

College of Liberal Arts Survey Results: Calendar Year 2011

Please note that the scale for all Likert questions ranges from 1 = Very Satisfied to 5 = Very Dissatisfied. Therefore, lower means are more positive than higher means.

1. Family Status

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Married, no children		4	4%
2	Married, with children		2	2%
3	Single, no children		86	89%
4	Single, with children		5	5%
	Total		97	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	2.95
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total Responses	97

2. Residence at time of admission

#	Answer		Response	%
1	In-State		73	75%
2	Metro		10	10%
3	Out-of-State		14	14%
	Total		97	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.39
Variance	0.53
Standard Deviation	0.73
Total Responses	97

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)

Text Response
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11

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	92

4. While pursuing your degree, did you

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Originally enroll and stay at Marshall		79	81%
2	Transfer from a 2-year institution or community college		6	6%
3	Transfer from another 4-year institution		12	12%
	Total		97	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.31
Variance	0.47
Standard Deviation	0.68
Total Responses	97

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

#	Answer		Response	%
1	None		24	25%
2	1 - 10		6	6%
3	11 - 20		25	26%
4	21 - 30		27	28%
5	More than 30		15	15%
	Total		97	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	3.03
Variance	1.97
Standard Deviation	1.40
Total Responses	97

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Begin my first career	82	85%
2	Advance in current career	3	3%
3	Change career	4	4%
4	Non-career objective	7	7%
	Total	96	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.33
Variance	0.75
Standard Deviation	0.87
Total Responses	96

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

#	Answer		Response	%
1	No indebtedness		34	35%
2	Up to \$4,999		5	5%
3	\$5,000 - \$9,999		5	5%
4	\$10,000 - \$14,999		10	10%
5	\$15,000 - \$19,999		8	8%
6	Over \$20,000		35	36%
	Total		97	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	3.60
Variance	4.83
Standard Deviation	2.20
Total Responses	97

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		40	41%
2	No		57	59%
	Total		97	100%

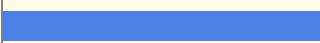



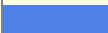






Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.59
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total Responses	97



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	19	48%
2	No	9	23%
3	Insufficient information to answer this question	12	30%
	Total	40	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.83
Variance	0.76
Standard Deviation	0.87
Total Responses	40

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

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Attend graduate school		65	67%
2	Complete additional undergraduate coursework		7	7%
3	Continue to work at the same job I have at present		21	22%
4	Enter the military		1	1%
5	Work for a private sector company or corporation		22	23%
6	Work for a local, state, or federal agency		38	39%
7	Work for a volunteer or service organization, e.g. Peace Corps, AmeriCorps, City Year, etc.		14	14%
8	Work for a non-profit organization, e.g. hospital, university, public school, etc.		20	21%
9	Begin my own business		2	2%
10	Start or raise a family		15	15%
11	Take time off (to travel, etc.)		25	26%

12	Undecided or no plans		9	9%
13	Other		6	6%

Other	
Prepare for possible law school	
Law school	
Considering all the selected options	
Finally enjoy having a life.	
go to school for something different	
au pair	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	13
Total Responses	97

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		18	36%
2	Within 50 miles of my home town		11	22%
3	Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my college town		8	16%
4	Over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of my home town		11	22%
5	In WV		22	44%
6	In at least one of WV's neighboring states (OH, KY, VA, MD, PA)		13	26%
7	Within the US, but outside the above boundaries		11	22%
8	Internationally		3	6%
9	Other (please specify)		4	8%

Other (please specify)
have not applied
Will apply for fall 2012
I have not applied yet

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	9
Total Responses	50

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	18	32%
2	No	38	68%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Total Responses	56

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

Text Response
Thomas Cooley School of Law
Marshall University Graduate School
West Virginia University
University of Georgia
Don't know yet, either Colorado University, WVU, Pitt or North Carolina
Marshall University Graduate School
Marshall university
Marshall University Graduate School
Ohio Northern University College of Law
None of your concern
Washington University in St. Louis
The John Marshall School of Law
Marshall University
Marshall University, graduate college
Norfolk State University
Marshall University Graduate School
Marshall University

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	17

14. While pursuing my degree at Marshall University

#	Question	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Responses	Mean
1	I acquired a basic knowledge in general education (humanities and social science courses)	45	45	2	1	1	94	1.60
2	I developed the ability to write effectively	47	37	6	1	2	93	1.65
3	I developed the ability to use mathematics effectively	8	39	30	11	5	93	2.63
4	I had sufficient access to and opportunity to use computers	59	31	3	0	0	93	1.40
5	I increased my competency in basic computer operations	29	49	10	3	3	94	1.96
6	I received training in computers and technology that was appropriate for my major field	18	40	23	10	3	94	2.36
7	I acquired	26	45	12	10	1	94	2.10

	sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare for career-related positions							
8	I developed the ability to express myself effectively through speaking	29	51	8	4	2	94	1.93
9	I developed multicultural and global perspectives	46	38	5	5	0	94	1.67
10	I found the writing intensive courses I took valuable	32	28	15	11	8	94	2.31
11	I developed critical thinking skills	42	39	8	4	0	93	1.72
12	I broadened my appreciation for the arts	30	35	20	7	1	93	2.08
13	I found that the science courses I took increased my understanding of the scientific processes	13	41	20	18	1	93	2.49
14	I found the capstone (senior seminar) in my major valuable	43	35	6	4	5	93	1.85

Statistic	I acquired a basic knowledge in general education (humanities and social science courses)	I developed the ability to write effectively	I developed the ability to use mathematics effectively	I had sufficient access to and opportunity to use computers	I increased my competency in basic computer operations	I received training in computers and technology that was appropriate for my major field	I acquired sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare for career-related positions	I developed the ability to express myself effectively through speaking
Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max Value	5	5	5	3	5	5	5	5
Mean	1.60	1.65	2.63	1.40	1.96	2.36	2.10	1.93
Variance	0.48	0.69	0.97	0.31	0.84	1.03	0.93	0.76
Standard Deviation	0.69	0.83	0.99	0.55	0.91	1.01	0.96	0.87
Total Responses	94	93	93	93	94	94	94	94

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.	28	47	8	8	3	94	2.05
2	I believe that Marshall University's program in my major field is of high quality.	32	40	17	3	2	94	1.97
3	I would recommend to others that they study the same program at Marshall.	38	38	12	2	4	94	1.89
4	I would recommend Marshall to prospective students.	37	35	15	3	4	94	1.96

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	5	5	5	5
Mean	2.05	1.97	1.89	1.96
Variance	1.02	0.85	1.00	1.07
Standard Deviation	1.01	0.92	1.00	1.04
Total Responses	94	94	94	94

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	38	46	9	1	0	94	1.71
2	Advising	23	22	30	16	3	94	2.51
3	Academic Support Services	20	31	33	7	3	94	2.38
4	Classroom/Lab Facilities	10	58	17	9	0	94	2.27

Statistic	Teaching	Advising	Academic Support Services	Classroom/Lab Facilities
Min Value	1	1	1	1
Max Value	4	5	5	4
Mean	1.71	2.51	2.38	2.27
Variance	0.46	1.28	1.01	0.61
Standard Deviation	0.68	1.13	1.01	0.78
Total Responses	94	94	94	94

17. When I graduate, I plan to

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Be employed		65	69%
2	Further my education		66	70%
3	Other		4	4%

Other

take time off before grad school

travel, volunteer

Finally enjoy having a life.

be unemployed

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Total Responses	94

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

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		28	43%
2	No		14	22%
3	Don't know yet		23	35%
	Total		65	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.92
Variance	0.79
Standard Deviation	0.89
Total Responses	65

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	27	42%
2	No	17	26%
3	Don't know yet	21	32%
	Total	65	100%







Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.91
Variance	0.74
Standard Deviation	0.86
Total Responses	65

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

#	Answer		Response	%
1	In WV?		33	52%
2	In KY, OH, PA, VA, or MD?		16	25%
3	In a state other than one mentioned above?		12	19%
4	In a country other than the US?		3	5%
	Total		64	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	1.77
Variance	0.85
Standard Deviation	0.92
Total Responses	64

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?		30	46%
2	within 50 miles of your home town?		29	45%
3	over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your college town?		8	12%
4	over 50 miles, but within 500 miles of your home town?		15	23%
5	over 500 miles from your college town		13	20%
6	over 500 miles from your home town		14	22%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Total Responses	65

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	\$10,000 or less	4	6%
2	\$10,001 - \$15,000	2	3%
3	\$15,001 - \$20,000	3	5%
4	\$20,001 - \$25,000	1	2%
5	\$25,001 - \$30,000	8	13%
6	\$30,001 - \$35,000	3	5%
7	\$35,001 - \$40,000	1	2%
8	\$40,001 - \$45,000	0	0%
9	\$45,001 - \$50,000	0	0%
10	More than \$50,000	0	0%
11	I have not yet accepted employment	42	66%
	Total	64	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	11
Mean	8.56
Variance	12.73
Standard Deviation	3.57
Total Responses	64

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

Text Response
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection
Board of Education
Cabell County Sheriff's Department
Vital & Vital, L.C.
None yet
Victoria's Secret
N/a
Children First, LLC
Lilly Eye Care, Inc.
State of West Virginia
Frostop Drive-In
Professional Counseling
Walt Disney World - Disney College Program
Huntington Housing Authority
Home Base, Incorporated
Damous Academic and Behavior Treatment Center
Board of Education
Books-A-Million
I have not yet accepted employment
Amazon
I work for Petland (but can't recall for sure what starting is just that we get paid minimum wage)
private family
Books-a-Million

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	23

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	20	21%
2	No	74	79%
	Total	94	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.79
Variance	0.17
Standard Deviation	0.41
Total Responses	94

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

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Marshall JobTrax	17	85%
2	Resume assistance	12	60%
3	Career Advising	4	20%
4	Mock Interviewing	0	0%
5	On-campus recruitment event	1	5%
6	Career Fair	4	20%
7	Other	1	5%

Other

although overall they were of no help

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	7
Total Responses	20

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	18	33	26	11	5	93	2.48
2	Senior Evaluation	35	40	14	2	2	93	1.88
3	General (Core) Education Requirements	9	33	20	22	9	93	2.88
4	Availability/Accessibility of COLA staff and faculty	28	40	17	5	2	92	2.05
5	Policies clearly explained in the catalog	19	43	26	3	2	93	2.20
6	Student kept adequately informed of academic progress	22	46	16	6	3	93	2.16
7	Courses offered in sufficient numbers/frequency to meet student needs	11	36	20	22	4	93	2.70
8	Sufficient summer school offerings	9	33	24	22	5	93	2.80
9	Transfer credits from other colleges (within the university and also from other colleges to this college)	16	28	41	7	1	93	2.45
10	Quality of department/faculty advising	28	41	13	9	2	93	2.10
11	Availability of faculty for appointments	35	43	12	2	1	93	1.83
12	Development of critical thinking skills encouraged by college/department	32	42	16	1	2	93	1.91
13	Quality of program/courses in my major	36	41	13	3	0	93	1.82

14	Development of writing skills enhanced	36	44	10	2	1	93	1.80
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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 of sufficient numbers/frequency to meet student needs
Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max Value	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Mean	2.48	1.88	2.88	2.05	2.20	2.16	2.70
Variance	1.21	0.80	1.37	0.91	0.77	0.94	1.19
Standard Deviation	1.10	0.90	1.17	0.95	0.88	0.97	1.09
Total Responses	93	93	93	92	93	93	93

27. Gender

Value	Total
F	69
M	29

28. Race

Value	Total
White	86
African-American	6
Hispanic	4
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1
Unknown	1

29. Age

Value	Total
22	44
21	18
33	1
24	7
26	1
29	4
23	14
38	1
34	1
18	1
25	3
27	2
28	1

30. Degree

Value	Total
BA	97
BS	1

31. Major

Value	Total
Criminal Justice	20
Political Science	6
Psychology	32
Humanities	5
Anthropology	4
History	4
English	9
French	1
International Affairs	6
Sociology	3
Japanese	3
Spanish	1
Classical Language: Latin	1
Economics: BA	1
Geography: BS	1
Geography: BA	1

32. GPA

Value	Total
3.09	2
3.72	1
3.57	2
3.63	1
3.53	1
3.16	1
3.75	1
3.54	1
3.67	1
3.11	2
3.73	1
3.47	2
3.25	1
3.03	1
3.04	1
3.3	1
3.74	2
3.99	1
2.07	1
2.97	1
3.7	1
3.05	3
3.62	1
3	1
3.4	1
3.38	1
3.88	1
3.78	1
3.85	1
3.31	2
2.6	1
2.53	1
3.66	1

3.1	1
2.79	1
3.59	1
3.22	1
3.08	2
2.78	1
3.07	1
2.92	1
3.18	1
3.64	1
2.4	2
3.37	1
3.95	2
3.19	1
2.86	1
3.13	1
2.48	2
4	1
3.97	1
3.8	1
3.06	1
3.51	2
2.06	1
3.36	2
2.75	1
2.12	1
2.36	1
3.01	1
2.93	1
3.52	2
3.34	1
3.49	1
2.8	3
2.44	2
2.45	1
2.67	1

3.92	1
2.88	1
2.01	1
3.71	1
2.54	1
2.58	1
3.77	1
3.21	1
3.17	1
3.33	1
2.82	1