Valdosta State University
Undergraduate Alumni Survey

Valdosta State University is committed to improving our services to our students. Please tell us about your undergraduate experiences at VSU to help us continue to improve experiences for future students. This survey contains 67 questions and takes approximately 15-20 minutes to complete. All responses will be confidential. Aggregate results will be reported.

Return the completed survey in the provided pre-paid envelope to Strategic Research & Analysis no later than April 3, 2009.

YOUR UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE AT VSU

Rate the importance of each element and the level of preparation provided by VSU to help you. Select one response on each side of the question.

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- Appreciate and understand diversity and other cultures
- Appreciate history in context to current issues
- Appreciate social, economic, and political forces
- Appreciate the value of literature and the arts
- Appreciate the natural or physical sciences
- Critically analyze information
- Develop a global perspective
- Formulate and present ideas verbally and in writing
- Listen effectively
- Maintain a sense of mental well-being
- Maintain a sense of physical well-being
- Make decisions
- Organize information
- Provide effective leadership
- Solve problems creatively
- Synthesize and integrate knowledge across disciplines
- Think creatively
- Use analytic reasoning
- Use computing and other technologies in your daily life and work
- Use computing technology in discipline-specific analysis and design
- Work in teams or groups
- Write effectively
How would you rate the overall effectiveness of your program/major?

☐ Very effective  ☐ Somewhat effective  ☐ Somewhat ineffective  ☐ Very ineffective

Rate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your education at VSU:

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Indicate how important you believe it is for VSU to emphasize the following:

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Did you work during college?  ☐ Yes, full-time  ☐ Yes, part-time  ☐ No

GRADUATE STUDY

Have you enrolled in a degree program since graduating from VSU?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No

If you have not pursued a graduate degree skip to the next section.

If yes, what is/was your field of study in graduate school?

Based on your undergraduate experience at VSU, how prepared were you for graduate or professional school?

☐ Very prepared  ☐ Somewhat prepared  ☐ Somewhat unprepared  ☐ Very unprepared  ☐ N/A

EMPLOYMENT

How long did it take you to get your first full-time permanent job after completing your bachelor's degree?

☐ Employed prior to graduation  ☐ Less than 2 months  ☐ More than 6 months  ☐ N/A

Was it necessary for you to relocate for your first job after graduation?

☐ Relocated within state  ☐ Relocated to another state  ☐ Relocated to another country  ☐ Did not relocate

Are you currently employed?

☐ Yes; full-time  ☐ Yes; part-time  ☐ No; seeking work  ☐ No; not seeking work

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If not currently employed, skip to next section.

What is your current field of employment?

☐ Aerospace  ☐ Finance  ☐ Law  ☐ Real Estate
☐ Agricultural  ☐ Government  ☐ Medical/Nursing  ☐ Retail
☐ Construction  ☐ Homemaker  ☐ Public Service  ☐ Other
☐ Education  ☐ Insurance  ☐ Technology

What is your current job title?

Is your current employment directly related to your major?

☐ Yes  ☐ Somewhat  ☐ No

What is your annual full-time salary?

☐ Less than $20,000  ☐ $20,001 to $40,000  ☐ $40,001 to $70,000  ☐ $70,001 to $100,000  ☐ $100,001 and up

How satisfied are you with your current job?

☐ Very satisfied  ☐ Somewhat satisfied  ☐ Somewhat unsatisfied  ☐ Very unsatisfied

Rate your overall professional preparation at VSU to:

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OVERALL IMPRESSIONS OF VSU

In your opinion, is VSU’s academic reputation:

☐ Improving  ☐ Staying the same  ☐ Declining

Given the cost of education and your investment of time and effort, how would you rate the value of your education?

☐ Excellent  ☐ Good  ☐ Fair  ☐ Poor

If you started college again, would you choose to attend VSU?

☐ Yes  ☐ Uncertain  ☐ No

If you started college again, would you enroll in the same program?

☐ Yes  ☐ Uncertain  ☐ No

Would you recommend VSU to others?

☐ Yes  ☐ Uncertain  ☐ No

I am proud to be a VSU Graduate.

☐ Yes  ☐ Uncertain  ☐ No

How connected do you feel to VSU as an alumnus?

☐ Very connected  ☐ Somewhat connected  ☐ Not connected

(over)
Are you familiar with the following sources of VSU news and events? (Mark all that apply.)

☐ VSU Alumni Voice ☐ Spectator (online edition) ☐ VSU Alumni Website
☐ Spectator (printed edition) ☐ VSU Website ☐ VSU Facebook Website

The VSU Alumni Voice magazine is the only publication VSU distributes to all alumni and supporters. How many issues of the VSU Alumni Voice have you read?

☐ 0 ☐ 1 to 2 ☐ 3 to 5 ☐ More than 5

If you have read the VSU Alumni Voice, what type of articles do you most enjoy?

☐ Campus related news ☐ Accomplishments of alumni ☐ Current events and how they relate to VSU

Have you visited the VSU campus since you graduated?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If you have visited VSU, what prompted you to return to campus? (Mark all that apply.)

☐ Athletic event ☐ Academic presentation ☐ Homecoming ☐ Have not visited campus
☐ Arts or cultural event ☐ Alumni gathering ☐ Just visiting

Which of following statements best reflects your thoughts on financial donations to VSU?

☐ I contribute financially to VSU.
☐ I would like to contribute to VSU, but I do not have the financial resources to do so at this time.
☐ I am not interested in contributing to VSU.

DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Race (select one or more):

☐ American Indian or Alaska Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American
☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ☐ White

Year of undergraduate graduation from VSU: ____________

Major in which you graduated: ___________________________________________

Please write any additional comments in the space below.

Thank you for your feedback!