

# NC State University

## 2015 Alumni Survey

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences: Department of Soil Science Insert

### College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Questions

**CALSintro1** The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences is very interested in your opinions, and believes that as an alumnus/alumna you can provide us with useful information to help us evaluate and improve our college. We appreciate you taking the time to answer these questions. To answer a question, click on the bubble for the answer you are choosing. Once you have answered all the questions, you must click on the SUBMIT button at the end of the form to submit your answers.

**CALS1** Did you participate in undergraduate research with NC State faculty?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (0)

If "No" Is Selected, Then Skip To CALS4

**CALS2** The research I conducted for college credit was under:

- ☐ CALS Honors Program (1)
- ☐ CALS Honors/University Scholars Program (2)
- ☐ Departmental On/Off Campus Learning Experience (3)
- ☐ Departmental Special Topics (4)

**CALS3** My research experience enabled me to focus on a career, gain employment, or become admitted to post-baccalaureate educational programs.

- ☐ Agree (5)
- ☐ Tend to agree (4)
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree (3)
- ☐ Tend to disagree (2)
- ☐ Disagree (1)
- ☐ No opinion (0)

**CALS4** Did you participate in an internship?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (0)

**CALS5** How would you assess the technical preparation provided by your program?

- ☐ Excellent preparation (5)
- ☐ Good preparation (4)
- ☐ Average preparation (3)
- ☐ Fair preparation (2)
- ☐ Poor preparation (1)

## Department of Soil Science Questions

**SSCintro1** As a graduate of the Department of Soil Science, your opinions are very important in our programming and planning efforts. We appreciate your taking the time to answer a few questions specifically related to your experiences in your major.

**SSC1** Are you currently employed as a soil scientist?

- ☐ Yes (1)
- ☐ No (0)

Answer If SSC1 – “No” Is Selected

**SSC2** Are you employed in a field related to soil science - i.e., agriculture, environmental science, graduate school, or other? Please specify:

- ☐ Yes (please specify): (1) SSC2 TEXT
- ☐ No (0)

**SSC3** Please check all of the following that are related to your current employment:

- ☐ 1. Owner of consulting company (1)
- ☐ 2. Farming (1)
- ☐ 3. Private sector - consulting (1)
- ☐ 4. Private sector - retail (1)
- ☐ 5. Private sector - other (1)
- ☐ 6. Public sector - regulatory - County or Local (1)
- ☐ 7. Public sector - regulatory - State (1)
- ☐ 8. Public sector - regulator - Federal (1)
- ☐ 9. Public sector - non-regulatory - County or Local (1)
- ☐ 10. Public sector - non-regulatory - State (1)
- ☐ 11. Public sector - non-regulatory - Federal (1)
- ☐ 12. Unemployed (1)

**SSC4** How well do you feel your curriculum provided the necessary basic background in soil science?

- ☐ Very well (3)
- ☐ Somewhat well (2)
- ☐ Not well (1)

**SSC5** As you recall the soil science courses you have taken, is there one course in particular that has really made a difference for you? If so, can you explain how or why this course was important?

**SSC6** What course or courses now seem less necessary? Why?

**SSC7** Please describe any courses you think should be added to the curriculum.

**SSC8** Overall, what could the Department of Soil Science do to improve the quality of undergraduate educational experiences?

**SSC9** If you are currently employed, how satisfied are you with your present position?

- ☐ Very satisfied (5)
- ☐ Moderately satisfied (4)
- ☐ Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (3)
- ☐ Moderately dissatisfied (2)
- ☐ Very dissatisfied (1)
- ☐ Not applicable: not employed (8)

**SSC10** How well prepared were you by your training in soil science for your present position?

- ☐ Excellent preparation (5)
- ☐ Good preparation (4)
- ☐ Average preparation (3)
- ☐ Fair preparation (2)
- ☐ Poor preparation (1)
- ☐ Not applicable: not employed (8)

**SSC11** Please provide any other suggestions or comments about your degree program and how NC State can improve the curriculum.