

COFHE 2012 Senior Survey

Thank you for participating in the WU Senior Survey. This survey has several parts. The first, and longest, section asks you to evaluate WU. We then ask you to think about what you've learned while you've been in college and about some of the non-academic experiences you've had. We'll then ask you to tell us about your plans for the future and give us a little bit of background information. Your answers are very important to us — they will inform our efforts to improve in the years to come. Your participation in this survey is voluntary. The information collected will be kept strictly confidential and will not be printed or published in any form that would identify any individual. If you have any questions or encounter any problems while taking the survey, please contact [LOCAL SCHOOL CONTACT].

Overall Satisfaction

Overall, how satisfied have you been with your undergraduate education?

- Very satisfied
- Generally satisfied
- Ambivalent
- Generally dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Evaluating WU

Thinking about your entire academic experience at WU, how satisfied are you with each of the following? We will ask about your major in the next section, so for these questions, please keep your entire academic experience in mind.

	Very dissatisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Generally satisfied	Very satisfied	Not applicable
Overall quality of instruction					
Academic advising before declaring a major					
Out-of-class availability of faculty					
Opportunities to participate in research with a faculty member					
Availability of courses you wanted to take outside your major [opt]					
Quality of instruction in:...Humanities and arts courses [opt]					
...Natural science and math courses [opt]					
...Social science courses [opt]					
...Engineering courses [opt]					
...Pre-med courses [opt]					
...Size of classes					

Satisfaction with Major

Now we'd like to ask you about the field or fields in which you are majoring. Please indicate your major(s) below. On the next page, we'll ask you to evaluate each.

Please select your major from the dropdown list:	
Please select your second major, if applicable:	

Major 1

On the whole, how satisfied have you been with your major [*insert here*]?

- Very satisfied
- Generally satisfied
- Ambivalent
- Generally dissatisfied
- Very dissatisfied

Quality of Campus Services and Facilities

How satisfied are you with each of the following campus services and facilities? If you lack experience with one, just mark "Not Applicable."

	Very Dissatisfied	Generally Dissatisfied	Generally Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Not Applicable
Administration's responsiveness to student concerns					
Athletic and recreational facilities					
Career services					
Food services					
Library facilities and resources					
Psychological counseling services					
Student health services (other than counseling)					
Student housing facilities					

Quality of Campus Life

How satisfied are you with each of the following aspects of campus life?

	Very Dissatisfied	Generally Dissatisfied	Generally Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Not Applicable
Social life on campus					
Climate for ethnic/racial minority students on campus					
Degree of ethnic/racial diversity of the campus					
Sense of community on campus					
Sense of community where you live					
Feeling of security on campus					
Level of intellectual excitement on campus					
Guest speakers and campus-wide events [opt]					
Climate for LGBTQ students on campus [opt]					
Student government [opt]					

Would you encourage a high school senior who resembles you when you were a high school senior (same background, ability, interests, and temperament) to attend WU?

- Definitely would
- Probably would
- Maybe
- Probably would NOT
- Definitely would NOT

Thinking About What You've Learned

To what extent has your experience at WU contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas? [NOTES: Scale is now consistent with the ESS. MIT has marked questions that could be used as measures of ABET's 11 student learning outcomes.]

		Very little or none	Some	Quite a bit	Very much
Writing clearly and effectively	[ABET Criterion 3(g)]				
Communicating well orally	[ABET Criterion 3(g)]				
Thinking critically					
Leadership skills					
Understanding and using quantitative reasoning and methods	[ABET Criteria 3(a)-3(b)]				
Reading or speaking a foreign language					
Critical appreciation of art, music, literature, and drama					
Understanding the process of science and experimentation	[ABET Criterion 3(b)]				
Creating original ideas and solutions	[ABET Criterion 3(e)]				
Constructively resolving interpersonal conflicts					
Placing current problems in historical/cultural/philosophical perspective	[ABET Criteria 3(j) & 3(h)]				
Career- or work-related knowledge and skills					
In-depth knowledge of a field or discipline					
Judging the merits of arguments based on their sources, methods and reasoning					
Functioning effectively as a member of a team	[ABET Criterion 3(d)]				
OPT01. Ability to learn on your own	[ABET Criterion 3(i)]				
OPT02. Thinking analytically and logically	[ABET Criterion 3(b)]				
OPT03. Evaluating and choosing between alternative courses of action	[ABET Criteria 3(b), 3(c), 3(e)]				
OPT04. Relating well to people of different races, nations, and religions					
OPT05. Identifying moral and ethical issues	[ABET Criterion 3(f)]				
OPT08. Planning and executing complex projects	[ABET Criteria 3(b) + 3(c)]				
OPT09. Understanding the complexity of social problems	[ABET Criterion 3(j)]				
OPT11. Synthesizing and integrating ideas and information					
OPT13. Developing global awareness	[ABET Criterion 3(h)]				
OPT14. Conducting scholarly research					
OPT15. Acquiring broad knowledge across a number of fields	[ABET Criterion 3(h)]				
OPT17. An ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern tools necessary for my profession	[ABET Criterion 3(k)]				

Academic Experiences

While an undergraduate, did you participate in any of the following? If so, how satisfied were you with the experience?

	Did you participate?		How satisfied were you with the experience?				
	Yes	No	Very Dissatisfied	Generally Dissatisfied	Generally Satisfied	Very Satisfied	N/A
Research with a faculty member							
Other research experiences							
Independent study							
Publishing or presenting a paper off-campus							
Tutorial help provided by the school or department							
Study-abroad program							
Internship abroad							
Off-campus study in the U.S.							
Internship in the U.S.							

How often do you have conversations with students who differ from you:

	Rarely or never	Occasionally	Often	Very often
... in race or ethnicity				
... in nationality				
... in sexual orientation				
... in religious beliefs				
... in political beliefs				
... in socio-economic background				

Extracurricular Activities and Working for Pay

	Yes	No
Intercollegiate athletics (NCAA)		
Intramural athletics		
Club sports		
Music/theater group		
Student publications		
Student government		
Political group		
Religious or spiritual group		
Cultural/ethnic organization		
Volunteer service		
Academic clubs, honor societies, or professional associations		
Fraternity or sorority [opt]		
Other student organizations or clubs		

How much do you agree or disagree with this statement: I have been able to find a balance between my academic work and extracurricular activities.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

In which of your college years did you work for pay during at least one term? Mark all that apply or "Did not work for pay."

- First year
- Second year
- Third year
- Fourth year
- Did not work for pay

Paying for College

Have you received any financial aid from WU (e.g., grant, student loan, or work-study job) while you have been an undergraduate here?

Yes No

What is the total amount YOU borrowed personally for your undergraduate education (tuition, fees, room and board)?

- \$0
- \$1 - \$4,999
- \$5,000 - \$9,999
- \$10,000 - \$14,999
- \$15,000 - \$19,999
- \$20,000 - \$24,999
- \$25,000 - \$29,999
- \$30,000 - \$39,999
- \$40,000 or more
- More than \$0 but unable to estimate the amount

Will your parents or family help you pay off the loans you indicated above?

Yes No Not applicable

What has been the impact on your family of paying for your education (tuition, fees, room and board) at this institution?

- None/Slight
- Moderate
- Considerable
- Severe
- Not applicable (My family does not contribute funds for my education.)

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? I will be seriously burdened by loan payments when I graduate.

- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree

Plans for the Coming Year

We understand that your plans for the coming year may not be settled. Please answer as best you can, describing what you hope to be doing. For example, if you are hoping to work full time but do not yet have a position, you should mark "Working for pay full time" in the question below. We'll ask follow-up questions on the status of your job and school searches.

Tell us what you expect to be doing THIS FALL. Mark all that apply.

- Working for pay full-time
- Working for pay part-time
- Internship
- Attending graduate or professional school full-time or part-time
- Enrolled in another educational program (including completing work on your current degree)
- Military service
- Volunteer activity (e.g., Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, Teach For America)
- Family and other caregiving
- Traveling
- Undecided
- Other activity, please specify: _____

Do you expect to be living inside or outside the U.S. next fall?

- In U.S. (including Puerto Rico, territories, etc.)
- Outside U.S.
- Not Sure

In which state will you reside? [\(shows if US selected\)](#)

Alabama	Idaho	Montana	Republic of Palau
Alaska	Illinois	Nebraska	Republic of the Marshall Islands
American Samoa	Indiana	Nevada	Rhode Island
Arizona	Iowa	New Hampshire	South Carolina
Arkansas	Kansas	New Jersey	South Dakota
California	Kentucky	New Mexico	Tennessee
Colorado	Louisiana	New York	Texas
Connecticut	Maine	North Carolina	U.S. Virgin Islands
Delaware	Maryland	North Dakota	Utah
District of Columbia	Massachusetts	Northern Mariana Islands	Vermont
Federated States of Micronesia	Michigan	Ohio	Virginia
Florida	Midway Islands	Oklahoma	Washington
Georgia	Minnesota	Oregon	West Virginia
Guam	Mississippi	Pennsylvania	Wisconsin
Hawaii	Missouri	Puerto Rico	Wyoming
			Other

In which country or region will you reside? [\(shows if outside US selected\)](#)

Employment Plans

Which of the following best describes the current state of your employment plans? Exclude search for summer-only employment. Mark the one best answer. [NOTE: Displays only for Fall Plans = Working for pay full-time OR Military]

- Have accepted a position
- Considering one or more specific offers
- Currently searching for a position
- Have not yet begun my job search
- Not planning on employment this fall

In what sector do you expect to be employed? Mark the best answer.

[NOTE: Displays only for Fall Plans = Working for pay full-time or Military]

- Self-employed in own business or professional non-group practice
- For-profit corporation/company/group-practice
- Government or other public institution or agency, including military
- Non-profit organization/NGO (e.g., arts/human services/international organizations)

Which of the following best describes where you expect to be employed? Mark the one best answer.

[NOTE: Displays only for Fall Plans = Working for pay full-time or Military]

Communications/Marketing/ Advertising/PR	Entertainment/Professional Sports Engineering	Medical/Pharmaceutical Military Service
Community/Social Services	Environment	Public Policy/Politics
Computer Science/Technology	Financial Services	Publishing/Media/Journalism
Consulting	Fine or Performing Arts	Sciences
Consumer Goods/Retail	Healthcare	Other, please specify
Education	Information Technology	
Energy	Law/Legal Services	

Did you apply to graduate or professional school program(s) for this fall?

[NOTE: Displays for anyone who didn't select going to school]

I did not apply to school for this fall.

I applied to school, but did not get into a program.

I applied and was accepted, but I wasn't admitted into my preferred program.

I applied and was accepted, but I had inadequate financing/funding to enroll.

I applied and was accepted, but I didn't enroll for other reason(s): _____

Education Plans for the Fall

Which of the following best describes the current state of your educational plans for the fall? Mark the one best answer. [NOTE: Displays for Fall Plans = Attending graduate or professional school full-time or part-time]

- I have one or more acceptances
- I don't have any acceptances yet
- Not applicable

Tell us - if you know - which school you will be attending this fall.

[NOTE: Pop up in page for accepted selected above. COFHE will recode for norm file.]

Information and Advice

How helpful has advice and assistance from your parents or guardians been as you make plans for next year?

- Very helpful
- Somewhat helpful
- Not very helpful
- I haven't asked for/received advice or assistance from my parents or guardians

How many faculty members know you well enough to provide a professional recommendation concerning your qualifications for a job or for advanced degree work?

0 (none) 1 2 3 4 5 or more

During the current academic year, how many times did you have one-on-one counseling sessions with a staff member in Career Services?

None Once Twice Three or more times

Prior to your senior year, did you have any one-on-one counseling sessions with a staff member in Career Services?

Yes No

Please tell us which services from the Career Services office at WU you used and how valuable each was to you. Mark one answer for each service.

	Did not use	Not Very Valuable	Moderately Valuable	Very Valuable
Resume and/or cover letter critique				
Interview preparation				
Pre-professional advising (e.g., pre-med, pre-law)				
Assistance with graduate school applications				
Career counseling and exploration				
Recruiting services/events				
Networking opportunities/Access to alumni				
Website resources				
Workshops, panels, and programs				
Career database/inventory				

Long Term Plans

In this final part of the survey, we want to ask you about your long-term plans. We will close by asking you a little bit more about yourself. Which, if any, degrees do you plan to pursue this fall and at any time in the future? Please answer in both columns. Mark more than one answer in one column only if you expect to receive multiple degrees.

This Fall	Future Plans	
		No advanced degree planned
		Second bachelor's degree
		Master's degree in the Arts & Sciences (e.g., MA, MS)
		Master's degree in Engineering
		Master's degree in Business (MBA)
		Other/Prof. Masters (e.g., MEd, MPA, MSW, MSN, MAT, MPH, MFA)
		Professional doctorate (e.g., EdD, DDiv, PsyD)
		Ph.D.
		Medical degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM)
		Law degree (e.g., JD, LLB)
		Other degree or certificate
		Undecided about advanced degree

As you think about your future, how important is each of the following to you? [\[NOTE: Raising a family will always be first in the list; rest of list will be randomized on screen\]](#)

	Not important at all	Somewhat important	Very Important	Essential
Raising a family	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working for social and political change	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participating in religious activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participating in politics or community affairs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being well off financially	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Expressing myself artistically	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Living or working abroad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Travelling abroad	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Getting to know people from diverse backgrounds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being a leader in my field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Contributing to science and innovation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being successful in a business of my own	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Having managerial responsibility	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Doing creative and expressive work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Doing work that is in accordance with my philosophy or religion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volunteering	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Being a leader in my community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Learning about other cultures and nations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

A Little More About You

During which undergraduate years did you live "on campus" for at least one term?

- 1st year
- 2nd year
- 3rd year
- 4th year

What is your sexual orientation?

- Heterosexual
- Gay/lesbian
- Bisexual
- Unsure

Your sex:

- Female
- Male
- _____

Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (hold a permanent Visa)?

- Yes
- No

Your race or ethnic group. Mark all that apply.

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White

Were you admitted to WU:

- Early Decision
- Regular admission
- As a transfer from another institution

When you first started college, in what general field were you planning to major? Mark the best answer.

- Business & Management
- Engineering or Applied Sciences
- Humanities
- Fine Arts
- Biological Sciences
- Physical Sciences or Mathematics
- Social Sciences
- Other
- Undecided

Please tell us what your highest admission test scores were:

	Did not take	...	
SAT Critical Reading			
SAT Writing			
SAT Mathematics			
ACT Composite			

What is the average grade you have received during your college career?

- A
- A-
- B+
- B
- B-/C+
- C or below

Have you taken one or more graduate or professional exams (e.g., GRE, LSAT, MCAT)?

- Yes
- No

Please share your highest total scores with us. [\[WILL POP-UP ONLY IF YES SELECTED FOR MORE SCORES\]](#)

GRE Verbal Reasoning	
GRE Quantitative Reasoning	
GRE Analytical Writing	
LSAT	
MCAT Total (Verbal Reasoning, Physical Sciences, and Biological Sciences)	
MCAT Writing Sample	

You may have taken additional graduate or professional exams. Please specify those test(s) and scores below.

[\[WILL POP-UP ONLY IF YES SELECTED FOR SCORES\]](#)

	Test Name	Test Score
Test 1		
Test 2		
Test 3		
Test 4		

What is the highest level of education completed by your parents or stepparents?

	This parent's relationship to you			This parent's education						
	Mother or Stepmother	Father or Stepfather	Other	No high school diploma	High school diploma or equivalent	Post-secondary school other than college	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree	Graduate or Professional degree	Unsure/ Don't Know
Parent 1	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Parent 2	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Did either of your parents attend WU?

- Yes
- No

What is your best estimate of the total annual before tax income from all sources of the parent, parents, and/or stepparents who helped pay for your undergraduate education?

- Under \$25,000
- \$25,000 - \$49,999
- \$50,000 - \$74,999
- \$75,000 - \$99,999
- \$100,000 - \$124,999
- \$125,000 - \$149,999
- \$150,000 - \$174,999
- \$175,000 - \$199,999
- \$200,000 - \$249,999
- \$250,000 - \$499,999
- \$500,000 or above

COMMENTS

[final comment or local substitute for final comment required] Please use the space below to elaborate on any of the questions on the survey and to comment on any other aspect of your undergraduate experience not covered in this questionnaire.

Select: Include

This is the last page of the survey. If you wish to review your responses, please use the navigation buttons below to go back, or select Next to save and complete your survey.

Thank you very much for taking the time to share your views!