

## College of Liberal Arts Graduation Survey: Spring 2012

**For Likert Scale Questions, low numbers are more positive than high – therefore the lower the mean, the more positive the response**

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### 1. Family Status

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Married, no children		7	11%
2	Married, with children		6	10%
3	Single, no children		46	75%
4	Single, with children		2	3%
	Total		61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	2.70
Variance	0.51
Standard Deviation	0.72
Total Responses	61

### 2. Residence at time of admission

#	Answer		Response	%
1	In-State		44	72%
2	Metro		10	16%
3	Out-of-State		7	11%
	Total		61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.39
Variance	0.48
Standard Deviation	0.69
Total Responses	61

**3. Number of semesters enrolled to complete your degree (Note: One semester is equal to fall, spring, or summer, resulting in the potential for three semesters in one year)**

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Fewer than 8 semesters	9	15%
2	8 semesters	20	33%
3	9 semesters	4	7%
4	10 semesters	11	18%
5	11 semesters	4	7%
6	12 semesters	6	10%
7	13 semesters	3	5%
8	14 semesters	2	3%
9	15 semesters	0	0%
10	16 semesters	0	0%
11	17 semesters	0	0%
12	18 semesters	0	0%
13	19 semesters	0	0%
14	20 semesters	0	0%
15	More than 20 semesters	2	3%
	Total	61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	15
Mean	3.74
Variance	8.16
Standard Deviation	2.86
Total Responses	61

#### 4. While pursuing your degree, did you

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Originally enroll and stay at Marshall	43	70%
2	Transfer from a 2-year institution or community college	7	11%
3	Transfer from another 4-year institution	11	18%
	Total	61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.48
Variance	0.62
Standard Deviation	0.79
Total Responses	61

**5. During the last year of your studies, how many hours a week did you work while attending classes?**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	None		11	18%
2	1 - 10		10	16%
3	11 - 20		22	36%
4	21 - 30		6	10%
5	More than 30		12	20%
	Total		61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	2.97
Variance	1.80
Standard Deviation	1.34
Total Responses	61

**6. Which of the following best describes your educational objective while attending Marshall University?**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Begin my first career		45	74%
2	Advance in current career		5	8%
3	Change career		5	8%
4	Non-career objective		6	10%
	Total		61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.54
Variance	1.02
Standard Deviation	1.01
Total Responses	61

## 7. Upon graduation, what was the dollar amount of your educational loan indebtedness?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	No indebtedness	26	43%
2	Up to \$4,999	3	5%
3	\$5,000 - \$9,999	4	7%
4	\$10,000 - \$14,999	2	3%
5	\$15,000 - \$19,999	9	15%
6	Over \$20,000	17	28%
	Total	61	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	3.26
Variance	4.90
Standard Deviation	2.21
Total Responses	61

**8. Did you take part in an internship, practicum or other structured work experience related to your major and anticipated career?**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		23	38%
2	No		38	62%
	Total		61	100%

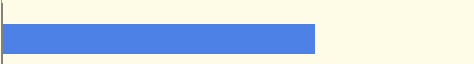

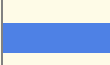








Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.62
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total Responses	61

**9. If you answered "yes" to the previous question, did that experience increase your ability to secure employment or employment offers?**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		12	55%
2	No		5	23%
3	Insufficient information to answer this question		5	23%
	Total		22	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.68
Variance	0.70
Standard Deviation	0.84
Total Responses	22

## 10. When I graduate from Marshall University I plan to (check all that apply)

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Attend graduate school		40	66%
2	Complete additional undergraduate coursework		5	8%
3	Continue to work at the same job I have at present		14	23%
4	Enter the military		1	2%
5	Work for a private sector company or corporation		7	11%
6	Work for a local, state, or federal agency		14	23%
7	Work for a volunteer or service organization, e.g. Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, City Year, etc.		5	8%
8	Work for a non-profit organization, e.g. hospital, university, public school, etc.		8	13%
9	Begin my own business		3	5%
10	Start or raise a family		8	13%
11	Take time off (to travel, etc.)		7	11%



12	Undecided or no plans		11	18%
13	Other		4	7%

Other
Teach For America
Find a job
find work
attend nursing school at Collins Career Center

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	13
Total Responses	61

**11. If you plan to continue your education and have applied to institutions of higher education, please check all that apply: I have applied to institutions of higher education**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Within 50 miles of my college town		8	23%
2	Within 50 miles of my home town		7	20%
3	Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my college town		8	23%
4	Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my home town		9	26%
5	In WV		16	46%
6	In at least one of WV's neighboring states (OH, KY, VA, MD, PA)		17	49%
7	Within the US, but outside the above boundaries		6	17%
8	Internationally		0	0%
9	Other (please specify)		4	11%

Other (please specify)
have not applied yet
I have not yet applied
Have not applied yet
haven't applied yet

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	9
Total Responses	35

## 12. Have you been accepted by a higher-level educational program?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	16	44%
2	No	20	56%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Total Responses	36

**13. If you have been accepted by a higher level institution, what institution do you plan to attend?**

Text Response
University of the Cumberlands Physician Assistant Program
University of Cincinnati College of Law
Ohio Northern Law or Marshall University
Marian University Indianapolis
San Diego State University
Still Deciding between Marshall or East Carolina University
University of Cincinnati College of Law
Carnegie Mellon University
Marshall
Loyola in Chicago, or Xavier in Cincinnati
I'm not sure yet.
Duke University
Marshall
Emory School of Law
Marshall University

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	15

## 14. While pursuing my degree at Marshall University

#	Question	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Mean
1	I developed the ability to write effectively.	30	23	5	1	0	59	1.61
2	I developed the ability to use mathematics in everyday life.	10	12	24	8	4	58	2.72
3	I learned to find scholarly information, to evaluate it critically and to use it effectively.	33	22	3	1	0	59	1.53
4	I gained expertise in the use of technology important in my field of study.	21	22	12	4	0	59	1.98
5	I acquired sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare for career-related positions.	17	27	12	3	0	59	2.02
6	I developed the ability to express myself effectively through	20	28	10	1	0	59	1.86

	speaking.							
7	I developed multicultural and global perspectives.	28	24	5	1	1	59	1.69
8	Writing intensive courses helped me to improve my writing skills.	23	22	9	3	2	59	1.97
9	My classes challenged me to analyze and evaluate issues and to solve real-world problems in a manner that is ethical and supportive of our civic well being.	23	23	10	3	0	59	1.88
10	I broadened my appreciation for the arts.	23	19	11	4	2	59	2.03
11	My capstone course challenged me to do my best work.	30	23	4	1	1	59	1.64
12	I learned to examine issues from multiple perspectives.	24	31	3	1	0	59	1.68
13	I learned to use what I know to solve novel	22	31	6	0	0	59	1.73

	problems.							
14	I learned to assess my own values and to examine other viewpoints and credible evidence.	26	31	2	0	0	59	1.59







## 15. Now that I have completed my degree,

#	Question	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Mean
1	I feel adequately prepared for a career and/or graduate or professional study in my major field.	14	33	8	4	0	59	2.03
2	I believe that Marshall University's program in my major field is of high quality.	17	25	13	4	0	59	2.07
3	I would recommend to others that they study the same program at Marshall.	21	21	12	4	1	59	2.03
4	I would recommend Marshall to prospective students.	25	16	14	2	2	59	1.98

Statistic	I feel adequately prepared for a career and/or graduate or professional study in my major field.	I believe that Marshall University's program in my major field is of high quality.	I would recommend to others that they study the same program at Marshall.	I would recommend Marshall to prospective students.
Min Value	1	1	1	1
Max Value	4	4	5	5
Mean	2.03	2.07	2.03	1.98
Variance	0.65	0.79	1.00	1.12
Standard Deviation	0.81	0.89	1.00	1.06
Total Responses	59	59	59	59

**16. Please rate your level of satisfaction with the quality of the following at Marshall:**

#	Question	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Responses	Mean
1	Teaching	21	28	8	1	1	59	1.86
2	Advising	12	15	13	13	5	58	2.72
3	Academic Support Services	8	16	26	6	3	59	2.66
4	Classroom/Lab Facilities	12	25	17	4	1	59	2.27

Statistic	Teaching	Advising	Academic Support Services	Classroom/Lab Facilities
Min Value	1	1	1	1
Max Value	5	5	5	5
Mean	1.86	2.72	2.66	2.27
Variance	0.71	1.61	1.02	0.86
Standard Deviation	0.84	1.27	1.01	0.93
Total Responses	59	58	59	59

## 17. When I graduate, I plan to

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Be employed	36	62%
2	Further my education	41	71%
3	Other	2	3%

### Other

Get married on June 23

Peace Corps

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Total Responses	58

## 18. If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be in the career path you have chosen?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	18	50%
2	No	6	17%
3	Don't know yet	12	33%
	Total	36	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.83
Variance	0.83
Standard Deviation	0.91
Total Responses	36

### 19. If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be in your major field?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		19	53%
2	No		7	19%
3	Don't know yet		10	28%
	Total		36	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.75
Variance	0.76
Standard Deviation	0.87
Total Responses	36

### 20. If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be

#	Answer		Response	%
1	In WV?		21	58%
2	In KY, OH, PA, VA, or MD?		8	22%
3	In a state other than one mentioned above?		5	14%
4	In a country other than the US?		2	6%
	Total		36	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.67
Variance	0.86
Standard Deviation	0.93
Total Responses	36

**21. If you plan to be employed after graduation, will your job be (choose all that apply):**

#	Answer	Response	%
1	within 50 miles of your college town?	18	50%
2	within 50 miles of your home town?	13	36%
3	over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your college town?	6	17%
4	over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your home town?	5	14%
5	over 500 miles from your college town	3	8%
6	over 500 miles from your home town	6	17%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Total Responses	36

## 22. If you have accepted employment, what will be your starting salary?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	\$10,000 or less	0	0%
2	\$10,001 - \$15,000	3	8%
3	\$15,001 - \$20,000	2	6%
4	\$20,001 - \$25,000	0	0%
5	\$25,001 - \$30,000	1	3%
6	\$30,001 - \$35,000	2	6%
7	\$35,001 - \$40,000	1	3%
8	\$40,001 - \$45,000	0	0%
9	\$45,001 - \$50,000	0	0%
10	More than \$50,000	1	3%
11	I have not yet accepted employment	26	72%
	Total	36	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	2
Max Value	11
Mean	9.22
Variance	10.29
Standard Deviation	3.21
Total Responses	36

### 23. For the position indicated above, who is your employer?

Text Response
Indianapolis Public Schools
Marshall University
U.S. Army
WV Supreme Court of Appeals
Branches domestic violence shelter
Keaton's Collision Center
Tractor supply co.
United Bank

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	8

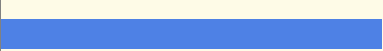



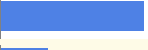

### 24. Did you use Career Services to help you with your career path?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	10	17%
2	No	49	83%
	Total	59	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.83
Variance	0.14
Standard Deviation	0.38
Total Responses	59



**25. If you answered "yes" to the previous question, please indicate all services used.**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Marshall JobTrax		8	80%
2	Resume assistance		6	60%
3	Career Advising		2	20%
4	Mock Interviewing		0	0%
5	On-campus recruitment event		1	10%
6	Career Fair		3	30%
7	Other		1	10%

Other
Career Champions

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	7
Total Responses	10

**26. Please indicate your level of satisfaction with these elements of your experience in the College of Liberal Arts:**

#	Question	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Responses	Mean
1	Mandatory Advising Policy	9	23	18	6	3	59	2.51
2	Senior Evaluation	20	19	11	6	3	59	2.20
3	General (Core) Education Requirements	9	22	14	10	4	59	2.63
4	Availability/Accessibility of COLA staff and faculty	20	21	11	5	2	59	2.12
5	Policies clearly explained in the catalog	13	18	21	5	2	59	2.41
6	Student kept adequately informed of academic progress	14	30	7	7	1	59	2.17
7	Courses offered in sufficient numbers/frequency to meet student needs	10	23	12	11	3	59	2.56
8	Sufficient summer school offerings	6	20	30	2	1	59	2.53
9	Transfer credits from other colleges (within the university and also from other colleges to this college)	12	17	19	6	2	56	2.45
10	Quality of department/faculty advising	12	23	14	7	3	59	2.42
11	Availability of faculty for appointments	21	26	11	1	0	59	1.86
12	Development of critical thinking skills encouraged by	24	28	6	1	0	59	1.73

	college/department							
1 3	Quality of program/courses in my major	24	26	6	3	0	59	1.80
1 4	Development of writing skills enhanced	27	25	6	0	1	59	1.69

Statistic	Mandatory Advising Policy	Senior Evaluation	General (Core) Education Requirements	Availability/Accessibility of COLA staff and faculty	Policies clearly explained in the catalog	Student kept adequately informed of academic progress	Courses offered in sufficient numbers/frequency to meet student needs	Sufficient summer school offerings	Transfer credits from other colleges (within the university and also from other colleges to this college)	Quality of department/faculty advising	Availability of faculty for appointments	Development of critical thinking skills encouraged by college/department	Quality of program/courses in my major	Development of writing skills enhanced
Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	5

x Value														
Mean	2.51	2.20	2.63	2.12	2.41	2.17	2.56	2.53	2.45	2.42	1.86	1.73	1.80	1.69
Variance	1.08	1.37	1.31	1.18	1.07	0.97	1.29	0.63	1.12	1.21	0.60	0.51	0.68	0.63
Standard Deviation	1.04	1.17	1.14	1.08	1.04	0.99	1.13	0.80	1.06	1.10	0.78	0.72	0.83	0.79
Total Responses	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	59	56	59	59	59	59	59

## 27. Gender

Value	Total
Female	47
Male	14

## 28. Race

Value	Total
White	58
Asian/Pacific Islander	1
African American	2

## 29. Age

Value	Total
22	22
21	14
23	6
24	3
27	2
45	1
38	3
29	1
20	2
34	1
30	1
26	4
25	1

## 30. Degree

Value	Total
BA	59
BS	2

## 31. Major

Value	Total
LP20	16
LP10	5
LM40	1
LH10	7
LH20	1
LE20	7
LA10	2
LC40	9
LG10	1
LC10	1
LG20	2
LC30	4
LM30	4
LS10	1

## 32. Minor\_1

Value	Total
VBSC	3
VCJ0	3
VGER	1
VHST	7
VFRN	1
VPSY	7
VHS5	1
VSOC	7
VCL0	1
VWMS	1
VANT	2
VJMC	1
VGEO	2
VSPN	3
VGRK	1
VRST	1
VGE1	1
VHS4	2
VCOU	3
VENG	1
VECN	1
VIAF	2
VIS2	1
VMKT	1
[No Value]	7



### 33. Minor\_2

Value	Total
VENG	1
VWMS	2
VHST	1
VFRN	1
VGE1	1
VRST	1
VMS1	1
VIAF	1
[No Value]	52

## 34. GPA

Value	Total
3.77	1
3.83	3
3.94	2
3.4	1
3.79	1
3.5	1
2.64	1
2.5	1
2.54	1
2.42	1
3.57	2
3.93	1
3.63	3
3.51	1
3.54	2
3.76	1
4	1
3.74	1
3.34	1
3.31	1
2.34	1
3.11	1
3.22	1
2.93	2
3.39	1
3.87	3
3.28	1
3.17	1
3.7	1
3.46	1
3.15	1
2.49	1
3.47	1

3.03	1
2.65	1
3.25	1
2.59	1
3.72	1
3.38	1
2.57	1
3.02	1
3.68	2
3.75	1
3.35	1
3.56	1
2.03	1
3.45	1
2.26	1
2.82	1
2.56	1