

CCSU Alumni Survey, Graduates 3 - 5 Years Out
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		N	%	N	%	N	%
If employed, which statement most accurately completes the following sentence? My current position is:	Has career potential	300	76%	184	80%	484	77%

How effective was your CCSU education on providing practical experiences related to your career or interests?	Effective or Very Effective	270	67%	194	83%	464	73%
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How important is each of the following skills and abilities to your current work?							
Analyzing or synthesizing data	Important or Very Important	286	72%	189	82%	475	75%
Identifying problem and formulating solution		358	90%	211	91%	569	90%
Designing and executing research		215	54%	110	48%	325	51%
Locating and applying information/data		305	76%	180	78%	485	77%
Presenting orally		256	64%	182	79%	438	70%
Working collaboratively or in a team		348	87%	208	90%	556	88%
Working with people from diverse backgrounds		327	82%	204	89%	531	85%
Writing reports, articles, books, grant proposals, etc.		186	46%	125	54%	311	49%

If you continued on to graduate or professional school, how well did CCSU prepare you?	Adequate to Very Well	237	88%	136	92%	373	89%
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Looking back on your time in college, how would you assess each of the following aspects of your experience at CCSU?							
Overall academic experience at CCSU	Good to Excellent	330	83%	207	88%	537	85%
Overall academic experience in your department or program		321	81%	206	88%	527	83%
Non-academic or student life experience at CCSU		222	57%	138	60%	360	58%
Overall experience at CCSU		294	75%	195	84%	489	78%

Looking back to your degree/certificate program at CCSU, did you receive training that helped you develop the following skills and/or abilities?								% of students saying training was needed (c) or training was not effective (a)
(a) CCSU provided training, but was NOT effective (b) CCSU provided effective training (c) CCSU did not provide training, but training would have been helpful (d) CCSU did not provide training, and training is not necessary								
Analyzing or synthesizing data	Training was effective (b) or training not necessary (d)	273	69%	156	67%	429	68%	28%
Identifying problem and formulating solution		307	77%	181	78%	488	78%	20%
Designing and executing research		248	63%	163	70%	411	66%	27%
Locating and applying information/data		286	72%	163	71%	449	72%	23%
Presenting orally		273	69%	175	76%	448	72%	24%
Working collaboratively or in a team		301	77%	177	77%	478	77%	21%
Working with people from diverse backgrounds		298	75%	175	75%	473	75%	20%
Writing reports, articles, books, grant proposals, etc.		271	68%	163	71%	434	69%	23%

Looking back on your education, would you say completing your CCSU degree/certificate was:	Worth the effort	348	87%	220	94%	568	89%
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Looking back on your college experience, do you believe CCSU should have placed less, the same, or more emphasis on the following skills, abilities, and/or experiences:								% of students saying more emphasis is needed
Gaining a broad general education about different fields of knowledge	Amount of emphasis was appropriate	155	54%	24	56%	179	55%	25%
Improving written communication skills (e.g., research papers, peer reviewed publications, etc.)		179	56%	26	27%	205	50%	39%
Improving oral communication skills (e.g., class presentations, oral presentations on campus or at conferences, etc.)		158	48%	28	27%	186	43%	49%
Improving ability to think critically (analytically and logically)		46	18%	112	54%	158	34%	62%
Developing personal values		141	49%	24	56%	165	50%	39%
Professional and ethical standards		140	42%	26	26%	166	38%	54%
Working with people that have diverse abilities, interests, and/or perspectives		161	52%	28	24%	189	44%	45%
Public performance/exhibition at CCSU or elsewhere		130	40%	20	18%	150	34%	37%
University research experience		129	39%	21	19%	150	34%	44%

Looking back on your college experience, how effective was CCSU at helping you to:							
Be broadly educated	Effective or Very Effective	316	80%	201	88%	517	83%
Be more culturally aware		275	70%	167	73%	442	71%
Be more globally aware		266	68%	143	63%	409	66%
Be more able to foster societal improvements		254	65%	158	70%	412	67%

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How satisfied are you with the following aspects of your current or most recent job?							
Intellectual challenge	Somewhat Satisfied to Very Satisfied	339	86%	213	93%	552	89%
Career growth, opportunities		319	81%	205	90%	524	84%
Independence		369	94%	211	92%	580	93%
Flexibility		358	91%	205	90%	563	91%
Level of responsibility		362	92%	211	92%	573	92%
Contribution to field/ society		344	88%	204	89%	548	88%
Prestige of job/ organization		347	88%	200	87%	547	88%
Job security		357	91%	207	90%	564	91%
Salary		288	73%	187	82%	475	76%
Work/life balance		327	83%	193	84%	520	84%
Geographic location		359	91%	206	90%	565	91%
Recognition		321	82%	188	82%	509	82%

In the past 12 months, how often have you done volunteer work?	Have volunteered in the last year	205	52%	152	66%	357	57%
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While at CCSU, which activities made a considerable contribution to your learning, development or experience? (select all that apply; duplicate headcount)						
Academic student organization/club	135	15%	32	8%	167	13%
Athletics/Athletic events	28	3%	N ≤ 5		28	2%
Capstone course/senior project/thesis/portfolio	98	11%	94	22%	192	15%
CCSU organized Civic/Community Engagement activity	28	3%	11	3%	39	3%
Internship/field experience/student teaching/clinical experience	176	20%	117	28%	293	22%
Intramural sports	28	3%	6	1%	34	3%
Leadership role in student organization/club	70	8%	19	4%	89	7%
Non-academic student organization/club	78	9%	16	4%	94	7%
On-campus job	80	9%	29	7%	109	8%
Research experience	112	13%	89	21%	201	15%
Other	54	6%	11	3%	65	5%
Total	887		424		1311	

Current Residence	N	%
California	3	0.5%
Colorado	4	0.6%
Connecticut	522	84.1%
Florida	8	1.3%
Georgia	5	0.8%
Illinois	1	0.2%
Iowa	1	0.2%
Kentucky	2	0.3%
Maine	1	0.2%
Maryland	2	0.3%
Massachusetts	19	3.1%
New Hampshire	1	0.2%
New Jersey	2	0.3%
New York	8	1.3%
North Carolina	2	0.3%
North Dakota	1	0.2%
Not residing in USA	6	1.0%
Ohio	2	0.3%
Oklahoma	2	0.3%
Pennsylvania	3	0.5%
Rhode Island	6	1.0%
South Carolina	1	0.2%
Tennessee	3	0.5%
Texas	2	0.3%
Utah	1	0.2%
Vermont	5	0.8%
Virginia	6	1.0%
Washington	2	0.3%
No Response	16	2.6%
Grand Total	637	

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Employment							
Employed - Full Time	332	84%	196	85%	528	84%	
Employed - Part Time	13	3%	12	5%	25	4%	
Seeking employment	5	1%	7	3%	12	2%	
Volunteering for a national service (Peace Corps, etc.) or volunteer organization	0	0%	2	1%	2	0%	
Currently serving in the military	1	0%	1	0%	2	0%	
Pursuing other opportunities at this time	12	3%	5	2%	17	3%	
Enrolled in graduate or professional school	31	8%	7	3%	38	6%	
Enrolled for a second undergraduate degree	1	0%	0	0%	1	0%	
Grand Total	395		230		625		

Current Gender Identity	Undergraduate		Graduate		Overall	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Man / Trans Man	151	38%	70	30%	221	35%
Non-binary	7	2%	1	0%	8	1%
Woman / Trans Woman	207	52%	148	64%	355	57%
Other	4	1%	0	0%	4	1%
Prefer Not to Share	28	7%	11	5%	39	6%
Total	397		230		627	

Ethnicity	Undergraduate		Graduate		Overall	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Hispanic or Latino	38	10%	13	6%	51	8%
Not Hispanic or Latino	315	79%	199	86%	514	82%
Prefer Not to Share	45	11%	19	8%	64	10%
Total	398		231		629	

Race - select all that apply	Undergraduate		Graduate		Overall	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
American Indian or Alaska Native	2	1%	1	0%	3	0%
Asian	14	4%	13	6%	27	4%
Black or African American	43	11%	32	14%	75	12%
Hispanic or Latino	28	7%	5	2%	33	5%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2	1%	1	0%	3	0%
White	256	64%	149	66%	405	65%
Two or more	11	3%	8	4%	19	3%
Prefer Not to Share	43	11%	18	8%	61	10%
Total	399		227		626	