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1. Indicate the number of terms, if any, that you were involved in the following activities and educational experiences.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		0 terms	1 term	2 terms	3 terms	4+ terms		
Question								
a. Independent study	172	93.02	6.40	.	.	0.58	0.09	0.39
b. Study abroad	171	91.81	7.60	0.58	.	.	0.09	0.30
c. Community service or volunteer work	173	43.93	17.92	14.45	5.78	17.92	1.36	1.52
d. Work with a faculty member on a research project outside of course or program	173	93.06	4.62	1.73	.	0.58	0.10	0.45
e. Practicum, internship, field or co-op experience, or clinical assignment	175	30.86	42.86	16.57	5.14	4.57	1.10	1.04
f. Service learning course or course option	173	98.27	0.58	1.16	.	.	0.03	0.23
g. Participate in a learning community or formal program where groups of students take classes together	171	92.40	4.09	1.75	0.58	1.17	0.14	0.58

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1. Indicate the number of terms, if any, that you were involved in the following activities and educational experiences.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
h. Self-designed major	173	98.27	1.73
i. Capstone course or thesis	169	85.21	14.79

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2. Compared with when you started your first year, how would you describe your following skills and knowledge?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Much weaker	Weaker	No change	Stronger	Much stronger		
Question								
a. Making effective oral presentations	179	.	.	3.35	49.72	46.93	4.44	0.56
b. Writing effectively	179	.	.	1.68	56.42	41.90	4.40	0.52
c. Understanding the world from a variety of viewpoints	179	.	1.12	8.94	48.04	41.90	4.31	0.68
d. Using statistical or mathematical reasoning to solve problems	179	.	4.47	36.31	50.84	8.38	3.63	0.70
e. Appreciating the arts	179	.	1.12	28.49	48.60	21.79	3.91	0.74
f. Valuing cultural diversity	178	.	1.69	15.73	55.06	27.53	4.08	0.70
g. Understanding methods and applying principles of reasoning in the natural sciences	179	.	2.23	30.73	53.07	13.97	3.79	0.70
h. Understanding yourself	179	.	.	6.15	48.60	45.25	4.39	0.60
i. Using computers and information technology	179	.	0.56	12.29	53.07	34.08	4.21	0.67
j. Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	179	.	.	18.99	62.01	18.99	4.00	0.62
k. Thinking critically and analytically	179	.	.	6.15	59.78	34.08	4.28	0.57
l. Working cooperatively in a group	179	0.56	.	9.50	48.60	41.34	4.30	0.69
m. Using foreign languages	178	2.81	11.80	54.49	17.98	12.92	3.26	0.93
n. Developing insight into why you behave the way you do	179	.	0.56	16.76	56.42	26.26	4.08	0.67

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3.If you took more than four years to complete your degree requirements at UK, please answer the following questions.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
a. Work obligations limited my enrollment	179	87.71	12.29
b. Family obligations limited my enrollment	179	94.97	5.03
c. Tuition and other costs of attendance limited my enrollment	179	96.65	3.35
d. A decision to change majors added to my requirements	179	75.98	24.02
e. Required course was not offered when needed	179	87.71	12.29
f. I lost credits in my major upon transferring	179	93.85	6.15

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4. Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about: UNIVERSITY STUDIES PROGRAM:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Most of my USP courses have been intellectually challenging	178	2.25	16.85	11.24	66.85	2.81	3.51	0.88
b. I understand why USP courses are required	178	0.56	7.30	8.43	71.35	12.36	3.88	0.73
c. I understand how the various USP requirements fit together	178	1.69	7.87	11.24	70.22	8.99	3.77	0.79
d. Most of my USP instructors described the goals of the courses	177	3.95	23.73	24.29	42.37	5.65	3.22	1.00
e. The quality of instruction in my USP courses was as good as my major courses	178	3.37	30.90	11.80	48.88	5.06	3.21	1.05
f. I understand the value of USP courses better now than at the time I took them	177	1.13	16.38	17.51	55.37	9.60	3.56	0.92
g. The broad range of choices among courses to meet USP requirements was important to me	178	.	6.18	10.11	65.73	17.98	3.96	0.73
h. I found USP requirements difficult to understand	177	10.73	61.02	11.86	15.82	0.56	2.34	0.89

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4. Indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about: YOUR MAJOR PROGRAM:	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Required courses in my major were offered so that I could complete my degree on time	177	4.52	7.34	3.39	64.41	20.34	3.89	0.96
b. Grading practices were appropriate and fair	177	0.56	3.95	4.52	71.75	19.21	4.05	0.67
c. Faculty prepared carefully for their classes	178	.	1.69	4.49	66.85	26.97	4.19	0.59
d. Faculty gave helpful feedback on my academic progress	178	.	3.93	4.49	67.42	24.16	4.12	0.66
e. Faculty were accessible outside of the classroom	178	.	1.69	1.12	67.42	29.78	4.25	0.56
f. Faculty were knowledgeable in their subject matter	178	.	.	0.56	53.37	46.07	4.46	0.51
g. Faculty treated students with respect	178	.	1.69	2.25	63.48	32.58	4.27	0.59
h. The department was characterized by mutual respect between students and professors	177	.	1.69	4.52	64.97	28.81	4.21	0.60
i. The department helped me find appropriate employment or pursue further study	178	1.69	13.48	32.58	40.45	11.80	3.47	0.93
j. I would recommend my major program to other students	178	0.56	1.12	8.43	52.25	37.64	4.25	0.70

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5. Rate your level of satisfaction or dissatisfaction with the following student services.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied		
Question								
a. Recreation areas in Student Center	143	0.70	4.20	30.07	55.24	9.79	3.69	0.73
b. Campus dining services	163	6.13	17.18	30.06	41.72	4.91	3.22	0.99
c. Counseling & Testing Center (personal counseling)	82	1.22	.	40.24	50.00	8.54	3.65	0.69
d. Counseling & Testing Center (career counseling)	92	.	3.26	32.61	50.00	14.13	3.75	0.74
e. Career Center Services	116	.	4.31	28.45	53.45	13.79	3.77	0.74
f. Student Billing Services	163	1.23	11.66	39.26	42.33	5.52	3.39	0.81
g. Registration	176	2.27	15.34	26.14	51.70	4.55	3.41	0.88
h. Parking Services	172	50.00	30.81	10.47	8.72	.	1.78	0.95
i. Health Services	157	3.82	12.74	21.02	51.59	10.83	3.53	0.98
j. Fitness and athletic facilities	166	0.60	1.20	6.63	57.83	33.73	4.23	0.68
k. Student Financial Aid Office	122	1.64	5.74	27.87	51.64	13.11	3.69	0.83
l. UK Bookstore	169	5.33	11.24	21.89	53.25	8.28	3.48	0.98
m. University Apartments	53	3.77	5.66	41.51	45.28	3.77	3.40	0.82
n. Residence Hall (living quarters)	146	5.48	16.44	15.07	56.85	6.16	3.42	1.02
o. Residence Hall (dining services)	145	9.66	11.72	24.83	47.59	6.21	3.29	1.07

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6.How would you rate the quality of each of the following aspects at UK?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
Question							
a. Quality of instruction by overall faculty	178	.	9.55	76.40	14.04	3.04	0.49
b. Quality of instruction by faculty in major	178	.	1.69	42.70	55.62	3.54	0.53
c. Quality of instruction by teaching assistants	177	2.82	35.59	51.41	10.17	2.69	0.69
d. Individual attention from instructors	176	1.14	18.18	66.48	14.20	2.94	0.61
e. Preparation for my first career job	177	6.78	22.60	58.19	12.43	2.76	0.75
f. Preparation for graduate or professional school	178	4.49	21.91	62.36	11.24	2.80	0.69
g. Quality of library services	177	.	6.21	50.85	42.94	3.37	0.60
h. Availability of computing resources	177	.	8.47	53.67	37.85	3.29	0.62
i. Willingness of faculty to meet with students	178	.	6.74	56.18	37.08	3.30	0.59
j. Quality of UK's library collection	178	.	3.93	46.63	49.44	3.46	0.57
k. Quality of service provided by the computer lab staff	178	.	10.67	68.54	20.79	3.10	0.55

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7.To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses					Mean	StDev
		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Not sure	Agree	Strongly agree		
Question								
a. Spent sufficient time with me	177	2.82	7.34	2.82	55.93	31.07	4.05	0.94
b. Was accessible when I needed help	178	2.25	5.62	3.93	53.37	34.83	4.13	0.90
c. Reviewed my academic record prior to giving advice	178	2.81	7.30	7.87	45.51	36.52	4.06	1.00
d. Is someone I would recommend to other students	178	5.06	5.62	8.43	39.33	41.57	4.07	1.09

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8. Assess the extent to which the ACADEMIC CLIMATE is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student groups.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very discriminatory	Discriminatory	Supportive	Very supportive		
Question							
a. Women	174	.	1.72	59.77	38.51	3.37	0.52
b. Men	173	.	0.58	55.49	43.93	3.43	0.51
c. African Americans	172	0.58	1.16	64.53	33.72	3.31	0.52
d. Other racial minorities	172	0.58	1.16	70.35	27.91	3.26	0.50
e. International students	170	.	1.18	68.24	30.59	3.29	0.48
f. Disabled students	171	.	3.51	70.18	26.32	3.23	0.50
g. Gay/Lesbian students	172	1.74	3.49	69.77	25.00	3.18	0.57

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8. Assess the extent to which the SOCIAL CLIMATE is discriminatory or supportive for each of the student groups.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very discriminatory	Discriminatory	Supportive	Very supportive		
Question							
a. Women	172	.	1.74	56.40	41.86	3.40	0.53
b. Men	171	.	0.58	52.05	47.37	3.47	0.51
c. African Americans	170	0.59	7.06	65.29	27.06	3.19	0.58
d. Other racial minorities	170	1.18	14.12	64.12	20.59	3.04	0.63
e. International students	169	0.59	13.61	65.09	20.71	3.06	0.60
f. Disabled students	169	1.18	16.57	62.72	19.53	3.01	0.64
g. Gay/lesbian students	170	4.71	20.00	57.65	17.65	2.88	0.74

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9.To what extent do you feel UK emphasizes each of the following.	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses				Mean	StDev
		Very little	Some	Quite a bit	Very much		
Question							
a. Studying and academic work outside of class	177	0.56	16.95	51.41	31.07	3.13	0.70
b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically	178	0.56	22.47	56.18	20.79	2.97	0.68
c. Providing the support you need to develop an active social life	178	5.06	37.64	39.33	17.98	2.70	0.82
d. Encouraging contact among students of different backgrounds	178	12.36	33.71	42.70	11.24	2.53	0.85
e. Developing scholarly, analytical, and intellectual qualities	178	1.69	16.85	61.80	19.66	2.99	0.66
f. Developing aesthetic, expressive, and creative qualities	178	3.93	26.97	52.81	16.29	2.81	0.75
g. Developing an understanding and appreciation of human diversity	178	3.93	19.10	56.18	20.79	2.94	0.75
h. Developing information literacy skills	178	1.69	14.61	59.55	24.16	3.06	0.67
i. Providing job-related skills and knowledge	178	3.37	20.79	57.30	18.54	2.91	0.72
j. Offering courses that are practical	178	1.12	21.91	58.43	18.54	2.94	0.67

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10.To what extent has your college education fulfilled your expectations?				
q10	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Moderately below	9	5.06	9	5.06
Met expectations	59	33.15	68	38.20
Moderately above	79	44.38	147	82.58
Far above	31	17.42	178	100.00

Frequency Missing = 1

11.How satisfied or dissatisfied were you with your experiences at UK?				
q11	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Dissatisfied	7	3.95	7	3.95
Neutral	14	7.91	21	11.86
Satisfied	90	50.85	111	62.71
Very satisfied	66	37.29	177	100.00

Frequency Missing = 2

12.If you could start college again, would you enroll at UK?				
q12	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Definitely not	4	2.25	4	2.25
Probably not	25	14.04	29	16.29
Probably yes	80	44.94	109	61.24
Definitely yes	69	38.76	178	100.00

Frequency Missing = 1

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13. What are your immediate post-graduation plans?	Number of Responses	Percentage of Responses	
		No	Yes
Question			
a. I will work at the job I had before I graduated	179	88.27	11.73
b. I will work at a new job I recently obtained	179	89.94	10.06
c. I am currently seeking employment	179	39.66	60.34
d. I do not plan to work	179	100.00	.
e. I plan to continue my education before working	179	75.98	24.02
f. I have no plans	179	93.85	6.15

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14.If you are continuing your education, what is the highest degree you plan to earn?				
q14	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
No plans for graduate degree	64	42.38	64	42.38
Master's or Educational specialist degree	59	39.07	123	81.46
Law degree	20	13.25	143	94.70
Medicine degree	1	0.66	144	95.36
Other professional degree	6	3.97	150	99.34
Ph.D or Ed.D	1	0.66	151	100.00

Frequency Missing = 28

What is your gender?				
SEX	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Female	112	62.57	112	62.57
Male	67	37.43	179	100.00

To which group do you belong?				
RACE	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
African American	9	5.03	9	5.03
Asian	3	1.68	12	6.70
Hispanic	1	0.56	13	7.26
White	163	91.06	176	98.32
Missing	3	1.68	179	100.00

Which region are you from?				
REGION	Frequency	Percent	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Percent
Central Kentucky Counties	37	20.67	37	20.67
Northern Kentucky Counties	20	11.17	57	31.84
Louisville Kentucky Counties	38	21.23	95	53.07
Appalachian Kentucky Counties	19	10.61	114	63.69
Other Kentucky Counties	33	18.44	147	82.12
Out of State	32	17.88	179	100.00