

Alumni Survey, Spring 2002

Roane State Community College

191 Responses

1. How satisfied are you with the educational experience you have had at RSCC?

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| Very Dissatisfied | 1% | Satisfied | 46% |
| Dissatisfied | 1% | Very Satisfied | 51% |

2. If you could start college again, would you enroll at RSCC?

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| Definitely No | 1% | Probably Yes | 46% |
| Probably No | 7% | Definitely Yes | 46% |

3-6. How do you rate the following aspects of your RSCC experience?

| | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|---------------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| Your academic experience: | 1% | 7% | 48% | 43% |
| Your social experience: | 2% | 23% | 50% | 24% |
| Your cultural experience: | 4% | 33% | 46% | 16% |
| Your overall experience: | 0% | 7% | 59% | 33% |

7. While attending RSCC, how often would you say you have done each of the following?

| | Never | Seldom | Occasionally | Often |
|--|-------|--------|--------------|-------|
| Used written reference materials: | 1% | 9% | 44% | 45% |
| Completed a paper or project that integrated ideas from several sources: | 1% | 6% | 46% | 46% |
| Applied a concept or technique you learned in class in another setting: | 0% | 4% | 47% | 48% |
| Used on-line library databases (Infotrack, etc.): | 15% | 29% | 31% | 23% |
| Tried to explain a method or theory to another person: | 3% | 23% | 44% | 29% |
| Used the internet in classroom assignments: | 8% | 20% | 37% | 34% |

8. Please indicate if you have used any of the following services at Roane State Community College, and rate your overall satisfaction with each. If you did not use (N/A) any of the services, please fill in the corresponding bubble and move to the next item.

| | USE | | SATISFACTION | | | |
|---|-----|------|--------------|------|------|-----------|
| | N/A | Used | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
| Library Facilities Services: | 14% | 83% | 1% | 11% | 51% | 23% |
| Registration Services: | 4% | 93% | 0% | 12% | 55% | 29% |
| Financial Aid Services: | 43% | 53% | 1% | 9% | 21% | 25% |
| Computer Facilities/Service: | 15% | 81% | 1% | 6% | 48% | 28% |
| Advising Services: | 25% | 71% | 6% | 13% | 33% | 22% |
| Practicum/intern/service learning experience: | 69% | 28% | 2% | 3% | 18% | 9% |

9. In answering the questions below, please think of your overall experience at RSCC. Please indicate the degree to which your education at RSCC has added to your abilities in each of the following skill areas:

| | Very Little | Somewhat | Very Much |
|--|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Practical skills necessary to obtain employment in your field: | 6% | 35% | 58% |
| Getting along with people of different races or ethnic groups: | 26% | 47% | 27% |
| Ability to grow and learn as a person: | 4% | 37% | 59% |
| Ability to lead or guide others: | 9% | 50% | 41% |
| Self-confidence in expressing your ideas: | 6% | 46% | 48% |
| Appreciation of different cultures: | 23% | 49% | 28% |
| Planning and carrying out projects: | 3% | 46% | 50% |
| Speaking effectively: | 4% | 44% | 52% |
| Writing effectively: | 5% | 44% | 51% |
| Understanding written information: | 5% | 37% | 58% |
| Understanding graphic information: | 11% | 50% | 39% |
| Ability to use information/computer technology: | 8% | 45% | 47% |
| Learning on your own: | 7% | 36% | 58% |
| Defining and solving problems: | 4% | 44% | 52% |
| Working cooperatively in a group: | 7% | 38% | 55% |
| Ability to understand mathematical concepts: | 11% | 44% | 45% |
| Understanding global environment concerns: | 32% | 49% | 19% |
| Understanding/appreciating the arts: | 29% | 47% | 24% |
| Understanding/applying scientific principles and methods: | 17% | 46% | 37% |

10. The following questions relate to your major. Thinking about your major, please rate the quality of each item below.

| | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent |
|--|------|------|------|-----------|
| Availability of your faculty advisor: | 9% | 19% | 33% | 38% |
| Quality of information provided by your advisor: | 12% | 17% | 31% | 39% |
| Clarity of degree requirements in the major: | 6% | 7% | 38% | 48% |
| Clarity of objectives for courses in the major: | 3% | 14% | 36% | 46% |
| Opportunities for student evaluation of instruction: | 6% | 15% | 37% | 42% |
| Availability of faculty to help students outside of class: | 4% | 17% | 39% | 39% |
| Quality of courses to prepare you for employment: | 4% | 12% | 41% | 42% |
| Quality of instruction in the major: | 1% | 10% | 36% | 51% |
| Opportunities to express ideas in writing in the major: | 3% | 24% | 41% | 30% |
| Usefulness of information learned in class in day-to-day activities: | 2% | 11% | 43% | 44% |

11. While at RSCC, with how many faculty members did you develop a close relationship (such that you feel you could ask them for a letter of recommendation)?

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| None | 9% |
| One | 15% |
| Two | 32% |
| Three or More | 45% |

12. If you could choose your major again, would you select the same major?

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| Definitely No | 4% |
| Probably No | 13% |
| Probably Yes | 38% |
| Definitely Yes | 45% |

13. Overall, how satisfied are you with the climate of diversity at RSCC?

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| Very Dissatisfied | 1% |
| Dissatisfied | 4% |
| Satisfied | 69% |
| Very Satisfied | 27% |

14. How would you characterize the preparation you received at RSCC for further study at another college or university?

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| Poor | 2% |
| Fair | 12% |
| Good | 52% |
| Excellent | 32% |

15. What is your gender?

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| Female | 77% |
| Male | 20% |

16. How old were you when you first began at RSCC?

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| Under 22 | 56% | 31 to 45 | 18% |
| 22 to 24 | 8% | 46 to 60 | 2% |
| 25 to 30 | 13% | Over 60 | 0% |

17. What is your present age?

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| Under 22 | 7% | 31 to 45 | 31% |
| 22 to 24 | 31% | 46 to 60 | 9% |
| 25 to 30 | 18% | Over 60 | 1% |

18. What is your race/ethnic group?

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| Asian-American/Pacific Islander | 1% | Caucasian | 93% |
| Native American/American Indian | 1% | Hispanic/Latino | 0% |
| African American | 2% | Other | 1% |

19. For the most part, are you a part-time or full-time student?

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| Full-time | 78% |
| Part-time | 19% |

20. While attending Roane State Community College, about how many hours do you work per week?

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| Not employed | 11% | 20 to 29 hours | 24% |
| Employed fewer than 10 hours | 6% | 30 to 40 hours | 31% |
| 10 to 19 hours | 16% | More than 40 hours | 9% |

21. Which of the following best describes your employment situation?

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| Working full-time (not self employed) | 61% | Working part-time (not self-employed) | 18% |
| Self-employed | 2% | Unemployed, seeking employment | 3% |
| Unemployed, not seeking employment | 3% | Full-time student/not employed | 10% |

22. Are you employed in the field in which you were educated? If not, why (choose best response).

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| I am employed in my major field | 57% |
| I could not find a job in my major field | 7% |
| I developed new career interests after leaving college | 11% |
| The jobs in my field did not pay well | 4% |
| The jobs in my field did not offer opportunities for advancement | 1% |
| I am a full-time student/not presently employed | 13% |

23. How did you become aware of the opening that became your first job after graduating from college?

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| I was already working in the job | 30% |
| Cooperative education project/faculty contact/service learning | 6% |
| College placement office | 1% |
| Employment/placement agency | 0% |
| Newspaper advertisement | 8% |
| Contact through a friend or relative | 19% |
| Other | 23% |

24. What is your current annual salary?

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| Less than \$20,000 | 24% |
| \$20,000 - \$34,999 | 36% |
| \$35,000 - \$49,999 | 17% |
| \$50,000 - \$64,999 | 2% |
| \$65,000 or more | 1% |
| Not applicable | 16% |

25. Are you presently enrolled in a college or university?

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| Yes, part-time undergraduate | 5% |
| Yes, full-time undergraduate | 19% |
| Yes, part-time graduate/professional student | 0% |
| Yes, full-time graduate/professional student | 3% |
| Not presently enrolled in a college or university | 70% |

26. On what RSCC campus did you take the majority of your classes?

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| Main Campus - Roane County | 44% |
| Oak Ridge Branch Campus | 32% |
| Campbell County Campus | 4% |
| Cumberland County Campus | 13% |
| Knox County Campus | 3% |
| Loudon County Campus | 1% |
| Scott County Campus | 2% |