MSU Senior Survey



1. Graduation Date

Month

	Мау	August	December	
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	58.5% (31)	9.4% (5)	32.1% (17)	

Year

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	0.0%	41.5% (22)	58.5% (31)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

answered question 53
skipped question 0

2. Gender

	Response Percent	Response Count
Female	77.4%	41
Male	22.6%	12
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

3. Ethnic Background

	Response Percent	Response Count
White	92.5%	49
Black/African-American	0.0%	0
Asian	1.9%	1
Hispanic/Latino	5.7%	3
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.0%	0
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0
Two or more races	0.0%	0
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

4. Are you a U.S. citizen?

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	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	98.1%	52
No	1.9%	1
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

5. What is your residency classification at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
In-state	73.6%	39
Out-of-state	26.4%	14
International	0.0%	0
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

6. Age

	Response Percent	Response Count
24 or younger	77.4%	41
25-34	17.0%	9
35-44	3.8%	2
45 or older	1.9%	1
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	54.7%	29
No	45.3%	24
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	17.3%	9
No	82.7%	43
	answered question	52
	skipped question	1

9. What was your original entry status to MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Freshman	56.6%	30
Transfer from community college/technical school	30.2%	16
Transfer from 4-yr institution	13.2%	7
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

10. How many credits were transferred?

	Response Percent	Response Count
12 or fewer	0.0%	0
13-30	26.1%	6
31-60	30.4%	7
Over 60	43.5%	10
	answered question	23
	skipped question	30

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

	Respoi Perce		Response Count
Under 25%	65.	2%	15
25-49%	21.	7%	5
50-74%	13.	0%	3
75-100%	0.	0%	0
	answered quest	ion	23
	skipped quest	ion	30

12. What has been your attendance status at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Primarily full-time	100.0%	53
Primarily part-time	0.0%	0
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

13. In which Residential College are you a member?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Do not know	9.4%	5
Clark College	13.2%	7
Elizabeth College	7.5%	4
Franklin-Springer Colleges	9.4%	5
Hart College	20.8%	11
Hester College	18.9%	10
Regents College	7.5%	4
Richmond College	9.4%	5
White College	3.8%	2
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	88.7%	47
No	11.3%	6
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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	3.8%	2
Three	9.4%	5
Four	43.4%	23
Five	26.4%	14
Six	7.5%	4
More than six	9.4%	5
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 2.00	1.9%	1
2.00-2.50	5.8%	3
2.51-3.00	21.2%	11
3.01-3.50	26.9%	14
3.51-4.00	44.2%	23
	answered question	52
	skipped question	1

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Arthur J. Bauernfeind College of Business	0.0%	0
College of Education	0.0%	0
College of Health Sciences and Human Services	0.0%	0
College of Humanities and Fine Arts	100.0%	53
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	53
	skipped question	0

18. College of Humanities and Fine Arts: In which department are you completing your major or area?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Art and Design	7.5%	4
English and Philosophy	17.0%	9
Government, Law and International Affairs/Political Science and Sociology	20.8%	11
History	9.4%	5
Liberal Arts (major)	7.5%	4
Modern Languages	5.7%	3
Music	13.2%	7
Psychology	13.2%	7
Theatre	5.7%	3
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

19. Art and Design: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Art	100.0%	4
Art Education	0.0%	0
	answered question	4
	skipped question	49

19. English and Philosophy: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Creative Writing	22.2%	2
English	66.7%	6
English Education (TESOL)	11.1%	1
Philosophy	0.0%	0
TESOL	0.0%	0
Liberal Arts	0.0%	0
	answered question	9
	skipped question	44

19. Government, Law and International Affairs/Political Science and Sociology: What is your current primary major?

	Response Percent	Response Count
International Affairs	9.1%	1
Political Science	54.5%	6
Public Administration	0.0%	0
Sociology	36.4%	4
	answered question	11
	skipped question	42

19. History: What is your current primary major? Response Response **Percent** Count History 100.0% 5 answered question 5 skipped question 48 19. Liberal Arts: What is your current primary major? Response Response Percent Count **Liberal Arts** 100.0% 4 answered question 4 skipped question 49 19. Modern Languages: What is your current primary major? Response Response Percent Count French 0 0.0% German 33.3% 1 Japanese 0.0% 0 **Spanish** 66.7% 2 answered question 3

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skipped question

19. Music: What is your cur	rent primary major?	
	Response Percent	Response Count
Music	85.7%	6
Music Performance	14.3%	1
	answered question	7
	skipped question	46
19. Psychology: What is yo	ur current primary major?	
	Response	Response
	Percent	Count
Psychology	100.0%	7
	answered question	7

19. Theatre: What is your c	urrent primary major?	
	Response Percent	Response Count
Theatre	100.0%	3
	answered question	3
	skipped question	50

skipped question

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

	Response Percent	e Response Count
Associate	3.89	. 2
Baccalaureate	30.2%	o 16
Graduate	41.5%	. 22
Professional	24.5%	5 13
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

21. Which best describes your situation?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not change major/area	49.1%	26
Did not initially declare major/area	3.8%	2
Changed major/area	47.2%	25
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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	19.2%	10
Worked 1-10 hrs	26.9%	14
Worked 11-20 hrs	26.9%	14
Worked 21-30 hrs	21.2%	11
Worked 31-40 hrs	3.8%	2
Worked over 40 hrs	1.9%	1
	answered question	52
	skipped question	1

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	86.8%	46
No	13.2%	7
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

24. What time would you have preferred?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Late afternoon	0.0%	0
Evening	0.0%	0
Weekend	0.0%	0
During the day	71.4%	5
Online	28.6%	2
	answered question	7
	skipped question	46

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Murray	92.5%	49
Paducah	0.0%	0
Ft. Campbell	0.0%	0
Madisonville	0.0%	0
Hopkinsville	1.9%	1
Henderson	1.9%	1
Online	3.8%	2
Other (please specify)	0.0%	0
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	54.7%	29
No	45.3%	24
	answered question	53
	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	38.5%	20
No	61.5%	32
	answered question	52
	skipped question	1

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Work obligation limited my enrollment.	9.5%	2
Family obligations limited my enrollment.	4.8%	1
Tuition and other costs of attendance limited my enrollment.	0.0%	0
A decision to change majors added to my requirements.	52.4%	11
A required course or courses were not offered.	33.3%	7
Credits were lost transferring to Murray State.	9.5%	2
Other (please specify)	23.8%	5
	answered question	21
	skipped question	32

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	28.3%	15
No	71.7%	38
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

30. Why did you have trouble getting the course?

	Response Percent	Response Count
The course was not offered the semester I needed it.	46.7%	7
The course was not offered at hours convenient to my work schedule.	6.7%	1
The course was not offered at hours suitable for my school schedule.	20.0%	3
All course sections were closed.	6.7%	1
I was unaware of the prerequisites for the course.	20.0%	3
	answered question	15
	skipped question	38

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Cannot judge; I did not have one.	75.5%	40
My experience was very valuable.	13.2%	7
My experience was valuable.	7.5%	4
My experience was of little value.	3.8%	2
My experience was of no value.	0.0%	0
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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.	41.5%	22
My experience was very valuable.	28.3%	15
My experience was valuable.	26.4%	14
My experience was of little value.	1.9%	1
My experience was of no value.	1.9%	1
	answered question	53
	skipped question	0

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.	0.0%	0
I was satisfied with information my adviser provided.	82.7%	43
Advice was inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading.	13.5%	7
My adviser was not available.	3.8%	2
	answered question	52
	skipped question	1

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

	Very	Order 1	Discotts	Very	Rating	Rating
	satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Average	Count
34. Class size relative to type of course	54.0% (27)	46.0% (23)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	3.54	50
35. Out-of-class availability of faculty	34.7% (17)	57.1% (28)	8.2% (4)	0.0% (0)	3.27	49
36. Effectiveness of your high school preparation for college work	18.4% (9)	42.9% (21)	26.5% (13)	12.2% (6)	2.67	49
37. Fairness of faculty in their treatment of individual students	39.6% (19)	56.3% (27)	4.2% (2)	0.0% (0)	3.35	48
38. Overall quality of instruction at Murray State	40.8% (20)	57.1% (28)	2.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	3.39	49
39. Quality of instruction in University Studies (General Education) courses	24.5% (12)	61.2% (30)	12.2% (6)	2.0% (1)	3.08	49
40. Quality of instruction in your major	65.3% (32)	30.6% (15)	2.0% (1)	2.0% (1)	3.59	49
41. Clarity of program objectives in your major	50.0% (25)	36.0% (18)	12.0% (6)	2.0% (1)	3.34	50
42. Intellectual challenge of the academic program	61.2% (30)	32.7% (16)	4.1% (2)	2.0% (1)	3.53	49
43. Encouragement and information from your major department for employment after graduation	32.7% (16)	40.8% (20)	22.4% (11)	4.1% (2)	3.02	49
44. Availability of opportunities to engage in a faculty-mentored research, scholarly, or creative project in your area of study/interest	24.0% (12)	50.0% (25)	24.0% (12)	2.0% (1)	2.96	50
45. Library hours	40.8% (20)	46.9% (23)	4.1% (2)	8.2% (4)	3.20	49
46 Effectiveness of library personnel in meeting your information needs	38.0% (19)	50.0% (25)	4.0% (2)	8.0% (4)	3.18	50

47. Access to on-hand or electronic library resources	42.0% (21)	36.0% (18)	12.0% (6)	10.0% (5)	3.10	50
48. Computer, individual and group work spaces available within University Libraries (Waterfield, Pogue and Overby)	24.0% (12)	48.0% (24)	16.0% (8)	12.0% (6)	2.84	50
				answered (question	50
				skipped (question	3

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	38.8% (19)	55.1% (27)	4.1% (2)	2.0% (1)	3.31	49
50. Speaking skills	34.7% (17)	59.2% (29)	6.1% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.29	49
51. Critical thinking skills	40.8% (20)	46.9% (23)	12.2% (6)	0.0% (0)	3.29	49
52. Technology skills/computer skills	18.4% (9)	57.1% (28)	20.4% (10)	4.1% (2)	2.90	49
53. General knowledge in the liberal arts and sciences	38.8% (19)	55.1% (27)	6.1% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.33	49
54. International perspectives	26.5% (13)	57.1% (28)	8.2% (4)	8.2% (4)	3.02	49
55. Stimulation of interest in areas outside your chosen field of study	26.5% (13)	46.9% (23)	20.4% (10)	6.1% (3)	2.94	49
answered question						
				skipped	question	4

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% (1)	4.3% (2)	2.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	91.3% (42)	3.00	46
57. Blackboard/Canvas	12.8% (6)	72.3% (34)	6.4% (3)	6.4% (3)	2.1% (1)	2.93	47
58. Career Services Office	19.1% (9)	27.7% (13)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	51.1% (24)	3.35	47
59. Cultural programming and activities	8.3% (4)	25.0% (12)	4.2% (2)	0.0% (0)	62.5% (30)	3.11	48
60. Degree audit (MAP report)	14.6% (7)	56.3% (27)	25.0% (12)	2.1% (1)	2.1% (1)	2.85	48
61. Financial Aid Office customer service	8.3% (4)	39.6% (19)	20.8% (10)	10.4% (5)	20.8%	2.58	48
62. Dining Services	10.4% (5)	41.7% (20)	25.0% (12)	2.1% (1)	20.8%	2.76	48
63. Graduation Office	4.3% (2)	48.9% (23)	10.6% (5)	0.0% (0)	36.2% (17)	2.90	47
64. Greek life and activities	12.8% (6)	17.0% (8)	4.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	66.0% (31)	3.25	47
65. Health Services	10.6% (5)	46.8% (22)	10.6% (5)	0.0% (0)	31.9% (15)	3.00	47
66. Honor Societies/Departmental Clubs/Special Interest Organizations	13.0% (6)	37.0% (17)	2.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	47.8% (22)	3.21	46
67. International programs and activities	6.5% (3)	19.6% (9)	2.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	71.7% (33)	3.15	46
68. International student support services	2.1% (1)	4.3% (2)	4.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	89.4% (42)	2.80	47
69. Internet and wireless access for study and research needs 2013-2014 Senior Survey			12.8% (6) of 29 Institutional Effecti	0.0% (0) veness	8.5% (4) College	3.07 of Humanities	47 and Fine Arts

70. Intramural Sports and Recreation	4.3% (2)	19.6% (9)	2.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	73.9% (34)	3.08	46
71. LGBT programs	2.2% (1)	10.9% (5)	4.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	82.6% (38)	2.88	46
72. Lowry Center/Developmental courses and tutoring	2.1% (1)	4.3% (2)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	91.5% (43)	3.00	47
73. Library	30.4% (14)	54.3% (25)	6.5% (3)	6.5% (3)	2.2% (1)	3.11	46
74. MSU web site	17.0% (8)	74.5% (35)	4.3% (2)	2.1% (1)	2.1% (1)	3.09	47
75. NCAA Sports	8.7% (4)	26.1% (12)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	65.2% (30)	3.25	46
76. Online courses that are not Blackboard or Canvas	4.4% (2)	20.0% (9)	4.4% (2)	2.2% (1)	68.9% (31)	2.86	45
77. Public Safety/Security Services	15.9% (7)	34.1% (15)	4.5% (2)	6.8% (3)	38.6% (17)	2.96	44
78. Registration through myGate	17.4% (8)	69.6% (32)	13.0% (6)	0.0% (0)	0.0%	3.04	46
79. Residential College programming and activities	15.2% (7)	32.6% (15)	6.5% (3)	2.2% (1)	43.5% (20)	3.08	46
80. Scholarships/grants/student employment	23.9% (11)	43.5% (20)	17.4% (8)	4.3% (2)	10.9% (5)	2.98	46
81. Services for non-traditional students	6.3% (3)	2.1% (1)	6.3% (3)	8.3% (4)	77.1% (37)	2.27	48
82. Services for Students with Learning Disabilities (SSLD)	4.3% (2)	4.3% (2)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	89.4% (42)	3.20	47
83. Transcript requests	13.0% (6)	43.5% (20)	2.2% (1)	8.7% (4)	32.6% (15)	2.90	46
34. Student Support Services (SSS)	8.5% (4)	10.6% (5)	2.1% (1)	2.1% (1)	76.6% (36)	3.09	47
85. Transfer Center	8.7% (4)	13.0% (6)	13.0% (6)	4.3% (2)	60.9% (28)	2.67	46
86. University Counseling Services	12.8% (6)	10.6% (5)	4.3% (2)	2.1% (1)	70.2% (33)	3.14	47
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88. Wellness Center (15) (18) 6.4% (3) 0.0% (0) 26.1% (3.33 (11) 3.33 (15) (15) (18) 6.4% (3) 0.0% (0) 2.2% (1) 78.3% (36) 3.00	46
88. Wellness Center 6.4% (3) 0.0% (0) 3.33	47
31.9% 38.3% 2.40(42) 23.4%	47
87. Veteran Services 2.3% (1) 4.5% (2) 2.3% (1) 0.0% (0) 90.9% (40)	44

90. To what extent did you participate in Residential College activities? Response Response Percent Count Did not participate 43.8% 21 Frequently 8.3% 4 Occasionally 25.0% 12 22.9% Seldom 11 answered question 48 skipped question 5

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Not familiar with Residential Colleges	31.9%	15
Very positive	19.1%	9
Positive	38.3%	18
Negative	10.6%	5
Very negative	0.0%	0
	answered question	47
	skipped question	6

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
None	66.7%	32
One	27.1%	13
Two	4.2%	2
Three or more	2.1%	1
	answered question	48
	skipped question	5

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;	48.9% (23)	44.7% (21)	6.4% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.43	47
94. Understand and apply the critical and scientific methodologies that academic disciplines employ to discover knowledge and ascertain its validity;	29.8% (14)	57.4% (27)	12.8% (6)	0.0% (0)	3.17	47
95. Apply sound standards of information gathering, analysis and evaluation to reach logical decisions;	42.6% (20)	57.4% (27)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	3.43	47
96. Understand the roles and applications of science and technology in the solution of the problems of a changing world;	25.5% (12)	53.2% (25)	21.3% (10)	0.0% (0)	3.04	47
97. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the world's historical, literary, philosophical and artistic traditions;	46.8% (22)	42.6% (20)	6.4% (3)	4.3% (2)	3.32	47
98. Understand the dynamics of cultural diversity, of competing economic and political systems, and of complex moral and ethical issues;	40.4% (19)	53.2% (25)	4.3% (2)	2.1% (1)	3.32	47
99. Understand the nature of and engage in ethical behavior and responsible citizenship;	42.6% (20)	55.3% (26)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	3.40	47
100. Understand the importance of the behaviors necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle;	37.0% (17)	41.3% (19)	21.7% (10)	0.0% (0)	3.15	46
101. Demonstrate mastery of a chosen field of study;	55.3% (26)	38.3% (18)	6.4% (3)	0.0% (0)	3.49	47
chosen field of study;		26 of 29			of Humanities	and Fine

			answered skipped	<u> </u>	6
102. Value intellectual pursuit and continuous learning in a changing world.	46.8% (22)	2.1% (1)	0.0% (0)	3.49	47

103. What do you expect to do after you graduate?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
I am unsure of my immediate plans.		12.8%	6
I will look for a job.		38.3%	18
I will continue working in the position I now have.		2.1%	1
I will work at a position I recently accepted.		2.1%	1
I will do additional undergraduate work.		0.0%	0
I will go to graduate school.		36.2%	17
I will go to law school.		8.5%	4
I will go to medical school.		0.0%	0
I will go to other professional school.		0.0%	0
I will not work or attend school.		0.0%	0
	answere	d question	47
	skippe	d question	6

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Extremely close	4.3%	2
Somewhat close	14.9%	7
Somewhat different	2.1%	1
Extremely different	19.1%	9
I cannot determine	2.1%	1
Does not apply	57.4%	27
	answered question	47
	skipped question	6

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Above \$75,000	4.3%	2
\$65,000 - \$75,000	6.4%	3
\$55,000 - \$64,999	2.1%	1
\$45,000 - \$54,999	4.3%	2
\$35,000 - \$44,999	19.1%	9
\$25,000 - \$34,999	29.8%	14
Below \$25,000	12.8%	6
Does not apply	21.3%	10
	answered question	47
	skipped question	6

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	21.3%	10
University/College in Kentucky	14.9%	7
University/College outside Kentucky	31.9%	15
Does not apply	31.9%	15
	answered question	47
	skipped question	6

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	55.3%	26
Agree	38.3%	18
Disagree	4.3%	2
Strongly disagree	2.1%	1
	answered question	47
	skipped question	6