



## 2012 Senior Survey Report

The Office of Institutional Research electronically administered the 2012 Senior Survey in December 2012. The survey population was derived from students who were scheduled to graduate in 2012. The total number of seniors surveyed was 1,486, with 219 responding. The survey completion rate was 15%.



Please indicate the highest level of education completed by your mother and father.







#	Question	High School Graduate or Less	Associate's Degree (2-yr degree)	College Graduate (4-yr degree)	Graduate or Professional School (MA, PhD or equivalent)	Responses
1	Mother	42.66%	19.27%	23.85%	14.22%	218
2	Father	38.68%	12.26%	28.77%	20.28%	212





How many years have you been working on your degree at UCCS?

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	1-5		199	90.87%
2	6-10		18	8.22%
3	11-15		2	0.91%
	Total		219	100.00%




When do you expect to graduate?

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	2012		69	31.51%
2	2013		122	55.71%
3	2014		19	8.68%
4	2015		6	2.74%
5	2016		2	0.91%
6	2017		1	0.46%
	Total		219	100.00%



**What was your initial student tuition classification?**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Resident		198	90.41%
2	Non-Resident		21	9.59%
	Total		219	100.00%




**What was your initial student level?**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Freshman		62	28.31%
2	Transfer		147	67.12%
3	Unclassified		10	4.57%
	Total		219	100.00%

**Describe your typical course load.**

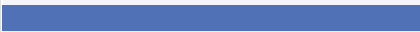
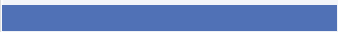






#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Full-time (12 or more hours per semester)		188	85.84%
2	Part-time (less than 12 hours per semester)		31	14.16%
	Total		219	100.00%

Which degree will you receive upon graduation? (please check all that apply)



























#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Bachelor of Arts (BA)		82	37.44%
2	Bachelor of Science (BS)		133	60.73%
3	Bachelor of Innovation (BI)		4	1.83%
	Total		219	100.00%









**What motivates you to want to earn a degree? (please check all that apply)**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	To obtain an education		161	73.85%
2	To get a job		129	59.17%
3	To advance my career		117	53.67%
4	To meet a personal goal		154	70.64%
5	To obtain a better job		108	49.54%
6	To enable me to pursue a graduate or professional degree		129	59.17%
7	To further my financial goals		126	57.80%
8	Other (please specify)		22	10.09%
	Total		946	100.00%



## In what major(s) will you receive your degree?

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Anthropology		5	2.30%
2	Biochemistry		2	0.92%
3	Biology		18	8.29%
4	Business		25	11.52%
5	Business Administration		10	4.61%
6	Chemistry		3	1.38%
7	Communication		15	6.91%
8	Computer Engineering		4	1.84%
9	Computer Science		11	5.07%
10	Computer Science & Security		0	0.00%
11	Criminal Justice		9	4.15%
12	Distributed Studies		0	0.00%
13	Economics		2	0.92%
14	Electrical Engineering		1	0.46%
15	English		14	6.45%
16	Game Design & Development		1	0.46%
17	Geography & Environmental Studies		8	3.69%
18	Health Care Sciences		13	5.99%
19	History		7	3.23%
20	Mathematics		7	3.23%
21	Mechanical Engineering		16	7.37%
22	Nursing		29	13.36%
23	Philosophy		3	1.38%
24	Physics		2	0.92%
25	Political Science		2	0.92%
26	Psychology		14	6.45%
27	Sociology		3	1.38%
28	Spanish		0	0.00%
29	Visual & Performing Arts		7	3.23%
30	Women's & Ethnic Studies		0	0.00%
	Total		231	100.00%

**In which school/college are you enrolled as an undergraduate?**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences		42	19.27%
2	College of Business and Administration		33	15.14%
3	College of Education		4	1.83%
4	College of Engineering and Applied Science		34	15.60%
5	Letters, Arts and Sciences		97	44.50%
6	School of Public Affairs		8	3.67%
	Total		218	100.00%

**Did you change your major while attending UCCS?**





#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Yes		63	28.90%
2	No		155	71.10%
	Total		218	100.00%



If your major has changed, please indicate the following:

Question	Initial Major	Graduating Major
Anthropology	1	1
Biochemistry	2	1
Biology	4	5
Business	9	11
Business Administration	4	3
Chemistry	5	1
Communication	1	7
Computer Engineering	-	1
Computer Science	3	2
Computer Science & Security	2	-
Criminal Justice	-	2
Distributed Studies	-	-
Economics	-	1
Electrical Engineering	-	1
English	3	3
Game Design & Development	-	-
Geography & Environmental Studies	-	3
Health Care Sciences	2	5
History	-	2
Mathematics	2	2
Mechanical Engineering	3	1
Nursing	7	2
Philosophy	-	1
Physics	1	-
Political Science	1	1
Psychology	6	3
Sociology	1	2
Spanish	1	-
Visual & Performing Arts	2	1
Womens & Ethnic Studies	1	-
Responses	61	62

During the years you were pursuing your degree at UCCS, how many of the required courses were unavailable in the semester you needed them?

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	1 - 2 courses		79	36.41%
2	3 - 4 courses		55	25.35%
3	5 + courses		14	6.45%
4	N/A		69	31.80%
	Total		217	100.00%

**Which courses were difficult to schedule? (please list course number/name)**

WEST courses and COMM 3800
INFS ones-some only offered in spring or fall
3300, 4200, 4700, 3160
HSCI 4030 Sport Specific Training Principles, PSY 3620 Developmental Psychology, PSY 3270 Intro to Biopsychology
British Literature, English Senior Seminar, English emphasis courses
AH 4000 VAPA 3990
Nursing 4350 Leadership/Management
HRMG 4850
Obesity and weight management.
It's not that it was difficult to schedule, it's that not very many MAE-required courses that are pre-requisites to other courses are offered in the Winter or Summer. Especially CS 1090 (Matlab)!
MKTG 4650
None
Adult nursing care (med-surg)
Forget
It's not so much that the courses were unavailable. It's the fact that even the advisers did not know when certain classes would be offered again, if you missed taking a certain class.
Public Administration
Core Courses
Organic chemistry lecture and lab 1 & 2
Specific course to mechanical engineering would only be offered at one time a semester.
can't remember
Courses for minor...Gallery (and Museum) Management courses cancelled or not there so often I dropped the minor
BIOL 4600
Anatomy and Physiology 1
HR 4380, MKTG 4650, most other business courses were difficult to mesh well with
SPAN 3250
visual art
CS450, CS470, CS510
Comm4110
PES3170 Instrumentation lab, PES3180 Instrumentation lab II, PES4810 Senior Seminar, PES4170 Optics lab, PES4510 Optics
Biol4350, chem4500, psc2500, psc4450, psc4550, chem3330, chem3340,
PSC 3980, PSC 4220,
Electives
It was mostly a scheduling conflict with my work times
BIOL 4350, BIOL 4360 and 4790 BIOL 2010 and 2020
Hr clases, Online Business classes
Pay 3270, hum 3990, all criminal justice
Pes 2010
Ochem and biochem
Ecological Economics
English 2000
Upper Division Business Courses (Senior Year specifically) becuase most of them are only offered 1 section at 1 time during a semester.
CS 4720, CS 4500 - most CS courses only offered once a year (only one time too)
ECE 2205
Upper Division Gallery Management, VAPA 3900, WEST 3040, 4700
Don't Remember
none in particular
Optm 3000, buad 4500
Physics 2 algebra based, biochemistry, biostatistics
BUAD 4000 was never offered at night. As well as some INFS courses. This made it difficult to graduate on time while working full time.

Please rate your *skills* in the following areas:







#	Question	No Competence	Marginal Competence	Average Competence	Above Average Competence	Advanced Competence	Responses
1	Oral Communication Skills	1	4	44	111	52	212
2	Quantitative Skills	1	7	62	92	50	212
3	Scientific Reasoning	1	8	56	92	55	212
4	Qualitative Skills	1	3	43	119	47	213
5	Analytical Reasoning	1	5	38	89	78	211
6	Reading Skills	1	6	29	82	94	212
7	Writing Skills	1	7	47	86	71	212
8	Problem Solving Skills	1	-	28	100	82	211
9	Computer Skills	1	7	64	89	51	212
10	Multi-cultural Awareness (sensitivity to others unlike you)	2	7	33	69	96	207



Please rate your *ability* in the following areas:

#	Question	No Competence	Marginal Competence	Average Competence	Above Average Competence	Advanced Competence	Responses
1	Determine relevance of information	1	2	24	102	80	209
2	Evaluate an argument	1	4	34	96	73	208
3	Evaluate data for consistency	1	4	49	84	70	208
4	Recognize assumptions	1	5	41	102	60	209
5	Recognize a valid inference	1	10	55	86	55	207
6	Recognize redundancy	1	4	31	100	73	209
7	Recognize lack of agreement	1	3	28	103	72	207
8	Interpret data in graph/chart	1	7	46	81	74	209
9	Draw conclusion from available information	1	-	32	94	79	206

During your undergraduate years at UCCS, did you: (please check all that apply)

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Work with classmates on assignments outside of class		198	98.02%
2	Tutor or teach other students		82	40.59%
3	Participate in a student organization		83	41.09%
4	Join a social fraternity or sorority		10	4.95%
5	Participate in club, intramural or recreational sports		66	32.67%
6	Participate in intercollegiate athletics (RMAC)		3	1.49%
	Total		442	100.00%

**During your undergraduate years at UCCS, did you: (please check all that apply)**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Fail one or more courses		50	26.46%
2	Take a remedial course		15	7.94%
3	Take a womens or ethnic studies course		72	38.10%
4	Take an honors course		19	10.05%
5	Complete a culminating experience for your degree (e.g., capstone course/project, thesis, comp exam)		65	34.39%
6	Participate in an internship program		60	31.75%
7	Participate in a practicum		26	13.76%
8	Participate in field experience		55	29.10%
9	Participate in an undergraduate research program with a faculty member		38	20.11%
10	Serve in a work-study position		29	15.34%
11	Serve in a teaching assistant position		19	10.05%
12	Participate in a teacher certificate/licensure program		13	6.88%
13	Take a first-year seminar course		45	23.81%
14	Volunteer in a community/charitable organization		98	51.85%
15	Study abroad		9	4.76%
	Total		613	100.00%

Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements:

#	Question	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Responses
1	I learned the technical skills expected in my degree program.	7	12	19	96	71	205
2	I learned the theoretical foundations expected in my degree program.	1	3	21	113	70	208
3	My studies at UCCS met the educational goals I had in mind when I enrolled.	8	18	33	89	60	208
4	Overall, I am satisfied with the education I received at UCCS.	6	15	21	99	67	208
5	I would recommend UCCS to a prospective student.	13	10	31	81	72	207



How would you rate the quality of UCCS in the following areas?

#	Question	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Responses
1	Primary College of Academic Work	1	7	27	102	65	202
2	Overall Instruction	2	7	38	89	68	204
3	Academic Challenge or Rigor	-	15	31	99	58	203






Please rate the quality of services you feel you received while attending UCCS.

#	Question	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Responses
1	Admissions and Records	7	13	40	98	40	198
2	Advising in your major or degree program	17	24	52	51	55	199
3	Advising in the Student Success Center	10	18	47	54	35	164
4	Disability Services	1	2	5	13	12	33
5	Campus Housing	1	3	13	20	7	44
6	Campus Recreation Center	-	4	17	61	36	118
7	Student Orientation	-	16	40	62	27	145
8	Family Development Center	-	1	2	14	13	30
9	Financial Aid/Student Employment	6	12	37	57	49	161
10	Freshman Seminar Program	1	3	7	26	12	49
11	Information Technology (IT)	2	16	32	80	45	175
12	Multicultural Office for Student Access, Inclusiveness, and Community	1	-	2	27	21	51
13	Office of Campus Activities	-	3	9	31	26	69
14	Tutoring/Excel Learning Centers	3	3	11	45	54	116
15	Bookstore	5	11	43	86	51	196
16	Career Center	4	6	15	37	24	86
17	Health Center	1	1	14	39	34	89
18	Public Safety	10	11	30	64	54	169
19	University Testing Center	-	5	9	34	23	71
20	Veterans and Military Affairs Office	1	4	7	16	18	46

**What are your plans immediately following graduation? (please check all that apply)**


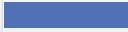


#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Employment, full-time paid		141	69.80%
2	Employment, part-time paid		40	19.80%
3	Graduate or professional school, full-time		68	33.66%
4	Graduate or professional school, part-time		55	27.23%
5	Additional undergraduate coursework		16	7.92%
6	Military service		13	6.44%
7	Volunteer activity (e.g., Peace Corps)		20	9.90%
8	Start/raise a family		46	22.77%
9	Continue in current employment		40	19.80%
10	Other, please specify:		15	7.43%
	Total		454	100.00%

**Were you employed off campus while you were an undergraduate at UCCS?**


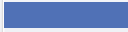


#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Yes, part-time		101	50.00%
2	Yes, full-time		43	21.29%
3	No		58	28.71%
	Total		202	100.00%










If employed, how much of your paid employment is related to your field of study?

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	Unrelated		65	45.45%
2	Somewhat related		32	22.38%
3	Moderately related		15	10.49%
4	Very related		31	21.68%
	Total		143	100.00%

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	Total		143	100.00%

**What is the total amount of student loan debt you expect to have upon graduation?**

#	Answer	Bar	Responses	%
1	\$0 - \$4,999		71	35.32%
2	\$5,000 - \$9,999		7	3.48%
3	\$10,000 - \$14,999		13	6.47%
4	\$15,000 - \$19,999		19	9.45%
5	\$20,000 - \$24,999		23	11.44%
6	\$25,000 +		54	26.87%
7	Prefer not to respond		14	6.97%
	Total		201	100.00%