



National Survey of Student Engagement

NSSE 2004 Canadian Research Universities Question Frequency Distributions Queen's University

	Variable	Response Options	First-Year Students				Seniors			
			Queen's University		G10		Queen's University		G10	
			Count	Col %	Count	Col %	Count	Col %	Count	Col %
1. Consider the size of the first- and second-year classes you've taken at this university. Have they generally been:	gt0401	Far larger than you'd like	77	16%	299	23%	128	29%	365	33%
		Somewhat larger than you'd like	158	32%	414	32%	154	34%	378	34%
		OK in size	246	50%	580	44%	164	37%	339	30%
		Smaller than you'd like	2	0%	5	0%	0	0%	5	0%
		NA/you have taken no 1st- and 2nd-year courses here	7	1%	14	1%	1	0%	32	3%
	Total	490	100%	1312	100%	447	100%	1119	100%	
2. Consider the size of the third- and fourth-year classes you've taken at this university. Have they generally been:	gt0402	Far larger than you'd like	2	0%	9	1%	21	5%	68	6%
		Somewhat larger than you'd like	1	0%	32	3%	73	16%	194	17%
		OK in size	8	2%	67	5%	341	76%	818	73%
		Smaller than you'd like	0	0%	4	0%	10	2%	31	3%
		NA/you have taken no 3rd- and 4th-year courses here	461	98%	1129	91%	3	1%	9	1%
	Total	472	100%	1241	100%	448	100%	1120	100%	
3. Overall, how would you rate the quality of instruction in the first- and second-year courses you've taken at this university?	gt0403	Poor	5	1%	44	3%	30	7%	102	9%
		Fair	60	12%	331	25%	127	28%	403	36%
		Good	291	60%	706	54%	240	54%	488	44%
		Excellent	126	26%	215	16%	50	11%	95	8%
		NA/you have taken no 1st- and 2nd-year courses here	4	1%	13	1%	1	0%	33	3%
	Total	486	100%	1309	100%	448	100%	1121	100%	
4. Overall, how would you rate the quality of instruction in the third- and fourth-year courses you've taken at this university?	gt0404	Poor	1	0%	2	0%	6	1%	34	3%
		Fair	1	0%	28	2%	36	8%	150	13%
		Good	6	1%	52	4%	202	45%	582	52%
		Excellent	3	1%	22	2%	201	45%	346	31%
		NA/you have taken no 3rd- and 4th-year courses here	462	98%	1137	92%	3	1%	9	1%
	Total	473	100%	1241	100%	448	100%	1121	100%	
5. Would you say the courses you need to take for your major have been available:	gt0405	Hardly ever	1	0%	23	2%	9	2%	29	3%
		Some of the time	14	3%	116	9%	52	12%	176	16%
		Most of the time	70	14%	367	28%	166	37%	474	42%
		Always or nearly always	309	63%	571	44%	217	49%	438	39%
		Not applicable/haven't tried to take any yet	95	19%	225	17%	2	0%	4	0%
	Total	489	100%	1302	100%	446	100%	1121	100%	
6. How would you rate this university's responsiveness to student academic problems?	gt0406	Poor	13	3%	94	7%	31	7%	192	17%
		Fair	66	13%	351	27%	98	22%	371	33%
		Good	215	44%	503	38%	198	44%	360	32%
		Excellent	102	21%	158	12%	56	13%	79	7%
		Not applicable/don't know	95	19%	203	16%	64	14%	120	11%
	Total	491	100%	1309	100%	447	100%	1122	100%	



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7. During the past year, from what source did you receive most of your academic advising? (Leave blank if you used none of these sources.)	gt0407	Advisors in cent'l advising, yr Fac., yr coll. or yr dept.	105	21%	256	20%	121	27%	303	27%
		Instructors or staff members not formally assigned as advisor	42	9%	130	10%	73	16%	139	12%
		Online registration and degree tracking system	22	4%	132	10%	14	3%	119	11%
		Undergraduate calendar or other publications	95	19%	263	20%	108	24%	263	23%
		Friends or family	208	42%	469	36%	103	23%	237	21%
		None of these	19	4%	55	4%	29	6%	63	6%
	Total	491	100%	1305	100%	448	100%	1124	100%	
8. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement? At this university, students have to run around from one place to another to get the information or approvals they need.	gt0408	Strongly disagree	25	5%	25	2%	19	4%	27	2%
		Disagree	113	23%	203	16%	100	22%	176	16%
		Agree	138	28%	539	41%	175	39%	415	37%
		Strongly agree	41	8%	244	19%	79	18%	404	36%
		Not applicable/don't know	172	35%	293	22%	73	16%	101	9%
	Total	489	100%	1304	100%	446	100%	1123	100%	
9. Which of the following factors poses, or has posed, the biggest obstacle to your academic progress?	gt0409	Financial pressures or work obligations	60	12%	230	18%	80	18%	291	26%
		Family/personal problems or obligations	70	14%	169	13%	74	17%	184	16%
		Your academic performance at university	133	27%	476	36%	80	18%	218	19%
		Difficulties getting the courses you need	5	1%	27	2%	17	4%	49	4%
		Lack of good academic advising	19	4%	81	6%	34	8%	97	9%
		Other academic or administrative obstacles	12	2%	45	3%	21	5%	76	7%
		Other	61	12%	118	9%	44	10%	63	6%
		Not applicable/you have faced no obstacles	131	27%	161	12%	98	22%	144	13%
	Total	491	100%	1307	100%	448	100%	1122	100%	
10. What effect has the research performed by faculty at this university had on your overall educational experience?	gt0410	Highly negative	2	0%	12	1%	0	0%	14	1%
		Negative	1	0%	28	2%	8	2%	33	3%
		Neutral	124	25%	465	36%	149	33%	434	39%
		Positive	157	32%	296	23%	159	35%	338	30%
		Highly positive	37	8%	77	6%	50	11%	110	10%
		Not applicable/don't know	169	34%	423	33%	82	18%	190	17%
	Total	490	100%	1301	100%	448	100%	1119	100%	

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