

Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) Survey 2014: Method and Student Participation

Debbie McGhee and Nana Lowell August 2014

INTRODUCTION

This report describes the methodology of and student respondents to the first University of Washington Seattle (UWS) administration of the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) survey. UWS participated in the spring 2014 SERU administration to gather information regarding the academic and student life experiences of undergraduate students at UWS. Results of the survey will be used to improve the educational experiences of UW students and are summarized separately.

The SERU began as a research project out of the University of California Berkeley's Center for Studies in Higher Education (CSHE).¹ The investigators sought to develop a survey specifically tailored to the unique experience of students at research universities. Originally called the University of California Undergraduate Experience Survey (UCUES) and implemented across the University of California system, SERU administration was made available to other Association of American Universities (AAU) member universities in 2008. Participating institutions comprise the SERU Consortium and members administer the SERU survey under agreed-upon protocols, participate in survey development (including addition of campus-specific questions), engage in shared research, and attend policy symposia. Eleven (18%) of the 62 AAU institutions participated in the 2014 SERU administration (see Appendix A).

SURVEY METHOD

Although the research center for the SERU remains at the CSHE, the mechanics of survey administration are managed out of the University of Minnesota (U of M) Office of Institutional Research. U of M delivers the online SERU survey to students at participating institutions, cumulates and returns student responses to the respective institutions, and maintains the central database for longitudinal and cross-institution comparisons. Each institution provides U of M with a census datafile of undergraduate students at the beginning of the spring survey period, along with text for student emails. Institutions also are responsible for promoting student participation and for internal analysis and reporting of responses. The Office of Educational Assessment (OEA) plays this coordinating role at UWS.²

The SERU survey is open for institutional participation each year from January through mid-July, a lengthy time period designed to accommodate varied institutional academic calendars. The 2014 SERU administration at UW officially began March 31 and continued through the next four weeks. Student responses were then held in the U of M database until July 15 when administrations were complete at all institutions and the data could be cleaned. The final UW datafile was received at the end of July.

¹ http://www.cshe.berkeley.edu/SERU

² OEA is a unit of Undergraduate Academic Affairs (UAA).

Instrument

The complete SERU 2014 questionnaire consisted of several parts.

Core Questions. The basic questionnaire (Appendix B) was administered to all students at all institutions. This section is comprised of 62 items grouped in the following topical sections:

- Academic Engagement
- Time Allocation
- Academic and Personal Development
- Institutional Climate for Diversity
- Plans and Aspirations
- Overall Satisfaction
- Evaluation of the Major
- Background (demographics)

ISE/SA Pilot Questions. Institutions could choose to include a set of previously untried questions (Appendix C) about experiences of international students (seven items) and students who participated in study abroad programs three items). UW elected to administer these items and they were presented to all students who identified themselves as belonging to one of these two groups.

Topical Modules. Institutions could elect to include additional items on four topics. If an institution selected this option, all topics would be covered but each individual student would be asked to respond to only one. UW did not administer these modules. The four topics were:

- Academic Experience and Globalization
- Community and Civic Engagement
- Student Life and Development
- Technology

Wildcard Questions. Institutions could elect to create their own set of questions to be administered to all students. Institutions selecting this option also could choose to administer the ISE/SA Pilot Questions but not the Topic Modules. UW chose this option and developed a set of nine Wildcard Questions (Appendix D) based on discussions among faculty, staff, and administrators. Items addressed the following topics:

- The Husky Experience
- High Impact Programs
- Online Instruction
- Campus Climate
- Leaving the UW

STUDENT PARTICIPATION

The survey population included all undergraduate students enrolled at the Seattle campus on the tenth day of winter quarter 2014. Excluded were: 1) exchange students and university employees enrolled using a faculty or staff exemption (i.e., special program code between 59 and 61, n = 203), 2) those who were younger than 18 years old on March 31, 2014 (n = 131), and 3) those who had no email address on file (n = 1). Thus, the final population included N = 27, 398 students.

The primary means of recruitment for the survey consisted of five email messages (with links to the online survey) sent by the survey administrators at U of M and bearing the signature of Ed Taylor, Vice Provost and Dean of Undergraduate Academic Affairs (UAA). (Email text is shown in Appendix E.) The first email was sent on the first day of spring quarter, and subsequent emails were sent every eight days

to non-respondents. Supplemental recruitment methods included a dedicated SERU website³ containing information about the project and a link to the online questionnaire, postings on the UAA and Student Life Facebook pages, yard signs placed around campus, and general emails from the colleges and various academic support service offices. Because of the length and complexity of the survey, significant incentives were offered to motivate student participation. Weekly prizes were tickets for two for event and/or dinner (Teatro ZinZanni; The Triple Door; Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise; iFly indoor skydiving); one Beats Solo headphones; four \$100 UW Bookstore gift cards).

Access to the questionnaire was controlled by students' unique university network identification (UW NetID) to ensure that only authorized students could respond and that each student could respond only once. After logging in, students were asked to read a consent statement and either affirm their consent or decline to participate. Students who declined to participate did not receive further emails. In all, 50 students formally declined to participate.

Response Rate

A total of 7,097 students returned completed questionnaires by the July 15 survey close, representing an overall response rate of 26%.

Response rate varied significantly by college of the first major, $\chi^2(15, N = 27,398) = 135, p < .001$. As shown in Figure 1, the highest response rates were observed among majors in Nursing (38.1%), Public Health (37%), and Social Work (39%).

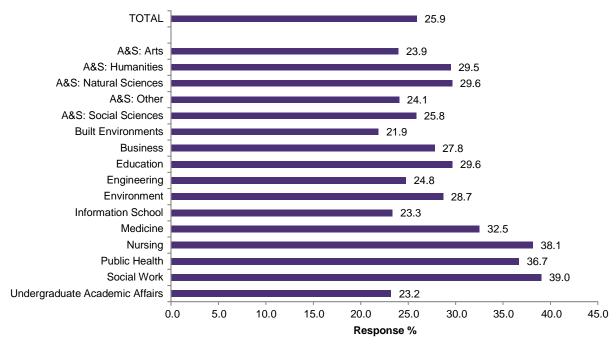


Figure 1. Response rate by college of student's first major

-

³ http://surveys.uw.edu/about-the-seru/

Representativeness

The sample of survey participants differed from the population of students surveyed on a number of key characteristics. As shown in Table 1, women were significantly over-represented (61% of participants vs. 52% of population), $\chi^2(2, N=27,398)=312, p<.001$. First-year and sophomore students were under-represented and seniors over-represented, $\chi^2(3, N=27,398)=94.4, p<.001$. Transfer students were significantly more likely to participate than their first-time, first-year (FTFY) entrant peers, $\chi^2(2, N=27,398)=34.6, p<.001$. Among various ethnicity-residency groups, the lowest response rates were observed among African American (20%) and international (22%) students; in contrast, the rate among Asian American students (28%) was much higher than all other groups, $\chi^2(6, N=27,398)=72.0, p<.001$.

Table 1. Characteristics of survey participants

	Population		<u>Participated</u>		As percentage of participants
Characteristic	N	%	n	%	%
TOTAL	27,398	100.0	7,097	25.9	100.0
Sex					
Female	14,248	52.0	4329	30.4	61.0
Male	13,146	48.0	2768	21.1	39.0
Unknown	4	0.0	0	0.0	0.0
Class					
First-year	4,294	15.7	982	22.9	13.8
Sophomore	5,929	21.6	1,331	22.4	18.8
Junior	7,792	28.4	2,123	27.2	29.9
Senior	9,383	34.2	2,661	28.4	37.5
Entry Type					
First-time first-year	21,975	80.2	5,522	25.1	77.8
Transfer	5,299	19.3	1,541	27.4	21.7
Other	124	0.5	34	29.1	0.5
Ethnicity					
African American	966	3.5	191	19.8	2.7
Asian American	7,611	27.8	2,134	28.0	30.1
Hispanic American	1,916	7.0	469	24.5	6.6
Native American	372	1.4	99	26.6	1.4
Pacific Islander	293	1.1	72	24.6	1.0
White American	12,101	44.2	3,213	26.6	45.3
Other/Unknown	451	1.6	109	24.2	1.5
International	3,688	13.5	810	22.0	11.4

CONCLUSIONS

Despite a concerted student recruitment effort, the overall response rate (26%) for the 2014 UW SERU administration remained fairly low. In general, survey response rates have been decreasing over the past several years, at least in part due to student survey fatigue, and they were further depressed in the current study due to the length of the SERU questionnaire. Additionally, the pattern of student response showed under-representation of men, lower-division students, first-time first-year entrants, and under-represented minority students.

The pattern of low response rate and under-representation of specific student groups is consistent with what is commonly observed for other surveys. Nevertheless, these limitations should be kept in mind when interpreting SERU response data, particularly in the context of programmatic decision-making.

Appendix A. Association of American Universities (AAU) Member Institutions⁴

The Association of American Universities (AAU) includes 62 public and private research universities in the United States and Canada. It was founded in 1900 to advance the international standing of U.S. research universities and focuses on issues that are important to research-intensive universities, such as funding for research, research policy issues, and graduate and undergraduate education. Membership is by invitation. Institutions participating in the 2014 SERU administration are shown in bold type.

AAU Member Institutions and Years of Admission

University at Buffalo, SUNY (1989) University Boston University (2012) Brandeis University (1985) of California, Berkeley (1900) University of California, Davis (1996) University of Brown University (1933) California Institute of Technology (1934) California, Irvine (1996) University of Carnegie Mellon University (1982) California, Los Angeles (1974) University of Case Western Reserve University (1969) California, San Diego (1982) University of Columbia University (1900) California, Santa Barbara (1995) The Cornell University (1900) University of Chicago (1900) University of Colorado Boulder (1966) Duke University (1938) University of Florida (1985) Emory University (1995) Georgia Institute of Technology (2010) University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (1908) The University of Iowa (1909) Harvard University (1900) The University of Kansas (1909) Indiana University (1909) University of Maryland, College Park (1969) Iowa State University (1958) The Johns Hopkins University (1900) University of Michigan (1900) University of Minnesota, Twin Cities (1908) Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1934) McGill University (1926) University of Missouri-Columbia (1908) The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (1922) Michigan State University (1964) New York University (1950) University of Oregon (1969) Northwestern University (1917) University of Pennsylvania (1900) The Ohio State University (1916) University of Pittsburgh (1974) The Pennsylvania State University (1958) University of Rochester (1941) Princeton University (1900) University of Southern California (1969) The University of Texas at Austin (1929) Purdue University (1958) University of Toronto (1926) Rice University (1985) Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey (1989) University of Virginia (1904) Stanford University (1900) University of Washington (1950) The University of Wisconsin-Madison (1900) Stony Brook University, SUNY (2001) Texas A&M University (2001) Vanderbilt University (1950) Tulane University (1958) Washington University in St. Louis (1923)

Yale University (1900)

The University of Arizona (1985)

⁴ Information on this page is taken from the AAU website: http://www.aau.edu/

Appendix B. SERU Core Questions⁵

PART I. Academic Engagement, Time, Student Development, Campus Climate, Plans and Aspirations, Satisfaction, and Evaluation of the Educational Experience

Academic Engagement

1. During this academic year, how often have you done each of the following?

(Q6)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Contributed to a class discussion (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Brought up ideas or concepts from different courses during class discussions (2)	О	О	О	О	0	0
Asked an insightful question in class (3)	О	О	О	О	О	Ο
Found a course so interesting that you did more work than was required (4)	О	О	О	О	О	0
Chosen challenging courses, when possible, even though you might lower your GPA by doing so (5)	О	О	О	О	О	0
Made a class presentation (6)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Had a class in which the professor knew or learned your name (7)	О	О	О	О	О	0

2. How frequently have you engaged in these activities so far this academic year?

(Q7)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	very often (6)
Taken a small research-oriented seminar with faculty (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Communicated with a faculty member by e-mail, texting, or in person (2)	0	О	О	О	О	О
Talked with the instructor outside of class about issues and concepts derived from a course (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Interacted with faculty during class sessions (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Worked with a faculty member on an activity other than coursework (e.g., student organization, campus committee, cultural activity) (5)	О	О	О	0	Ο	O

⁵ SERU question numbers are shown in right margin.

3. How frequently during this academic year have you done each of the following?	(Q8)
--	------

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Turned in a course assignment late (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Gone to class without completing assigned reading (2)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Gone to class unprepared (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Skipped class (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Raised your standard for acceptable effort due to the high standards of a faculty member (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Extensively revised a paper before submitting it to be graded (6)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Sought academic help from instructor or tutor when needed (7)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Worked on class projects or studied as a group with classmates outside of class (8)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Helped a classmate better understand the course material when studying together (9)	0	О	О	О	0	О

Stariua	rus of a faculty member (5)								
Extens (6)	vely revised a paper before subm	itting it to be graded	Ο	0	О	0	О	О	
Sought	academic help from instructor or	tutor when needed (7)	О	О	О	О	О	О	
	on class projects or studied as a of class (8)	group with classmates	О	0	0	0	О	О	
	a classmate better understand th tudying together (9)	ne course material	0	0	О	О	О	О	
4. Or	average, how much of your a	ssigned course reading	have you	u complet	ed this aca	ndemic year	?	(Q9)
	O 0-10% (1)	O 41-50% (5	5)		O	81-90% (9))		
	O 11-20% (2)	O 51-60% (6	6)		O	91-100% ((10		
	O 21-30% (3)	O 61-70% (7	7)						
	O 31-40% (4	O 71-80% (8	3						
Time	Allocation								
	w many hours do you spend ir none)	n a typical week (7 days) on the	following	activities?	(Must be n	umeric, e	nter 0	
Q.	1. Paid employment (including	g internships) on campo	us (1):					(C	Q11)
Q.	2. Paid employment (including	g internships) off camp	us (2):					(C	Q12)
[If	student answers "0" to both o	f the above questions,	SKIP TO a	#7]					
	your total hours spent working ust be numeric, enter 0 for no	· · · 	any hou	rs were re	elated to yo	our academ	ic interes		Q13)

7	Haur mans	, haura da	you spend in	o tunion	1 111001/7	40,40	an that		a ativitie a 2
1	HOW Many	/ nours do	vou spena in	i a i voica	i week i/	Cavsi	on me i	CHICKVILLC	activities
	1 10 11 111411	11001000	,	. a c, p.oa		uu, u ,		00	400.

	0 (1)	1-5 (2)	6-10 (3)	11-15 (4)	16-20 (5)	21-25 (6)	26-30 (7)	More than 30 (8)
Attending classes, discussion sections, or labs (1)	О	О	Ο	О	О	О	О	О
Studying and other academic activities outside of class (2)	0	0	O	О	0	О	О	0
Attending movies, concerts, sports, or other entertainment events (3)	О	0	O	О	О	О	О	О
Performing community service or volunteer activities (4)	0	0	О	О	О	О	О	0
Participating in physical exercise, recreational sports, or physically active hobbies (5)	0	0	О	О	О	О	О	О
Participating in spiritual or religious activities (6)	0	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Participating in student clubs or organizations (7)	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	0
Socializing with friends (8)	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	0
Partying (9)	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	0
Spending time with family (10)	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	0
Using the computer/tablet/smartphone for non-academic purposes and entertainment (e.g., gaming, social media, shopping, streaming video) (11)	0	О	Ο	O	О	О	O	0
Watching TV, streaming movies/TV on computer or tablet (12)	0	О	Ο	О	О	О	0	0
Commuting to school and/or to work (13)	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	О

(Q14)

	<u> </u>	` '									
8.	. During this academic	c year, what was the av	erage nu	mber of	hours per	night yo	u slept	on weekn	ights?	(Q	15)
	O 4 or less (1)		O 6(3)				О	8 (5)			
	O 5(2)		O 7(4)				Ο	9 or more	(6)		

8

Academic and Personal Development

9. Please rate your level of proficiency in the following areas when you started at this campus and now. (Q17,18)

		WHE	N YOU S	TARTED				CUI	RRENT A	BILITY LE'	VEL	
	Very poor (1)	Poor (2)	Fair (3)	Good (4)	Very good (5)	Excel- lent (6)	Very poor (1)	Poor (2)	Fair (3)	Good (4)	Very good (5)	Excel- lent (6)
Analytical and critical thinking skills (1)	О	О	О	О	Ο	О	О	Ο	Ο	О	Ο	0
Ability to be clear and effective when writing (2)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	Ο	О
Ability to read and comprehend academic material (3)	О	О	Ο	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	Ο	О
Foreign language skills (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Understanding your field of study (i.e., college major) (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Quantitative (mathematical and statistical) skills (6)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	0	О	О	О
Ability to speak clearly and effectively in English (7)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	Ο	О
Ability to understand international perspectives (economic, political, social, cultural) (8)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Ο	0	Ο	O
Leadership skills (9)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Library research skills (e.g. finding books, articles, evaluating information sources) (1)	O	О	О	О	Ο	О	О	O	О	О	Ο	О
Other research skills (2)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Ability to prepare and make a presentation (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Interpersonal (social) skills (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О

10. Similarly, please rate your abilities now and when you first began at this campus on the following dimensions. (Q19)

		WHE	N YOU S	STARTED	HERE			CU	RRENT A	BILITY LE	VEL	
	Very poor (1)	Poor (2)	Fair (3)	Good (4)	Very good (5)	Excel- lent (6)	Very poor (1)	Poor (2)	Fair (3)	Good (4)	Very good (5)	Excel- lent (6)
Ability to appreciate and understand racial and ethnic diversity (1)	0	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О
Ability to appreciate the fine arts (e.g., painting, music, drama, dance) (2)	О	О	O	0	О	О	0	О	0	О	О	О
Ability to appreciate cultural and global diversity (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О	О

Campus Climate for Diversity

11. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements in terms of yourself.

(Q21,22)

	Strongly disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Somewhat disagree (3)	Somewhat agree (4)	Agree (5)	Strongly agree (6)
I feel free to express my political beliefs on campus (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
I feel free to express my religious beliefs on campus (2)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Students of my race/ethnicity are respected on this campus (3)	О	О	О	О	0	О
Students of my socio-economic status are respected on this campus (4)	О	О	О	О	O	О
Students of my gender are respected on this campus (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Students of my religious beliefs are respected on this campus (6)	О	О	О	О	O	О
Students of my political beliefs are respected on this campus (7)	О	О	О	О	O	О
Students of my sexual orientation are respected on this campus (8)	О	О	О	О	O	О
Students of my immigration background are respected on this campus (1)	0	О	О	О	О	О
Students with a physical, psychological, or learning disability like mine are respected on this campus (2)	О	О	О	О	O	О

O Education (5)

	e respected on this campus (2)	aloui						
Plans and	Aspirations							
12. Which	of the following BEST represents yo	ur p	lans for after graduation? (Select or	ıly o	ne)			(Q24)
О	Enroll in graduate or	o	Study or work abroad (5)	О	Take a yea	r off (9)		
	professional school (1)	О	Join armed forces (6)	О	Do somet	ning else (10)	
Ο	Work full-time (2)	О	Paid internship (7)	О	I have no	dea at thi	s point	
Ο	Work part-time (3)	О	Unpaid internship/		(11)			
О	Be self-employed (4)		volunteer (8)	О	Other (12)		
13. What o	career do you hope to eventually have	/e a	fter you have completed your educa	atior	1?			(Q25)
Ο	Agriculture/agribusiness (1)	О	Engineering, computer	o	Psycholog	y, helping	I	
Ο	Artistic, creative professions		programming (6)		profession	ns (10)		
	(2)	О	Law (7)	О	Research	er, scientis	st (11)	
0	Business, finance-related professions (3)	Ο	Medicine, health-related professions (8)	Ο	I have no (12)	idea what	soever	
О	Civil Service/government (4)	О	Military (9)	О	Other (13	3)		

14. What i	s the HIGHEST academic degree or cred	ential that yo	ou plan to ev	entually ear	n?		((Q26)
О	Bachelor's degree (B.A., O	Academic ma	aster's (M.A.,	(O Doc	torate (Ph.D.,	Ed.D.,	
	B.S., etc.) (1)	M.S., etc.) (5)		etc.)	(9)		
Ο	Teaching credential (2) O	Law degree (L.L.B. or J.D.)	(O Mul	tiple doctoral	degrees	
О	Business master's (M.B.A.)	(6)			(M.E	D./Ph.D.) (10)		
	(3) O	Medical doct	orate other	(O Ido	not know yet	(99)	
О	Other professional master's	than M.D. (D		(O If ot	her, please el	aborate	
	(M.Ed., M.PP., M.PH.,	D.V.M., etc.)			(12))		
		Medical doct	or (M.D.) (8)					
	M.SW., M.ARCH., etc.) (4)							
15. Indicat	te the following scholarship, research, a	nd creative a	ctivities that	t you are cur	rently d	loing or have	Э	
compl	eted as a University of Washington stud	ent.						(Q27
						Yes, doing now or have		
						done (1)	No (0)	
A research	project or research paper as part of your co	ursework (1)				О	О	
At least one a topic) (2)	e student research course (a course in which	you learned r	esearch meth	ods or resear	ched	О	О	
At least one	e independent study course (3)					О	О	
Assist facul	ty in research with course credit (4)					О	О	
Assist facul	ty in research for pay without course credit	(5)				О	О	
Assist facul	ty in research as a volunteer without course	credit (6)				О	О	
A creative a	activity as part of your coursework (7)					0	О	
Work on cr	eative projects under the direction of faculty	with course of	credit (8)			О	О	
Work on cr	eative projects under the direction of faculty	y for pay witho	out course cre	dit (9)		О	О	
Work on cr	eative projects under the direction of faculty	y as a voluntee	er without cou	ırse credit (10))	О	О	
Overall Sa	atisfaction and Agreement							
	atisfied are you with the following aspec	ets of your on	mous ovpori	ioneos/oduo	otion		,	Q29)
10.110W S	atisfied are you with the following aspec	· ·	inipus experi			la a d	`	Q29) =
		Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Somew satisfi		Very Satisfied	d
NA 11 :		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	
-	sity of Washington grade point average (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	_
Overall soc	ial experience (2)	О	О	O	О	O	0	

	Strongly disagree (1)	Disagree (2)	Somewhat disagree (3)	Somewhat agree (4)	Agree (5)	Strongly agree (6)
I feel that I belong at the University of Washington (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Knowing what I know now, I would still choose to enroll at the University of Washington (2)	0	О	О	0	О	О

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

O

(Q30)

17. Please select your level of agreement with the following statements.

Overall academic experience (3)

(4)

Value of your education for the price you are paying

(Q26)

Evaluation of the Major / Evaluation of the Educational Experience

The next section of this questionnaire asks you to evaluate your major based on your experience. Below are listed your major(s) according to campus records. Please select the major that you will evaluate. If you do not want to evaluate the first major listed, then you will need to make another selection. If you have changed majors and would like to evaluate your new major, please select the "Other" option and then choose your new major from the subsequent list. For those with a second major listed below, you will have an opportunity to evaluate the second major, if you wish.

Please select the major you wish to evaluate:⁶

(Q32)

- O (student's first declared major)
- O (student's second declared major)
- O Other -- Please select your new major from the following list:

Accounting BSB	\/	[SKIP TO #19]
	V	1011111011111
		F

18. Were the following factors very important to you in deciding on your major?

(Q33)

		Yes (1)	No (0)
Intellectual curiosity (1)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Leads to a high paying job (2)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Prepares me for a fulfilling career (3)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Parental/family desires (4)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Allows time for other activities (5)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Provides international opportunities (6)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Prestige (7)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Could not get into my first choice of major (8)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Prepares me for graduate/professional school (9)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Compelled to choose a major by school requirements or deadlines (10)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О
Other, please elaborate (11)	[SKIP TO #20]	О	О

[SKIP TO #20]

19. Which of the following factors do you consider to be very important to you in deciding on your major?

(Q34)

	Yes (1)	No (0)
Intellectual curiosity (1)	О	О
Leads to a high paying job (2)	О	О
Prepares me for a fulfilling career (3)	О	О
Parental/family desires (4)	О	О
Allows time for other activities (5)	О	О
Provides international opportunities (6)	О	О
Prestige (7)	О	О
Prepares me for graduate/professional school (8)	О	О
Other, please elaborate (9)	О	О

12

⁶ See Appendix F for Major Code.

20. Thinking back over your coursework this academic year, how often were you REQUIRED to do the following? (Q35)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Recognize or recall specific facts, terms, and concepts (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Explain methods, ideas, or concepts and use them to solve problems (5)						
Break down material into component parts or arguments into assumptions to see the basis for different outcomes and conclusions (6)						
Judge the value of information, ideas, actions, and conclusions based on the soundness of sources, methods, and reasoning (7)						
Create or generate new ideas, products, or ways of understanding (8)						

21. Thinking back on this academic year, how often have you done each of the following?

(Q36)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Used facts and examples to support your viewpoint (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Incorporated ideas or concepts from different courses when completing assignments (5)						
Examined how others gathered and interpreted data and assessed the soundness of their conclusions (6)						
Reconsidered your own position on a topic after assessing the arguments of others (7)						

[Students without official, declared major SKIP TO #23b]

22. Please answer the following questions about your major.

(Q37)

	Yes (1)	No (0)
Do you understand how the requirements of your major combine to produce a coherent understanding of a field of study? (4)	О	О
Are the program requirements well defined? (5)	О	О
Are department rules and policies clearly communicated? (6)	О	О
Is the description of the major in the catalog accurate? (7)	О	О
Is the website (and/or social media) used to facilitate communication between students and the program? (8)	О	0

23a. Please answer the following questions about your experiences in the major.

23b. Please answer the following questions about your educational experience overall.

How often have you experienced the following?

(Q40)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Open channels of communication between faculty and students regarding student needs, concerns, and suggestions (4)	0	0	0	О	О	О
Students treated equitably and fairly by the faculty (5)	О	О	О	О	Ο	О
Faculty clearly explaining what constitutes plagiarism and its consequences (6)	О	0	О	О	0	0
Faculty providing prompt and useful feedback on student work (7)	О	0	О	О	0	О

[Students without official, declared major SKIP TO #25]

24. How satisfied are you with each of the following aspects of your educational experience in the major? (Q41)

	Very dissatisfied (1)	Dissatisfied (2)	Somewhat dissatisfied (3)	Somewhat satisfied (4)	Satisfied (5)	Very satisfied (6)	Not applicable- No courses taken (99)
Variety of courses available in your major (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О	
Quality of lower-division courses in your major (5)							
Quality of upper-division courses in your major (6)							

25. How satisfied are you with each of the following aspects of your educational experience overall? (Q42)

	Very dissatisfied (1)	Dissatisfied (2)	Somewhat dissatisfied (3)	Somewhat satisfied (4)	Satisfied (5)	Very satisfied (6)
Advising by faculty on academic matters (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Advising by school or college staff on academic matters (2)						
Advising by departmental staff on academic matters (3)						
Quality of faculty instruction (4)						
Quality of teaching by Graduate Students (TA's, Al's) (5)						
Availability of courses for general education or breadth requirements (6)						
Availability of courses needed for graduation (7)						
Access to small classes (8)						
Access to faculty outside of class (9)						
Ability to get into a major that you want (10)						
Opportunities for research experience or to produce creative products (11)						
Educational enrichment programs (e.g., service-learning, study abroad, internships) (12)						
Availability of library research resources (13)						

	nany professors do you know well enough to ask for a letter of recommendation in support of an ation for a job or for graduate or professional school?	(Q43)
О	Zero (0)	
О	1 (1)	
О	2 (2)	
О	3 (3)	
О	4 or more (4)	
[Students	without official, declared major, or with only one major SKIP TO PART 2]	
Would yo	u like to evaluate another major?	(Q44)
О	Yes (1) Please select your second major to evaluate from the following list: Accounting BSB	(Q46)
О	No, skip to next part of questionnaire (0) [SKIP TO PART 2]	
27. Were	the following factors very important to you in deciding on your major?	(Q47)

	Yes (1)	No (0)
Intellectual curiosity (1)	О	О
Leads to a high paying job (2)	О	О
Prepares me for a fulfilling career (3)	О	О
Parental/family desires (4)	О	О
Allows time for other activities (5)	0	О
Provides international opportunities (6)	О	О
Prestige (7)	0	О
Could not get into my first choice of major (8)	0	О
Prepares me for graduate/professional school (9)	0	О
Compelled to choose a major by school requirements or deadlines (10)	0	О
Other, please elaborate (11)	0	О

28. Please answer the following questions about your major.

Yes (1) No (0) O О Do you understand how the requirements of your major combine to produce a coherent understanding of a field of study? (4) Are the program requirements well defined? (5) O O Are department rules and policies clearly communicated? (6) 0 O Is the description of the major in the catalog accurate? (7) O O Is the website (and/or social media) used to facilitate communication between students and the program? O (8)

(Q48)

Please answer the following questions about your experience in the major.

29. How often have you experienced the following?

(Q49)

(Q50)

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)
Open channels of communication between faculty and students regarding student needs, concerns, and suggestions (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Students treated equitably and fairly by the faculty (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Faculty clearly explaining what constitutes plagiarism and its consequences (6)	0	О	О	О	0	О
Faculty providing prompt and useful feedback on student work (7)	О	О	О	О	0	0

30. How satisfied are you with each of the following aspects of your educational experience in the major?

	Very dissatisfied (1)	Dissatisfied (2)	Somewhat dissatisfied (3)	Somewhat satisfied (4)	Satisfied (5)	Very satisfied (6)	Not applicable- No courses taken (99)
Variety of courses available in your major (4)	О	О	O	О	О	О	
Quality of lower-division courses in your major (5)							
Quality of upper-division courses in your major (6)							

PART II. Your Background and Personal Characteristics.

	· ·		
31.Will yo	ou complete a bachelor's	degree this spring or summer?	(Q52)
О	Probably yes (1)	[SKIP TO #33]	
О	Probably no (0)		
32. How c	oncerned are you about p	paying for your undergraduate education NEXT YEAR?	(Q54)
О	Not concerned (1)		
Ο	Somewhat concerned (2)		
Ο	Concerned (3)		
Ο	Very concerned (4)		
[SK	IP TO #35]		
33. How c	oncerned HAVE YOU BEE	Nabout paying for your undergraduate education up to now?	(Q53,55)
О	Not concerned (1)		
О	Somewhat concerned (2)		

O Concerned (3)O Very concerned (4)

34. How c	oncerned are you about your accum	nulate	ed educat	tional de	bt?				(Q56)
0 0 0	Not concerned (1) Somewhat concerned (2) Concerned (3)									
0	Very concerned (4)									
	this past academic year did you de	cide :	anainst na	articinati	na in stua	lving ahroa	d hecause (of the co	st? ((Q57)
O	Did not consider studying abroad (1)	oldo (agamot po	ai tioiputi	ing in otac	aying abroa	a boodaco (31 1110 001	, (·	301)
	Yes, because of the cost (3)									
0	Yes, for another reason. Please elabora	oto (4	,							
0		•	<i>'</i> —							
0	I have completed or currently on a stu-	-							,	- \
36. How fr	requently have you engaged in the fo	ollow	ing beha	viors in t	he past y	ear? 			`	Q58) =
				Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Occasion- ally (3)	Somewhat often (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)	
Skipped me	eals to save money (1)			Ο	О	О	О	О	Ο	
Cut down c	on personal / recreational spending (2)			О	О	О	О	0	О	
Worried ab	oout my debt and financial circumstance	s (3)		О	О	О	О	О	О	
receive O O O O O O O	at extent do you agree or disagree we, the total cost of attending the University disagree (1) Disagree (2) Somewhat disagree (3) Somewhat agree (4) Agree (5) Strongly agree (6) The anything else that you would like thence at the University of Washingto	iversi	ity of Was	shington	is mana	geable.			((itional	Q59) Q60)
39. When	did you come to the United States t	o live	?						((Q61)
О	I was born in the U.S. (1)	О	2003 (7)			C	2009 (13)			
О	1998 or earlier (2)	О	2004 (8)			C	2010 (14)			
Ο	1999 (3)	О	2005 (9)			C	2011 (15)			
Ο	2000 (4)	О	2006 (10))		C	2012 (16)			
Ο	2001 (5)	О	2007 (11))		C	2013 or la	ter (17)		
О	2002 (6)	О	2008 (12))						

40. Wh	en did you	u learn to s	speak Engl	ish?							(Q	62)
	O English	n is my nativ	ve language	: (1)								
	O Before	l was 6 yea	ars old (2)									
	O When	I was 6 to 1	10 years old	(3)								
	O When	I was 11 to	15 years ol	d (4)								
	O After t	urning 16 y	ears old (5))								
41. Plea	ase identif	y, to the b	est of you	r knowled	ge, where	the follow	ing relatives	were bor	n.		(Q	63)
						In U.S. ((1) O	utside the U.	S. (0) D	o not know ((99)	
My mot	her (1)					О		О		О		
My fath	er (2)					О		О		0		
42. Wh	at is the h	ighest leve	el of educa	ition reach	ned by you	r mother?					(Q	64)
	Not applicab le (99)	None (did not receive formal educatio n) (1)	Less than high school diploma or equivale nt (2)	High school diploma or equivale nt (3)	Associat e's or post- secondar y certificat e (4)	Bachelor 's degree or equivale nt (5)	Post- baccalaure ate certificate or equivalent (6)	Master's degree or equivale nt (7)	Professio nal degree or equivalen t (8)	Doctorat e or equivale nt (9)	Do not kno w (10)	
In the Unite d States (1)	0	O	О									
In a foreig n count ry (2)	0	0	0									
43. Wh	at is the h	ighest leve	el of educa	ition reach	ned by you	r father?					(Q	(65)
	Not applicab le (99)	None (did not receive formal educatio n) (1)	Less than high school diploma or equivale nt (2)	High school diploma or equivale nt (3)	Associat e's or post- secondar y certificat e (4)	Bachelor 's degree or equivale nt (5)	Post- baccalaure ate certificate or equivalent (6)	Master's degree or equivale nt (7)	Professio nal degree or equivalen t (8)	Doctorat e or equivale nt (9)	Do not kno w (10)	
In the Unite d States (1)	0	0	0									
ln a	\circ	\cap	\mathbf{O}									

foreig

count ry (2)

44. To the	best of your know	owledge, how many of your grandparen	ts w	ere born outside of the United States?	(Q66)
О	Zero (0)				
О	1 (1)				
О	2 (2)				
О	3 (3)				
Ο	4 (4)				
45. Which	of the following	best describes your social class when y	ou w	ere growing up?	(Q67)
О	Wealthy (5)				
О	Upper-middle or	professional-middle (4)			
О	Middle-class (3)				
О	Working-class (2	2)			
О	Low-income or p	poor (1)			
cannot formal	t use their tax in ly declared an ir	formation for filing the FAFSA. If you fin	d yo r yes	s. Note: The FAFSA is used by US citizens and	d (Q68)
О	Yes (1)	[SKIP to #48]			
Ο	No (0)				
	best of your know taxes in 2013?	owledge, which category includes the to	tal a	nnual combined income of your parent(s)	(Q69)
O	Less than \$10,0	000 (1)	О	\$80,000 to \$99,999 (7)	
O	\$10,000 to \$19	,999 (2)	О	\$100,000 to \$124,999 (8)	
O	\$20,000 to \$34	-,999 (3)	О	\$125,000 to \$149,999 (9)	
O	\$35,000 to \$49	,999 (4)	О	\$150,000 to \$199,999 (10)	
O	\$50,000 to \$64	,999 (5)	О	\$200,000 or more (11)	
O	\$65,000 to \$79	,999 (6)			
[SKIP TO #	[‡] 49]				
48. To the in 2013	-	owledge, which category includes your h	nous	ehold's total annual combined income befor	e taxes (Q70)
O	Less than \$10,0	000 (1)	О	\$80,000 to \$99,999 (7)	
O	\$10,000 to \$19	,999 (2)	О	\$100,000 to \$124,999 (8)	
O	\$20,000 to \$34	.,999 (3)	О	\$125,000 to \$149,999 (9)	
O	\$35,000 to \$49	,999 (4)	О	\$150,000 to \$199,999 (10)	
O	\$50,000 to \$64	,999 (5)	О	\$200,000 or more (11)	

O \$65,000 to \$79,999 (6)

49. vvnat	is your religious/spiritual preferen	ice?				(Q/1)
О	Spiritual but not associated with	О	Episcopalian (10	О О	Seventh Day Adventist (2)	3)
	a major religion (1)	О	Hindu (11)	О	Sikh (21)	
Ο	Not particularly spiritual (2)	О	Jewish (12)	О	Taoist (22)	
О	No preference (3)	О	Lutheran (13)	0	Unitarian/Universalist (23	3)
О	Agnostic (4)	О	Methodist (14)	О	United Church of	
О	Atheist (5)	О	Mormon (15)		Christ/Congregational (24	-)
О	Baptist (6)	О	Muslim (16)	О	Other Christian (25)	
О	Buddhist (7)	О	Presbyterian (17) О	Other religion (26)	
О	Christian Church (Disciples) (8)	О	Quaker (18)			
О	Eastern Orthodox (9)	О	Roman Catholic	(19)		
50. Do you	u have any physical disabilities tha	at affect ho	w you access or	use campus faciliti	es?	(Q72)
О	Yes (1)					
О	No (0)					
51. Do you	u have any learning disabilities tha	at affect ho	w you read, stu	dy, or do your cour	sework?	(Q73)
О	Yes (1)					
О	No (0)					
[Students	are asked to respond to the follow	wing two q	uestions if they	answered "Yes" to	<u>either</u> #50 or 51.]	
52. Do you	u currently receive accommodation	ons from ca	ampus due to yo	ur disability?		(Q74)
О	Yes (1)					
О	No (0)					
	re anything else you would like to s campus?	tell us abo	ut how your disa	bility affects your e	experiences as a student	(Q75)
54. What	is your sexual orientation?					(Q76)
0	Bisexual (1)					
0	Gay/Lesbian (2)					
0	Heterosexual (3)					
0	Questioning (4)					
0	Self-identified Queer (5)					
О	Decline to state (6)					
О	Other, please elaborate (7)					
55. With v	which gender do you identify?					(Q77)
О	Woman (1)					
О	Man (2)					
О	Decline to state (3)					
О	Other, please elaborate (4)					

56. How w	ould you characterize your political orientation?	(Q78)
О	Very liberal (1)	
О	Liberal (2)	
О	Slightly liberal (3)	
О	Moderate or middle of the road (4)	
Ο	Slightly conservative (5)	
Ο	Conservative (6)	
Ο	Very conservative (7)	
57. Please	indicate the highest level of organized sports in which you participate.	(Q79)
Ο	Professional/global competitive sports (1)	
О	Non-professional, collegiate-level competitive sports with athletic scholarship (2)	
О	Non-professional, collegiate-level competitive sports without athletic scholarship (3)	
О	Competitive personal (e.g., 5K races) (4)	
О	Campus club sports team (5)	
О	Intramural sports (6)	
Ο	Personal recreation (7)	
Ο	Does not apply to me (99) [SKIP to #59]	
58. On ave	erage, how many hours a week do you spend on this one activity? (Must be numeric)	(Q80)
59. Where	are you living this term?	(Q81)
О	Campus residence hall (1)	
О	Campus owned apartment or house (on- or off-campus) (2)	
О	Sorority or fraternity (4)	
О	Co-op student housing (5)	
О	Off-campus in an apartment (6)	
О	Off-campus in a house (7)	
Ο	Other, please elaborate (8)	
60. How fa	ar do you live from campus?	(Q82)
О	On campus or < 1 mile (1)	
О	1 mile to 2 miles (2)	
Ο	3 miles to 10 miles (3)	
О	11 to 20 miles (4)	
О	21 miles or more (5)	

61. What i	s your primary mode of transportation to campus during the spring 2014 term?	(Q83)
О	Walk (1)	
О	Bicycle (2)	
О	Campus Bus (3)	
О	City bus (4)	
Ο	Subway train or other train (e.g., Amtrak) (5)	
Ο	Carpool (2 or more) (6)	
Ο	Drive alone (7)	
Ο	Motorcycle, motorized scooter, or moped (8)	
Ο	Rollerblade, skateboard, skate, or scooter (9)	
Ο	Mobility scooter, powered wheelchair, or wheelchair (10)	
О	Other, please elaborate (11)	
62.With v	vhom do you live?	(Q84)
О	No one, I live alone (1)	
Ο	I share an apartment, house or residence hall room with at least one other (University Name) University student (2	<u>'</u>)
Ο	I share an apartment or house with peers who are not (University Name) University students (3)	
Ο	I live with at least one family member (4)	
Ο	I am a single parent living with children (5)	
О	I live with my spouse or domestic partner and children (6)	
О	I live with my spouse or domestic partner without children (7)	
О	Other, please elaborate (8)	

Appendix C. ISE/SA Pilot Questions⁷

International students only

1. How easy or difficult have the following been for you as an international student at the University of Washington?

(Q85)

	Very Easy (1)	Easy (2)	Neither easy or difficult (3)	Difficult (4)	Very Difficult (5)
Understanding classroom lectures (1)	О	О	О	О	О
Keeping up with my writing assignments and writing clearly in English (2)	О	О	Ο	О	0
Participating in classroom or study group discussions (3)	О	О	О	О	О
Making friends with Americans (4)					
Learning how to understand and respond to Americans of the opposite sex (5)					
Fitting into the social scene and finding organizations and groups of students where I feel comfortable and can socialize (6)					

2. How satisfied are you with each of the following?

(Q86)

	Very dissatisfied (1)	Dissatisfied (2)	Somewhat dissatisfied (3)	Somewhat satisfied (4)	Satisfied (5)	Very satisfied (6)
The interest in and attention to international students shown by professors (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
The interest in and attention to international students shown by American students (2)	О	О	О	О	О	О
The campus services provided specifically for international students; services such as help with visas, arrival orientation, English language resources, etc. (3)	O	О	0	0	O	O
The campus services provided for all students; services such as academic advising, career services, housing, food services, etc. (4)	О	0	0	О	О	О
The quality of information provided to you about campus rules, regulations, degree requirements, and resources on campus (5)	О	0	0	О	O	О
The opportunities to explore American life and culture outside the university (6)	0	0	0	0	0	О

⁷ SERU question numbers are shown in right margin.

3. How much of a concern are or have been each of the following for you?

(Q87)

(Q89)

	Not a concern (1)	Somewhat a concern (2)	A serious concern (3)
Finding satisfactory housing (1)	О	О	О
Obtaining an ATM or bank card (2)	О	О	О
Violence and personal security on and around the campus (3)	О	О	О
Having adequate financial support (4)	О	О	О
Understanding U.S. medical insurance and obtaining health services (5)	O	O	О
Securing a job in the U.S. after graduation (6)	О	О	О

4. Is your interaction primarily with American students or other international students during each of the following?
(Q88)

	All or almost all international (1)	Mostly international (2)	About half and half (3)
When studying or doing homework with other students (1)	О	О	О
When socializing (parties, going to movies, recreation) (2)	О	О	О
Of the students you consider to be personal friends (3)	0	0	О

- 5. What are your plans after you complete your undergraduate degree? (Select all that apply)
 - O To pursue an advanced degree in the U.S. (1)
 - O To pursue an advanced degree at home or in a country other than the U.S. (2)
 - O To work temporarily in the U.S. (3)
 - O To remain in the U.S. indefinitely (4)
 - O To eventually become a U.S. Permanent Resident (5)
- 6. What were the primary reasons for your decision to pursue your undergraduate studies in the U.S.? (Select up to three)
 - O The international reputation of this campus (1)
 - O An interest in understanding the U.S. and its culture (2)
 - O Desire to increase your English language proficiency (3)
 - O An appreciation for the quality of teaching at U.S. campuses (4)
 - O An interest in working in the U.S. in the future. (5)
 - O Have family members living in the U.S. (6)

Other than international students

1. While a student at the University of Washington, have you completed or are you now participating in any of the following? If so, check yes. (Q91)

	Yes (1)	No (0)
A study abroad program lasting a full academic year (1)	О	О
A study abroad program for a semester or at least 4 months (2)	О	О
A short-term study abroad program or tour lasting less than 3 months (3)	О	О
An intensive language only study program (4)	О	О
An international internship or work abroad experience (5)	О	О
A service learning or volunteer service opportunity in another country (6)	О	О
A research project or field placement in another country (7)	О	О

[Students are presented with the following questions foreachprogram for which they checked	"Yes".]	(Q92)
--	---------	-------

- 2. Select all that apply:
 - O Organized and sponsored by the University of Washington?
 - O Did you/will you receive academic credit?
 - O Did or does the program entail intensive foreign language?
- 3. In which country were/are you located?

|--|

Appendix D. Wildcard Questions⁸

1. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following.

(Q157)

During my time at the UW, I have been encouraged to:

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Agree	Strongly agree
Connect learning inside the classroom with learning outside the classroom (1)	0	О	O	О	О	О
Have a deep learning experience in a field that interests and challenges me (2)	0	О	O	О	О	О
Discover my passion in life (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Think critically and solve complex problems (4)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Use creativity to address new problems or projects (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Complete a research project of my own design from beginning to end (either alone or in a group) (6)	О	0	0	О	0	0
Demonstrate leadership (7)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Work collaboratively on a team (7)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Better understand and challenge my beliefs and values (9)	0	О	О	О	О	О
Find and use my own creative and/or intellectual voice (10)	О	0	0	О	0	0
Learn job search skills (11)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Learn about diversity in the U.S. and apply that learning in classes and/or in life (12)	0	О	О	О	О	О
Learn about global issues, values, and differences (13)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Learn more about and maintain my own health and well-being (14)	0	О	О	О	О	О
Identify and pursue my career interests (15)	О	0	О	О	О	О

2. Have you completed or are you now participating in the following activities at the UW?

(Q158)

	Yes, doing now or have done	No
First-year seminar (1)	О	О
Learning community in which groups of students take two or more classes together (such as FIG, IWP, or other linked courses) (2)	0	О
Living-learning program (3)	О	О
Capstone or senior thesis course (4)	О	О
Service learning or community-based learning through the UW (5)	О	О
Formal creative activity or scholarship (such as in published collection, play, or gallery exhibit) (6)	О	О
Honors program (7)	О	О
Internship, co-op, field experience, student teaching, or clinical placement (8)	О	О

⁸ SERU question numbers are shown in right margin.

3. Approximately how many courses (including your current courses and courses taken at other institutions of higher education) have you taken that were delivered in each of these ways? (Q159)

	0 courses	1 to 3 courses	4 to 6 courses	7 to 10 courses	More than 10 courses
Courses delivered totally online (i.e., with no face-to-face contact at all) (1)	О	О	О	О	О
Courses in which some face-to-face time was replaced with time spent working online (2)	О	О	О	О	О
Courses with face-to-face time supplemented but not decreased by online interaction (3)	О	О	О	27	О

- 4. Many universities are considering increasing the number of courses they offer fully online, i.e., with no face-to-face contact at all. What is your preference regarding fully online course versus face-to-face courses? (Q160)
 - O Strongly prefer fully online courses (1)
 - O Somewhat prefer fully online courses (2)
 - O Neutral between fully online and face-to-face courses (3)
 - O Somewhat prefer face-to-face courses (4)
 - O Strongly prefer face-to-face courses (5)
 - O Do not know (6)
- 5. What is your preference regarding hybrid courses (with both online and face-to-face components) versus traditional face-to-face courses? (Q161)
 - O Strongly prefer hybrid courses (1)
 - O Somewhat prefer hybrid courses (2)
 - O Neutral between hybrid and traditional courses (3)
 - O Somewhat prefer traditional courses (4)
 - O Strongly prefer traditional courses (5)
 - O Do not know (6)
- 6. Based on your experience and observation, rate the general climate for students at the UW along the following dimensions. (Q162)

The UW is:

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	
Friendly	О	О	О	О	О	Hostile (1)
Caring	О	О	О	О	О	Impersonal (2)
Intellectual	О	0	0	0	О	Not Intellectual (3)
Tolerant of diversity	О	О	О	О	О	Intolerant of diversity (4)
Safe	О	О	О	О	О	Dangerous (5)
Too hard academically	О	0	0	0	О	Too easy academically (6)
Affordable	О	О	О	О	О	Not affordable (7)

7. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Select the answers that best reflect your own feelings and beliefs. (Q163)

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Agree	Strongly agree
If I work hard I am almost always assured of getting the grade I want to achieve. (1)	О	О	О	О	О	О
When we work in small groups in class, I usually emerge as a leader. (2)	0	О	О	О	О	О
I have been exposed to a racist atmosphere on campus. (3)	О	О	О	О	О	О
I have been exposed to sexist attitudes on campus. (4)	0	О	О	О	О	О
I feel isolated on campus. (5)	О	О	О	О	О	О
Most professors communicate that I am welcome in their classrooms. (6)	0	0	О	О	0	О
When I make a comment in the classroom I am usually taken seriously by the other students. (7)	0	О	О	0	О	О
Since coming to the UW, I am more likely to stop myself from using language that may be offensive to others. (8)	0	0	О	0	0	О
Since coming to the UW, I am more likely to initiate contact with people who are not of my cultural or racial/ethnic background. (9)	О	O	О	0	0	О

Have you ever seriously considered leaving the UV	3 UVV ?
---	---------

(Q164)

O Yes

O No [SKIP TO END]

9. Why were you thinking of leaving?

(Q165)

	Not a reason	A partial reason	A major reason
Financial worries/difficulties. (1)	О	О	О
My classes were too big. (2)	О	О	О
I was not doing well academically. (3)	О	О	О
I could not figure out what I wanted to major in. (4)	О	О	О
I did not get into my first choice of major. (5)	О	О	О
I did not like the major I got into. (6)	О	О	О
I did not feel that I was learning much. (7)	О	О	О
I felt socially alone. (8)	О	О	О
I felt unwelcome here. (9)	О	О	О
I had a bad experience with roommate(s). (10)	О	О	О
I was emotionally depressed or distressed. (11)	0	0	0
I had a bad personal experience here. (12)	0	0	0
I was homesick. (13)	0	0	0
My family needed me. (14)	0	0	0
Other (15)	0	0	0

10 What made vo	ou decide not to	leave? (Please use ur	to 500 characters.)
TO. VVII AL III AUG V	Ju ucciuc Hot to	icave: Il icase use ui	J LO SOO GHAHAGLGIS.1

(Q166)

Appendix E. Email Text

EMAIL 1

TO: [student email address]

FROM: UW Undergraduate Academic Affairs ugrad@uw.edu

SUBJECT: The UW wants your feedback

Dear [Student Name]:

The University of Washington always strives to improve the educational experience for you and future students. Today you can help by completing the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) survey. The results of the SERU will help us understand how students are spending time in and out of the classroom, and this will guide decisions that will benefit UW students.

The survey is available at: http://surveys.uw.edu/seru/takeseru.php

In appreciation for participation, we will enter all students who respond by April 30th into a drawing for one of several prizes, including dinner for two at Teatro ZinZanni (valued at \$325), VIP tickets and dinner for two at Triple Door (\$300), dinner for two at Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise (\$160), one of four pairs of Beats Solo HD On-Ear Headphones (\$175/ea), and one of twelve \$100 University BookStore gift cards.

If you have any questions about the project or how we plan to use the results, please contact Ms. Debbie McGhee at demcghee@uw.edu or 206-616-0364. You may also visit the SERU project website at http://surveys.uw.edu/seru.

Your feedback is valuable, and I thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

Edward Taylor

Dean and Vice Provost, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

EMAIL 2

TO: [student email address]

FROM: UW Undergraduate Academic Affairs ugrad@uw.edu

SUBJECT: REMINDER: Complete the SERU

Dear [Student Name]:

Last week I emailed you regarding the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) survey. Your response will help me and others at UW improve the experiences of our students.

The survey is available at: http://surveys.uw.edu/seru/takeseru.php

In appreciation for participation, we will enter all students who respond by April 30th into a drawing for one of several prizes, including dinner for two at Teatro ZinZanni (valued at \$325), VIP tickets and dinner for two at Triple Door (\$300), dinner for two at Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise (\$160), one of four pairs of Beats Solo HD On-Ear Headphones (\$175/ea), and one of twelve \$100 University BookStore gift cards.

If you have any questions about the project or how we plan to use the results, please contact Ms. Debbie McGhee at demcghee@uw.edu or 206-616-0364. You may also visit the SERU project website at http://surveys.uw.edu/seru.

Thank you again for your attention and participation!

Sincerely,

Edward Taylor

Dean and Vice Provost, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

EMAIL 3

TO: [student email address]

FROM: UW Undergraduate Academic Affairs ugrad@uw.edu

SUBJECT: A reminder from Vice Provost Ed Taylor

Dear [Student Name]:

I write again to ask you to help UW improve the undergraduate experience by completing the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) survey. Please complete the survey as soon as possible. Your help is essential to the success of this important initiative.

The survey is available at: http://surveys.uw.edu/seru/takeseru.php

In appreciation for participation, we will enter all students who respond by April 30th into a drawing for one of several prizes, including dinner for two at Teatro ZinZanni (valued at \$325), VIP tickets and dinner for two at Triple Door (\$300), dinner for two at Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise (\$160), one of four pairs of Beats Solo HD On-Ear Headphones (\$175/ea), and one of twelve \$100 University BookStore gift cards.

If you have any questions about the project or how we plan to use the results, please contact Ms. Debbie McGhee at demcghee@uw.edu or 206-616-0364. You may also visit the SERU project website at http://surveys.uw.edu/seru.

Thank you again for your attention and participation!

Sincerely,

Edward Taylor

Dean and Vice Provost, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

EMAIL 4

TO: [student email address]

FROM: UW Undergraduate Academic Affairs ugrad@uw.edu

SUBJECT: The SERU awaits you

Dear [Student Name]:

I know that students get a lot of requests to complete surveys, but I want to assure you that completing the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) will provide a valuable service to the UW. I hope you will complete the survey as soon as possible. Your input matters.

The survey is available at: http://surveys.uw.edu/seru/takeseru.php

In appreciation for participation, we will enter all students who respond by April 30th into a drawing for one of several prizes, including dinner for two at Teatro ZinZanni (valued at \$325), VIP tickets and dinner for two at Triple Door (\$300), dinner for two at Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise (\$160), one of four pairs of Beats Solo HD On-Ear Headphones (\$175/ea), and one of twelve \$100 University BookStore gift cards.

If you have any questions about the project or how we plan to use the results, please contact Ms. Debbie McGhee at demcghee@uw.edu or 206-616-0364. You may also visit the SERU project website at http://surveys.uw.edu/seru.

Thank you in advance for your participation!

Sincerely,

Edward Taylor

Dean and Vice Provost, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

EMAIL 5

TO: [student email address]

FROM: UW Undergraduate Academic Affairs ugrad@uw.edu

SUBJECT: Last chance to give UW your feedback!

Dear [Student Name]:

Before the survey closes, I want to make a final request for your participation in the Student Experience at the Research University (SERU) survey. The SERU asks about your college experience and the results will be used to improve undergraduate education.

The survey is available at: http://surveys.uw.edu/seru/takeseru.php

In appreciation for participation, we will enter all students who respond by April 30th into a drawing for one of several prizes, including dinner for two at Teatro ZinZanni (valued at \$325), VIP tickets and dinner for two at Triple Door (\$300), dinner for two at Argosy Murder Mystery Cruise (\$160), one of four pairs of Beats Solo HD On-Ear Headphones (\$175/ea), and one of twelve \$100 University BookStore gift cards.

If you have any questions about the project or how we plan to use the results, please contact Ms. Debbie McGhee at demcghee@uw.edu or 206-616-0364. You may also visit the SERU project website at http://surveys.uw.edu/seru.

Thanks for your help and good luck with your studies.

Sincerely,
Edward Taylor
Dean and Vice
Provost, Undergraduate Academic Affairs

Appendix F. Major Code

Accounting (177)

Aeronautics & Astronautics (178) American Ethnic Studies (179) American Indian Studies (180)

Anthropology (181)

Applied & Comp Math Sci (182)

Applied Music (183)

Aquatic and Fishery Sciences (184)

Architectural Studies (185)

Art History (186) Astronomy (187)

Atmospheric Sciences (188)

Biochemistry (189) Bioengineering (190)

Biology (191)

Bioresource Science and Engineering (192) Bus Admin (Human Resources Management)

(193)

Bus Admin (Oper & Supply Chain Mgmt) (194)

Business Administration (195)

Business Admin (Entrepreneurship) (196) Business Administration (Finance) (197) Business Administration (Inform Systems) (198)

Business Administration (Marketing) (199)
Certificate in International Business (200)

Chemical Engineering (201)

Chemistry (202) Chinese (203)

Civil Engineering (204) Classical Studies (205)

Classics (206)

Communication (207)

Communication, Evening Degree Program (208) Community, Environment, and Planning (209)

Comparative History of Ideas (210)
Comparative Literature (211)
Comparative Religion (212)
Computer Engineering (213)
Computer Science (214)

Construction Management (215)
Dance: Dance Studies (216)

Danish (217)

Design: Interaction Design (218)

Digital Arts and Experimental Media (219)

Drama (220)

Early Childhood and Family Studies (221)

Earth and Space Sciences (222)

Eastern European Languages, Lit & Culture (223)

Economics (224)

Electrical Engineering (225)

English (226)

English, Evening Degree Program (227)

Environmental Health (228)

Environmental Science and Resource Mgmt

(229)

Environmental Studies (230) Ethnomusicology (231)

Exchange - Arts and Sciences (232)
Exchange - Business administration (233)

Exchange - Engineering (234)

Extended Pre Business Administration (235)

Extended Pre Engineering (236) Extended Pre Major (237)

Finnish (238) French (239)

Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies (240)

Geography (241) Germanics (242) Greek (243)

Health Informatics&HIth Information Mgmt

(244)

History (245)

History and Philosophy of Science (246)

Human Centered Design and Engineering (247) Humanities, Evening Degree Program (248)

Individualized Studies (249) Industrial Engineering (250)

Informatics (251)

Interdisciplinary Visual Arts (252)

International Studies (253) International Studies (Asia) (254) International Studies (Jewish Studies) (255) International

Studies: Europe (256)

Intl St: Latin America and Caribbean (257)

Italian (258) Japanese (259) Korean (260)

Landscape Architecture (261)

Latin (262)

Law, Societies, and Justice (263)

Linguistics (264)

Materials Science & Engineering (265)

Mathematics (266)

Mechanical Engineering (267)

Medex (Medex Certificate Program) (268)

Medex Oral Health Therapist Certificate (269)

Medical Technology (270)

Medxd (Medex Degree Program) (271)

Microbiology (272)

Music (273)

Near Eastern Languages & Civilization (274)

Neurobiology (275)

Norwegian (276)

Nursing (277)

Oceanography (278)

Philosophy (279)

Physics (280)

Political Science (281)

Pre Architecture & Urban Planning (282)

Pre Arts (283)

Pre Bioresource Science and Engineering (284)

Pre Business Administration (285)

Pre Engineering (286)

Pre Environmental Health (287)

Pre Health Sciences (288)

Pre Humanities (289)

Pre Major (Arts & Sciences) (290)

Pre Major, Evening Degree Program (291)

Pre Nursing (292)

Pre Public Health (293)

Pre Sciences (294)

Pre Social Sciences (295)

Psychology (296)

Public Health (297)

Romance Linguistics (298)

Russian Language, Literature, & Culture (299)

Scandinavian Area Studies (300)

Social Sciences, Evening Degree Program (301)

Social Welfare (302)

Sociology (303)

South Asian Languages (304)

Spanish (305)

Speech and Hearing Sciences (306)

Statistics (307)

Swedish (308)

Visiting Arts & Sciences (309)

Women Studies (310)