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Response Frequency Tables

Note: Numbers in parentheses are percentages. Asterisks indicate significant differences between new freshmen, transfer students, and students who did not attend Orientation (* $p < .05$, ** $p < .01$, *** $p < .001$).

Items from Entering Student Questionnaire

Items 1-4.

	Yes	No	<i>n</i>	
Have you been on the UW campus prior to orientation or registering for classes?	3463 (86.2)	554 (13.8)	4017	***
Did either of your parents attend a Parent Orientation session?	516 (12.9)	3494 (87.1)	4010	***
Did either of your parents attend UW?	913 (22.7)	3101 (77.3)	4014	***
Do you have siblings who have attended or currently attend UW?	687 (17.1)	3324 (82.9)	4011	***

Item 5. How would you rate your contact with the UW up to now? ***

	<i>n</i>	Percent
Very negative	8	.2
Negative	48	1.2
Neutral	872	22.2
Positive	2164	55.2
Very positive	830	21.2

Item 6. Where do you plan to live during autumn quarter? ***

	<i>n</i>	Percent
With parents or other relatives	699	17.5
Other private home, apartment, room	764	19.1
Residence halls	1968	49.2
Fraternity or sorority	483	12.1
Other campus student housing	53	1.3
Other	29	.7

Item 7. When classes are in session, how many hours per week do you plan to work at a job? ***

	<i>n</i>	Percent
None, I will not be employed	1144	28.7
Fewer than 10	657	16.5
10-15	1133	28.4
16-20	704	17.7
21-30	266	6.7
More than 30	79	2.0

Item 8. What is the highest degree you have earned? ***

	<i>n</i>	Percent
High school degree or GED equivalent	3234	80.9
Vocational education certificate	11	.3
Associate of Arts degree	733	18.3
Bachelor's degree	22	.6

Item 9. What is the highest degree you expect to earn? ***

	<i>n</i>	Percent
Bachelor's degree	798	20.3
Second Bachelor's degree	85	2.2
Master's degree	1832	46.7
Medical degree (MD, DO, DDS, DVM)	536	13.7
Law degree (LLB, JD)	157	4.0
PhD or EdD	496	12.6
Other	19	.5

Item 10. What is your parents' educational level?

	Mother's***		Father's***	
	<i>n</i>	%	<i>n</i>	%
Less than high school	115	2.9	99	2.5
Some high school	99	2.5	88	2.2
High school degree or GED equivalent	606	15.1	445	11.3
Vocational education certificate	123	3.1	116	2.9
Some college	916	22.8	689	17.4
Associate of arts degree	310	7.7	193	4.9
Bachelor's degree	1170	29.1	1164	29.4
Master's degree	568	14.2	723	18.3
Doctoral or professional degree	107	2.7	438	11.1

Item 11. How important are each of the following to you personally?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Essential	<i>n</i>	
Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts	1347 (33.6)	867 (21.6)	1040 (25.9)	455 (11.3)	302 (7.5)	4011	**
Becoming an authority in my field	82 (2.1)	196 (4.9)	959 (24.1)	1658 (41.6)	1091 (27.4)	3986	**
Recognition from colleagues for contributions to my field	130 (3.2)	375 (9.4)	1299 (32.4)	1549 (38.6)	657 (16.4)	4010	
Influencing political structure	790 (19.7)	1234 (30.8)	1324 (33.0)	501 (12.5)	164 (4.1)	4013	***
Influencing social values	267 (6.7)	732 (18.3)	1437 (35.9)	1130 (28.2)	439 (11.0)	4005	***
Raising a family	262 (6.5)	380 (9.5)	792 (19.8)	1183 (29.6)	1386 (34.6)	4003	
Administrative responsibility for the work of others	438 (11.0)	712 (17.8)	1568 (39.2)	1007 (25.2)	273 (6.8)	3998	
Being very well off financially	89 (2.2)	253 (6.3)	1191 (29.7)	1445 (36.0)	1038 (25.8)	4016	***
Helping others who are in difficulty	28 (.7)	253 (6.3)	1142 (28.5)	1645 (41.0)	942 (23.5)	4010	***
Making at least a B average while at the UW	7 (.2)	14 (.3)	162 (4.0)	1163 (29.0)	2670 (66.5)	4016	**
Graduating with no more than four years of college	870 (21.8)	549 (13.7)	1037 (26.0)	808 (20.2)	732 (18.3)	3996	***
Making a theoretical contribution to science	1189 (29.6)	1026 (25.5)	1051 (26.2)	531 (13.2)	221 (5.5)	4018	
Writing original works/creating artistic work	1022 (25.5)	1103 (27.5)	888 (22.1)	550 (13.7)	449 (11.2)	4012	***
Becoming successful in a business of my own	644 (16.1)	858 (21.4)	1196 (29.8)	828 (20.6)	484 (12.1)	4010	
Involved in programs to improve environment	393 (9.8)	1108 (27.5)	1449 (36.0)	799 (19.9)	275 (6.8)	4024	***
Developing a meaningful life philosophy	300 (7.5)	595 (14.8)	1112 (27.7)	1097 (27.3)	908 (22.6)	4012	***
Participating in a community action program	288 (7.2)	939 (23.4)	1550 (38.6)	909 (22.7)	325 (8.1)	4011	***
Helping to promote racial understanding	241 (6.0)	757 (18.8)	1455 (36.2)	1033 (25.7)	532 (13.2)	4018	***
Keeping up to date with political affairs	293 (7.3)	846 (21.0)	1469 (36.5)	1045 (25.9)	376 (9.3)	4029	***
Becoming a community leader	423 (10.5)	919 (22.9)	1472 (36.7)	910 (22.7)	290 (7.2)	4014	
Going to graduate or professional school	89 (2.2)	281 (7.0)	818 (20.4)	1225 (30.5)	1605 (39.9)	4018	
Getting good enough grades to attend grad or prof school	35 (.9)	89 (2.2)	385 (9.6)	1073 (26.7)	2443 (60.7)	4025	

Item 12. How important was each of the following in your decision to attend UW?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	<i>n</i>	
Advice of parents, relatives or friends	401 (10.0)	556 (13.9)	1270 (31.7)	1143 (28.5)	638 (15.9)	4008	***
Advice of high school teachers or counselors	1468 (36.7)	818 (20.5)	1018 (25.5)	538 (13.5)	155 (3.9)	3997	***
Academic reputation	109 (2.7)	171 (4.3)	918 (23.1)	1883 (47.4)	891 (22.4)	3972	**
Cost of attending school	433 (10.9)	473 (11.9)	1166 (29.3)	1135 (28.5)	778 (19.5)	3985	
Financial aid/scholarships available	1359 (34.0)	694 (17.4)	841 (21.0)	592 (14.8)	511 (12.8)	3997	***
Part-time work opportunities	1515 (38.0)	799 (20.0)	942 (23.6)	523 (13.1)	209 (5.2)	3988	***
Size of school	808 (20.3)	794 (19.9)	1417 (35.5)	763 (19.1)	205 (5.1)	3987	***
Location	115 (2.9)	193 (4.8)	755 (18.9)	1590 (39.9)	1334 (33.5)	3987	
Variety of courses/programs offered	103 (2.6)	230 (5.8)	845 (21.2)	1749 (43.8)	1063 (26.6)	3990	
Had specific program I wanted	546 (13.7)	498 (12.5)	930 (23.4)	984 (24.7)	1021 (25.7)	3979	***
Sports opportunities or scholarships availability	2345 (58.8)	757 (19.0)	576 (14.5)	208 (5.2)	99 (2.5)	3985	***
Social climate and activities	478 (12.0)	679 (17.1)	1336 (33.6)	1093 (27.5)	385 (9.7)	3971	***
UW graduates get good jobs	475 (11.9)	436 (10.9)	1096 (27.5)	1345 (33.7)	640 (16.0)	3992	*
UW graduates are more financially successful	612 (15.3)	489 (12.3)	1226 (30.7)	1116 (28.0)	548 (13.7)	3991	***
UW graduates get into good grad or prof programs	502 (12.6)	456 (11.4)	1088 (27.2)	1202 (30.1)	745 (18.7)	3993	

Item 13. If you are transferring from another post-secondary institution, how important was each of the following in your decision to attend another school before enrolling at the University of Washington?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	<i>n</i>
Programs available that were not available at UW	680 (59.4)	92 (8.0)	155 (13.5)	125 (10.9)	93 (8.1)	1145
Smaller class size	243 (21.4)	89 (7.8)	235 (20.7)	313 (27.5)	258 (22.7)	1138
Lower cost	247 (21.6)	61 (5.3)	170 (14.9)	242 (21.2)	421 (36.9)	1141
Size of the school	288 (25.5)	124 (11.0)	289 (25.6)	254 (22.5)	174 (15.4)	1129
Better access to classes	243 (21.3)	103 (9.0)	277 (24.3)	312 (27.4)	204 (17.9)	1139
Better access to faculty	242 (21.2)	111 (9.7)	262 (23.0)	292 (25.6)	234 (20.5)	1141
Less competitive environment	439 (38.4)	161 (14.1)	297 (26.0)	157 (13.7)	89 (7.8)	1143
Family obligations	540 (47.6)	134 (11.8)	218 (19.2)	134 (11.8)	109 (9.6)	1135
Wanted to stay close to home	467 (40.9)	129 (11.3)	189 (16.6)	204 (17.9)	152 (13.3)	1141
Needed more preparation to meet UW entrance requirements	553 (48.5)	98 (8.6)	181 (15.9)	149 (13.1)	159 (13.9)	1140

Item 14. How concerned are you with each of the following?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	n	
Whether my decision to attend UW is the right one for me	689 (17.3)	541 (13.6)	908 (22.8)	966 (24.3)	878 (22.0)	3982	***
Financing my education	484 (12.2)	542 (13.7)	855 (21.6)	902 (22.7)	1184 (29.8)	3967	***
Living away from home	1467 (36.9)	856 (21.6)	935 (23.5)	452 (11.4)	261 (6.6)	3971	***
Housing	975 (24.7)	800 (20.3)	1221 (31.0)	634 (16.1)	314 (8.0)	3944	***
Commuting and parking	1113 (28.1)	827 (20.9)	961 (24.2)	679 (17.1)	383 (9.7)	3963	***
Meeting new people	517 (13.0)	677 (17.0)	1193 (30.0)	1033 (26.0)	555 (14.0)	3975	***
Size of campus	609 (15.3)	825 (20.8)	1473 (37.1)	754 (19.0)	314 (7.9)	3975	
Learning my way around campus	426 (10.7)	885 (22.3)	1143 (28.7)	974 (24.5)	548 (13.8)	3976	
Learning to find and use campus resources	267 (6.7)	716 (18.0)	1223 (30.7)	1118 (28.1)	655 (16.5)	3979	***
Choosing a major	648 (16.3)	563 (14.1)	840 (21.1)	1016 (25.5)	915 (23.0)	3982	***
Choosing classes	176 (4.4)	432 (10.8)	942 (23.7)	1382 (34.7)	1050 (26.4)	3982	***
Course availability	140 (3.5)	404 (10.2)	997 (25.1)	1379 (34.7)	1058 (26.6)	3978	***
Taking large classes	410 (10.3)	776 (19.5)	1410 (35.4)	873 (21.9)	516 (12.9)	3985	
Quality of instruction	417 (10.5)	639 (16.1)	866 (21.8)	1053 (26.5)	997 (25.1)	3972	***
Transferring credits from another institution	1836 (46.4)	550 (13.9)	634 (16.0)	477 (12.1)	461 (11.6)	3958	***
Approachability of faculty	289 (7.3)	701 (17.7)	1210 (30.5)	1085 (27.4)	677 (17.1)	3962	***
Helpfulness of teaching assistants	314 (7.9)	690 (17.4)	1194 (30.1)	1079 (27.2)	685 (17.3)	3962	***
Getting good grades	62 (1.6)	127 (3.2)	490 (12.3)	1322 (33.2)	1977 (49.7)	3978	**
School workload	82 (2.1)	212 (5.3)	988 (24.9)	1549 (39.0)	1142 (28.7)	3973	
Quality of advising	227 (5.7)	526 (13.3)	1137 (28.7)	1224 (30.8)	854 (21.5)	3968	***
Access to advisor when needed	185 (4.7)	568 (14.3)	1105 (27.8)	1239 (31.2)	877 (22.1)	3974	***
Access to on-line advising and support	558 (14.1)	903 (22.8)	1263 (31.9)	800 (20.2)	434 (11.0)	3958	***
Balancing studies with work and/or family responsibilities	377 (9.5)	644 (16.2)	1035 (26.1)	1015 (25.6)	897 (22.6)	3968	***
Balancing my social life with my studies	268 (6.8)	602 (15.2)	1121 (28.3)	1159 (29.2)	818 (20.6)	3968	***
Graduating on time	448 (11.3)	549 (13.8)	909 (22.9)	899 (22.6)	1171 (29.5)	3976	

Item 15. Rate yourself on each of the following abilities. We want your most accurate estimate on how you see yourself.

	Poor	Fair	Good	Very good	Excellent	<i>n</i>	
Writing effectively	62 (1.6)	372 (9.4)	1545 (39.1)	1464 (37.1)	505 (12.8)	3948	*
Speaking effectively	127 (3.2)	715 (18.1)	1522 (38.6)	1182 (30.0)	400 (10.1)	3946	
Critically analyzing written information	75 (1.9)	632 (16.1)	1679 (42.7)	1162 (29.6)	383 (9.7)	3931	***
Defining and solving problems	27 (.7)	375 (9.5)	1533 (39.0)	1471 (37.4)	523 (13.3)	3929	**
Working and/or learning independently	16 (.4)	211 (5.4)	986 (25.0)	1623 (41.2)	1106 (28.1)	3942	***
Working cooperatively in a group	22 (.6)	264 (6.7)	1183 (30.0)	1576 (40.0)	894 (22.7)	3939	
Using a foreign language	956 (24.3)	1361 (34.5)	779 (19.8)	459 (11.6)	385 (9.8)	3940	***
Understanding and appreciating the arts	343 (8.7)	1005 (25.5)	1089 (27.7)	808 (20.5)	689 (17.5)	3934	**
Understanding and applying scientific principles and methods	285 (7.2)	979 (24.9)	1295 (32.9)	978 (24.9)	396 (10.1)	3933	
Understanding and applying quantitative principles & methods	363 (9.3)	1114 (28.4)	1349 (34.4)	769 (19.6)	324 (8.3)	3919	
Understanding and appreciating diverse philosophies and cultures	129 (3.3)	782 (19.9)	1390 (35.4)	1081 (27.5)	544 (13.9)	3926	***
Understanding the interaction of society and the environment	109 (2.8)	863 (22.0)	1619 (41.3)	1016 (25.9)	310 (7.9)	3917	***
Working effectively with modern technology, especially computers	184 (4.7)	794 (20.2)	1431 (36.5)	968 (24.7)	545 (13.9)	3922	
Locating info needed to help make decisions or solve problems	29 (.7)	508 (13.0)	1722 (44.0)	1257 (32.1)	400 (10.2)	3916	*
Using knowledge, ideas or perspectives gained from major	34 (.9)	345 (8.9)	1639 (42.1)	1383 (35.6)	489 (12.6)	3890	***
Using knowledge gained from outside of your major field	35 (.9)	447 (11.5)	1798 (46.1)	1202 (30.8)	417 (10.7)	3899	***
Using management or leadership capabilities	108 (2.8)	598 (15.3)	1409 (35.9)	1198 (30.6)	608 (15.5)	3921	*

Item 16. Predict how important each of these abilities will be to what you plan to do after you graduate.

	Not import.	Somewhat important	Important	Very import.	Essential	<i>n</i>	
Writing effectively	18 (.5)	271 (7.2)	779 (20.8)	1087 (29.0)	1598 (42.6)	3753	***
Speaking effectively	11 (.3)	160 (4.3)	581 (15.5)	1165 (31.1)	1834 (48.9)	3751	***
Critically analyzing written information	41 (1.1)	266 (7.1)	723 (19.3)	1242 (33.2)	1469 (39.3)	3741	***
Defining and solving problems	12 (.3)	106 (2.8)	517 (13.8)	1151 (30.8)	1953 (52.2)	3739	***
Working and/or learning independently	9 (.2)	146 (3.9)	661 (17.7)	1270 (34.0)	1649 (44.1)	3735	*
Working cooperatively in a group	15 (.4)	164 (4.4)	582 (15.6)	1170 (31.4)	1800 (48.2)	3731	
Using a foreign language	603 (16.1)	1194 (32.0)	896 (24.0)	491 (13.1)	550 (14.7)	3734	*
Understanding and appreciating the arts	806 (21.6)	1074 (28.8)	861 (23.1)	451 (12.1)	534 (14.3)	3726	**
Understanding and applying scientific principles and methods	384 (10.3)	615 (16.5)	777 (20.8)	818 (21.9)	1138 (30.5)	3732	
Understanding and applying quantitative principles & methods	351 (9.5)	615 (16.6)	922 (24.8)	903 (24.3)	922 (24.8)	3713	*
Understanding and appreciating diverse philosophies and cultures	261 (7.0)	765 (20.6)	1051 (28.2)	792 (21.3)	853 (22.9)	3722	***
Understanding the interaction of society and the environment	235 (6.3)	706 (19.0)	1077 (29.0)	889 (23.9)	811 (21.8)	3718	***
Working effectively with modern technology, especially computers	19 (.5)	150 (4.0)	582 (15.6)	1045 (28.1)	1929 (51.8)	3725	
Locating info needed to help make decisions or solve problems	14 (.4)	100 (2.7)	572 (15.4)	1231 (33.1)	1805 (48.5)	3722	***
Using knowledge, ideas or perspectives gained from major	6 (.2)	36 (1.0)	352 (9.5)	951 (25.6)	2371 (63.8)	3716	***
Using knowledge gained from outside of your major field	9 (.2)	139 (3.7)	808 (21.7)	1256 (33.8)	1504 (40.5)	3716	
Using management or leadership capabilities	28 (.8)	204 (5.5)	749 (20.1)	1137 (30.6)	1603 (43.1)	3721	

Item 17. How well you expect your UW experience to prepare you for:

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	<i>n</i>	
Graduate school	29 (.7)	25 (.6)	251 (6.4)	1970 (50.1)	1654 (42.1)	3929	
Your future career	1 (.0)	10 (.3)	260 (6.6)	1675 (42.5)	1991 (50.6)	3937	
Everyday life	35 (.9)	186 (4.7)	1103 (28.0)	1753 (44.6)	856 (21.8)	3933	***
Contributing to society	18 (.5)	199 (5.1)	1223 (31.1)	1725 (43.9)	764 (19.4)	3929	
Life-long learning	14 (.4)	126 (3.2)	763 (19.4)	1853 (47.1)	1179 (30.0)	3935	

Item 18. How likely are you to seek out each of the following in your courses or other experiences at the UW?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	<i>n</i>	
Writing opportunities	160 (4.1)	541 (13.9)	1411 (36.1)	1224 (31.4)	568 (14.5)	3904	*
Opportunities to do math and other quantitative analyses	477 (12.3)	648 (16.7)	1041 (26.8)	1033 (26.6)	682 (17.6)	3881	***
Opportunities to think critically about knowledge	64 (1.6)	340 (8.8)	1227 (31.6)	1521 (39.2)	731 (18.8)	3883	***
Opportunities to define and solve problems	44 (1.1)	282 (7.3)	1071 (27.7)	1602 (41.4)	872 (22.5)	3871	***
Finding info in libraries and/or networked resources	21 (.5)	160 (4.1)	822 (21.1)	1623 (41.7)	1269 (32.6)	3895	***
Group/team projects	61 (1.6)	370 (9.5)	1315 (33.8)	1511 (38.8)	633 (16.3)	3890	
Oral presentations	335 (8.6)	788 (20.2)	1365 (35.0)	994 (25.5)	414 (10.6)	3896	*
Group discussions	57 (1.5)	363 (9.3)	1177 (30.3)	1521 (39.2)	767 (19.7)	3885	
Labs and other classroom 'learning by doing' opportunities	43 (1.1)	216 (5.6)	975 (25.1)	1511 (38.8)	1146 (29.5)	3891	***
Computer/internet opportunities and/or practice	47 (1.2)	244 (6.3)	988 (25.4)	1487 (38.2)	1126 (28.9)	3892	*
Working on a professor's research project or publishing	218 (5.6)	774 (20.0)	1366 (35.2)	1023 (26.4)	496 (12.8)	3877	***
Informal contact with professors outside of class	135 (3.5)	662 (17.1)	1374 (35.4)	1153 (29.7)	557 (14.4)	3881	
Interaction with diverse cultures and people	120 (3.1)	578 (14.9)	1246 (32.1)	1205 (31.0)	734 (18.9)	3883	***
Community service opportunities	181 (4.7)	736 (19.0)	1407 (36.4)	1050 (27.2)	490 (12.7)	3864	
Practical application of coursework in major to job/education	4 (.1)	50 (1.3)	471 (12.1)	1479 (38.1)	1875 (48.3)	3879	***

Item 19. During the past year, what types of service/charity/volunteer work did you perform? (Mark all that apply.)

	Marked or yes	Not marked or no	n	
Tutoring or teaching	1805 (44.6)	2246 (55.4)	4051	***
Homeless/shelter support	639 (15.8)	3412 (84.2)	4051	***
Recreational (e.g., coaching)	868 (21.4)	3183 (78.6)	4051	***
Community cleanup/rebuilding	1106 (27.3)	2945 (72.7)	4051	***
Child care	1061 (26.2)	2990 (73.8)	4051	***
School alumni organization support	234 (5.8)	3817 (94.2)	4051	***
Conservation activities (e.g., recycling, planting trees)	988 (24.4)	3063 (75.6)	4051	**
Public safety (e.g., crime prevention, volunteer fire fighter)	194 (4.8)	3857 (95.2)	4051	
Related to medical or health causes (e.g., AIDS, breast cancer)	590 (14.6)	3461 (85.4)	4051	***
Counseling/mentoring (e.g., big sister or brother, crisis hotline)	493 (12.2)	3558 (87.8)	4051	*
Religious activities	1176 (29.0)	2875 (71.0)	4051	***
Political or campaign activities	313 (7.7)	3738 (92.3)	4051	*
Other	1304 (32.2)	2747 (67.8)	4051	***
None	349 (8.6)	3702 (91.4)	4051	***

Item 20. During the past year, how many hours each month, on average, did you devote to volunteer work or a community action program?***

	n	%
None	678	17.6
1 to 3 hours	1329	34.4
4 to 6 hours	815	21.1
7 to 10 hours	476	12.3
Over 10 hours	564	14.6

Item 21. During the past year, how often did you:

	Never	Once or a few times	1-2 times a month	Once a week	2-3x a week	Daily/nearly every day	n	
Use computer in a high school class, lab or library	363 (9.5)	376 (9.9)	536 (14.1)	655 (17.2)	871 (22.9)	1003 (26.4)	3804	***
Use computer at home to do school assignments	197 (5.1)	70 (1.8)	310 (8.1)	648 (16.9)	1362 (35.6)	1240 (32.4)	3827	***
Use computer at home to do own projects or creative work	317 (8.3)	442 (11.5)	605 (15.8)	680 (17.8)	832 (21.7)	951 (24.8)	3827	
Use computer at home for fun or to play games	468 (12.3)	494 (13.0)	577 (15.1)	609 (16.0)	777 (20.4)	887 (23.3)	3812	***
Use a word processor (e.g., Microsoft Word, Wordperfect)	54 (1.4)	72 (1.9)	312 (8.1)	763 (19.9)	1514 (39.5)	1115 (29.1)	3830	
Use a spreadsheet (e.g., Microsoft Excel, Quatropro)	920 (24.0)	1090 (28.5)	772 (20.2)	434 (11.3)	363 (9.5)	250 (6.5)	3829	**
Use presentation software (e.g., Microsoft Powerpoint)	1695 (44.7)	1084 (28.6)	506 (13.3)	246 (6.5)	156 (4.1)	104 (2.7)	3791	***
Use the Internet	102 (2.7)	272 (7.1)	531 (13.9)	656 (17.1)	975 (25.5)	1293 (33.8)	3829	*
Communicate using e-mail	545 (14.2)	426 (11.1)	392 (10.2)	402 (10.5)	702 (18.3)	1363 (35.6)	3830	***
Participate in on-line discussion groups	1806 (47.4)	877 (23.0)	395 (10.4)	266 (7.0)	214 (5.6)	254 (6.7)	3812	***
Do research using on-line library or Internet resources	359 (9.4)	622 (16.3)	981 (25.7)	815 (21.3)	694 (18.1)	353 (9.2)	3824	*
Create pages on the Internet	2911 (76.0)	534 (13.9)	126 (3.3)	80 (2.1)	77 (2.0)	103 (2.7)	3831	**
Write computer programs	3162 (82.6)	346 (9.0)	90 (2.4)	61 (1.6)	86 (2.2)	82 (2.1)	3827	

Item 22. Will you own or have access to a computer in your residence autumn quarter?***

	n	Percent
Yes	3066	80.5
No	102	2.7
Don't know	640	16.8

Item 23. To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	n	
I feel comfortable in the UW environment.	7 (.2)	94 (2.5)	1050 (27.4)	2074 (54.1)	607 (15.8)	3832	***
I feel well prepared to succeed academically here at UW.	4 (.1)	71 (1.9)	872 (22.8)	2057 (53.8)	816 (21.4)	3820	**
I feel comfortable asking for help in a library.	5 (.1)	90 (2.4)	778 (20.5)	1986 (52.3)	939 (24.7)	3798	***
I feel comfortable doing library research, either for class assignments or own interests.	8 (.2)	105 (2.8)	765 (20.1)	1986 (52.1)	949 (24.9)	3813	
I feel comfortable using a computer.	13 (.3)	89 (2.3)	543 (14.2)	1624 (42.5)	1551 (40.6)	3820	

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Item 15. After your orientation session or registration date, how concerned are you with each of the following?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely	<i>n</i>
Whether my decision to attend UW is the right one for me	186 (58.9)	54 (17.1)	37 (11.7)	24 (7.6)	15 (4.7)	316
Financing my education	73 (23.1)	66 (20.9)	86 (27.2)	52 (16.5)	39 (12.3)	316
Living away from home	151 (48.6)	72 (23.2)	66 (21.2)	15 (4.8)	7 (2.3)	311
Housing	118 (37.7)	88 (28.1)	70 (22.4)	26 (8.3)	11 (3.5)	313
Commuting and parking	147 (46.8)	50 (15.9)	65 (20.7)	29 (9.2)	23 (7.3)	314
Meeting new people	91 (28.8)	83 (26.3)	85 (26.9)	36 (11.4)	21 (6.6)	316
Size of campus	85 (26.9)	83 (26.3)	95 (30.1)	34 (10.8)	19 (6.0)	316
Learning my way around campus	54 (17.1)	95 (30.1)	83 (26.3)	62 (19.6)	22 (7.0)	316
Learning to find and use campus resources	37 (11.7)	88 (27.9)	87 (27.6)	67 (21.3)	36 (11.4)	315
Choosing a major	92 (29.2)	63 (20.0)	71 (22.5)	53 (16.8)	36 (11.4)	315
Choosing classes	46 (14.6)	68 (21.5)	99 (31.3)	63 (19.9)	40 (12.7)	316
Course availability	21 (6.7)	59 (18.7)	85 (27.0)	81 (25.7)	69 (21.9)	315
Taking large classes	56 (17.8)	84 (26.8)	98 (31.2)	45 (14.3)	31 (9.9)	314
Quality of instruction	78 (24.7)	90 (28.5)	65 (20.6)	48 (15.2)	35 (11.1)	316
Transferring credits from another institution	188 (59.5)	39 (12.3)	42 (13.3)	23 (7.3)	24 (7.6)	316
Approachability of faculty	51 (16.2)	88 (27.9)	95 (30.2)	52 (16.5)	29 (9.2)	315
Helpfulness of teaching assistants	37 (11.7)	88 (27.9)	97 (30.8)	62 (19.7)	31 (9.8)	315
Getting good grades	14 (4.4)	41 (13.0)	50 (15.9)	100 (31.7)	110 (34.9)	315
School workload	12 (3.8)	40 (12.7)	84 (26.6)	107 (33.9)	73 (23.1)	316
Quality of advising	66 (21.0)	76 (24.1)	90 (28.6)	49 (15.6)	34 (10.8)	315
Access to advisor when needed	55 (17.5)	87 (27.6)	79 (25.1)	61 (19.4)	33 (10.5)	315
Access to on-line advising and support	92 (29.4)	96 (30.7)	82 (26.2)	22 (7.0)	21 (6.7)	313
Balancing studies with work and/or family responsibilities	52 (16.5)	62 (19.6)	89 (28.2)	61 (19.3)	52 (16.5)	316
Balancing my social life with my studies	40 (12.7)	68 (21.5)	91 (28.8)	70 (22.2)	47 (14.9)	316
Graduating on time	61 (19.3)	58 (18.4)	75 (23.7)	57 (18.0)	65 (20.6)	316

Item 16. To what extent do you disagree/agree with each of the following statements?

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly agree	<i>n</i>
I feel comfortable in the UW environment.	3 (.9)	5 (1.6)	67 (21.1)	165 (51.9)	78 (24.5)	318
I feel well prepared to succeed academically here at UW.	1 (.3)	14 (4.4)	79 (24.8)	162 (50.9)	62 (19.5)	318
I feel comfortable asking for help in a library.	2 (.6)	7 (2.2)	72 (22.6)	150 (47.2)	87 (27.4)	318
I feel comfortable doing library research, either for class assignments or own interests.	4 (1.3)	21 (6.6)	84 (26.5)	131 (41.3)	77 (24.3)	317
I feel comfortable using a computer.	5 (1.6)	15 (4.7)	65 (20.4)	119 (37.4)	114 (35.8)	318