

**ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
2007 ALUMNI SURVEY
CODEBOOK**

Variable Name	Label	Full Question
I. MAJOR DEGREE SATISFACTION		Please rate your satisfaction in the following areas:
Course_offerings_satisfaction	Course offerings in your degree program	Course offerings in your degree program (availability of courses you needed)
Quality_of_instruction_satisfaction	Quality of instruction in your degree program	Quality of instruction in your degree program
Academic_Advisement_satisfaction	Effectiveness of Academic Advisement in your degree program	Effectiveness of Academic Advisement in your degree program
Awareness_of_career_opportunities_satisfaction	Awareness of career opportunities in your major	Awareness of career opportunities in major
Intellectual_challenges_satisfaction	Intellectual challenges of the degree program	Intellectual challenges of the degree program
Employment_opportunities_satisfaction	Employment opportunities upon graduation	Employment opportunities upon graduation
Degree_program_requirement_satisfaction	Requirements of your degree program provided a sufficient core of knowledge, skill, and understanding of the discipline	Requirements of your degree program provided a sufficient core of knowledge, skill, and understanding of the discipline
		With regard to your degree program, how frequently did the following experiences occur at ISU:
Faculty_were_accessible	Faculty were accessible both inside and outside of class.	I felt that faculty were accessible both inside and outside of class.
work_cooperatively_with_others	I was expected or required to work cooperatively with other students on projects, homework, and assignments.	I was expected of required to work cooperatively with other students on projects, homework, and assignments.
Professors_encouraged_me_to_challenged_ideas	Professors encouraged me to challenge my own ideas, the ideas of other students, and those presented in readings and other course materials.	Professors encouraged me to challenge my own ideas, the ideas of other students, and those presented in readings and other course materials.
Professors_used_appropriate_teaching	Professors used appropriate teaching activities to help me learn.	Professors used appropriate teaching activities to help me learn.
Faculty_expectations_were_high	Faculty expectations for the quality of student work were high.	Faculty expectations for the quality of student work were high.

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Faculty_provided_timely_feedback	Faculty provided me timely feedback on my performance.	Faculty provided me timely feedback on my performance
Professors_emphasized_studying	Professors emphasized that studying and planning were important to my academic success.	Professors emphasized that studying and planning were important to my academic success
II. EDUCATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS		
		In your view, how helpful was ISU in developing your abilities in the following areas:
ISU_developed_your_critical_thinking	Helping you to better develop your critical thinking ability?	Helping you to better develop your critical thinking ability?
ISU_developed_your_sense_of_ethics	Helping you to better develop your sense of ethics?	Helping you to better develop your sense of ethics?
ISU_contributed_to_greater_understanding_of_diverse_others	Contributing to a greater understanding of people with different backgrounds, habits, values, appearances, and abilities?	Contributing to a greater understanding of people with different backgrounds, habits, values, appearances, and abilities?
ISU_helped_you_become_a_more_active_citizen	Helping you become a more active citizen?	Helping you become a more active citizen?
ISU_Improved_quality_of_life	Improving the quality of your life aside from financial benefits?	Improving the quality of your life aside from financial benefits?
		Please respond to the following questions regarding your satisfaction with Milner Library:
Milnersatisfaction_Quality_of_collections	Quality of Milner collections (i.e. books, journals, electronic resources) in your major	Quality of collections (i.e. books, journals, electronic resources) in your major
Milnersatisfaction_Library_instruction	Library instruction received to support life-long learning	Library instruction received to support life-long learning
Milnersatisfaction_Satisfaction_with_library_services	Satisfaction with library services (i.e. interlibrary loan, reference, reserve materials)	Satisfaction with library services (i.e. interlibrary loan, reference, reserve materials)
Milnersatisfaction_Assistance_received_from_library_faculty	Assistance received from library faculty and staff	Assistance received from library faculty and staff
Milnersatisfaction_Interactions_with_library_faculty	Interactions with library faculty and staff	Interactions with library faculty and staff
Milnersatisfaction_Internet_Access_to_library_resources	Access to library resources through the library Web site	Access to library resources through the library Web site

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Milnersatisfaction_Library_hours_of_operation	Library hours of operation	Library hours of operation
		Indicate the frequency you used the following services offered by Milner Library
Milnerservices_frequency_of_use	How often did you use the library while a student at Illinois State?	How often did you use the library while a student at Illinois State?
Milnerservices_study_and_work	Library as a place to study and work	Library as a place to study and work
Milnerservices_Library_Website	Library Web site	Library Web site
Milnerservices_Interlibrary_Loan	Interlibrary Loan	Interlibrary Loan
Milnerservices_Class_Reserve_Materials	Class Reserve Materials	Class Reserve Materials
Milnerservices_Government_Documents	Government Documents	Government Documents
Milnerservices_Reference_Services	Reference Services (i.e. assistance at the reference desk, online reference service)	Reference Services (i.e. assistance at the reference desk, online reference service)
ISU_Quality	How do you rate the quality of your ISU education?	How do you rate the quality of your education relative to that of colleagues who graduated from other institutions?
III. EDUCATION		
Post_ISU_Enrollment	Pursuing additional postsecondary degrees?	Have you enrolled in a college or University since earning your degree at ISU?
Degree_post_ISU	Post-ISU Degree	Have you completed (or are you pursuing) an additional degree since earning your degree from ISU?
		Since Completing your degree at ISU, which of the following one or more additional post-secondary degrees have you earned or are you pursuing: Select at least 1 response
TypeofDegreePostISUAssociates	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Associate's)	Associate's
TypeofDegreePostISUSecondBachelors	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Second Bachelor's)	Second Bachelor's
TypeofDegreePostISUAcademicMasters M.A.M.S.M.Ed	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Academic Master's (M.A., M.S., M.Ed., etc.))	Academic Master's (M.A., M.S., M.Ed., etc.)

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TypeofDegreePostISUProfessionalMaster's or Education	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Professional Master's or Education Specialist (M.B.A., M.S.W., M.F.A., M.P.A., SP.ED., etc.))	Professional Master's or Education Specialist (M.B.A., M.S.W., M.F.A., M.P.A., SP.ED., etc.)
TypeofDegreePostISUMedicineM.D.D.O	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Medicine (M.D., D.O.))	Medicine (M.D., D.O.)
TypeofDegreePostISUHealthProfessionalDentistryPharm	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Health Professional (Dentistry, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Optometry, Veterinary Medicine, etc.))	Health Professional (Dentistry, Pharmacy, Podiatry, Optometry, Veterinary Medicine, etc.)
TypeofDegreePostISUTheologyDivinity	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Theology/Divinity)	(Theology/Divinity)
TypeofDegreePostISULawL.L.B.J.D	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Law (L.L.B., J.D.))	(L.L.B., J.D.)
TypeofDegreePostISUDoctoratePh.D.Ed.D.A.D.B.A	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., D.A., D.B.A.))	(Doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., D.A., D.B.A.))
TypeofDegreePostISUOther	Type of Degree (Post ISU) (Other)	Other
Post_ISU_degree_prep	How well did your ISU degree prepare you for additional degrees?	In general, how well did your degree at ISU prepare you for your additional degree program?
PostISUUniversity	Name of Post-ISU College or University	If you are in graduate or professional school (or have completed a post-secondary degree), please indicate the name of the college or university you are attending (or attended):
FieldofStudy	Field of Study	If you are in graduate or professional school (or have completed a post-secondary degree), please indicate the field of study:
IV. EMPLOYMENT		
Currently_employed	Are you currently employed?	Are you currently employed (including self-employed)?
Employment_lag	Indicate the time frame between you graduation and acceptance of job	Indicate the time frame between your graduation and acceptance of your current job (if applicable):

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ISU_Job_prep	How well did you degree program prepare you for your career?	How well did you degree program prepare you for your career path?
Number_of_Employers	How many employers have you had since graduation?	How many employers (companies, firms, agencies, schools, not individual "supervisors") have you had since graduation?

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job_satisfaction	How satisfied are you with your current job?	How satisfied are you with your current job?
Employer	Name of Employer	What is the name of your place of employment?
Employerzip	Zip Code of Employer	Enter the five-digit zip code of your place of employment:
Employer_classification	Classify your primary employer	How would you classify your primary employer?
primaryoccupation	Classify your primary occupation	From the list below, please indicate your primary occupation.

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jobtitle	What is your job title	Specify your job title:
degree_job_fit	Relationship of current job to your degree program	How closely related is your current job to your degree major?
grosssalary	What is your gross salary	What is your annual gross income in your current job?
		What is your present attitude toward:
Attitude_towards_ISU	Attitude toward Illinois State University?	Illinois State University?
Attitude_towards_ISU_major	Attitude toward Degree Program?	Your degree program?
V. COMMENTS		Please take a few minutes to respond to the following questions about your major program's) at Illinois State University. The thoughtful feedback you provide will identify the most important aspects of your experiences and will help us as we plan for the future.
comments1degreestrengths	Strongest aspect of your degree program.	What was the strongest aspect of your major program?
comments2degreeweaknesses	Weakest aspect of your degree program	What was the weakest aspect of your degree program?
Additionalcomments	Additional comments	Additional comments?

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VI. BACKGROUND DATA		
GENDER	Gender	
ETHNICITY	Ethnicity	
YEAR	Calendar Graduation Year	
DEGREETYPE	DEGREE TYPE	
DEGREE	Degree conferred to Alumni	
CURR	Curriculum Number from ISU Registrar	
SEQ	Sequence Number from ISU Registrar	
COLLEGE	College Abbreviation	
DEPTNUM	Department Number from ISU Registrar	
DEPARTMENT	Department Name from ISU Registrar	
DEGREE_TYPE_RECODED	Degree Type Recoded for Report Purposes	

Variables
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Satisfied=3, Very Satisfied=4, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999

Variables
Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Neutral=3, Satisfied=4, Very Satisfied=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Never=1, Infrequently=2, Sometimes=3, Often=4, Very Often=5, Missing=999
Inferior=1, Below Average=2, Average=3, Above Average=4, Superior=5, Missing=999
Yes, Full-time=1 (Directed to "TypeofDegreePostISU" Questions), Yes, Part-time=2 (Directed to "TypeofDegreePostISU" Questions), No=3 (Directed to "IV. EMPLOYMENT")
Yes=1 (Directed to "TypeofDegreePostISU" Questions), No=2 (Directed to "IV. EMPLOYMENT")
Not Selected=0, Selected=1
Not Selected=0, Selected=1
Not Selected=0, Selected=1

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Not Selected=0, Selected=1
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Very Poorly=1, Poorly=2, Inadequately=3, Adequately=4, Well=5, Very Well=6, Missing=999
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Yes, Full-time=1, Yes, Part-time=2, No, but am seeking employment=3 (Directed to "V. COMMENTS", No, and am not seeking employment=4 (Directed to "V. COMMENTS"))
Held the same job while enrolled=1, Accepted before graduation=2, Within one month of graduation=3, Between one and three months=4, Between three and six months=5, Between six and nine months=6, Between nine and twelve months=7, More than twelve months=8, Did not seek a job upon graduation=9, Missing=999

Variables

Very Well=1, Well=2, Adequately=3, Inadequately=4,
Poorly=5, Very poorly=6

One=1, Two=2, Three to Six=3, More than six=4

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Very Dissatisfied=1, Dissatisfied=2, Somewhat Dissatisfied=3, Somewhat Satisfied=4, Satisfied=5, Very Satisfied=6, Missing=999

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Self-employed or private practice=1, Business (industrial, commercial, or service)=2, Professional firm (e.g. engineering, law)=3, College of University=4, Elementary/Secondary school (including cooperatives)=5, Health Agency (e.g., hospital, clinic)=6, Federal, state, or local government=7, Armed services=8, Non-profit=10, Other, please specify=(Open ended data included on CD), Missing=999

Management=1, Business Operations=2, Financial Management=3, Computer Specialists=4, Mathematical Scientists and Technicians=5, Architects, Surveyors, and Cartographers=6, Engineers and Related Technicians=7, Life and Physical Scientists and Technicians=8, Social Scientists=9, Health: Doctors=10, Health: Registered Nurses=11, Health: Therapists=12, Health: Other Health Practitioners, Professionals, and Support Workers=13, Community and Social Service=14, Legal: Attorneys/Judges=15, Legal: Legal Support Workers=16, Education: Early Childhood Teachers=17, Education: Elementary School Teachers=18, Education: Middle School Teachers=19, Education: Secondary School Teachers=20, Education: Special Education Teachers=21, Education: Other, except administrators (see management above)=22, Library Occupations=23, Arts and Design Workers=24, Entertainers, Performers, Sports, and Related Workers=25, Media and Communication Workers=26, Sales=27, Office Administration=28, Protective Services=29, Food Preparation and Serving=30, Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance=31, Personal Care Service=32,

Variables

Farming, Fishing, and Forestry=33, Construction and Extractive=24, Installation, Maintenance, and Report=35, Production=36, Transportation and Material Moving=37, Military=38

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Closely related=1, Somewhat related=2, Unrelated by choice=3, Unrelated not by choice=4, Missing=999

Less than \$30,000=1, \$30,000 to \$45,000=2, \$45,000 to \$60,000=3, \$60,000 to \$75,000=4, \$75,000 to \$90,000=5, \$90,000 to \$105,000=6, \$105,000 to \$125,000=7, \$125,000 to \$150,000=8, More than \$150,000=9, Missing=999

Strongly Negative=1, Negative=2, Somewhat Negative=3, Somewhat Positive=3, Positive=4, Positive=5, Strongly Positive=6

Strongly Negative=1, Negative=2, Somewhat Negative=3, Somewhat Positive=3, Positive=4, Positive=5, Strongly Positive=6

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Variables
Male=m, Female=F
Data Missing=0, American Indian, Alaskan Native=1, Black, Non-Hispanic=2, Asian or Pacific Islander=3, Hispanic=4, Explicitly chose not to respond=5, White, Non-Hispanic=6, Unknown=8
2002=2002, 2006=2006
Undergraduate=U, Masters=M, Doctoral=P
Specific to each Department
College of Education=COE, College of Business=COB, College of Fine Arts= CFA, College of Arts and Sciences=CAS, College of Applied Science and Technology=CAST, Mennonite College of Nursing=MCN,
Undergraduate Alumni=1, Graduate Alumni=2