



## Graduating Student Survey, Class of 2014-15

Attached to every student's graduation application is a web-based survey that asks about their experience at UVU. More than five thousand graduates from the 2014-15 class completed the survey. This report summarizes the most important findings of that survey. The charts following this report contain detailed results. There were no significant differences between the 2014-15 and 2013-14 graduating classes.

### Overall Experience

Graduates are generally very satisfied with their overall educational experience. Graduates tend to have a moderately strong connection to UVU when they graduate, and most would choose UVU again if they could make their college choice over. About one-third of graduates completed an internship while at UVU. Graduates are satisfied with most aspects of their major or program, especially the size of classes.

### Goals of Attending UVU

Graduates came to UVU because they wanted to get a more satisfying or better paying job. Other popular reasons for attending include taking courses for personal interest and having a university experience. Most graduates feel they achieved these goals at UVU. Almost two-thirds of graduates came to UVU in order to pursue a bachelor's degree.

### Personal Growth

The areas of personal growth where a UVU education contributes the *most* are (1) knowledge in field of study, (2) critical thinking skills, (3) desire for lifelong learning, and (4) communication skills. The areas of personal growth where a UVU education contributes the *least* are (1) community involvement, (2) art and cultural knowledge, (3) global perspective, and (4) mathematical skills.

### Student Experience

Graduates are very satisfied with degree/program offerings and quality, though some had a hard time finding classes scheduled when they wanted to take them. Students and faculty at UVU are very respectful of the religious and cultural views of others. Many graduates were not involved in campus activities outside of the classroom.

While most graduates feel that books, supplies, and fees were too expensive (fewer graduates feel tuition is too expensive), those who wanted to acquire student loans were able to do so. Graduates were certain of their educational goals while attending UVU, though many of them found college stressful.

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### How would you rate your overall educational experiences at UVU?

■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Fair ■ Poor ■ Very Poor



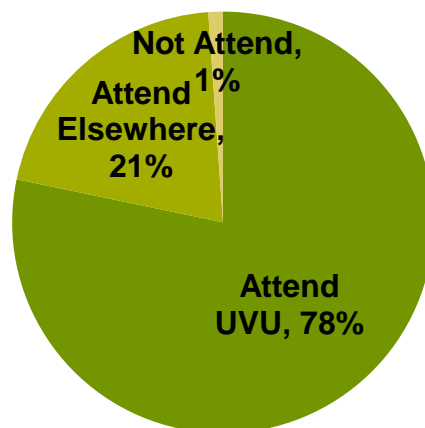
### How would you rate the strength of your connection to UVU?

■ Very Strong ■ Strong ■ Moderate ■ Weak ■ Very Weak



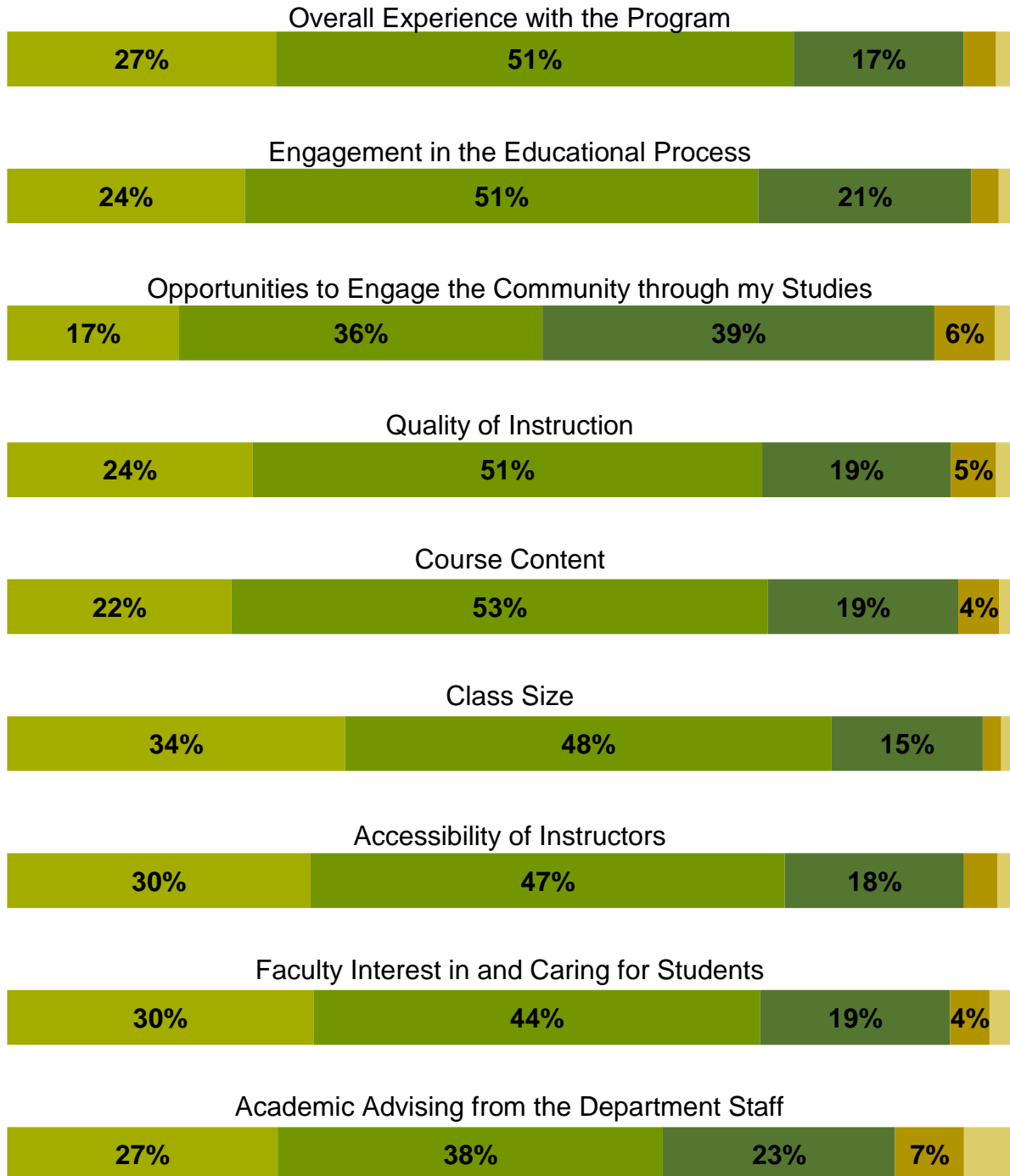
### If you could make your college choice over, would you be most likely to...

■ Attend UVU ■ Attend Elsewhere ■ Not Attend



## How satisfied were you with each of the following aspects of your major or program?

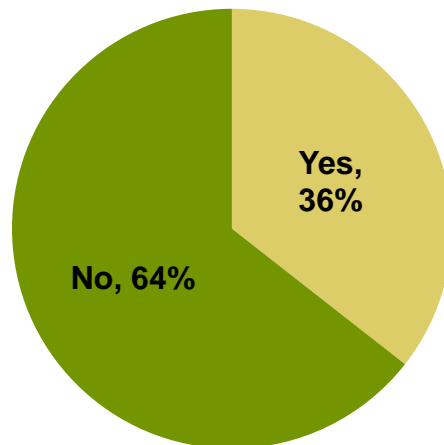
■ Very Satisfied  
 ■ Satisfied  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Unsatisfied  
 ■ Very Unsatisfied



### Did you take at least one full semester off during your study at UVU for any of the following reasons?



### Did you complete an internship while at UVU?



## What did you want to accomplish when you first started attending UVU and now that you are graduating from UVU?

■ At Graduation   ■ When Starting

I was not working and wanted to gain skills to find a job.



I wanted to gain skills that would lead to a more satisfying or better paying job.



I wanted to gain skills that would earn a promotion or raise in my current job.



I wanted to improve my skills in my current job.



I wanted to gain skills that would increase my job security in my current job.



I wanted to satisfy the requests of my current employer.



I wanted to satisfy the requests of my family or other people.



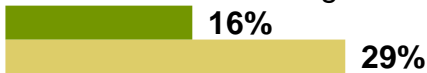
I wanted to take general education courses before transferring to another school.



I wanted to take some courses at UVU while primarily attending another school.



I wanted to earn college credit while attending high school.



I wanted to take course work for personal interest or development.

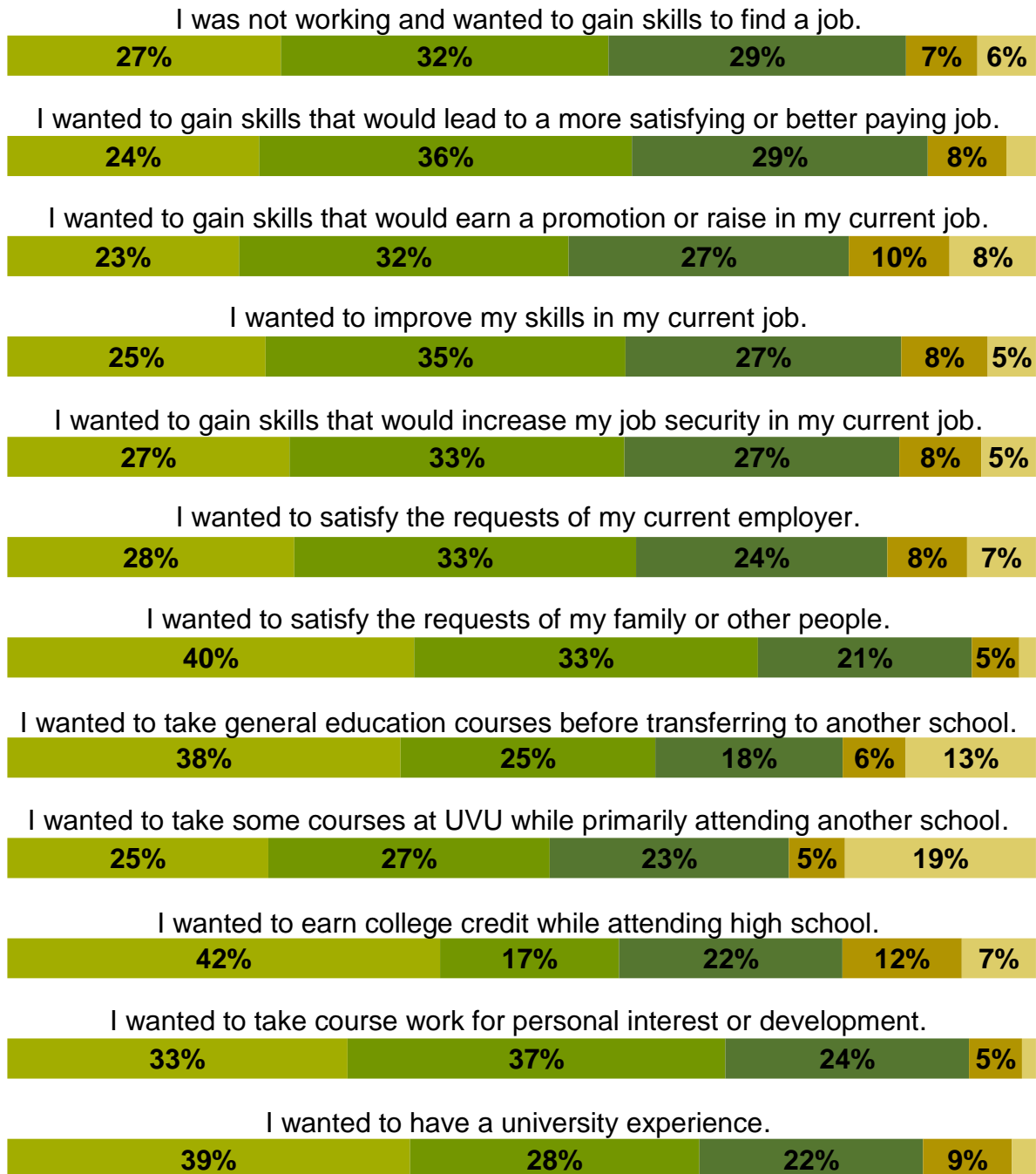


I wanted to have a university experience.



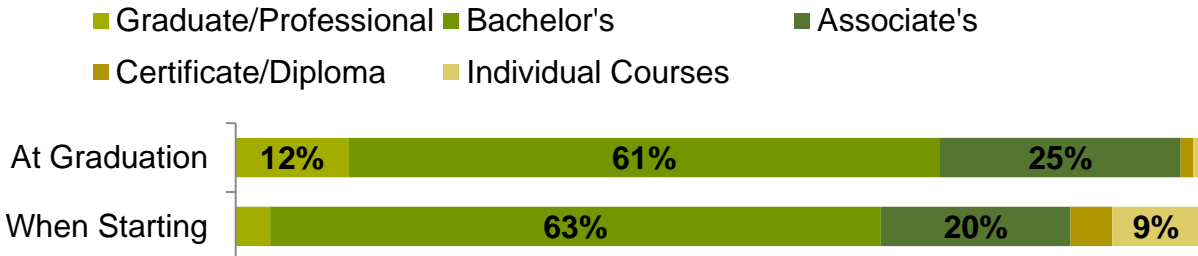
## How would you rate the extent to which you have achieved your goals now that you are graduating from UVU?\*

- Completely Achieved   
 ■ Achieved Most   
 ■ Achieved Some  
■ Achieved a Little   
 ■ Not Achieved At All

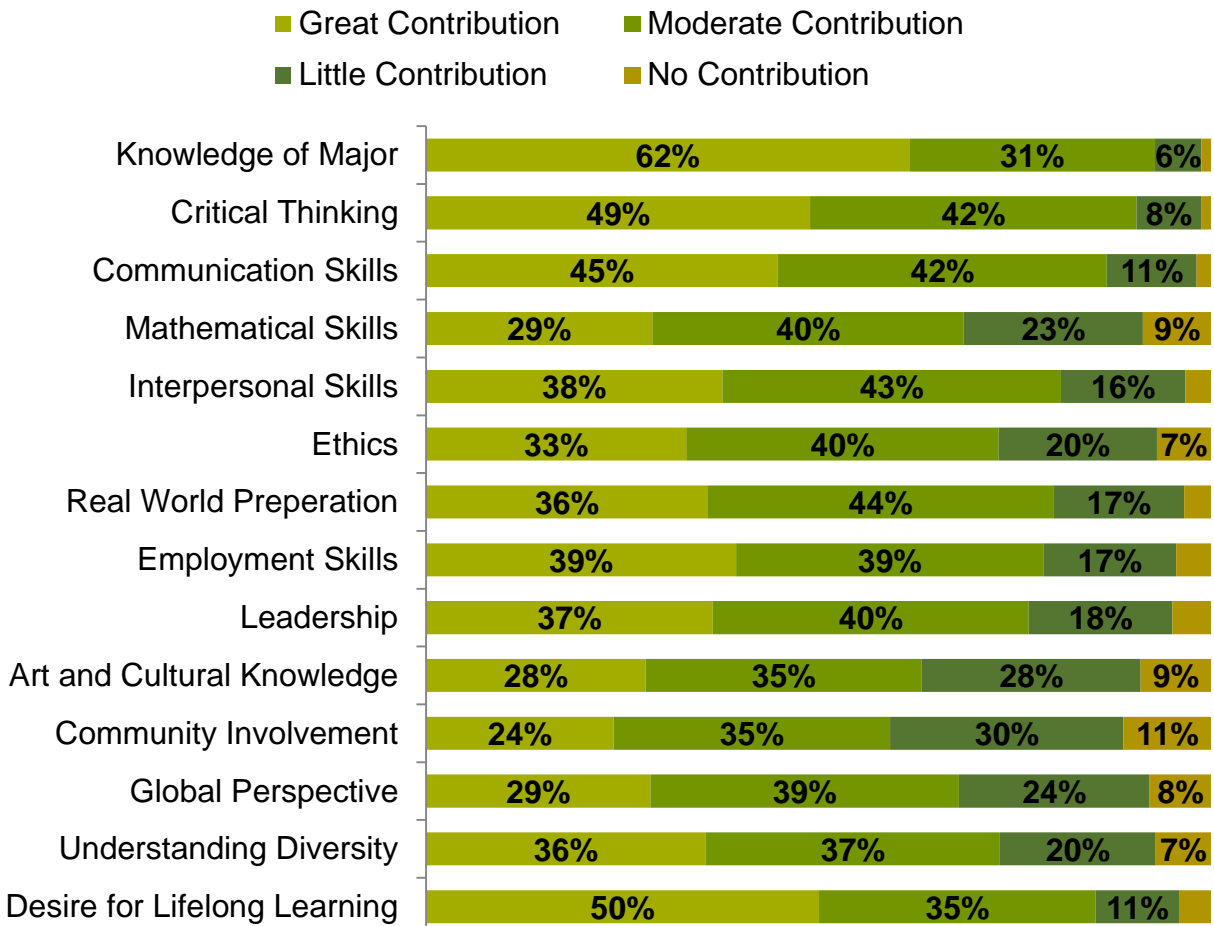


\*Statements presented only to graduates who selected them in previous question

## What was the highest level of education that you planned to pursue at UVU when you started attending and now that you are graduating?



## How much did your education at UVU contribute to your growth in the following areas?





## To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements related to courses and programs?

*Excludes "Does Not Apply"*

■ Strongly Agree  
 ■ Agree  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Disagree  
 ■ Strongly Disagree

The courses that I wanted to take were offered during the semester I wanted to take them.



The courses that I wanted to take were offered at the time and day I wanted to take them.



The courses that I wanted to take were offered at the location I wanted to take them.



UUV offers the majors and degrees that I wanted to study.



The quality of my major and degree at UUV is as good or better than other schools.



The quality of facilities and equipment used in my classes made learning more difficult.



## To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements related to campus administration?

*Excludes "Does Not Apply"*

■ Strongly Agree  
 ■ Agree  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Disagree  
 ■ Strongly Disagree

Registering systems and processes were too difficult.



Financial aid advising was helpful.



Career Services helped me to find a job after graduation.



## To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements related to campus environment?

*Excludes "Does Not Apply"*

■ Strongly Agree  
 ■ Agree  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Disagree  
 ■ Strongly Disagree

I was involved in campus activities outside of the classroom.



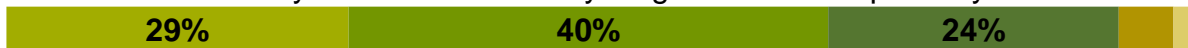
Accommodations for the disabled meet the needs of people like me.



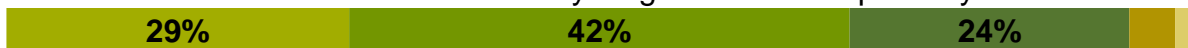
I have seen or experienced discrimination on campus.



Faculty and staff treated my religious views respectfully.



Other students treated my religious views respectfully.



My fellow classmates treated me with appropriate respect.



Academic support programs improved my academic performance.



Student support programs helped me with personal or health issues.



First-year experience programs helped me adjust to college life.



## To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements related to paying for your education?

*Excludes "Does Not Apply"*

■ Strongly Agree  
 ■ Agree  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Disagree  
 ■ Strongly Disagree

It was difficult to find a job to help meet the costs of my education.



UVU's tuition is too expensive.



The cost of books, supplies, and fees for individual classes is too expensive.



Grants and scholarships were available to help me pay for school.



Student loans were available to help me pay for school.



Work study jobs were available to help me pay for school.



The availability of housing on or near campus made it more difficult for me.



UVU's overall cost of attendance is reasonable.



## To what extent would you agree or disagree with the following statements related to personal circumstances?

*Excludes "Does Not Apply"*

■ Strongly Agree  
 ■ Agree  
 ■ Neutral  
 ■ Disagree  
 ■ Strongly Disagree

My work and school schedules rarely conflicted.



My health and that of my family got in the way of my education.



Family or child care responsibilities made it more difficult to attend UVU.



I wanted to take time off from school at some point while attending UVU.



Moving after starting UVU made it more difficult to attend UVU.



The location of different UVU campuses made attending UVU easier.



I found college stressful.



I was certain of my educational goals while I attended UVU.

