

The Graduate CECE Survey Items

The results of this survey will be used to help educators understand how to improve your graduate school experience and the experiences of all graduate students on this campus. Your honest answers are important for us to understand how to improve the graduate experience for all students. Please help us by taking a few minutes to answer the following questions. Thank you!

Graduate School Experience

The terms “cultural community” or “community” can refer to a racial or ethnic community, but they can also refer to other communities (such as a religious community, the LGBTQA+ community, the neighborhood where you grew up, etc.). For questions that ask about your cultural communities, please consider the community or communities with which you most strongly identify.

1. Please tell us about your experiences within your graduate school environment [Strongly disagree, Somewhat disagree, Neither disagree nor agree, Somewhat agree, Strongly agree]

- It is easy to find people in my graduate program with similar backgrounds as me.
- I frequently interact with people from similar backgrounds as me in my graduate program.
- In my graduate program, there is sufficient space for me to connect with people from my community.
- It is easy to find people who understand me in my graduate program.
- It is easy to find people who understand my struggles in my graduate program.
- People in my graduate program are generally willing to take time to understand my experiences.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities to learn about the culture of my own community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities to learn about important issues within my own cultural community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities to gain knowledge about my own cultural community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities (research, community service projects, etc.) to help improve the lives of people in my cultural community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities (research, community service projects, etc.) to give back to my cultural community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities (research, community service projects, etc.) to positively impact my cultural community.
- In general, people in my graduate program value knowledge from my cultural community.
- In general, my cultural community is valued in my graduate program.
- In general, people in my graduate program do NOT value the experiences of people in my cultural community.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities to discuss important social issues with people from different cultural backgrounds.
- In my graduate program, there are enough opportunities to discuss important political issues with people from different cultural backgrounds.
- In my graduate program, there are NOT enough opportunities to discuss important issues with people from different cultural backgrounds.
- In general, people in my graduate program help each other succeed.
- In general, people in my graduate program support each other.
- In general, people in my graduate program work together toward common goals.

- In general, educators care about students in my graduate program.
- In general, educators in my graduate program are committed to my success.
- In general, I view educators in my graduate program as caring human beings.
- People in my graduate program often send me important information about new learning opportunities.
- People in my graduate program often send me important information about support that is available on campus.
- In my graduate program, I feel like I have to seek out new learning opportunities on my own.
- If I need support, I know a person in my graduate program who I can trust to give me that support.
- If I have a problem, I know a person in my graduate program who I can trust to help me solve that problem.
- If I need information, I know a person in my graduate program who I can trust to give me the information I need.
- I feel like I am part of the community in my graduate program.
- I feel like I belong in my graduate program.
- I feel a strong connection to the community in my graduate program.

2. **How satisfied are you with your experiences in your current graduate program?** [Very Dissatisfied, Somewhat Dissatisfied, Unsure, Somewhat Satisfied, Very Satisfied]

Knowledge and Skills

3. **Please tell us about the knowledge and skills you have acquired in graduate school. Compared to when you first entered your current graduate program, how would you describe your... [Much worse, Somewhat worse, About the same, Somewhat better, Much better]**

- Ability to be academically successful?
- Motivation to work hard in school?
- Knowledge of the world?
- Ability to think critically?
- Ability to view issues from multiple perspectives?
- Ability to solve problems?
- Ability to analyze things?
- Ability to generate original ideas?
- Communication skills (e.g., writing, speaking, presenting, etc.)?
- Ability to be an effective leader?
- Commitment to continue learning throughout your lifetime?
- Commitment to having a positive impact on your community?
- Commitment to having a positive impact on larger society?
- Understanding of different cultures?
- Acceptance of different cultures?
- Appreciation of different cultures?
- Ability to communicate with people from diverse communities?
- Ability to work effectively with people from diverse communities?

Graduate School Plans, Choices, and Situation

Please tell us about your graduate school plans, choices, and situation.

4. When you entered your current graduate program, what was the highest degree you intended to complete?

- I did not intend to complete a degree
- Master's Degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent)
- Doctoral Degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent)
- Other (please specify): _____

5. What is the highest degree you currently intend to complete?

- I do not intend to complete a degree
- Master's Degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent)
- Doctoral Degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent)
- Other (please specify): _____

6. What is the highest degree that you currently hold?

- Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, or equivalent)
- Master's Degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent)
- Doctoral Degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent)
- Other (please specify): _____

7. In what type of degree program are you currently enrolled?

- Master's Degree Program (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent)
- Doctoral Degree Program (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent)
- Other (please specify): _____

8. [If highest degree already earned is lower than master's degree], How likely is it that you will complete a master's degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent) at this institution in the future?
(Very unlikely, Somewhat unlikely, Neutral, Somewhat likely, Very likely)

9. [If highest degree already earned is lower than master's degree], How likely is it that you will complete a master's degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent) at any institution in the future?
(Very unlikely, Somewhat unlikely, Neutral, Somewhat likely, Very likely)

10. [If highest degree already earned is lower than Ph.D., M.D., or J.D., Sc.D., Dr.PH.], How likely is it that you will complete a doctoral degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent) at this institution in the future? (Very unlikely, Somewhat unlikely, Neutral, Somewhat likely, Very likely)

11. [If highest degree already earned is lower than Ph.D., M.D., or J.D., Sc.D., Dr.PH.], How likely is it that you will complete a doctoral degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent) at any institution in the future? (Very unlikely, Somewhat unlikely, Neutral, Somewhat likely, Very likely)

12. How many graduate credits are you taking this quarter/semester? (dropdown menu from 0 to 16 or over)

13. About how many graduate credits have you completed at this institution prior to the start of the current quarter/semester? (0, 1-10, 11-20, 21-30, 31-40, 41-50, 51-60, 61-70, 71-80, 81-90, 91-100, 101-110, 111-120, over 120)

14. [For student answering other than 0 on last item] What is your overall GPA in your current graduate program:

- Under 2.0
- 2.1
- 2.2
- 2.3
- 2.4
- 2.5
- 2.6
- 2.7
- 2.8
- 2.9
- 3.0
- 3.1
- 3.2
- 3.3
- 3.4
- 3.5
- 3.6
- 3.7
- 3.8
- 3.9
- 4.0

15. Please select all of your undergraduate majors _____ (Drop down menu for major options, with "other" options)

16. Please select all of your majors in your current graduate program _____ (Drop down menu for major options, with "other" options)

17. Please list all of your minors in your current graduate program _____ (Drop down menu for minor options, with "not applicable" and "other" options)

18. What best describes your current living situation? (select one)

- I live on campus
- I live within walking distance to campus
- I live farther than walking distance to campus
- None of the above

19. About how many hours per week do you work ON campus?

- 0
- 1-5
- 6-10
- 11-15
- 16-20

- 21-25
- 26-30
- Over 30

20. About how many hours per week do you work OFF campus?

- 0
- 1-5
- 6-10
- 11-15
- 16-20
- 21-25
- 26-30
- Over 30

Background Information

Please tell us a little bit about your background.

21. What was your overall undergraduate GPA?

- Under 2.0
- 2.1
- 2.2
- 2.3
- 2.4
- 2.5
- 2.6
- 2.7
- 2.8
- 2.9
- 3.0
- 3.1
- 3.2
- 3.3
- 3.4
- 3.5
- 3.6
- 3.7
- 3.8
- 3.9
- 4.0

22. How would you describe the students at your high school in terms of race? (mostly White, somewhat racially diverse, very racially diverse, mostly students of color, I don't know)

23. How would you describe the student at your high school in terms of wealth? (mostly rich, somewhat socioeconomically diverse, very socioeconomically diverse, mostly working class, I don't know)

In high school, how involved were you in the following activities? (a little involved, somewhat involved, very involved)

- Projects to give back to my community
- Efforts to advocate for the well-being of my community
- Student organizations aimed at serving members of my community
- Community-based in my community

During your undergraduate career, how involved were you in the following activities? (a little involved, somewhat involved, very involved)

- Projects to give back to my community
- Efforts to advocate for the well-being of my community
- Student organizations aimed at serving members of my community
- Community-based organizations in my community

24. How old are you? (Dropdown menu from 18 to 50 and over)

25. What is your race? (select all that apply)

- Asian or Asian American
- Black or African American
- Latino or Hispanic
- Native American, American Indian, or Alaska Native
- Pacific Islander
- White
- Multiracial
- Another race (if you selected “another race,” please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

26. What is your ethnicity?

26.a [If selected Asian or Asian American], What Asian American ethnicities do you identify with (select all that apply)?

- Bangladeshi
- Burmese
- Cambodian
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Hmong
- Indian
- Indonesian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Laotian
- Malaysian
- Pakistani
- Taiwanese
- Thai
- Vietnamese
- Another ethnicity (if you selected “another ethnicity,” please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

26b. [If selected Latino or Hispanic], What Latino or Hispanic ethnicities do you identify with? (select all that apply)

- Mexican
- Puerto Rican
- Cuban
- Central American
- South American
- Dominican
- Spaniard
- Another ethnicity (If you selected "another ethnicity," please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

26c. [If selected Native American, American Indian, or Alaska Native], What Native American, American Indian, or Alaska Native tribes do you identify with? (select all that apply)

- Alaska Athabascan
- Aleut
- Apache
- Cherokee
- Chippewa
- Choctaw
- Creek
- Eskimo
- Iroquois
- Lumbee
- Navajo
- Pueblo
- Sioux
- Tlingit-Haida
- Another tribal affiliation (If you selected "another tribal affiliation," please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

26d. [If selected Pacific Islander], What Pacific Islander ethnicities do you identify with? (select all that apply)

- Chamorro
- Chuukese
- Fijian
- Guamanian
- Mariana Islander
- Marshallese
- Native Hawaiian
- Palauan
- Saipanese
- Samoan
- Tahitian
- Tokelauan
- Tongan
- Another ethnicity (If you selected "another ethnicity," please tell us how you identify): _____

- I prefer not to respond

27. To the best of your knowledge, what is your parents'/guardians' combined annual income? (include the income of all parents/guardians who raised you)

- 0-\$10,000
- \$10,001-\$20,000
- \$20,001-\$30,000
- \$30,001-\$40,000
- \$40,001-\$50,000
- \$50,001-\$60,000
- \$60,001-\$70,000
- \$70,001-\$80,000
- \$80,001-\$90,000
- \$90,001-\$100,000
- Over \$100,000
- I don't know

28. What is the highest level of education completed by any of your parents/guardians who raised you?

- Did not finish high school
- High school diploma or GED
- Some college, but did not complete a degree
- College certificate
- Associate's Degree (AA or equivalent)
- Bachelor's Degree (BA, BS, or equivalent)
- Master's Degree (MA, MBA, MEd, MFA, or equivalent)
- Doctoral Degree (EdD, JD, MD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent)
- I don't know

29. What is your gender? (select one)

- Man
- Woman
- Another gender (If you selected "another gender," please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

30. How would you describe your sexual orientation? (select all that apply)

- Heterosexual/Straight
- Asexual
- Bisexual
- Gay/Lesbian
- Queer
- Questioning or unsure
- Another sexual orientation (If you selected "another sexual orientation," please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

31. Have you been diagnosed with a disability or impairment?

- Yes
- No
- I prefer not to respond

32. [If diagnosed with disability or impairment] Please select the one(s) for which you have been diagnosed: (select all that apply)

- Vision or hearing impairment
- Mobility or physical impairment
- A cognitive or learning disability
- A mental health disorder
- A spinal cord disability
- A head injury or brain disability
- Another disability or impairment (if you selected "another disability or impairment," please tell us how you identify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

33. What are your religious affiliation or beliefs? (select all that apply)

- Agnostic
- Atheist
- Baha'i Faith
- Buddhist
- Christian: Baptist
- Christian: Catholic
- Christian: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormon)
- Christian: Evangelical
- Christian: Jehovah's Witness
- Christian: Lutheran
- Christian: Methodist
- Christian: Nondenominational
- Christian: Orthodox
- Christian: Pentecostal
- Christian: Presbyterian
- Christian: Protestant
- Christian: Other
- Hindu
- Jainist
- Jewish
- Muslim
- Native American Tradition(s)
- Native Hawaiian Tradition(s)
- Pagan
- Secular Humanist
- Shinto
- Sikh
- Spiritual
- Taoist (Daoist)
- Unitarian
- Other religion (if you selected "other religion," please clarify): _____
- I do not identify with any religion
- I prefer not to respond

34. What is your status in the U.S.?

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- U.S. National
- International Student
- COFA migrant (with Palau, Marshall Islands, or Federated States of Micronesia citizenship)
- Other status (if you selected "other status," please clarify): _____
- I prefer not to respond

35. [If international student], What region of the world did you come from?

- Africa
- Asia
- Europe
- Latin America or Caribbean
- Middle East
- North America
- Oceania
- South America

36. [Depending on region], What country/territory did you come from?

- Africa
 - Algeria
 - Angola
 - Benin
 - Botswana
 - Burkina Faso
 - Burundi
 - Cabo Verde/Cape Verde
 - Cameroon
 - Central African Republic
 - Chad
 - Comoros
 - Congo
 - Congo, Republic of the (Brazzaville)
 - Congo, Dem. Rep. of the (Kinshasa)
 - Djibouti
 - Egypt
 - Equatorial Guinea
 - Eritrea
 - Ethiopia
 - Côte d'Ivoire/Ivory Coast
 - Gabon
 - Gambia
 - Ghana
 - Guinea
 - Guinea-Bissau
 - Kenya
 - Lesotho
 - Liberia
 - Libya

- Madagascar
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Morocco
- Mozambique
- Namibia
- Niger
- Nigeria
- Rwanda
- Reunion
- São Tomé & Príncipe
- Senegal
- Seychelles
- Sierra Leone
- Somalia
- South Africa
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Swaziland
- Tanzania
- Togo
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Zambia
- Zimbabwe
- Other country/territory in Africa (please tell us the name of the country you came from):

- Asia

- Afghanistan
- Bangladesh
- Bhutan
- Brunei
- Cambodia
- China
- Timor-Leste/East Timor
- Hong Kong
- India
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyzstan
- Laos
- Macau
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Mongolia
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- North Korea

- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Sri Lanka
- Taiwan
- Tajikistan
- Thailand
- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan
- Vietnam
- Other country/territory in Asia (please tell us the name of the country you came from):

- Europe

- Albania
- Andorra
- Armenia
- Austria
- Azerbaijan
- Belarus
- Belgium
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Georgia
- Germany
- Gibraltar
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Kosovo
- Latvia
- Liechtenstein
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Macedonia
- Malta
- Moldova
- Monaco
- Montenegro
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland

- Portugal
- Romania
- Russia
- San Marino
- Serbia
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom
- Vatican City/Holy See
- Other country/territory in Europe (please tell us the name of the country you came from): _____

- Latin America and Caribbean

- Anguilla
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Aruba
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belize
- Bermuda
- British Virgin Islands
- Cayman Islands
- Costa Rica
- Cuba
- Curacao
- Dominica
- Dominican Republic
- El Salvador
- Grenada
- Guadeloupe
- Guatemala
- Haiti
- Honduras
- Jamaica
- Martinique
- Mexico
- Montserrat
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- St. Kitts and Nevis
- St. Lucia
- St. Vincent and the Grenadines
- Sint Maarten
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Turks and Caicos
- Other country/territory in Latin America or the Caribbean (please tell us the name of the country you came from): _____

- Middle East
 - Bahrain
 - Iran
 - Iraq
 - Israel
 - Jordan
 - Kuwait
 - Lebanon
 - Oman
 - Palestinian Territories
 - Qatar
 - Saudi Arabia
 - Syria
 - United Arab Emirates
 - Yemen
 - Other country/territory in Middle East (please tell us the name of the country you came from):

- North America

- Canada

- Oceania

- American Samoa
- Australia
- Caroline Islands
- Chuuk
- Cook Islands
- Federated States of Micronesia
- Fiji
- French Polynesia
- Guam
- Kiribati
- Kosrae
- Mariana Islands
- Marshall Islands
- Micronesia
- Nauru
- New Caledonia
- New Zealand
- Niue
- Palau
- Papua New Guinea
- Pohnpei
- Saipan
- Samoa
- Solomon Islands
- Tahiti
- Tokelau
- Tonga
- Tuvalu
- Vanuatu
- Wallis and Futuna
- Yap

- Other country/territory in Oceania (please tell us the name of the country/territory you came from): _____
- South America
 - Argentina
 - Bolivia
 - Brazil
 - Chile
 - Colombia
 - Ecuador
 - Falkland Islands
 - French Guiana
 - Guyana
 - Paraguay
 - Peru
 - Suriname
 - Uruguay
 - Venezuela
 - Other country/territory in South America (please tell us the name of the country you came from): _____

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