

2015 Alumni Survey

Gender and Racial/Ethnic Comparisons of Undergraduate Experiences

Impact of Various Undergraduate Experiences

Mean Rating - Based on a scale of 5=Agree, 4=Tend to agree, 3=Neither agree nor disagree, 2=Tend to disagree, 1=Disagree

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Physical ed course(s) had a positive influence on my current exercise/health habits (excl. N/A)	3.74	3.71	3.77	3.80	3.61	3.75	3.70
Attending ARTS NC State events increased my interest in attending future arts/cultural events (excl. N/A)	3.52	3.67	3.36	3.52	3.74	3.49	3.61
Ability to communicate in a language other than English has proven helpful in current position (excl. N/A)	3.08	3.24	2.93	3.23	3.14	3.02	3.56
Foreign language courses helped me gain an appreciation for other cultures (excl. N/A)	3.53	3.69	3.36	3.65	3.44	3.51	3.79
Participation in an internship/co-op/student teaching has had a positive impact on career (excl. N/A)	4.54	4.51	4.56	4.41	4.38	4.56	4.43
Knowledge/experiences from undergraduate research have had a positive impact on career (excl. N/A)	4.15	4.18	4.13	4.07	4.22	4.16	4.11
Community service/service learning project has had impact on commitment in helping to improve society (excl. N/A)	4.01	4.20	3.81	3.99	4.27	3.98	4.10

Note: Excludes 'not applicable' response option.

International Experiences

Participation in on-campus international program or activity while undergraduate

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Yes	24.9%	30.3%	20.2%	53.9%	30.2%	22.0%	41.3%
No	75.1%	69.7%	79.8%	46.1%	69.8%	78.0%	58.8%
Total (N)	2,403	1,126	1,277	89	139	2,015	160

Note: Excludes 'not sure/don't remember' response option.

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International experiences while an undergraduate

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Study abroad for a summer or short term	13.4%	18.2%	9.1%	10.3%	9.5%	13.6%	16.2%
Study abroad for one semester or longer	5.9%	7.7%	4.2%	6.2%	1.4%	6.1%	7.2%
International service trip organized by NC State	5.2%	7.7%	3.0%	11.3%	6.8%	4.4%	10.2%
International service trip organized outside NC State	3.5%	3.7%	3.3%	2.1%	2.0%	3.6%	4.2%
International internship	1.5%	1.5%	1.5%	3.1%	0.7%	1.3%	3.6%
Research project outside the US	1.4%	1.8%	1.1%	2.1%	0.7%	1.3%	3.6%
Student teaching outside the US	0.4%	0.5%	0.2%	2.1%	0.0%	0.3%	0.6%
Work outside the US	1.6%	1.5%	1.7%	3.1%	1.4%	1.4%	3.0%
Personal travel outside the US	32.3%	35.9%	29.1%	42.3%	17.0%	32.6%	35.9%
Total (N)	2,553	1,201	1,352	97	147	2,142	167

Note: Respondents could report multiple international experiences.

Impact of on- and/or off-campus international experiences

Mean Rating - Based on a scale of 4=A great deal, 3=Some, 2=A little, 1=Not at all

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
International experience helped improve problem solving skills	3.14	3.25	2.99	3.12	2.94	3.15	3.20
International experience had positive impact on work attitudes/skills	3.29	3.35	3.21	3.24	3.24	3.31	3.24
International experience helped better understand world problems/issues	3.45	3.51	3.35	3.27	3.29	3.48	3.45
International experience helped appreciate diverse perspectives/different cultures	3.63	3.70	3.54	3.57	3.63	3.64	3.63

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Reasons for not doing a study abroad

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Not interested in available programs	26.0%	15.2%	34.3%	13.4%	14.4%	28.0%	20.0%
Financial constraints	57.4%	63.8%	52.5%	58.5%	67.4%	55.7%	68.5%
Personal, family, or employment obligations	25.7%	31.7%	21.0%	23.2%	16.7%	26.1%	30.8%
Learned about opportunities too late	18.2%	19.0%	17.6%	28.0%	24.2%	17.0%	21.5%
My own/my family's concerns about safety	4.7%	9.1%	1.3%	9.8%	6.8%	4.3%	3.8%
Other	13.1%	13.5%	12.8%	13.4%	9.8%	13.3%	13.8%
Total (N)	2,081	901	1,180	82	132	1,737	130

Note: Respondents could report multiple reasons.

Reasons for not going on international service trip

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Not interested in available programs	34.2%	22.5%	44.0%	20.2%	18.5%	36.3%	27.1%
Financial constraints	49.2%	55.9%	43.6%	50.0%	55.6%	48.0%	59.7%
Personal, family, or employment obligations	21.6%	26.7%	17.4%	23.8%	17.0%	21.4%	27.8%
Learned about opportunities too late	17.5%	19.3%	16.0%	22.6%	21.5%	16.5%	25.0%
My own/my family's concerns about safety	3.3%	5.9%	1.1%	8.3%	3.7%	3.1%	2.1%
Other reason for not participating	8.8%	9.9%	7.9%	10.7%	10.4%	8.6%	9.0%
Total (N)	2,348	1,076	1,272	84	135	1,985	144

Note: Respondents could report multiple reasons.

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Work-Related Experiences

Work-related experiences while at NC State

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Cooperative Education Program	8.1%	3.4%	12.2%	11.3%	8.2%	8.1%	5.4%
Internship	44.6%	43.5%	45.6%	49.5%	38.1%	45.5%	36.5%
Practicum	6.7%	6.7%	6.8%	5.2%	8.2%	6.4%	10.8%
Student teaching	11.1%	14.2%	8.4%	14.4%	8.8%	11.0%	13.2%
Research with faculty	20.4%	21.5%	19.5%	26.8%	17.0%	20.5%	19.2%
Residence advisor	4.6%	5.5%	3.8%	5.2%	10.9%	4.2%	4.8%
Other on-campus employment	19.8%	22.0%	17.8%	19.6%	34.7%	18.8%	19.2%
Full-time or part-time job in major	22.4%	23.6%	21.3%	20.6%	11.6%	23.4%	19.2%
Full-time or part-time job not in major	32.3%	35.6%	29.4%	22.7%	34.7%	32.4%	35.3%
Total (N)	2,553	1,201	1,352	97	147	2,142	167

Note: Respondents could report multiple work-related experiences.

Student Organizations

Involvement in school-related groups

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Academic scholarship program	5.1%	6.5%	3.8%	5.2%	8.8%	4.9%	3.6%
GLBT (gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender) student group	1.0%	1.1%	0.9%	1.0%	0.0%	1.1%	0.0%
Honor/professional fraternity/sorority	15.6%	20.1%	11.6%	14.4%	18.4%	15.9%	10.8%
International/cultural organization	5.4%	6.3%	4.7%	23.7%	4.8%	4.2%	12.0%
Intramural/Recreational sports, club teams	26.4%	19.5%	32.5%	10.3%	15.6%	28.5%	18.6%
Culturally affiliated group	2.2%	2.8%	1.6%	14.4%	8.8%	0.6%	9.6%

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	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Organizations/clubs related to major	32.9%	38.4%	28.0%	32.0%	29.3%	33.6%	26.9%
Political/issue groups	3.9%	3.3%	4.4%	2.1%	3.4%	4.2%	1.8%
Religious groups	15.1%	17.6%	12.9%	16.5%	12.2%	15.6%	10.2%
Residence Hall Council, IRC	4.8%	5.7%	4.0%	7.2%	8.2%	4.3%	6.6%
ROTC	1.3%	0.3%	2.1%	2.1%	1.4%	1.2%	1.8%
Service group/organization	11.9%	15.8%	8.5%	18.6%	15.6%	11.3%	13.8%
Social fraternity/sorority	11.6%	13.3%	10.1%	1.0%	12.9%	11.8%	13.8%
Student Government	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	1.0%	4.1%	3.1%	1.8%
Student Media/Publications	3.4%	3.8%	3.1%	5.2%	2.7%	3.4%	3.6%
Union Activities Board groups	1.8%	2.2%	1.5%	3.1%	7.5%	1.3%	3.0%
University Honors Program	6.5%	7.4%	5.8%	12.4%	6.1%	6.4%	4.8%
University Scholars Program	15.6%	20.1%	11.6%	12.4%	12.9%	16.0%	15.0%
Varsity athletic teams	3.3%	2.7%	3.7%	1.0%	6.8%	3.1%	3.6%
Visual/performing arts/music groups	5.7%	7.2%	4.4%	5.2%	9.5%	5.6%	3.0%
Other organization	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%	6.2%	6.8%	10.2%	12.0%
African American Cultural Center	2.4%	3.7%	1.2%	0.0%	35.4%	0.1%	3.6%
Multicultural Student Affairs group	2.9%	4.1%	1.8%	5.2%	23.8%	0.4%	14.4%
Student Ambassador group	5.0%	7.3%	2.9%	5.2%	13.6%	4.4%	4.2%
Minority student groups	4.9%	5.5%	4.3%	18.6%	39.5%	0.6%	21.0%
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Leadership role in school-related organization(s)

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Yes	48.5%	52.1%	45.0%	57.7%	53.9%	47.5%	50.0%
No	51.5%	47.9%	55.0%	42.3%	46.1%	52.5%	50.0%
Total (N)	2,011	988	1,023	78	128	1,677	128

How often participate in volunteer or service projects at NCSU

	NCSU	Women	Men	Asian	AfAm	White	Other
Never	22.7%	14.2%	30.2%	12.5%	8.2%	24.1%	23.5%
About once a year	23.9%	21.8%	25.7%	21.9%	24.7%	23.9%	24.1%
About once a semester	27.4%	30.0%	25.1%	28.1%	28.1%	27.6%	22.9%
About once a month	14.8%	18.8%	11.3%	20.8%	24.0%	13.7%	16.9%
A few times a month	7.9%	11.1%	5.1%	14.6%	10.3%	7.4%	8.4%
About once a week or more	3.4%	4.2%	2.7%	2.1%	4.8%	3.3%	4.2%
Total (N)	2,539	1,194	1,345	96	146	2,131	166