

**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?

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 FINE ARTS**

18. How important was future employment to you as a criterion for choosing a major in the College of Fine Arts? (Circle one)

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

19. How related is your current work to your major field of study? My current work is \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one):

1. In major field of study    2. Significantly related    3. Partially related    4. Not at all related

20. To what extent were your major courses in the College of Fine Arts applicable to your employment? (Circle one)

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

Comments:

21. Please rate how important the knowledge, skills, or educational experiences you received in your major field of study are to each area below.

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

- \_\_\_\_ My job duties which are related to my major field of study  
\_\_\_\_ My job duties which are not related to my major field of study  
\_\_\_\_ Exhibitions, performance, etc. (outside your job or if you are unemployed)  
\_\_\_\_ Recreation or personal enrichment (outside your job or if you are unemployed)  
\_\_\_\_ Community or volunteer work (outside your job or if you are unemployed)  
\_\_\_\_ Other (Describe: \_\_\_\_\_)

22. Did you find the faculty aware and informed of current opportunities for employment in the arts? (Circle one)

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

23. Did your experience in the College of Fine Arts include any professional contacts that helped you in either gaining employment or in other ways?  Yes  No

Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

24. Did you find an Internship program in the College of Fine Arts to be of value? (Circle one)

1. Extremely valuable      2. Very valuable      3. Somewhat valuable      4. Not of value      5. Does not apply

25. If you are currently employed in the arts, will you continue to pursue an arts career path? (Check one)

Yes       No       Does not apply

Comments:

26. How important a criterion was your interest in studying and learning about fine arts for choosing a major in the College of Fine Arts? (Circle one)

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

27. The Visiting Artists program is designed to give students the opportunity to interact with and learn from professional artists, performers, and scholars who are active in the contemporary arts scene. How satisfied were you with the Visiting Artists program? (Circle one)

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

Comments:

28. In the order of importance, what are some aspects of your course work in the College of Fine Arts that you found especially beneficial and that you would like to see maintained or expanded? (List most important first, etc.)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_

29. What suggestions do you have that would be helpful to the College of Fine Arts in developing their programs of study? (Please use this space and attach an additional sheet, if necessary.)

30. Please rate your satisfaction with your degree from the College of Fine Arts 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

Usefulness of degree in getting a job after graduating       Providing useful skills/knowledge for use in everyday life  
 Providing skills/knowledge for my present job       Providing preparation for graduate school  
 Providing skills/knowledge for my career  
 Other (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

31. If you had to do it over again, would you have (Check one)

Pursued a degree not related at all to any of the Fine Arts?  
If so, which area? \_\_\_\_\_

Pursued a different area in the Fine Arts?  
If so, which area? \_\_\_\_\_

Augmented your Fine Arts degree with another area of study, possibly a second major, and not necessarily in Fine Arts?  
If so, which area? \_\_\_\_\_

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