

Ohio University
SURVEY OF ALUMNI
Classes of 1993-1994 and 1994-1995

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS IN REFERENCE TO YOUR UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION ON THE ATHENS CAMPUS. UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, PLEASE INDICATE YOUR CODED RESPONSE TO EACH QUESTION IN THE SPACE(S) PROVIDED.

PART ONE: EMPLOYMENT

1. What was the first professional job you held after completing your bachelor's degree at Ohio University? (If you went directly on to graduate school, please indicate the institution and degree objective and be sure to answer the questions in Part Two.)
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- _____ 2. What is your current employment status?

1. I have a full-time job. 2. I have a part-time job. 3. I am not currently working. 4. I have never worked

***** If your answer is "3" please go to question 10 -- If your answer is "4" please go to question 11 *****

3. What is your present profession/job title? _____

- _____ 4. In what occupational area do you work?

1. Government 2. Education 3. Nonprofit Organization 4. Business/Industry 5. Self-employed

- _____ 5. How satisfied are you with your present employment?

1. Extremely satisfied 2. Very satisfied 3. Somewhat satisfied 4. Not at all satisfied

- _____ 6. How satisfied are you with the progress you have made in your career?

1. Extremely satisfied 2. Very satisfied 3. Somewhat satisfied 4. Not at all satisfied

- _____ 7. What is your annual salary or wage (including commissions, etc.) in your current job?

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|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Less than \$6,000 per year | 11. \$34,000 to \$37,999 per year |
| 2. \$6,000 to \$8,999 per year | 12. \$38,000 to \$41,999 per year |
| 3. \$9,000 to \$11,999 per year | 13. \$42,000 to \$45,999 per year |
| 4. \$12,000 to \$14,999 per year | 14. \$46,000 to \$49,999 per year |
| 5. \$15,000 to \$17,999 per year | 15. \$50,000 to \$54,999 per year |
| 6. \$18,000 to \$20,999 per year | 16. \$55,000 to \$59,999 per year |
| 7. \$21,000 to \$23,999 per year | 17. \$60,000 to \$64,999 per year |
| 8. \$24,000 to \$26,999 per year | 18. \$65,000 to \$69,999 per year |
| 9. \$27,000 to \$29,999 per year | 19. \$70,000 or more per year |
| 10. \$30,000 to \$33,999 per year | |

8. Check the following statements which apply to your employment.

- ____ a. My current employment offers prospects for further advancement.
____ b. I supervise two or more people.
____ c. My educational experiences at Ohio University are well utilized in my employment.
____ d. I have policy-making responsibility.
____ e. I have sufficient status or prestige.
____ f. My employment fits my long range goals.
____ g. I would like to remain with my current employer for the foreseeable future.
____ h. I plan to remain in my current occupation for the foreseeable future.
____ i. My skills are well utilized in my employment.
____ j. During college I had a part-time or summer job related to my present employment.
____ k. During college I had an internship, a cooperative-education assignment, or field experience (including student teaching) related to my present employment.

9. Using the following scale, rate the helpfulness of items a through i in acquiring the skills and knowledge needed to perform your present job.

1. Extremely helpful 2. Very helpful 3. Somewhat helpful 4. Not at all helpful 5. Does not apply

- ___ a. Courses in major field
- ___ b. General education (Tier I,II,III) courses
- ___ c. Elective courses
- ___ d. Work experience/practicum/internship/co-op
- ___ e. Undergraduate research/independent study
- ___ f. Extracurricular activities
- ___ g. Formal training program at present job
- ___ h. General on-the-job training
- ___ i. Other (please specify) _____

10. In order of importance, which of the following were the three biggest problems you encountered in seeking employment after receiving your bachelor's degree? Write the code numbers of the problems you select in the three spaces provided.

- ___ Code # of the single biggest problem
- ___ Code # of second biggest problem
- ___ Code # of third biggest problem

- (1) Skill qualifications
- (2) Education qualifications
- (3) Racial discrimination
- (4) Sex discrimination
- (5) A generally tight job market
- (6) A tight job market in my field
- (7) A job in the same locality as my spouse/partner
- (8) Finding a job with desirable characteristics (salary, geographic location, setting, etc.)
- (9) Not knowing where to look
- (10) Not knowing what I wanted to do.
- (11) Other (please specify) _____

11. Please indicate for each competency listed: (1) whether the competency is necessary for your current endeavors, and (2) how effective Ohio University was in developing each competency.

	(1) Necessary to success in current endeavors		(2) Effectiveness of OU in developing		
	Yes	No	Somewhat Effective	Effective	Not Effective
Ability to think analytically	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to apply major field knowledge to new problems	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to acquire new skills & understanding on my own	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to write well	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to communicate effectively orally	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to evaluate and choose between alternative courses of action	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to formulate creative and original ideas and solutions	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to convey meaning through artistic and creative expression	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to cope with complex moral and ethical issues	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to place current problems in historical, cultural, and philosophical perspective	___	___	___	___	___
Sensitivity to feelings and perceptions of others	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to work in a team setting	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to organize and supervise the work of others	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to use the computer as an analytical tool	___	___	___	___	___
Ability to participate in community service activities	___	___	___	___	___
Please list other abilities which you consider important:					
_____	___	___	___	___	___
_____	___	___	___	___	___

PART TWO: PROGRAM OF STUDY

12. If you have obtained an additional degree(s) from Ohio University, please enter it(them) and the year(s) received in the spaces below.

_____ degree _____ year _____ degree _____ year

13. If you have obtained an additional degree(s) from another college or university, please enter it(them), the year(s) received, and the institution(s) in the spaces below.

_____ degree _____ year _____ institution _____ degree _____ year _____ institution

14. If you are currently working on or hope to obtain additional academic degree(s), please enter it(them) in the spaces below.

_____ degree _____ year _____ institution _____ degree _____ year _____ institution

15. For each of the items below, rate your undergraduate general education program at Ohio University using the following codes:

1. Extremely satisfied 2. Very satisfied 3. Somewhat satisfied 4. Not at all satisfied 5. Does not apply
- ____ a. Tier I -- Freshman Writing/Composition ____ d. Tier II -- Breadth of Knowledge
____ b. Tier I -- Junior Writing/Composition ____ e. Tier III -- Synthesis
____ c. Tier I -- Quantitative Reasoning/Skills

16. For each of the items below, rate your undergraduate major program at Ohio University using the following codes:

1. Extremely satisfied 2. Very satisfied 3. Somewhat satisfied 4. Not at all satisfied 5. Does not apply
- ____ a. Relevance to career goals ____ f. Flexibility/adaptability to student needs
____ b. Academic advising and guidance ____ g. Quality of instruction
____ c. Inspiration and encouragement ____ h. Interaction with students
____ d. Level of rigor and scholarship ____ i. Career Services
____ e. Interaction with faculty ____ j. Overall, how satisfactory was the education you received at O.U.?

17. If you were considering enrolling in the major program of study for your bachelor's degree today, given the perspective of your experience and knowledge, what are the chances you would make the following changes?

1. Excellent chance 2. Good chance 3. Some chance 4. No chance 5. Does not apply
- ____ a. Change your specialization within your field ____ f. Take different cognate or elective courses
____ b. Change your major field ____ g. Gain more work experience before enrolling
____ c. Not attend Ohio University but attend some other institution ____ h. Do it all the same way
____ d. Be more flexible in the range of career goals to which you aspire ____ i. Have an internship or cooperative education assignment or field experience (including student teaching) while in school
____ e. Not enroll at all ____ j. Participate in more community service activities

PART THREE: GRADUATES OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

18. As a student in the College of Arts and Sciences you received various services from the college offices. Please rate the services listed below by placing the number of the response that best describes your assessment in the space for each service. Use the following scale:

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply
- ____ advising for undecided students ____ processing of forms (change orders, registration forms, etc.)
____ information about degree requirements ____ computerized check sheets or Degree Audit Reporting System (DARS)
____ review of records for graduation ____ other (please specify) _____
____ transfer work evaluation

19. What suggestions do you have for improvement in the services provided in the College of Arts and Sciences?

20. For each of the items below, rate your Arts and Sciences major program, from your present perspective, using the following scale:

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply
- ____ quality of facilities in my major ____ faculty responsiveness to student questions outside the classroom
____ curriculum design of major ____ faculty advising
____ taught me to think analytically ____ recommendations for graduate study
____ led me to develop a philosophy of life ____ quality of faculty in my major

As a student in the College of Arts and Sciences you completed required courses in addition to your major requirements. In questions 21-24 below, please rate, from your present perspective, your satisfaction with the requirements for each item provided.

21. From where you are now, please rate the value of the foreign language requirements by entering the appropriate number from the scale below in the space beside each item.

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply

_____relevance to my major	_____providing value to my educational experience
_____increasing my cultural awareness	_____allowing enjoyable interaction with speakers of other languages
_____providing skills/knowledge for my career	_____providing a broad and diverse base of knowledge
_____increasing my ability with languages in general	

Comments:

22. From where you are now, please rate the value of the humanities requirements (e.g., English, History, Languages, Philosophy, etc.) by entering the appropriate number from the scale below in the space beside each item.

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply

_____increasing my awareness and appreciation of the arts	_____providing skills/knowledge for my career
_____providing value to my educational experience	_____relevance to my degree program
_____providing insight concerning what the humanities are	_____providing a broad and diverse base of knowledge
_____increasing my cultural awareness	

Comments:

23. From where you are now, please rate the value of the social sciences requirements by entering the appropriate number from the scale below in the space beside each item.

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply

_____relevance to my degree program	_____increasing my understanding of people
_____providing value to my educational experience	_____providing skills/knowledge for my career
_____providing insight concerning what the social sciences are	_____providing a broad and diverse base of knowledge
_____increasing my analytical abilities	

Comments:

24. From where you are now, please rate the value of the natural sciences requirements by entering the appropriate number from the scale below in the space beside each item.

1. Extremely satisfactory 2. Very satisfactory 3. Somewhat satisfactory 4. Not at all satisfactory 5. Does not apply

_____relevance to my degree program	_____providing value to my educational experience
_____increasing my awareness of the sciences	_____providing skills/knowledge for my career
_____providing insight concerning what the natural sciences are	_____providing a broad and diverse base of knowledge
_____increasing my analytical abilities	

Comments:

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. If you wish to make further comments about Ohio University, please use this space (attach an additional sheet, if necessary).