

#### 2015 HEDS Senior Survey

Welcome to the **Senior Survey**. Thanks for agreeing to participate!

This survey is designed to assess the immediate postgraduation impact of your undergraduate education. The survey will ask you to evaluate good practices and experiences that you had as an undergraduate, to assess the impact of your college experience on your intellectual growth and development, and to describe your immediate plans following graduation.

Your participation is completely voluntary, and there are no penalties if you decide not to participate or if you choose to skip any questions. All of your responses are strictly confidential. At no time will your responses be publicly linked with your name or any other identifying information.

1. Below are statements about your views of your faculty's interest in teaching and students. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each.

Most faculty with whom I have had contact at this institution were . . .

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Genuinely interested in students.					
Interested in helping students grow in more than just academic areas.					
Good at providing prompt and useful feedback.					
Willing to spend time outside of class to discuss issues of interest and importance to students.					



2. Below are statements about your contact and interactions with faculty at this institution. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My nonclassroom interactions with faculty have had a positive influence on my personal growth, values, and attitudes.					
My nonclassroom interactions with faculty have had a positive influence on my intellectual growth and interest in ideas.					
My nonclassroom interactions with faculty have had a positive influence on my career goals and aspirations.					
I developed a close, personal relationship with at least one faculty member.					
I am satisfied with the opportunities to meet and interact informally with faculty members.					

3. Below are statements about experiences you may have had in your classes at this institution. About how often have you experienced each?

	Very often	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Faculty posed challenging ideas in class.					
Faculty asked me to show how a particular course concept could be applied to an actual problem or situation.					
Faculty asked me to point out any fallacies in ideas, principles, or points of view presented in the course.					
Faculty asked me to argue for or against a particular point of view.					
Faculty challenged my ideas in class.					
Students challenged each other's ideas in class.					



## 4. Below are descriptions of the types of exams or assignments you may have had in your classes at this institution. About how often have you undertaken each?

	Very often	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Wrote essays.					
Completed assignments or projects in which I solved problems.					
Made oral presentations.					
Used course content to address a problem not presented in the course.					
Compared or contrasted topics or ideas from a course.					
Pointed out the strengths and weaknesses of a particular argument or point of view.					
Argued for or against a particular point of view and defended my argument.					
Connected what I learned in multiple courses.					

### 5. How often have you had the following experiences at this institution?

	Very often	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Attended a debate or lecture on a current political/social issue.					
Participated in a diversity or cultural awareness workshop.					
Had discussions about intergroup relations with students differing from you in gender, national origin, political views, race, religion, sexuality, or values.					
Had serious discussions with other students about different lifestyles and customs.					
Had serious discussions with faculty or staff whose political, social, or religious opinions were different from your own.					
Had serious discussions with students whose political, social, or religious opinions were different from your own.					



## 6. To what extent has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
<b>Careful reading:</b> Comprehension and analysis of written texts within and across genres.				
<b>Critical thinking:</b> Examination of ideas, evidence, and assumptions before accepting or formulating a conclusion.				
<b>Creative thinking:</b> Developing or combining ideas, images, or expertise in innovative ways.				
<b>Information literacy:</b> Locating, evaluating, and using information effectively and responsibly for a particular purpose.				
<b>Quantitative literacy:</b> Seeking, understanding, and using quantitative information appropriately to solve problems or make arguments.				
<b>Effective writing:</b> Conveying accurate and compelling content in clear, expressive, and audience-appropriate prose.				
<b>Effective speaking:</b> Conveying accurate and compelling content in clear, expressive, and audience-appropriate oral presentations.				
<b>Teamwork:</b> Contributing to a team, facilitating the work of team members, and fostering a constructive team climate.				
<b>Problem solving:</b> Designing, evaluating, and implementing a strategy to answer questions or achieve a goal.				
<b>Civic engagement:</b> Promoting the quality of life in a community, through both political and nonpolitical processes.				
Intercultural knowledge and competence: Information, skills, and commitments that support effective and appropriate interactions in a variety of cultural contexts.				
<b>Ethical reasoning:</b> Recognizing ethical issues, examining different ethical perspectives, and considering the ramifications of alternative actions.				
Integrative thinking: The habit of connecting ideas and experiences, and the ability to transfer learning to novel situations.				



## 7. [The items listed in number 7 are randomized in the electronic survey.] How frequently have you participated in the following activities while at this institution?

	Very often	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
Student or campus government					
Intercollegiate athletics					
Intramural or club sports					
Student publications					
Performing arts/music					
Political organizations or clubs					
Community service					
Sorority/fraternity					
Religious groups					
Internships (paid or unpaid)					
Service organizations (on or off campus)					
Multicultural student groups					
Working with faculty on research					
Study abroad					
On-campus employment					
Off-campus employment					
Independent study					
Other:					



8. In the electronic survey, only those activities that the respondent reported participating in "Very often," "Often," "Sometimes," or "Rarely" in question 7 are shown in question 8. Activities that the respondent skipped or reported participating in "Never" in question 7 are not shown in question 8. The order of the list of activities in question 8 is randomized]

To what extent has your experience at this institution with each of the following contributed to your learning and personal development?

	Vany much	Quite a bit	Como	Van dittle
	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
Student or campus government				
Intercollegiate athletics				
Intramural or club sports				
Student publications				
Performing arts/music				
Political organizations or clubs				
Community service				
Sorority/fraternity				
Religious groups				
Internships (paid or unpaid)				
Service organizations (on or off campus)				
Multicultural student groups				
Working with faculty on research				
Study abroad				
On-campus employment				
Off-campus employment				
Independent study				
Other:				

9.	[In the online version, shows only for those who selected participation in "Community service" or "Service organizations" in question 7.]	:e
	Please take a moment to describe your involvement in community service or service organization	ns.



## 10. Overall, to what extent have your experiences at this institution prepared you for the following activities?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
Graduate or professional school				
Career				
Social and civic involvement				
Interpersonal relationships and family living				
Responsibilities of post-undergraduate life (e.g., managing finances, maintaining health, creating a home)				
Continued learning on my own or outside of a degree program (e.g., learning a new language, professional certification, learning a craft)				

	creating a home)				
	Continued learning on my own or outside of a degree program (e.g., learning a new language, professional certification, learning a craft)				
11	•	your undergra	duate educatio	n?	
	<ul><li>□ Very satisfied</li><li>□ Satisfied</li></ul>				
	☐ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied				
	☐ Dissatisfied				
	□ Very dissatisfied				
12	2. If you had it to do all over again, would yo	u choose to att	end this institu	ution?	
	□ Definitely				
	□ Probably				
	□ Not sure				
	□ Probably not				
	□ Definitely not				
13	3. What are the most important qualities of y	our first job aft	er graduation?	? (Choose up to	3)
	☐ Relates to my undergraduate major	Choices ra	ndomized		
	☐ Uses skills I gained as an undergraduate	in electron			
	☐ Is related to my desired career path				
	<ul><li>☐ Is work I find meaningful</li><li>☐ Allows me to continue to grow and learn</li></ul>				
	☐ Pays enough to support my desired lifesty	le			
	☐ Pays health insurance benefits	. •			
	☐ Location				



14.	riease indicate the ONE activity that you consider your Primart plan this fail.
	<ul> <li>□ Employment or internship, full-time paid</li> <li>□ Employment or internship, part-time paid</li> <li>□ Graduate or professional school, full-time</li> <li>□ Graduate or professional school, part-time</li> </ul>
	□ Additional undergraduate course work
	□ Military service
	<ul> <li>□ Volunteer or national service (Peace Corps, Americorps, Teach for America, etc.)</li> <li>□ Starting or raising a family</li> </ul>
	□ Traveling
	□ Undecided
	□ Other activity:
15.	Please indicate ALL OTHER activities that you plan to be doing this fall.
	□ Employment or internship, full-time paid
	□ Employment or internship, part-time paid
	☐ Graduate or professional school, full-time
	☐ Graduate or professional school, part-time
	□ Additional undergraduate course work
	☐ Military service (National Guard, Reserves, etc.)
	□ Volunteer or national service (Peace Corps, Americorps, Teach for America, etc.)
	□ Starting or raising a family
	□ Traveling □ Undecided
	□ Other activity:
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16.	[Shows only for those who chose "employment or internship, full-time or part-time" in question 13. Others will skip to question 16.]
	Which of the following BEST describes the current state of your employment plans? Exclude search for
	summer-only employment.
	□ Accepted a position
	☐ Offered a position and refused; still searching for preferred position
	☐ Considering one or more specific offers
	☐ Currently searching for a position or waiting for an offer
	□ Will begin searching for a position after graduation



17. [Shows only for those who chose "graduate or professional school, full-time or part-time" in questions 13 or 14. Others will skip to question 17.] Please indicate the one degree you plan to start working towards this fall in graduate or professional school. ☐ Master's Degree in Arts and Sciences (e.g., MA, MS, MFA) ☐ Master of Business Administration (MBA) ☐ Other Master's Degree (e.g., MSW, MSE, MSN, MAT, MPA) ☐ Law Degree (JD or LLB) ☐ Medical Degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM, PharmD) □ PhD ☐ Other Doctoral Degree (e.g., EdD, PsyD, DBA) □ Other Degree or Certificate: 18. [Shows only for those who did NOT choose "graduate or professional school, full-time or part-time" in questions 13 or 14.] If you are planning to attend graduate or professional school at any point in the future, which of the following BEST describes your educational plans? □ Accepted and deferring enrollment until later □ Will be applying this coming fall □ Not applying this fall, but might apply at a future date □ No plans to apply to school now or in the future 19. [Shows only for those who saw question 17 and did NOT choose "no plans to apply to school now or in the future."] Which of the following graduate or professional degrees do you plan/hope to pursue at some point in the future? ☐ Master's Degree in Arts and Sciences (e.g., MA, MS, MFA) ☐ Master of Business Administration (MBA) ☐ Other Master's Degree (e.g., MSW, MSE, MSN, MAT, MPA) □ Law Degree (JD or LLB) ☐ Medical Degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM, PharmD) □ PhD ☐ Other Doctoral Degree (e.g., EdD, PsyD, DBA) □ Other Degree or Certificate:



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**20.** [In the electronic survey, respondents will select one general career area from the list below and will then be able to select one of the specific careers within that area from a drop-down menu (those shown in parenthesis below).]

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W	hat career did you plan/hope to pursue when you entered college?
	Art, Design, and Entertainment (e.g., architect, artist, entertainer, gallery worker, graphic designer, interior designer, museum curator, music/film industry, photographer)
	Communications and Media (e.g., broadcasting, editor, journalist, media production, public relations, publisher, writer)
	Community and Social Service (e.g., clergy, community organizer, philanthropy or nonprofit worker, social activist, social work)
	Education and Library (e.g., librarian or archivist, preschool-secondary administration, preschool-secondary teacher, postsecondary administration/staff, postsecondary teacher or researcher, school counselor) Health Care (e.g., clinical psychology/psychiatry, dentist, dietician, nurse, optometrist, pharmacist,
П	physical/occupational/speech therapy, physician, veterinarian)  Law and Government (e.g., diplomat, foreign service, government worker, international relations, judge,
	lawyer, other legal services, politics, public policy)
Ш	Management, Business, and Financial (e.g., accounting, actuary, advertising, executive, finance, human resources, insurance, management, real estate, recruiting, retail services, sales)
	Natural Resources (e.g., agricultural worker, conservationist, environmental scientist)
	Protection Services (e.g., law enforcement officer, military occupations)
	Science, Technology, and Engineering (e.g., computer programmer/analyst, engineer, information systems, lab technician, scientific researcher)
	Service and Recreational (e.g., chef, food service industry, hospitality, sports and recreation, travel/tourism)
	Undecided
	Other:
or	hows only for those who chose "employment, full-time or part-time" in question 13. Respondents will select be general career area from the list below and will then be able to select one of the specific careers within that be from a drop-down menu (those shown in parenthesis below).]
W	hat is the first job you are pursuing directly upon graduation?
	Art, Design, and Entertainment (e.g., architect, artist, entertainer, gallery worker, graphic designer, interior designer, museum curator, music/film industry, photographer)
	Communications and Media (e.g., broadcasting, editor, journalist, media production, public relations, publisher, writer)
	Community and Social Service (e.g., clergy, community organizer, philanthropy or nonprofit worker, social activist, social work)
	Education and Library (e.g., librarian or archivist, preschool-secondary administration, preschool-secondary
	teacher, postsecondary administration/staff, postsecondary teacher or researcher, school counselor) Health Care (e.g., clinical psychology/psychiatry, dentist, dietician, nurse, optometrist, pharmacist,
	physical/occupational/speech therapy, physician, veterinarian) Law and Government (e.g., diplomat, foreign service, government worker, international relations, judge,
	lawyer, other legal services, politics, public policy) Management, Business, and Financial (e.g., accounting, actuary, advertising, executive, finance, human

resources, insurance, management, real estate, recruiting, retail services, sales)



	<ul><li>□ Protection Services (e</li><li>□ Science, Technology, lab technician, scientification</li></ul>	e.g., law enforcement office and Engineering (e.g., confic researcher) anal (e.g., chef, food service	servationist, environmental scientist) r, military occupations) nputer programmer/analyst, engineer, information systems, e industry, hospitality, sports and recreation, travel/tourism)				
22.		<u> </u>	om the list below and will then be able to select one of the menu (those shown in parenthesis below).]				
	What is the long-term c	areer you have in mind?					
	<ul> <li>Art, Design, and Entertainment (e.g., architect, artist, entertainer, gallery worker, graphic designer, inter designer, museum curator, music/film industry, photographer)</li> <li>Communications and Media (e.g., broadcasting, editor, journalist, media production, public relations, publisher, writer)</li> <li>Community and Social Service (e.g., clergy, community organizer, philanthropy or nonprofit worker, sociactivist, social work)</li> <li>Education and Library (e.g., librarian or archivist, preschool-secondary administration, preschool-seconteacher, postsecondary administration/staff, postsecondary teacher or researcher, school counselor)</li> <li>Health Care (e.g., clinical psychology/psychiatry, dentist, dietician, nurse, optometrist, pharmacist, physical/occupational/speech therapy, physician, veterinarian)</li> <li>Law and Government (e.g., diplomat, foreign service, government worker, international relations, judge lawyer, other legal services, politics, public policy)</li> <li>Management, Business, and Financial (e.g., accounting, actuary, advertising, executive, finance, human resources, insurance, management, real estate, recruiting, retail services, sales)\</li> <li>Natural Resources (e.g., agricultural worker, conservationist, environmental scientist)</li> <li>Protection Services (e.g., law enforcement officer, military occupations)</li> <li>Science, Technology, and Engineering (e.g., computer programmer/analyst, engineer, information systelab technician, scientific researcher)</li> </ul>						
		□ Service and Recreational (e.g., chef, food service industry, hospitality, sports and recreation, travel/tourism)					
	<ul><li>☐ Undecided</li><li>☐ Other:</li></ul>						
23. [Respondents who choose "No loans," skip to question 25.]  What is the total amount that you and/or your family have borrowed to finance your undergraduate education?							
	□ No loans	□ \$20,000–\$29,999	□ \$70,000 <b>–</b> \$79,999				
	☐ Less than \$5,000	□ \$30,000–\$39,999	□ \$80,000–\$89,999				
	□ \$5,000 <b>–</b> \$9,999	□ \$40,000–\$49,999	□ \$90,000–\$99,999				
	□ \$10,000–\$14,999	□ \$50,000–\$59,999	□ \$100,000 or more				
	□ \$15,000 <b>–</b> \$19,999	□ \$60,000–\$69,999	□ Borrowed money, but don't know the amount				



24.	Approximately what proportion of your total loan amount are you personally responsible for paying?
	<ul> <li>□ All</li> <li>□ Most</li> <li>□ About half</li> <li>□ Some, but less than half</li> <li>□ None</li> <li>□ Unsure</li> </ul>
25.	What is the field of study of your undergraduate major(s)? (Check all that apply)
	<ul> <li>□ Biological Sciences (e.g., Biology, Biochemistry, Environmental Science, Neuroscience/Biopsychology)</li> <li>□ Business and Management (e.g., Accounting, Business Administration, Finance, Marketing)</li> <li>□ Communications (e.g., Journalism, Mass Communication, Speech, Speech Pathology)</li> <li>□ Education (e.g., Elementary Education, Secondary Education, Special Education)</li> <li>□ Engineering (e.g., Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering)</li> <li>□ Fine and Performing Arts (e.g., Architecture, Art, Dance, Music, Theatre)</li> <li>□ Health Sciences (e.g., Exercise Science, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health)</li> <li>□ Humanities (e.g., Classics, English, Modern Languages &amp; Literature, Philosophy)</li> <li>□ Physical Sciences, Mathematics, and Computer Science (e.g., Astronomy, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Physics)</li> <li>□ Social Sciences (e.g., Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology)</li> <li>□ Other:</li> </ul>
26.	What is the highest level of education completed by either of your parents or the person/people who raised you?
	<ul> <li>□ Did not complete high school</li> <li>□ High school diploma</li> <li>□ Postsecondary school other than college</li> <li>□ Some college or associate's degree</li> <li>□ Bachelor's degree</li> <li>□ Graduate school</li> <li>□ Do not know</li> </ul>
27.	What is your gender?
	□ Female □ Male □ Fill in:
28.	What is your citizenship status?
	<ul> <li>□ US citizen</li> <li>□ US permanent resident but not a US citizen</li> <li>□ Not a US citizen or permanent resident</li> </ul>



29.	Are you Hispanic or Latino/a?
	□ Yes □ No
30.	Please indicate the race or races with which you identify. (Choose one or more)
	☐ American Indian or Alaska Native
	□ Asian
	□ Black or African American
	□ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
	□ White



# HEDS Senior Survey 2015 Additional Student Satisfaction Questions

#### How satisfied are you with the Quality of your Academic Experiences?

	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not relevant
First year advising					
Major advising					
Faculty availability outside of class					
Student interaction with faculty					
Availability of courses					
Independent study					
Internships or study off-campus or abroad					
Tutorial help or other academic assistance					

#### How satisfied are you with the Quality of Course Instruction?

	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not relevant
Humanities and Arts					
Science and Math					
Social Sciences					
Engineering					
Business					

### How satisfied are you with the Quality of Campus Services and Facilities?

	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not relevant
Classroom/Laboratory Facilities					
Computer Facilities and Resources					
Computer Services and Support					
Library Facilities and Resources					
Library Services					
Career Services					
Counseling Services					



	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not relevant
Financial Aid Office					
Financial Aid Package					
Food Services					
Student Center/Union Facilities					
Student Center/Union Programs					
Student Health Services					
Student Housing					
Student Financial Services (Student Accounts, etc.)					
Recreation/Athletics Programs					
Recreation/Athletics Facilities					
Registrar's Office					

### How satisfied are you with the Quality of Campus Life?

	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Not relevant
Student voice in policies					
Student government					
Social life on campus					
Cultural and fine arts programming					
Lectures and speakers					
Religious/spiritual life					
Campus safety					
Ethnic/racial diversity					
Climate for minority students on campus					
Sense of community on campus					

# **Bates Supplemental Questions**

1.	now satisfied are you with the climate for LGBTQ students on campus?
_	Very satisfied
	Generally satisfied
	Generally dissatisfied
	Very dissatisfied
	Unable to rate
2.	What is your sexual orientation?
	Heterosexual
	Gay/lesbian
	Bisexual
	Unsure
	Something else, please explain:
	Bates.
	Very satisfied
	Generally satisfied
	Generally dissatisfied
	Very dissatisfied
	Unable to rate
4.	Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the ways in which the college communicates information to students.
	Very satisfied
	Generally satisfied
	Generally dissatisfied
	Very discatisfied

5.	To what extent has your experience at Bates contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal
	development in the following areas?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
Understanding the process of science and				
experimentation				
Developing laboratory skills, including				
measurement				

6.	One of the most important components of the Bates curriculum is the senior thesis. In a paragraph, please describe the things that you learned as a result of your thesis experience.					

Please respond to <u>Question 7</u> if you have <u>accepted a job</u>.

7.	Earlier in the survey, you indicated that you have accepted a job. Please tell us the name of the firm or organization, job title, and location, if you know it.					
	Employer / Name of company:					
	Full job title:					
	Location (City, State, Country if not U.S.):					
Plε	ease respond to the <u>Questions 8 and 9</u> if you will be <u>attending graduate school</u> .					
8.	Earlier in the survey, you indicated that you will be attending graduate school. Please provide the name of the school you will attend and the degree you will be pursuing:					
9.	Will you be attending your first choice institution?					
	Yes					
	Haven't heard from my first choice school yet					
	No					

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11. Please indicate your level of awareness of the Purposeful Work initiative.									
I have heard of Purposeful Work and I have a strong understanding of what it is									
I have heard of Purposeful Work and I have a decent understanding of what it is									
I have heard of Purposeful Work, but I do not know what it is									
I have not heard of Purposeful Work before									
•									
12. As you make plans for next year, how confident are you in your ability to do the following?									
	Not confident	Somewhat	Generally	Very					
	at all	confident	confident	confident					
Identify appropriate employers and positions									
Effectively plan your own career									

10. In preparation for life after graduation, how many jobs have you applied for?

Present your relevant experiences and skills

effectively

Network effectively

experience?	What, if anything, could you or your institution have done to improve your undergraduate experience?						
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Reflecting on yo	ur college career,	what do you v	alue most abo	ut your Bates	experience?		
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Phone:							
16. Following graduation, which of these options interest you as ways to remain connected to Bat							
	Yes	Maybe	No				
Attending Homecoming Weekend 2015							
Attending a 1-Year Reunion							
Attending or helping to plan regional activities in your new city (social, career-based, etc.)							
Updating your address so that you receive your free issue of Bates Magazine							
Attend your 5-year reunion in May 2020							
Join your 5-year reunion committee							
Serve as a class officer or class agent (help fundraise)							
Support Bates through contributions to the Bates Fund							
Submitting wedding photos or class notes to the Bates Magazine							

15. Recognizing that you're moving on to a new, exciting chapter in your life, Bates would like to stay in touch with you along the way. We encourage you to share the following information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
Non-Bates email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_