MSU Senior Survey



1. Graduation Date

Month

	Мау	August	December	
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	51.5% (53)	4.9% (5)	43.7% (45)	

Year

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	0.0%	48.5% (50)	51.5% (53)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	
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skipped question	0

2. Gender

	Response Percent	Response Count
Female	59.8%	61
Male	40.2%	41
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

3. Ethnic Background

	Response Percent	Response Count
White	83.5%	86
Black/African-American	7.8%	8
Asian	4.9%	5
Hispanic/Latino	1.9%	2
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1.0%	1
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0
Two or more races	1.0%	1
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

4. Are you a U.S. citizen?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	93.1%	95
No	6.9%	7
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

5. What is your residency classification at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
In-state	78.6%	81
Out-of-state	15.5%	16
International	5.8%	6
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

6. Age

	Response Percent	Response Count
24 or younger	67.0%	69
25-34	18.4%	19
35-44	5.8%	6
45 or older	8.7%	9
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

7. Has either of your parents received a bachelor's degree?

Response Count	Response Percent	
47	45.6%	Yes
56	54.4%	No
103	answered question	
0	skipped question	

8. Has either of your parents received a degree from MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	19.6%	20
No	80.4%	82
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

9. What was your original entry status to MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Freshman	64.1%	66
Transfer from community college/technical school	26.2%	27
Transfer from 4-yr institution	9.7%	10
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

10. How many credits were transferred?

	Response Percent	Response Count
12 or fewer	5.4%	2
13-30	8.1%	3
31-60	32.4%	12
Over 60	54.1%	20
	answered question	37
	skipped question	66

11. Approximately what percent of your University Studies (general education) classes did you take at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Under 25%	56.8%	21
25-49%	10.8%	4
50-74%	27.0%	10
75-100%	5.4%	2
	answered question	37
	skipped question	66

12. What has been your attendance status at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Primarily full-time	93.2%	96
Primarily part-time	6.8%	7
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

13. In which Residential College are you a member?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Do not know	16.7%	17
Clark College	7.8%	8
Elizabeth College	8.8%	9
Franklin-Springer Colleges	7.8%	8
Hart College	14.7%	15
Hester College	10.8%	11
Regents College	14.7%	15
Richmond College	8.8%	9
White College	9.8%	10
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

14. Have you ever received any type of Financial Aid while at MSU? (scholarships, grants, work-study, etc.)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	86.3%	88
No	13.7%	14
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

15. How many years will it take you to complete your degree from the point of your initial enrollment in college (including any time at a previous institution)?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Two	2.0%	2
Three	9.8%	10
Four	48.0%	49
Five	23.5%	24
Six	2.9%	3
More than six	13.7%	14
	answered question	102
	skipped question	1

16. In what range does your grade point average fall?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 2.00	0.0%	0
2.00-2.50	5.8%	6
2.51-3.00	31.1%	32
3.01-3.50	31.1%	32
3.51-4.00	32.0%	33
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

17. In which college/school are you completing your degree?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business	100.0%	103
College of Education	0.0%	0
College of Health Sciences and Human Services	0.0%	0
College of Humanities and Fine Arts	0.0%	0
Jesse D. Jones College of Science, Engineering and Technology	0.0%	0
Hutson School of Agriculture	0.0%	0
School of Nursing	0.0%	0
Center for Continuing Education and Academic Outreach	0.0%	0
I am completing a Certificate Program.	0.0%	0
I am completing an Associate Program.	0.0%	0
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

18. Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business: In which department are you completing your major or area?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Accounting	15.5%	16
Computer Science and Information Systems	7.8%	8
Economics and Finance	8.7%	9
Journalism and Mass Communications	16.5%	17
Management, Marketing and Business Administration	38.8%	40
Organizational Communication	9.7%	10
International Business or Telecommunications Systems Management (TSM) programs	2.9%	3
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

19. Accounting: What is you	ır current primary major?	
	Response Percent	Response Count
Accounting	100.0%	16
	answered question	16
	skipped question	87

19. Computer Science and Information Systems: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Computer Information Systems (CIS)	50.0%	4
Computer Science (CSC)	50.0%	4
	answered question	8
	skipped question	95

19. Economics and Finance: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Economics	11.1%	1
Finance	88.9%	8
	answered question	9
	skipped question	94

19. Journalism and Mass Communications: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Advertising	5.9%	1
Graphic Communications Management	5.9%	1
Journalism	29.4%	5
Public Relations	47.1%	8
TV Production	11.8%	2
	answered question	17
	skipped question	86

19. Management, Marketing and Business Administration: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Business Administration	62.5%	25
International Business	0.0%	0
Management	22.5%	9
Marketing	15.0%	6
	answered question	40
	skipped question	63

19. Organizational Communication: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Organizational Communication	100.0%	10
	answered question	10
	skipped question	93

19. Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
International Business	66.7%	2
Telecommunications Systems Management (TSM)	33.3%	1
	answered question	3
	skipped question	100

20. What is the highest degree you eventually hope to receive?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Associate	2.9%	3
Baccalaureate	49.5%	51
Graduate	42.7%	44
Professional	4.9%	5
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

21. Which best describes your situation?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not change major/area	54.0%	54
Did not initially declare major/area	5.0%	5
Changed major/area	41.0%	41
	answered question	100
	skipped question	3

22. While school was in session during the past year, how many hours per week, on average, did you work for pay?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not work	12.6%	13
Worked 1-10 hrs	15.5%	16
Worked 11-20 hrs	14.6%	15
Worked 21-30 hrs	24.3%	25
Worked 31-40 hrs	19.4%	20
Worked over 40 hrs	13.6%	14
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

23. For the most part, were classes offered at times convenient to you?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	92.2%	95
No	7.8%	8
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

24. What time would you have preferred?

	Response	Response
	Percent	Count
Late afternoon	25.0%	2
Evening	25.0%	2
Weekend	0.0%	0
During the day	25.0%	2
Online	25.0%	2
	answered question	8
	skipped question	95

25. Which best describes the location where you completed the majority of your courses?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Murray	82.5%	85
Paducah	2.9%	3
Ft. Campbell	0.0%	0
Madisonville	4.9%	5
Hopkinsville	0.0%	0
Henderson	0.0%	0
Online	9.7%	10
Other (please specify)	0.0%	0
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

26. Did you take any online courses while at Murray State?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	73.8%	76
No	26.2%	27
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

27. Did it take you an extra semester or more to complete degree requirements at Murray State?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	48.5%	50
No	51.5%	53
	answered question	103
	skipped question	0

28. Why did it take you an extra semester or more?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Work obligation limited my enrollment.	24.0%	12
Family obligations limited my enrollment.	12.0%	6
Tuition and other costs of attendance limited my enrollment.	18.0%	9
A decision to change majors added to my requirements.	32.0%	16
A required course or courses were not offered.	18.0%	9
Credits were lost transferring to Murray State.	6.0%	3
Other (please specify)	36.0%	18
	answered question	50
	skipped question	53

29. Did you have trouble getting any course(s) you needed while at Murray State?

Response Count	Response Percent	
19	18.6%	Yes
83	81.4%	No
102	answered question	
1	skipped question	

30. Why did you have trouble getting the course?

	Response Percent	Response Count
The course was not offered the semester I needed it.	40.0%	8
The course was not offered at hours convenient to my work schedule.	15.0%	3
The course was not offered at hours suitable for my school schedule.	25.0%	5
All course sections were closed.	15.0%	3
I was unaware of the prerequisites for the course.	5.0%	1
	answered question	20
	skipped question	83

31. Which statement best describes your experience with off-campus coop/internship?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Cannot judge; I did not have one.	61.2%	60
My experience was very valuable.	24.5%	24
My experience was valuable.	12.2%	12
My experience was of little value.	1.0%	1
My experience was of no value.	1.0%	1
	answered question	98
	skipped question	5

32. Which statement best describes your experience with on-campus faculty-directed research, scholarly, or creative project?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Cannot judge; I did not have one.	57.7%	56
My experience was very valuable.	19.6%	19
My experience was valuable.	20.6%	20
My experience was of little value.	2.1%	2
My experience was of no value.	0.0%	0
	answered question	97
	skipped question	6

33. Which statement best describes your experience with academic advising in your major/area?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Cannot judge; I did not make use of the opportunity.	4.1%	4
I was satisfied with information my adviser provided.	82.7%	81
Advice was inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading.	13.3%	13
My adviser was not available.	0.0%	0
	answered question	98
	skipped question	5

Questions 34-48 For each of these items, indicate the extent to which you were satisfied.

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Rating Average	Rating Count
34. Class size relative to type of course	45.8% (44)	53.1% (51)	1.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	3.45	96
35. Out-of-class availability of faculty	41.7% (40)	56.3% (54)	1.0% (1)	1.0% (1)	3.39	96
36. Effectiveness of your high school preparation for college work	35.4% (34)	44.8% (43)	12.5% (12)	7.3% (7)	3.08	96
37. Fairness of faculty in their treatment of individual students	41.7% (40)	49.0% (47)	9.4% (9)	0.0% (0)	3.32	96
38. Overall quality of instruction at Murray State	43.2% (41)	54.7% (52)	2.1% (2)	0.0% (0)	3.41	95
39. Quality of instruction in University Studies (General Education) courses	25.0% (24)	60.4% (58)	12.5% (12)	2.1% (2)	3.08	96
40. Quality of instruction in your major	56.3% (54)	39.6% (38)	2.1% (2)	2.1% (2)	3.50	96
41. Clarity of program objectives in your major	44.8% (43)	53.1% (51)	1.0% (1)	1.0% (1)	3.42	96
42. Intellectual challenge of the academic program	36.5% (35)	57.3% (55)	5.2% (5)	1.0% (1)	3.29	96
43. Encouragement and information from your major department for employment after graduation	44.8% (43)	39.6% (38)	14.6% (14)	1.0% (1)	3.28	96
44. Availability of opportunities to engage in a faculty-mentored research, scholarly, or creative project in your area of study/interest	24.5% (23)	58.5% (55)	14.9% (14)	2.1% (2)	3.05	94
45. Library hours	30.4% (28)	59.8% (55)	7.6% (7)	2.2% (2)	3.18	92
46 Effectiveness of library personnel in meeting your information needs	35.5% (33)	60.2% (56)	4.3% (4)	0.0% (0)	3.31	93
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48. Computer, individual and group work spaces available within	26.1% (24)	53.3% (49)	18.5% (17)	2.2% (2)	3.03	92
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Questions 49-55 University Studies is designed to offer you a broad base of skills and knowledge and to prepare you for upper division study. Please indicate how effective University Studies at Murray State was in helping you achieve these goals.

	Very effective	Effective	Ineffective	Very ineffective	Rating Average	Rating Count
49. Writing skills	19.1% (18)	74.5% (70)	4.3% (4)	2.1% (2)	3.11	94
50. Speaking skills	29.8% (28)	64.9% (61)	3.2% (3)	2.1% (2)	3.22	94
51. Critical thinking skills	28.7% (27)	66.0% (62)	3.2% (3)	2.1% (2)	3.21	94
52. Technology skills/computer skills	27.7% (26)	63.8% (60)	7.4% (7)	1.1% (1)	3.18	94
53. General knowledge in the liberal arts and sciences	21.3% (20)	67.0% (63)	8.5% (8)	3.2% (3)	3.06	94
54. International perspectives	20.4% (19)	71.0% (66)	6.5% (6)	2.2% (2)	3.10	93
55. Stimulation of interest in areas outside your chosen field of study	23.9% (22)	65.2% (60)	6.5% (6)	4.3% (4)	3.09	92
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	skipped question					

Questions 56-89 For each of these services, activities or programs that you used, please indicate the extent to which you were satisfied that they met your needs. For those that you did not use, mark the "Did Not Use" option.

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Did Not Use	Rating Average	Rating Count
56. African-American/Multicultural Student Services	2.2% (2)	10.1% (9)	1.1% (1)	2.2% (2)	84.3% (75)	2.79	89
57. Blackboard/Canvas	28.1% (25)	64.0% (57)	5.6% (5)	1.1% (1)	1.1% (1)	3.20	89
58. Career Services Office	19.1% (17)	41.6% (37)	4.5% (4)	1.1% (1)	33.7% (30)	3.19	89
59. Cultural programming and activities	6.7% (6)	19.1% (17)	1.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	73.0% (65)	3.21	89
60. Degree audit (MAP report)	21.6% (19)	62.5% (55)	12.5% (11)	3.4% (3)	0.0%	3.02	88
61. Financial Aid Office customer service	18.0% (16)	44.9% (40)	14.6% (13)	3.4% (3)	19.1% (17)	2.96	89
62. Dining Services	14.8% (13)	50.0% (44)	6.8% (6)	1.1% (1)	27.3% (24)	3.08	88
63. Graduation Office	14.6% (13)	55.1% (49)	4.5% (4)	0.0% (0)	25.8% (23)	3.14	89
64. Greek life and activities	14.6% (13)	20.2% (18)	1.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	64.0% (57)	3.38	89
65. Health Services	19.1% (17)	30.3% (27)	3.4% (3)	5.6% (5)	41.6% (37)	3.08	89
66. Honor Societies/Departmental Clubs/Special Interest Organizations	16.9% (15)	27.0% (24)	1.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	55.1% (49)	3.35	89
67. International programs and activities	13.6% (12)	15.9% (14)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	70.5% (62)	3.46	88
68. International student support services	6.7% (6)	11.2% (10)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	82.0% (73)	3.38	89
69. Internet and wireless access for study and research needs 2013-2014 Senior Survey	22.5% (20)		6.7% (6) of 28 Institutional Effecti	3.4% (3)	19.1% (17) Baue	3.11 ernfeind College	89 e of Business

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70. Intramural Sports and Recreation	14.6% (13)	27.0% (24)	2.2% (2)	0.0% (0)	56.2% (50)	3.28	89
71. LGBT programs	3.4% (3)	10.1% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	86.5% (77)	3.25	89
72. Lowry Center/Developmental courses and tutoring	5.6% (5)	14.6% (13)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	79.8% (71)	3.28	89
73. Library	18.2% (16)	60.2% (53)	5.7% (5)	0.0% (0)	15.9% (14)	3.15	88
74. MSU web site	28.4% (25)	61.4% (54)	6.8% (6)	0.0% (0)	3.4%	3.22	88
75. NCAA Sports	13.5% (12)	29.2% (26)	2.2% (2)	0.0% (0)	55.1% (49)	3.25	89
76. Online courses that are not Blackboard or Canvas	10.1% (9)	27.0% (24)	4.5% (4)	0.0% (0)	58.4% (52)	3.14	89
77. Public Safety/Security Services	12.5% (11)	45.5% (40)	3.4% (3)	1.1% (1)	37.5% (33)	3.11	88
78. Registration through myGate	29.2% (26)	60.7% (54)	5.6% (5)	0.0% (0)	4.5% (4)	3.25	89
79. Residential College programming and activities	11.2% (10)	37.1% (33)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	51.7% (46)	3.23	89
80. Scholarships/grants/student employment	25.8% (23)	46.1% (41)	9.0% (8)	3.4% (3)	15.7% (14)	3.12	89
81. Services for non-traditional students	7.9% (7)	11.2% (10)	2.2% (2)	2.2% (2)	76.4% (68)	3.05	89
82. Services for Students with Learning Disabilities (SSLD)	4.5% (4)	10.1% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	85.4% (76)	3.31	89
83. Transcript requests	17.0% (15)	39.8% (35)	3.4% (3)	1.1% (1)	38.6% (34)	3.19	88
84. Student Support Services (SSS)	7.9% (7)	14.6% (13)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	77.5% (69)	3.35	89
85. Transfer Center	11.2% (10)	15.7% (14)	6.7% (6)	0.0% (0)	66.3% (59)	3.13	89
86. University Counseling Services	4.5% (4)	7.9% (7)	1.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	86.5% (77)	3.25	89
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87. Veteran Services	3.4% (3)	9.0% (8)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	87.6% (78)	3.27	89
88. Wellness Center	29.2% (26)	37.1% (33)	1.1% (1)	1.1% (1)	31.5% (28)	3.38	89
89. Women's Center	3.4% (3)	12.4% (11)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	84.3% (75)	3.21	89
answered question							89
skipped question							14

90. To what extent did you participate in Residential College activities?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not participate	57.8%	52
Frequently	12.2%	11
Occasionally	14.4%	13
Seldom	15.6%	14
	answered question	90
	skipped question	13

91. Which phrase best describes your opinion of Residential Colleges?

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Not familiar with Residential Colleges	43.8	% 39
Very positive	14.6	% 13
Positive	39.3	% 35
Negative	2.2	% 2
Very negative	0.0	% 0
	answered question	on 89
	skipped question	on 14

92. When you graduate how many times will you have studied abroad during your university career?

	Response Percent	Response Count
None	84.3%	75
One	12.4%	11
Two	3.4%	3
Three or more	0.0%	0
	answered question	89
	skipped question	14

Questions 93-102 The University has formulated ten desired "Characteristics of the Murray State University Graduate." Please indicate how effective your MSU experience was in enhancing your abilities in each area.

	Very effective	Effective	Ineffective	Very ineffective	Rating Average	Rating Count
93. Engage in mature, independent and creative thought and express that thought effectively in oral and written communication;	39.1% (34)	57.5% (50)	3.4% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.36	87
94. Understand and apply the critical and scientific methodologies that academic disciplines employ to discover knowledge and ascertain its validity;	30.2% (26)	58.1% (50)	11.6% (10)	0.0% (0)	3.19	86
95. Apply sound standards of information gathering, analysis and evaluation to reach logical decisions;	36.5% (31)	60.0% (51)	3.5% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.33	85
96. Understand the roles and applications of science and technology in the solution of the problems of a changing world;	37.9% (33)	54.0% (47)	6.9% (6)	1.1% (1)	3.29	87
97. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the world's historical, literary, philosophical and artistic traditions;	25.9% (22)	64.7% (55)	8.2% (7)	1.2% (1)	3.15	85
98. Understand the dynamics of cultural diversity, of competing economic and political systems, and of complex moral and ethical issues;	34.5% (30)	60.9% (53)	3.4% (3)	1.1% (1)	3.29	87
99. Understand the nature of and engage in ethical behavior and responsible citizenship;	43.7% (38)	50.6% (44)	5.7% (5)	0.0% (0)	3.38	87
100. Understand the importance of the behaviors necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle;	27.9% (24)	58.1% (50)	14.0% (12)	0.0% (0)	3.14	86
101. Demonstrate mastery of a chosen field of study;	37.9% (33)	56.3% (49)	5.7% (5)	0.0% (0)	3.32	87

102. Value intellectual pursuit and continuous learning in a changing world.	42.4% (36)	52.9% (45)	4.7% (4)	0.0% (0)	3.38	85
				answered	question	87
				skipped	question	16

What do you expect to do after you graduate?					
	Response Percent	Response Count			
I am unsure of my immediate plans.	5.7%	5			
I will look for a job.	50.0%	44			
I will continue working in the position I now have.	11.4%	10			
I will work at a position I recently accepted.	15.9%	14			
I will do additional undergraduate work.	0.0%	0			
I will go to graduate school.	14.8%	13			
I will go to law school.	1.1%	1			
I will go to medical school.	0.0%	0			
I will go to other professional school.	1.1%	1			
I will not work or attend school.	0.0%	0			
	answered question	88			
	skipped question	15			

104. If you are already employed, how closely related is your job to your field of study?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Extremely close	26.4%	23
Somewhat close	19.5%	17
Somewhat different	10.3%	9
Extremely different	16.1%	14
I cannot determine	1.1%	1
Does not apply	26.4%	23
	answered question	87
	skipped question	16

105. If you intend to work full-time, what do you expect your salary to be?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Above \$75,000	3.4%	3
\$65,000 - \$75,000	3.4%	3
\$55,000 - \$64,999	6.8%	6
\$45,000 - \$54,999	25.0%	22
\$35,000 - \$44,999	29.5%	26
\$25,000 - \$34,999	14.8%	13
Below \$25,000	4.5%	4
Does not apply	12.5%	11
	answered question	88
	skipped question	15

106. If you intend to continue your education, please indicate which statement best describes the institution you will attend.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Murray State University	34.1%	29
University/College in Kentucky	5.9%	5
University/College outside Kentucky	11.8%	10
Does not apply	48.2%	41
	answered question	85
	skipped question	18

107. "I would recommend Murray State University to a prospective student."

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	54.7%	47
Agree	44.2%	38
Disagree	0.0%	0
Strongly disagree	1.2%	1
	answered question	86
	skipped question	17