

Office of

Testing Services and Assessment

1998-99 Graduating Senior Survey

Introduction

In December 1998, May 1999, and August 1999, 774 students received bachelor's degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. We surveyed all students eligible to graduate in those terms, and received 493 completed questionnaires (64 percent).

Highlights

1. 85% "agree" or "strongly agree" that they have learned to view learning as a lifelong experience.
2. 73% "agree" or "strongly agree" that their experiences and course work at UW-Green Bay encouraged them to think creatively and innovatively.
3. 70% "agree" or "strongly agree" that UW-Green Bay provides a strong interdisciplinary, problem-focused education.
4. 62% would return to UW-Green Bay and complete the same major if they started college over; 13% would return to UW-Green Bay but choose another major.
5. When asked to grade university services and resources (e.g., library, advising, bookstore), the most common grades given were B's and A's.

Table 1. Educational Activities

	Yes	No
Participated in a study group with other students in a class	58%	42%
Completed an internship/field experience/practicum	52%	48%
Joined a student organization	44%	56%
Participated in community service	42%	58%
Completed an independent study	32%	68%
Joined a professional organization	19%	81%
Worked with a faculty member doing research, tutoring, etc.	19%	81%

Table 2. Grading the Majors

	A	B	C	D	F	Mean gpa
Clarity of major requirements	46%	38%	13%	3%		3.3
Reasonableness of major requirements	46%	43%	11%			3.3
Variety of courses available in major	17%	42%	34%	6%	1%	2.7
Frequency of course offerings in major	10%	37%	37%	13%	3%	2.4
Times courses were offered	14%	46%	27%	11%	2%	2.6
Quality of internship/practicum/field experience	32%	35%	20%	8%	6%	2.8
Quality of teaching in department	43%	44%	11%	1%		3.3
Knowledge and expertise of faculty in department	57%	35%	7%			3.5
Faculty encouragement of your educational goals	39%	36%	19%	5%	1%	3.1
Advising received from department faculty	35%	31%	21%	10%	4%	2.8
In-class faculty-student interaction	44%	43%	11%	2%		3.3

Out-of-class faculty-student interaction	37%	35%	21%	6%	1%	3.0
Overall grade for your major department	29%	56%	14%	1%	0%	3.1

Table 3. Top Six Areas Developed While at UW-Green Bay

	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor	Mean
Ability to critically analyze	28%	53%	17%	2%		4.1
Written communication skills	35%	43%	18%	3%	1%	4.1
Ability to solve problems	22%	56%	19%	3%		4.0
Listening skills	30%	44%	21%	4%	1%	4.0
Reading skills	27%	40%	28%	5%		3.9
Understanding effects of stereotyping and racism	30%	37%	21%	8%	4%	3.8