University of Colorado Colorado Springs 2011 Baccalaureate Alumni Report

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The Office of Institutional Research electronically administered the 2010-2011 Baccalaureate Alumni Survey in February 2012. The survey population was derived from students who completed an undergraduate degree in either Fall 2010 or Spring 2011. The total number of alumni surveyed was 1,325 with 155 undergraduates responding. The survey completion rate was 11.7%.

What degree or degrees did you receive? Please check all that apply.

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Answer			Ν	%
Bachelor of Arts			80	52%
Bachelor of Science			46	30%
Bachelors of Science- Business			29	19%
Bachelor of Innovation	1		1	1%

Please select your primary college of enrollment

Answer		N	%
College of Business		32	21%
College of Engineering and Applied Science	•	9	6%
College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences		89	58%
Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences		17	11%
School of Public Affairs		7	5%
Total		154	100%

How do you maintain connections with the department in which you were enrolled?

Answer		N	%
Through a faculty member in my department		56	37%
Through the department head/program chair		15	10%
Through Alumni Activities on campus	• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4	3%
Through my academic advisor	•	5	3%
l do not maintain a connection		73	49%
Other		21	14%

How often do you visit campus?			
Answer		N	%
Three or more times per year		42	28%
Two to three times per year		24	16%
Once per year		24	16%
Every few years		5	3%
Never		55	37%
Total		150	100%

Reason	N	%
Visit Friends	26	27.37%
Attend Graduate School	25	36.32%
Visit Faculty	10	10.53%
Attend Campus Events	10	10.53%
Use Campus Services (e.g. Career Ctr, SBDC, and Library).	10	10.53%
Administrative reasons (letter of recommendation or transcripts)	7	7.37%
Work on Campus	7	7.37%

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	80

During your studies at UCCS as an undergraduate, were you a full-time student?			
Answer		Ν	%
Yes		134	91%
Sometimes		9	6%
No	•	4	3%
Total		147	100%

Did you enroll in graduate school after receiving your baccalaureate degree from UCCS?

Answer	ĺ	Ν	%
Yes		46	32%
No		100	68%
Total		146	100%

When did you enroll in graduate school after receiving your baccalaureate degree?

Answer		N	%
immediately		31	67%
within 6 months		10	22%
within 1 year	1	1	2%
I am accepted into a graduate program, but I haven't enrolled yet		4	9%
Total		46	100%

Which graduate school did you attend after receiving your baccalaureate degree from UCCS?

Response	N	%
University of Colorado Colorado Springs	24	55%
University of Colorado Denver	5	11%
Other	15	44%

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	44

Please indicate the aca	Please indicate the academic discipline of your graduate program.				
Answer		Ν	%		
Engineering/Computer Science		4	9%		
Law		0	0%		
Medicine/Nursing/Health Sciences/ Dentistry		11	24%		
Education		5	11%		
Business		4	9%		
Public Affairs		3	7%		
Social Science		10	22%		
Natural Science	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2	4%		
Arts & Humanities		6	13%		
Other, please specify		7	15%		

What would you have	e done had you not attended UCCS?		
Answer		N	%
I would have attended a 2-year college in my immediate area.	•	6	3%
I would have attended a different 4-year college in the Colorado Springs area.		31	21%
I would have attended a 4-year college outside of the Colorado Springs metro area.		105	71%
I would have delayed attending college.	•	8	5%
I would not have attended college anywhere.		8	5%
Other		4	4%

After graduating from UCCS, did you enter the job market in a field related to vour major?

you major:			
Answer		Ν	%
l already had a job related to my major.		15	11%
Yes, within six months of graduation.		39	28%
Yes, within one year of graduation.	 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	5	4%
Yes, within two years of graduation.		0	0%
I entered the job market, but not in a field related to my major.		37	26%
l did not enter the job market.		23	16%
I did not enter the job market because I was not seeking employment		21	15%
Total		140	100%

Are you currently	employed?		
Answer		N	%
Yes, full time.		72	51%
Yes, part time.		32	23%
No, but seeking employment.		22	15%
No, and not seeking employment.		11	8%
I am retired		5	4%
Total		142	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	5
Mean	1.91
Variance	1.29
Standard Deviation	1.14
Total	142

What is your curr	ent annual salary?		
Answer		Ν	%
Less than \$20,000		47	40%
\$20,000 to \$29,999		16	14%
\$30,000 to \$39,999		27	23%
\$40,000 to \$49,999		9	8%
\$50,000 to \$59,999		12	10%
\$60,000 to \$69,999	I	3	3%
\$70,000 to \$79,999	l i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	2	2%
\$80,000 to \$89,999	l de la companya de l	1	1%
\$90,000 to \$99,999		0	0%
\$100,000 to \$129,999		0	0%
\$130,000 to \$149,999		0	0%
\$150,000 or more		0	0%
Total		117	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	8
Mean	2.53
Variance	2.75
Standard Deviation	1.66
Total	117

Please estimate what you think your salary might be had you not graduated from UCCS.

Answer		N	%
Less than \$20,000		58	50%
\$20,000 to \$29,999		27	23%
\$30,000 to \$39,999		12	10%
\$40,000 to \$49,999		12	10%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	5	4%
\$60,000 to \$69,999	I second s	1	1%
\$70,000 to \$79,999	1	2	2%
\$80,000 to \$89,999		0	0%
\$90,000 to \$99,999		0	0%
\$100,000 to \$129,999		0	0%
\$130,000 to \$149,999		0	0%
\$150,000 or more		0	0%
Total		117	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	7
Mean	2.06
Variance	1.97
Standard Deviation	1.40
Total	117

In which sector of the economy is your employment (primary position)?			
Answer		N	%
Agricultural		1	1%
Construction		1	1%
Education		26	21%
Engineering		6	5%
Finance		10	8%
Government	I	2	2%
Insurance/Real Estate		1	1%
Law	I contract the second se	2	2%
Manufacturing		0	0%
Medicine/Nursing/Health		19	16%
Military	I	2	2%
Non-Profit or Non- governmental organization (NGO)		11	9%
Retail or Wholesale		13	11%
Technology or Computer Science		5	4%
Other, please specify		22	18%
Total		21	100%

Where was you	ur primary residence immediately after graduation?		
Answer		Ν	%
In Colorado Springs/or surrounding areas.		100	71%
Outside of Colorado Springs, but in Colorado		19	14%
Outside of Colorado		19	14%
Outside of the U.S.	I construction of the second se	2	1%
Total		140	100%

Have you relocated since graduation?

Answer	N	%
Yes	46	33%
No	93	67%
Total	139	100%

Please tell us why you decided to relocate.										
Response	Ν	%								
Employment or Offer of Employment	15	34%								
Graduate School	11	25%								
Personal Preference	7	16%								
Returned to Home State /Parent's/Family	5	11%								
Spouse or Partner	4	9%								
Military Related Relocation	2	5%								

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	44

How would you rate the quality in the following areas?											
Question	excellent	good	fair	poor	very poor	Ν	Mean				
Primary College of Academic Work	45	76	8	1	0	130	1.73				
Overall Instruction	45	73	11	2	0	131	1.77				
Academic Challenge or Rigor	32	73	25	0	1	131	1.97				

Statistic	Primary College of Academic Work	Overall Instruction	Academic Challenge or Rigor
Min Value	1	1	1
Max Value	4	4	5
Mean	1.73	1.77	1.97
Variance	0.37	0.44	0.51
SD	0.61	0.66	0.71
N	130	131	131

Please provide the level of agreement for the following statements:											
Question	strongly agree	agree	neither agree or disagree	disagree	strongly disagree	Ν	Mean				
l learned the technical skills expected in my degree program.	34	77	8	9	2	130	1.98				
I learned the theoretical foundations expected in my degree program.	46	76	6	1	1	130	1.73				
My studies at UCCS met the educational goals I had in mind when I enrolled.	38	61	19	11	1	130	2.05				
My studies at UCCS helped me get a job.	29	27	22	20	18	116	2.75				
UCCS prepared me well for my field of specialization.	30	50	23	11	12	126	2.40				
Overall, I am satisfied with the education I received at UCCS.	46	58	15	9	2	130	1.95				
I would recommend UCCS to a prospective student.	50	53	18	6	3	130	1.92				

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Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max Value	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Mean	1.98	1.73	2.05	2.75	2.40	1.95	1.92
Varianc e	0.74	0.43	0.85	1.98	1.47	0.89	0.92
Standar d Deviatio n	0.86	0.66	0.92	1.41	1.21	0.94	0.96
Total	130	130	130	116	126	130	130

How would you rate the overall quality of your education at UCCS, in the following areas?

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Question	excellent	good	fair	poor	very poor	Ν	Mean
Oral Communication	48	60	21	1	0	130	1.81
Quantitative Skills	36	68	20	4	0	128	1.94
Scientific Reasoning	35	63	17	4	0	119	1.92
Qualitative Skills	39	69	15	4	0	127	1.87
Analytical Reasoning	52	59	14	1	1	127	1.74
Reading Skills	45	59	19	1	1	125	1.83
Writing Skills	52	55	16	3	1	127	1.79
Problem Solving Skills	49	64	14	1	1	129	1.77
Computer Skills	36	54	26	8	2	126	2.10
Multicultural Awareness (sensitivity to others unlike you)	44	61	19	1	1	126	1.84

Statist ic	Oral Com m	Qua nt Skills	Scientifi c Reasoni ng	Qu al Skill s	Analytic al Reasoni ng	Readi ng Skills	Writi ng Skills	Proble m Solvin g	Compu ter Skills	Multicult ural Awarene ss
Min	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Max	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5
Mea n	1.81	1.94	1.92	1.8 7	1.74	1.83	1.79	1.77	2.10	1.84
Var	0.53	0.56	0.57	0.5 4	0.56	0.59	0.66	0.54	0.89	0.58
S.D.	0.73	0.75	0.75	0.7 3	0.75	0.77	0.81	0.73	0.94	0.76
N	130	128	119	127	127	125	127	129	126	126

What one piece of advice would you give to a new student at UCCS (Top 5)?								
Response	Ν	%						
Apply yourself	16	18%						
Get involved	12	13%						
Get to know your faculty	8	9%						
Take responsibility for your education	4	4%						
Become familiar with Admissions & Records/ Financial Aid/ Graduation	4	4%						
Policies								

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	91

departments.									
Question	excellent	good	fair	poor	very poor	N	Mean	S.D.	Var
Admissions and Records	24	73	22	6	5	130	2.19	0.92	0.85
Advising in your major or degree program	37	38	22	20	9	126	2.41	1.26	1.59
Advising in the Student Success Center	24	46	30	15	5	120	2.43	1.07	1.15
Disability Services	12	15	3	1	1	32	1.88	0.94	0.89
Campus Housing	11	19	8	4	1	43	2.19	1.01	1.01
Campus Recreation Center	26	46	15	3	0	90	1.94	0.77	0.59
Student Orientation	20	46	29	1	4	100	2.23	0.92	0.85
Family Development Center	11	6	3	0	0	20	1.60	0.75	0.57
Financial Aid/Student Employment	23	50	27	8	6	114	2.33	1.04	1.09
Freshman Seminar Program	13	20	10	5	1	49	2.20	1.02	1.04
Information Technology (IT)	28	56	25	5	2	116	2.11	0.88	0.78
Multicultural Office for Student Access, Inclusiveness, & Community	17	27	8	0	3	55	2.00	0.98	0.96
Office of Campus Activities	14	40	13	6	3	76	2.26	0.98	0.97
Tutoring/Excel Learning Centers	36	32	19	4	0	91	1.90	0.88	0.78
UCCS Bookstore	26	70	28	3	2	129	2.11	0.80	0.64
UCCS Career Center	18	25	22	6	4	75	2.37	1.10	1.21
UCCS Health Center	32	33	11	0	0	76	1.72	0.70	0.5
UCCS Public Safety	40	50	15	4	5	114	1.98	1.01	1.03
University Testing Center	18	27	12	2	0	59	1.97	0.81	0.65
Veteran & Military Affairs	11	7	5	2	1	26	2.04	1.15	1.32

Please rate the quality of services you feel you received from the following departments.

Did you participate in a freshman seminar course?										
Answer			Ν	%						
Yes			40	31%						
No			90	69%						
Total			130	100%						

Please describe how your freshman seminar course influenced your academic experience at UCCS.

Response	N	%
It helped me meet people	13	32.50%
It helped me with the transition from high school to college	7	17.50%
It did not have an impact on my experience at UCCS	7	17.50%
It was not a good fit/I didn't care for it	5	12.50%
It helped me clarify my career goals/or choose a major	4	10.00%
It helped me meet/connect with faculty	7	10.00%

Statistic	Value
Responses	40

More than one response for each respondent.

Approximately how many faculty members took an interest in your educational and career goals?

Answe r	Ν	%
none	10	8%
one	20	16%
two	37	29%
three or more	59	47%
Total	12 6	100 %

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	3.15
Variance	0.93
Standard Deviation	0.96
Total	126

Who was your favorite professor/instructor?	
Faculty	%
Peggy Knock	4.31%
Linda Weaver	2.87%
Carole Woodall	1.91%
Robert Sackett	1.91%

In your opinion, what was the single most important advantage of going to UCCS?

Advantage	%
Location	22.67%
size	13.33%
Cost	12.00%
Access to Faculty	8.67%
Climate/Environment	8.67%
Multidisciplinary focus	7.33%
Academics	7.33%
The Degree or Credential Earned	5.33%
Accreditation	3.33%
Program	3.33%

In your opinion, what was the single most important disadvantage of going to UCCS?

Disadvantage	%
Environment/Climate	14.29%
Parking	12.61%
Lack of Career Advising/Career Assistance	10.08%
Reputation/Status	8.40%
Level of Academic Challenge	8.40%
Limited Student Life/Athletics	8.40%
Scheduling Issues	8.40%
Limited Program Offerings	6.72%
Cost	5.88%
Poor Advising	5.04%
Other	7.56%

Did you work off campus while enrolled at UCCS?			
Answer		N	%
Yes, Full-time		24	19%
Yes, Part-time		72	57%
No		31	24%
Total		127	100%

Are you affiliate	d with the military?		
Answer		N	%
My spouse is in the military		9	7%
I am a member of the military	l de la constante de	2	2%
I am a veteran		15	12%
My mother or father is/was in the military		19	15%
No, I am not affiliated with the military		80	63%
Other		11	9%

Were you a Colorado resident when you started at UCCS?			
Answer		N	%
Yes		108	86%
No		18	14%
Total		126	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.14
Variance	0.12
Standard Deviation	0.35
Total	126

In which state was your primary residence prior to enrolling at UCCS?			
State	Ν	%	
California	3	16.67%	
South Dakota	2	11.11%	
Wyoming	2	11.11%	
Florida	1	5.56%	
Hawaii	1	5.56%	
Michigan	1	5.56%	
New York	1	5.56%	
North Carolina	1	5.56%	
Oklahoma	1	5.56%	
Pennsylvania	1	5.56%	
Texas	1	5.56%	
Vermont	1	5.56%	

Wisconsin	1	5.56%
International	1	5.56%

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	18

Why did you choose to attend UCCS?

5 5		
Reason	Ν	%
Location	8	44.44%
Program	4	22.22%
Cost	2	11.11%
Military	1	5.56%
Olympic Training Center	1	5.56%
WUE	1	5.56%
Reputation	1	5.56%

Statistic	Value
Total Respondents (multiple responses each)	15

Your gender is?

Answer		Ν	%
Male		43	34%
Female		84	66%
Transgender		0	0%

Your primary eth	nic group is:		
Answer		N	%
Nonresident Alien		0	0%
Race and Ethnicity Unknown		0	0%
Hispanic		9	7%
American Indian or Alaska Native		0	0%
Asian		5	4%
Black or African American	I	3	2%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		3	2%
White		97	76%
Two or more races		10	8%
Total		127	100%

Are you a first-generation student?

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Answer	Ν	%
Yes	51	40%
No	75	60%
Total	126	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.60
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total	126

#	Question	Mother	Father	Stepmother	Stepfather	Ν
1	Don't Know	1	5	1	1	8
2	Less than High School	3	7	0	3	13
3	High School Graduate	47	38	2	4	91
4	Associate's Degree (2- year)	23	20	5	3	51
5	Baccalaureate Degree (4-year)	34	30	2	6	72
6	Master's Degree	19	23	2	2	46
7	Professional or Doctoral Degree	2	6	0	1	9
8	not applicable	0	2	49	43	94

Please mark the highest level of education achieved by your parents and stepparent(s) if applicable:

Statisti c	Don' t Kno w	Less than High Scho ol	High School Graduat e	Associate 's Degree (2-year)	Baccalaurea te Degree (4- year)	Master 's Degre e	Profession al or Doctoral Degree	not applicabl e
Min Value	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Max Value	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
N	7	12	65	39	50	38	8	51

How many dependents (children or elderly persons that you care for) were in your household while you attended UCCS?

Answer	N	%
0	95	76%
1	9	7%
2	11	9%
3	3	2%
4	3	2%
5+	4	3%
Total	125	100%

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	6
Mean	1.58
Variance	1.50
Standard Deviation	1.23
Total Responses	125

Is there anything else about your experience at UCCS that you would like to share?

Comment:	%
Overall Compliment (e.g. enjoyed my experience)	25.42%
Faculty/Staff Complaint	11.86%
Faculty Compliment	8.47%
Need More Student Services/Support	8.47%
Expand Sports	6.78%
Increase career center resources	6.78%
Program compliment	6.78%
Parking	5.08%
I wish my Dept. had more funding/resources	3.39%
Need better/ different curriculum	3.39%
Fiscal complaint	1.69%
Keep class sizes small	1.69%
Student life complaint	1.69%
Need more access to faculty/staff	1.69%
Overall complaint	1.69%
Other	5.08%

Statistic	Value
Total Responses	51