

Office of

Testing Services and Assessment

1999-00 Graduating Senior Survey

Introduction

In December 1999, May 2000, and August 2000, 804 students received bachelor's degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. We surveyed all students eligible to graduate in those terms, and received 552 completed questionnaires (69 percent).

Highlights

1. 92% "agree" or "strongly agree" that they have learned to view learning as a lifelong experience.
2. 76% "agree" or "strongly agree" that their experiences and course work at UW-Green Bay encouraged them to think creatively and innovatively.
3. 60% "agree" or "strongly agree" that UW-Green Bay provides a strong interdisciplinary, problem-focused education.
4. 61% "agree" or "strongly agree" that they would recommend UW-Green Bay to a friend, co-worker, or family member.
5. 56% would return to UW-Green Bay and complete the same major if they started college over; 11% would return to UW-Green Bay but choose another major.
6. 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	57%	43%
Completed an internship/field experience/practicum	57%	43%
Joined a student organization	38%	62%
Participated in community service	44%	56%
Completed an independent study	33%	67%
Joined a professional organization	14%	86%
Worked with a faculty member doing research, tutoring, etc.	17%	83%

Table 2. Grading the Majors

	A	B	C	D	F	Mean gpa
Clarity of major requirements	45%	43%	10%	1%	<1%	3.3
Reasonableness of major requirements	45%	45%	8%	2%		3.3
Variety of courses available in major	16%	40%	34%	7%	3%	2.6
Frequency of course offerings in major	9%	39%	36%	13%	3%	2.4
Times courses were offered	14%	46%	28%	10%	2%	2.6
Quality of internship/practicum/field experience	32%	33%	23%	9%	3%	2.8
Quality of teaching in department	36%	50%	11%	2%	<1%	3.2
Knowledge and expertise of faculty in department	56%	36%	6%	1%	<1%	3.5
Faculty encouragement of your educational goals	34%	38%	19%	7%	2%	3.0

Advising received from department faculty	33%	30%	21%	10%	6%	2.7
In-class faculty-student interaction	38%	46%	12%	3%	<1%	3.2
Out-of-class faculty-student interaction	31%	35%	22%	9%	3%	2.8
Overall grade for your major department <i>(not an average of the above)</i>	25%	56%	16%	3%	<1%	3.0

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

	Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor	Mean
Ability to critically analyze	21%	58%	18%	3%	<1%	3.97
Ability to solve problems	22%	55%	19%	4%	<1%	3.94
Written communication skills	27%	47%	20%	6%	<1%	3.93
Listening skills	23%	42%	28%	6%	1%	3.80
Reading skills	21%	39%	30%	8%	2%	3.70
Understanding effects of stereotyping and racism	20%	43%	24%	9%	4%	3.67