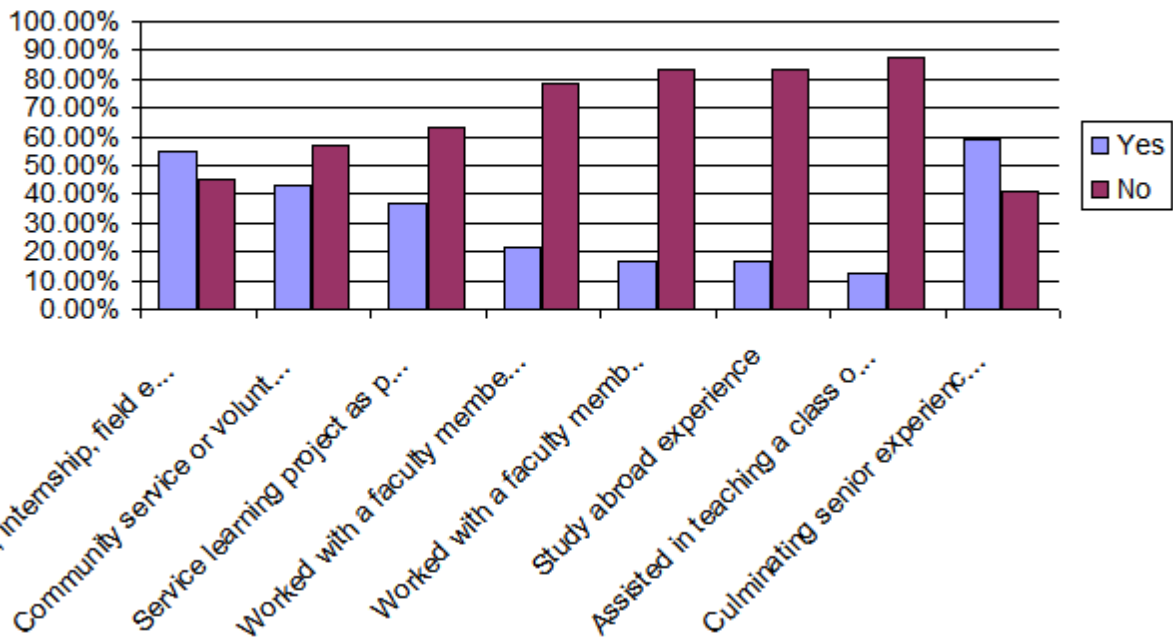
Question #9 (Percentages)	Frequently	Occasionally	Seldom	Never
Academic Advisor(s) in my college/major	27.70%	48.91%	21.27%	2.11%
Catalog	23.42%	33.05%	28.04%	15.50%
Course Schedule	55.44%	34.87%	7.95%	1.74%
Departmental web pages	24.87%	32.04%	28.15%	14.94%
myWings portal	69.21%	23.63%	5.61%	1.54%
Parents	22.46%	22.06%	22.42%	33.06%
Peers/Friends	33.55%	35.45%	19.38%	11.62%
Professors	34.09%	39.82%	17.40%	8.68%
Student Handbook	4.44%	13.76%	31.23%	50.58%

Academic Advising Services (Question #10)



Question #10 (Percentages)	Very helpful	Helpful	Somewhat helpful	Not Helpful	Did not use
Academic Advisor(s) in my college/major	30.54%	33.84%	21.42%	12.26%	1.94%
Catalog	20.77%	29.14%	25.80%	6.81%	17.47%
Course Schedule	33.33%	43.80%	18.25%	2.50%	2.12%
Degree Evaluation / Program of Study	45.56%	33.20%	16.21%	3.09%	1.94%
Departmental Web pages	19.43%	27.42%	26.07%	8.94%	18.13%
myWings portal	47.94%	33.18%	15.79%	2.12%	0.97%
Professors not assigned as advisors	33.08%	30.33%	16.16%	3.46%	16.96%
Targeted communication from my advising office	15.27%	29.54%	25.43%	12.73%	17.03%
Overall helpfulness of academic advising services	21.96%	45.48%	23.58%	8.21%	0.76%

**Please indicate whether you had any of the following
(Question 11)**



Question #11 (Percentages)	Yes	No
Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op experience or clinical assignment	54.71%	45.29%
Community service or volunteer work through the university	43.17%	56.83%
Service learning project as part of a course assignment	37.03%	62.97%
Worked with a faculty member on an independent study	21.32%	78.68%
Worked with a faculty member on a research project outside of course or program requirements	16.52%	83.48%
Study abroad experience	16.84%	83.16%
Assisted in teaching a class or lab under the guidance of a faculty member	12.20%	87.80%
Culminating senior experience (comprehensive exam, capstone course, thesis project, senior seminar, etc.)	59.36%	40.64%