MSU Senior Survey



1. 1. Graduation Date

Month

	Мау	August	December
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	81.6% (31)	2.6% (1)	15.8% (6)

Year

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
Please select the month and year that you plan to graduate:	0.0%	0.0%	15.8% (6)	84.2% (32)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	

skipped question 0

answered question

38

2. 2. Gender

	Response Percent	Response Count
Female	47.4%	18
Male	52.6%	20
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

3. 3. Ethnic Background

	Response Percent	Response Count
White	92.1%	35
Black/African-American	2.6%	1
Asian	0.0%	0
Hispanic/Latino	0.0%	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.0%	0
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	0.0%	0
Two or more races	5.3%	2
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

4. 4. Are you a U.S. citizen?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	94.7%	36
No	5.3%	2
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

5. 5. What is your residency classification at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
In-state	76.3%	29
Out-of-state	18.4%	7
International	5.3%	2
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

6. 6. Age

	Response Percent	Response Count
24 or younger	78.9%	30
25-34	7.9%	3
35-44	5.3%	2
45 or older	7.9%	3
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

Response Count	Response Percent	
20	52.6%	Yes
18	47.4%	No
38	answered question	
0	skipped question	

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

Response Count	Response Percent	
4	10.5%	Yes
34	89.5%	No
38	answered question	
0	skipped question	

9. 9. What was your original entry status to MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Freshman	71.1%	27
Transfer from community college/technical school	18.4%	7
Transfer from 4-yr institution	10.5%	4
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

10. 10. How many credits were transferred?

	Response Percent	Response Count
12 or fewer	9.1%	1
13-30	36.4%	4
31-60	45.5%	5
Over 60	9.1%	1
	answered question	11
	skipped question	27

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Under 25%	63.6%	7
25-49%	9.1%	1
50-74%	9.1%	1
75-100%	18.2%	2
	answered question	11
	skipped question	27

12. 12. What has been your attendance status at MSU?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Primarily full-time	94.7%	36
Primarily part-time	5.3%	2
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

13. 13. In which Residential College are you a member?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Do not know	7.9%	3
Clark College	21.1%	8
Elizabeth College	15.8%	6
Franklin-Springer Colleges	2.6%	1
Hart College	13.2%	5
Hester College	0.0%	0
Regents College	10.5%	4
Richmond College	21.1%	8
White College	7.9%	3
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	86.8%	33
No	13.2%	5
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

15. 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	5.3%	2
Three	7.9%	3
Four	42.1%	16
Five	34.2%	13
Six	7.9%	3
More than six	2.6%	1
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 2.00	2.6%	1
2.00-2.50	2.6%	1
2.51-3.00	21.1%	8
3.01-3.50	42.1%	16
3.51-4.00	31.6%	12
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

17. 17. Please identify the program/major in which you are earning a degree. If you have a double major, check both of your majors. (Note: Liberal Arts and Integrated Studies Students, check Liberal Arts or Integrated Studies. Do not check your field of study as a major.)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Accounting	0.0%	0
Advertising	0.0%	0
Business Administration (associate's)	0.0%	0
Business Administration (bachelor's)	0.0%	0
Business GIS (certificate)	0.0%	0
Computer Information Systems	0.0%	0
Computer Science	0.0%	0
Economics	0.0%	0
Finance	0.0%	0
Graphic Communications Media	0.0%	0
International Business	0.0%	0
Journalism	0.0%	0
Management	0.0%	0
Marketing	0.0%	0
Organizational Communication	0.0%	0
Public Relations	0.0%	0
Television Production	0.0%	0
Telecommunications Systems Mgmt	0.0%	0
Career & Technical Education (associate's)	0.0%	0

Career & Technical Education (bachelor's)		0.0%	0
Criminal Justice		0.0%	0
Elementary School Education		0.0%	0
Health & Physical Education		0.0%	0
Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education		0.0%	0
Learning & Behavior Disorders		0.0%	0
Middle School Education		0.0%	0
Recreation & Leisure Services		0.0%	0
Social Work		0.0%	0
Youth & Nonprofit Leadership		0.0%	0
Art		0.0%	0
Creative Writing (BFA)		0.0%	0
English		0.0%	0
English Education (TESOL)		2.6%	1
Philosophy		0.0%	0
International Affairs		0.0%	0
Political Science		0.0%	0
Public Administration		0.0%	0
Sociology		0.0%	0
History		0.0%	0
Liberal Arts		0.0%	0
French		0.0%	0
German		0.0%	0
Japanese		0.0%	0
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Music	0.0%	0
Music Business	0.0%	0
Psychology	0.0%	0
Theatre	0.0%	0
Biology	0.0%	0
Wildlife & Conservation Biology	0.0%	0
Chemistry	0.0%	0
Applied Physics	5.3%	2
Engineering Physics	23.7%	9
Physics	5.3%	2
Geosciences	0.0%	0
Civil Engineering Technology (associate's)	0.0%	0
Civil Engineering Technology (bachelor's)	26.3%	10
Electromechanical Engineering Technology	7.9%	3
Engineering Graphics & Design	5.3%	2
Interior Design	13.2%	5
Manufacturing Technology	2.6%	1
Occupational Safety and Health	0.0%	0
Industrial Technology (associate's)	2.6%	1
Mathematics	5.3%	2
Telecommunications Systems Mgmt	10.5%	4
Agricultural Science & Technology (associate's)	0.0%	0
Agricultural Science (bachelor's)	0.0%	0

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answered question	38
skipped question	0
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18. 20. What is the highest degree you eventually hope to receive? Response Response Percent Count Associate 2.6% 1 **Baccalaureate** 44.7% 17 Graduate 34.2% 13 7 Professional 18.4% answered question 38 skipped question 0

19. 21. Which best describes your situation?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not change major/area	55.3%	21
Did not initially declare major/area	13.2%	5
Changed major/area	31.6%	12
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

20. 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	18.4%	7
Worked 1-10 hrs	10.5%	4
Worked 11-20 hrs	47.4%	18
Worked 21-30 hrs	13.2%	5
Worked 31-40 hrs	5.3%	2
Worked over 40 hrs	5.3%	2
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	
6 31	81.6%	Yes
6 7	18.4%	No
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22. 24. What time would you have preferred?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Late afternoon	14.3%	1
Evening	0.0%	0
Weekend	0.0%	0
During the day	57.1%	4
Online	28.6%	2
	answered question	7
	skipped question	31

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Murray	97.4%	37
Paducah	0.0%	0
Ft. Campbell	0.0%	0
Madisonville	0.0%	0
Hopkinsville	0.0%	0
Henderson	0.0%	0
Online	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	2.6%	1
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	47.4%	18
No	52.6%	20
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	55.3%	21
No	44.7%	17
	answered question	38
	skipped question	0

26. 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.	9.5%	2
Tuition and other costs of attendance limited my enrollment.	0.0%	0
A decision to change majors added to my requirements.	23.8%	5
A required course or courses were not offered.	47.6%	10
Credits were lost transferring to Murray State.	28.6%	6
Other (please specify)	14.3%	3
	answered question	21
	skipped question	17

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	40.5%	15
No	59.5%	22
	answered question	37
	skipped question	1

28. 30. Why did you have trouble getting the course?

	Respons Percent	-
The course was not offered the semester I needed it.	46.29	6
The course was not offered at hours convenient to my work schedule.	7.79	6 1
The course was not offered at hours suitable for my school schedule.	7.79	6 1
All course sections were closed.	38.59	6 5
I was unaware of the prerequisites for the course.	0.09	% 0
	answered questio	n 13
	skipped questio	n 25

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Cannot judge; I did not have one.	25.0%	9
My experience was very valuable.	55.6%	20
My experience was valuable.	13.9%	5
My experience was of little value.	2.8%	1
My experience was of no value.	2.8%	1
	answered question	36
	skipped question	2

30. 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.	36.1%	13
My experience was very valuable.	30.6%	11
My experience was valuable.	25.0%	9
My experience was of little value.	2.8%	1
My experience was of no value.	5.6%	2
	answered question	36
	skipped question	2

31. 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.	83.3%	30
Advice was inaccurate, incomplete, or misleading.	13.9%	5
My adviser was not available.	2.8%	1
	answered question	36
	skipped question	2

32. 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	66.7% (22)	27.3% (9)	3.0% (1)	3.0% (1)	3.58	33
35. Out-of-class availability of faculty	39.4% (13)	51.5% (17)	6.1% (2)	3.0% (1)	3.27	33
36. Effectiveness of your high school preparation for college work	21.2% (7)	57.6% (19)	9.1% (3)	12.1% (4)	2.88	33
37. Fairness of faculty in their treatment of individual students	33.3% (11)	54.5% (18)	9.1% (3)	3.0% (1)	3.18	33
38. Overall quality of instruction at Murray State	30.3% (10)	57.6% (19)	9.1% (3)	3.0% (1)	3.15	33
39. Quality of instruction in University Studies (General Education) courses	21.2% (7)	57.6% (19)	15.2% (5)	6.1% (2)	2.94	33
40. Quality of instruction in your major	43.8% (14)	43.8% (14)	9.4% (3)	3.1% (1)	3.28	32
41. Clarity of program objectives in your major	45.5% (15)	42.4% (14)	9.1% (3)	3.0% (1)	3.30	33
42. Intellectual challenge of the academic program	48.5% (16)	45.5% (15)	3.0% (1)	3.0% (1)	3.39	33
43. Encouragement and information from your major department for employment after graduation	45.5% (15)	39.4% (13)	9.1% (3)	6.1% (2)	3.24	33
44. Availability of opportunities to engage in a faculty-mentored research, scholarly, or creative project in your area of study/interest	37.5% (12)	40.6% (13)	9.4% (3)	12.5% (4)	3.03	32
45. Library hours	33.3% (11)	60.6% (20)	0.0% (0)	6.1% (2)	3.21	33
46 Effectiveness of library personnel in meeting your information needs	31.3% (10)	59.4% (19)	6.3% (2)	3.1% (1)	3.19	32
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				skipped	question	5
				answered	question	33
48. Computer, individual and group work spaces available within University Libraries (Waterfield, Pogue and Overby)	30.3% (10)	51.5% (17)	9.1% (3)	9.1% (3)	3.03	33
47. Access to on-hand or electronic library resources	28.1% (9)	62.5% (20)	3.1% (1)	6.3% (2)	3.13	32

33. 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	27.3% (9)	66.7% (22)	3.0% (1)	3.0% (1)	3.18	33
50. Speaking skills	27.3% (9)	66.7% (22)	3.0% (1)	3.0% (1)	3.18	33
51. Critical thinking skills	39.4% (13)	57.6% (19)	0.0% (0)	3.0% (1)	3.33	33
52. Technology skills/computer skills	45.5% (15)	45.5% (15)	6.1% (2)	3.0% (1)	3.33	33
53. General knowledge in the liberal arts and sciences	21.2% (7)	63.6% (21)	9.1% (3)	6.1% (2)	3.00	33
54. International perspectives	24.2% (8)	57.6% (19)	12.1% (4)	6.1% (2)	3.00	33
55. Stimulation of interest in areas outside your chosen field of study	28.1% (9)	56.3% (18)	9.4% (3)	6.3% (2)	3.06	32
				answered	question	33
				skipped	question	5

34. 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	6.5% (2)	12.9% (4)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	77.4% (24)	3.14	31
57. Blackboard/Canvas	35.5% (11)	58.1% (18)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.33	31
58. Career Services Office	16.1% (5)	35.5% (11)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	48.4% (15)	3.31	31
59. Cultural programming and activities	12.9% (4)	12.9% (4)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	71.0% (22)	3.33	31
60. Degree audit (MAP report)	35.5% (11)	51.6% (16)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	9.7% (3)	3.36	31
61. Financial Aid Office customer service	19.4% (6)	45.2% (14)	6.5% (2)	6.5% (2)	22.6% (7)	3.00	31
62. Dining Services	35.5% (11)	41.9% (13)	12.9% (4)	0.0% (0)	9.7% (3)	3.25	31
63. Graduation Office	12.9% (4)	48.4% (15)	9.7% (3)	0.0% (0)	29.0% (9)	3.05	31
64. Greek life and activities	23.3% (7)	20.0% (6)	0.0% (0)	3.3% (1)	53.3% (16)	3.36	30
65. Health Services	6.5% (2)	45.2% (14)	9.7% (3)	6.5% (2)	32.3% (10)	2.76	31
66. Honor Societies/Departmental Clubs/Special Interest Organizations	16.1% (5)	41.9% (13)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	38.7% (12)	3.21	31
67. International programs and activities	12.9% (4)	25.8% (8)	3.2% (1)	3.2% (1)	54.8% (17)	3.07	31
68. International student support services	6.5% (2)	22.6% (7)	3.2% (1)	6.5% (2)	61.3% (19)	2.75	31
69. Internet and wireless access for study and research needs 2014-2015 Senior Survey			16.1% (5) of 28 Institutional Effecti	0.0% (0) veness	16.1% (5)	3.12 Institute	31 of Engineering

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70. Intramural Sports and Recreation	12.9% (4)	48.4% (15)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	38.7% (12)	3.21	31
71. LGBT programs	9.7% (3)	16.1% (5)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	71.0% (22)	3.11	31
72. Lowry Center/Developmental courses and tutoring	6.5% (2)	19.4% (6)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	71.0% (22)	3.00	31
73. Library	22.6% (7)	51.6% (16)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	22.6% (7)	3.25	31
74. MSU web site	32.3% (10)	51.6% (16)	0.0% (0)	6.5% (2)	9.7% (3)	3.21	31
75. NCAA Sports	25.8% (8)	32.3% (10)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	38.7% (12)	3.32	31
76. Online courses that are not Blackboard or Canvas	16.1% (5)	16.1% (5)	6.5% (2)	3.2% (1)	58.1% (18)	3.08	31
77. Public Safety/Security Services	16.1% (5)	45.2% (14)	6.5% (2)	3.2% (1)	29.0% (9)	3.05	31
78. Registration through myGate	38.7% (12)	51.6% (16)	6.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.33	31
79. Residential College programming and activities	22.6% (7)	38.7% (12)	6.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	32.3% (10)	3.24	31
80. Scholarships/grants/student employment	29.0% (9)	58.1% (18)	3.2% (1)	0.0% (0)	9.7% (3)	3.29	31
81. Services for non-traditional students	12.9% (4)	16.1% (5)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	71.0% (22)	3.44	31
82. Services for Students with Learning Disabilities (SSLD)	9.7% (3)	19.4% (6)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	71.0% (22)	3.33	31
83. Transcript requests	22.6% (7)	45.2% (14)	6.5% (2)	3.2% (1)	22.6% (7)	3.13	31
84. Student Support Services (SSS)	12.9% (4)	22.6% (7)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	64.5% (20)	3.36	31
85. Transfer Center	16.1% (5)	25.8% (8)	6.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	51.6% (16)	3.20	31
86. University Counseling Services	6.7% (2)	30.0% (9)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	63.3% (19)	3.18	30
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88. Wellness Center	25.8% (8)	54.8% (17)	6.5% (2)	0.0% (0)	12.9% (4)	3.22	31
87. Veteran Services	6.5% (2)	16.1% (5)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	77.4% (24)	3.29	31

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Did not participate	32.3%	10
Frequently	25.8%	8
Occasionally	32.3%	10
Seldom	9.7%	3
	answered question	31
	skipped question	7

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

	Respons Percent	Response Count
32.3%	ial es 32.3°	1
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37. 92. When you graduate how many times will you have studied abroad during your university career?

		Response Percent	Response Count
None		54.8%	17
One		32.3%	10
Two		9.7%	3
Three or more		3.2%	1
	ans	wered question	31
	sk	kipped question	7

38. 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;	38.7% (12)	58.1% (18)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.32	31
94. Understand and apply the critical and scientific methodologies that academic disciplines employ to discover knowledge and ascertain its validity;	32.3% (10)	64.5% (20)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.26	31
95. Apply sound standards of information gathering, analysis and evaluation to reach logical decisions;	29.0% (9)	67.7% (21)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.23	31
96. Understand the roles and applications of science and technology in the solution of the problems of a changing world;	35.5% (11)	61.3% (19)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.29	31
97. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the world's historical, literary, philosophical and artistic traditions;	22.6% (7)	61.3% (19)	12.9% (4)	3.2% (1)	3.03	31
98. Understand the dynamics of cultural diversity, of competing economic and political systems, and of complex moral and ethical issues;	22.6% (7)	74.2% (23)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.16	31
99. Understand the nature of and engage in ethical behavior and responsible citizenship;	25.8% (8)	71.0% (22)	0.0% (0)	3.2% (1)	3.19	31
100. Understand the importance of the behaviors necessary to maintain a healthy lifestyle;	32.3% (10)	58.1% (18)	6.5% (2)	3.2% (1)	3.19	31
101. Demonstrate mastery of a chosen field of study;	32.3% (10)	61.3% (19)	3.2% (1)	3.2% (1)	3.23	31

102. Value intellectual pursu continuous learning in a cha	8) 67.7% (21)	3.2% (1)	3.2% (1)	3.16	31
			answere	d question	31
			skippe	d question	7

39. 103. What do you expect to do after you graduate?					
	Response Percent	Response Count			
I am unsure of my immediate plans.	3.3%	1			
I will look for a job.	40.0%	12			
I will continue working in the position I now have.	3.3%	1			
I will work at a position I recently accepted.	20.0%	6			
I will do additional undergraduate work.	0.0%	0			
I will go to graduate school.	30.0%	9			
I will go to law school.	0.0%	0			
I will go to medical school.	3.3%	1			
I will go to other professional school.	0.0%	0			
I will not work or attend school.	0.0%	0			
	answered question	30			
	skipped question	8			

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Extremely close	20.0%	6
Somewhat close	23.3%	7
Somewhat different	0.0%	0
Extremely different	13.3%	4
I cannot determine	0.0%	0
Does not apply	43.3%	13
	answered question	30
	skipped question	8

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Above \$75,000	13.3%	4
\$65,000 - \$75,000	13.3%	4
\$55,000 - \$64,999	20.0%	6
\$45,000 - \$54,999	26.7%	8
\$35,000 - \$44,999	3.3%	1
\$25,000 - \$34,999	0.0%	0
Below \$25,000	0.0%	0
Does not apply	23.3%	7
	answered question	30
	skipped question	8

42. 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	23.3%	7
University/College in Kentucky	3.3%	1
University/College outside Kentucky	16.7%	5
Does not apply	56.7%	17
	answered question	30
	skipped question	8

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

	Response Percent	Response Count
Strongly agree	43.3%	13
Agree	46.7%	14
Disagree	10.0%	3
Strongly disagree	0.0%	0
	answered question	30
	skipped question	8