College Student Expectations Questionnaire
Presentation by the Office of Assessment
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Background Information
- 1,966 first time freshmen enrolled this fall
- 1,574 (80%) freshman attended June orientation
- Of those, 814 (52%) filled out the CSXQ questionnaire
- Age of Students Sample
  - 100% of the sample are 19 years old or under
- Gender of Students Sample
  - 54% Males
  - 44% Females
  - 2% Missing
- Entering College
  - 99% of the sample are first time freshmen students
  - 1% are transfer students

Where students live during school year
- Residence Hall, other campus housing: 89
- Fraternity, sorority: 0
- Residence in walking distance: 3
- Residence in driving distance: 8

Expected grades at MSU
- C-, D or lower: 5
- C+ or B: 22
- B+ or A: 48
- A+ or 50:

Did parents of students graduate from college?
- Yes: 28
- Yes, both parents: 43
- Yes, father only: 14
- Yes, mother only: 15
- Do not know: 2

Enroll for an advanced degree
- Yes: 22%
- No: 78%
Mississippi State University Questions

I expect that I will have serious conversations with students whose philosophy and values are different from mine

- 24% Strongly Agree
- 45% Agree
- 26% Neutral
- 4% Disagree
- 1% Strongly Disagree

Mississippi State University Questions

I expect that I will have serious conversations with students whose ethnic or racial background are different from mine

- 23% Strongly Agree
- 43% Agree
- 28% Neutral
- 5% Disagree
- 1% Strongly Disagree

Mississippi State University Questions

I expect that I will have to change my study habits to succeed academically at Mississippi State University

- 33% Strongly Agree
- 36% Agree
- 11% Neutral
- 3% Disagree
- 17% Strongly Disagree

Mississippi State University Questions

What is your favorite source of MSU information (events, programs, news, etc.)?

- 48% MSU e-mail account
- 43% The Reflector
- 13% MSU website
- 8% MSU Service Call
- 6% Personal e-mail account
Mississippi State University Questions

I believe that it is important to be involved in student organizations and activities outside of the classroom sometime during my college career.

- Strongly Agree: 47%
- Agree: 39%
- Neutral: 11%
- Disagree: 2%
- Strongly Disagree: 1%

Mississippi State University Questions

How often do you check your MSU e-mail account?

- One or more times at day: 13%
- One or more times at week: 6%
- One time every two weeks: 31%
- One time at month: 44%
- Never: 6%

Mississippi State University Questions

Your contact with MSU Housing and Residence Life was primarily through:

- Email: 31%
- Telephone: 28%
- U.S. Postal Service: 9%
- Personal interaction at a college fair or event: 8%
- Not Applicable: 7%

Mississippi State University Questions

The main reason I am living in a campus residence hall this coming fall is:

- To meet people: 39%
- The price is right: 34%
- My parents insisted: 8%
- The convenience of being on campus: 7%
- Other: 8%

Mississippi State University Questions

The main reason I am living off campus this coming fall is:

- Better amenities in apartment living: 70%
- The price is right: 8%
- To live with friends or family: 8%
- Did not get my on campus housing selection: 7%
- Other: 7%

Mississippi State University Questions

Which of the following contacts or materials had the greatest impact on your decision to attend Mississippi State University?

- Mail: 27%
- E-mail: 10%
- Phone calls: 9%
- Brochures: 7%
- Other: 10%
Mississippi State University Questions

How satisfied were you with customer service from the Office of Admissions and Scholarships while visiting campus?

- Very Satisfied: 48%
- Somewhat Satisfied: 35%
- Somewhat Dissatisfied: 7%
- Very Dissatisfied: 7%
- Not Applicable: 3% 7%

Mississippi State University Questions

Did you take the ACT/SAT the first time in high school as a:

- Freshman: 10%
- Sophomore: 43%
- Junior: 31%
- Senior: 6%
- Missing data: 1%

Mississippi State University Questions

Did you apply to Mississippi State University as a high school:

- Freshman: 15%
- Sophomore: 31%
- Junior: 43%
- Senior: 3%
- Missing data: 6%

Mississippi State University Questions

Have you smoked a cigarette?

- Even 1-2 puffs in your life: 6%
- 1 or more days in the last 30 days: 14%
- 20 or more days in the last 30 days: 9%
- I do not smoke: 64%
- Not Applicable: 7%

Mississippi State University Questions

While driving, I use a cellular telephone most frequently to:

- Talk: 15%
- Text message: 6%
- I do not use the cellular phone while driving: 11%
- Not Applicable: 68%

Mississippi State University Questions

If bike routes were developed, would you ride a bicycle on campus?

- Frequently: 18%
- Very Often: 25%
- Occasionally: 18%
- Rarely: 14%
- Never: 25%
Mississippi State University Questions
Do you plan to have a car on campus?

- Yes: 88%
- No: 12%

Mississippi State University Questions
Correlations

Gender
- Female students are more likely to:
  - be involved in student organizations during their college career than males
  - To have a car on campus
- Male students are more likely to:
  - ride a bicycle on campus than females
  - to live off campus this coming fall than females

Correlations
Ethnicity
- African American students are more likely to:
  - check their MSU email accounts more often than students of other ethnicities
  - live in a campus residence hall this fall than students of other ethnicities
- Caucasian students are more likely to:
  - have serious conversations with students of other ethnic background
  - change their study habits than students of other ethnicities

Other Topics
College Activities
- Library and Information Technology
- Experiences with Faculty
- Course Learning
- Writing
- Campus Facilities
- Clubs, Organizations, Service Projects
- Student Acquaintances
- Scientific and Quantitative Experiences

Conversations
Reading/Writing
Opinion about College
The College Environment

Library and Information Technology
How often do students expect to:
Use the library to study

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Experiences with Faculty
How often do students expect to:
Discuss career plans with faculty

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Campus Facilities
How often do students expect to:
Attend a concert or other music events

- Never: 3
- Occasionally: 29
- Often: 28
- Very Often: 29

Campus Facilities
How often do students expect to:
Use campus recreational facilities

- Never: 1
- Occasionally: 1
- Often: 27
- Very Often: 62

Campus Facilities
How often do students expect to:
Follow regular exercise schedule

- Never: 7
- Occasionally: 22
- Often: 26
- Very Often: 31

Campus Facilities
How often do students expect to:
Play a team sport

- Never: 16
- Occasionally: 27
- Often: 26
- Very Often: 31

Student Acquaintances
How often do students expect to:
Make friends with students whose interest are different from theirs

- Never: 1
- Occasionally: 23
- Often: 46
- Very Often: 28

Student Acquaintances
How often do students expect to:
Make friends with students whose family background is different from theirs

- Never: 1
- Occasionally: 23
- Often: 46
- Very Often: 28
Conversations
How often do students expect to talk about:
Current events in the news

Conversations
How often do students expect to talk about:
Social issues such as peace, justice, human rights, etc

Conversations
How often do students expect to talk about:
Different lifestyles, customs, and religions

Conversations
How often do students expect to talk about:
International relations (human rights, free trade, etc)

Conversations
In these conversations, how often do students expect:
Explore different ways of thinking about a topic or issue

Conversations
In these conversations, how often do students expect:
Change their opinion as a result of the arguments presented by others
Opinion about College

How well do students think they will like college

| Strong like | 61 |
| moderately | 35 |
| neutral | 4 |
| will not like | 0 |

College Environment

To what extent do students feel that Mississippi State University will emphasize:

Developing an understanding and appreciation of human diversity

| Weak emphasis | 1 |
| Strong emphasis | 21 |

Developing vocational and occupational competence

| Strong emphasis | 23 |

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