

Graduating Student Survey - Fall 2003

Number of Survey Respondents = 148

Number of Applicants = 832

Response Rate = 17.8%

	What are your immediate employment plans?	
	N	%
Work in the same job I had prior to graduation	44	29.7%
Work in a job I recently obtained	14	9.5%
Currently looking for a job	67	45.3%
Do not plan to work outside the home	4	2.7%
Continue my education before working	13	8.8%
Have not yet formulated my employment plans	6	4.1%
Total	148	100.0%

	If you indicated that you currently have or will be starting a new job, to what extent is it related to your major or area of study at UHCL?	
	N	%
No Response	6	16.2%
Directly related	11	29.7%
Somewhat related	12	32.4%
Not related	8	21.6%
Total	37	100.0%

	Do you have plans for additional education?	
	N	%
No, not at this time	46	31.3%
Yes, I plan to re-enroll at this institution	40	27.2%
Yes, I plan to apply at another institution	21	14.3%
Yes, I have been accepted at another institution	3	2.0%
I am undecided about additional education	37	25.2%
Total	147	100.0%

	If you indicated that you plan to continue your education, what is the highest degree you plan to earn?	
	N	%
Masters Degree	37	62.7%
Specialist Degree (e.g. Ed.S.)	6	10.2%
Professional Degree (e.g. medicine, law)	3	5.1%
Doctoral Degree (e.g.. Ph.D., Ed.D.D.B.A.)	13	22.0%
Total	59	100.0%

UHCL Environment and Services

Indicate how important you feel the following issues/areas are to UHCL

	Very Unimportant		Unimportant		Neutral		Important		Very Important		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
UHCL admission process	1	.7%	2	1.4%	19	13.5%	60	42.6%	59	41.8%	141	100.0%
Program Admission Process	0	.0%	2	1.4%	22	15.6%	64	45.4%	52	36.9%	141	100.0%
Billing and Fee Payment Process	0	.0%	3	2.1%	17	12.1%	51	36.2%	67	47.5%	141	100.0%
Availability of Scholarships	3	2.2%	5	3.6%	45	32.4%	36	25.9%	49	35.3%	139	100.0%
Availability of Co-ops and Internships	5	3.6%	8	5.8%	43	31.2%	36	26.1%	45	32.6%	138	100.0%
Student Orientation Services	5	3.6%	10	7.2%	53	38.1%	46	33.1%	23	16.5%	139	100.0%
Career Services	3	2.1%	2	1.4%	28	19.9%	59	41.8%	48	34.0%	141	100.0%
Counseling Services	3	2.2%	2	1.4%	35	25.2%	59	42.4%	38	27.3%	139	100.0%
Financial Aid Services	1	.7%	5	3.6%	38	27.5%	39	28.3%	53	38.4%	138	100.0%
Library Services	0	.0%	2	1.4%	11	7.9%	60	42.9%	65	46.4%	140	100.0%
Multicultural Services	6	4.3%	6	4.3%	64	46.4%	43	31.2%	17	12.3%	138	100.0%
UHCL Police Department	2	1.4%	4	2.9%	30	21.4%	56	40.0%	46	32.9%	140	100.0%
Disability Services	3	2.2%	3	2.2%	51	36.7%	35	25.2%	45	32.4%	139	100.0%
UHCL Health Services	2	1.4%	2	1.4%	57	41.0%	44	31.7%	32	23.0%	139	100.0%
UHCL Bookstore	1	.7%	2	1.4%	31	22.3%	51	36.7%	51	36.7%	139	100.0%
Student Government	3	2.2%	11	8.0%	68	49.3%	38	27.5%	16	11.6%	138	100.0%
Student Leadership Training	2	1.5%	8	5.9%	66	48.5%	38	27.9%	20	14.7%	136	100.0%
Student Organizations	2	1.4%	5	3.6%	57	41.0%	44	31.7%	29	20.9%	139	100.0%
Student Activities	1	.7%	8	5.8%	61	43.9%	45	32.4%	21	15.1%	139	100.0%
Participation in Shared Governance	3	2.2%	12	8.6%	69	49.6%	34	24.5%	19	13.7%	139	100.0%
Staff Academic Advising	1	.7%	6	4.3%	32	23.0%	40	28.8%	58	41.7%	139	100.0%
Faculty Academic Advising	1	.7%	4	2.9%	27	19.7%	38	27.7%	65	47.4%	137	100.0%
Class Scheduling	2	1.4%	1	.7%	14	10.1%	38	27.3%	82	59.0%	139	100.0%
Class Size	3	2.2%	1	.7%	19	13.7%	57	41.0%	57	41.0%	139	100.0%
Opportunities to Evaluate Faculty	6	4.3%	5	3.6%	21	15.1%	46	33.1%	58	41.7%	139	100.0%
Pace of Classes	2	1.4%	2	1.4%	20	14.4%	56	40.3%	57	41.0%	139	100.0%
Availability of Day Classes	3	2.2%	6	4.3%	34	24.6%	40	29.0%	53	38.4%	138	100.0%
Availability of Night Classes	1	.7%	0	.0%	24	17.1%	40	28.6%	73	52.1%	140	100.0%
Availability of Weekend Classes	1	.7%	3	2.2%	51	36.7%	42	30.2%	40	28.8%	139	100.0%
Computer Laboratories	1	.7%	0	.0%	19	13.7%	55	39.6%	62	44.6%	139	100.0%
Science Laboratories	7	5.1%	2	1.5%	59	43.4%	38	27.9%	28	20.6%	136	100.0%
Campus Dining	4	2.9%	8	5.7%	42	30.0%	58	41.4%	26	18.6%	140	100.0%
Campus Parking	2	1.4%	4	2.9%	23	16.4%	49	35.0%	60	42.9%	140	100.0%
Physical Comfort of Environment	0	.0%	5	3.6%	27	19.4%	55	39.6%	50	36.0%	139	100.0%
UHCLidian Newspaper	6	4.3%	17	12.2%	69	49.6%	29	20.9%	16	11.5%	139	100.0%
Quick Copy Services	2	1.4%	12	8.6%	61	43.6%	41	29.3%	22	15.7%	140	100.0%

UHCL Environment and Services

Indicate your level of satisfaction with the corresponding issues/areas at UHCL

	Dissatisfied		Neutral		Satisfied		Very Satisfied		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
UHCL admission process	10	7.0%	37	25.9%	69	48.3%	26	18.2%	143	100.0%
Program Admission Process	8	5.6%	36	25.0%	79	54.9%	20	13.9%	144	100.0%
Billing and Fee Payment Process	20	13.8%	24	16.6%	64	44.1%	28	19.3%	145	100.0%
Availability of Scholarships	17	11.8%	79	54.9%	32	22.2%	5	3.5%	144	100.0%
Availability of Co-ops and	13	9.2%	78	55.3%	28	19.9%	9	6.4%	141	100.0%
Student Orientation Services	6	4.2%	77	53.8%	48	33.6%	11	7.7%	143	100.0%
Career Services	19	13.4%	57	40.1%	42	29.6%	14	9.9%	142	100.0%
Counseling Services	8	5.6%	60	42.3%	46	32.4%	17	12.0%	142	100.0%
Financial Aid Services	16	11.2%	74	51.7%	30	21.0%	12	8.4%	143	100.0%
Library Services	9	6.3%	22	15.4%	70	49.0%	37	25.9%	143	100.0%
Multicultural Services	4	2.8%	94	66.2%	27	19.0%	12	8.5%	142	100.0%
UHCL Police Department	5	3.5%	49	34.3%	64	44.8%	22	15.4%	143	100.0%
Disability Services	1	.7%	102	71.3%	27	18.9%	10	7.0%	143	100.0%
UHCL Health Services	3	2.1%	81	56.6%	43	30.1%	13	9.1%	143	100.0%
UHCL Bookstore	21	14.7%	34	23.8%	66	46.2%	12	8.4%	143	100.0%
Student Government	5	3.6%	89	63.6%	32	22.9%	10	7.1%	140	100.0%
Student Leadership Training	8	5.6%	90	63.4%	31	21.8%	11	7.7%	142	100.0%
Student Organizations	7	4.9%	74	51.7%	41	28.7%	15	10.5%	143	100.0%
Student Activities	10	7.0%	79	55.2%	38	26.6%	12	8.4%	143	100.0%
Participation in Shared Governance	7	4.9%	99	69.7%	26	18.3%	7	4.9%	142	100.0%
Staff Academic Advising	12	8.4%	50	35.0%	47	32.9%	20	14.0%	143	100.0%
Faculty Academic Advising	9	6.4%	40	28.4%	52	36.9%	28	19.9%	141	100.0%
Class Scheduling	25	17.6%	19	13.4%	67	47.2%	17	12.0%	142	100.0%
Class Size	5	3.5%	24	16.8%	70	49.0%	43	30.1%	143	100.0%
Opportunities to Evaluate Faculty	15	10.5%	20	14.0%	77	53.8%	23	16.1%	143	100.0%
Pace of Classes	4	2.8%	27	18.9%	85	59.4%	24	16.8%	143	100.0%
Availability of Day Classes	19	13.3%	52	36.4%	48	33.6%	15	10.5%	143	100.0%
Availability of Night Classes	16	11.2%	26	18.2%	60	42.0%	33	23.1%	143	100.0%
Availability of Weekend Classes	10	7.0%	72	50.7%	37	26.1%	16	11.3%	142	100.0%
Computer Laboratories	15	10.6%	33	23.2%	65	45.8%	19	13.4%	142	100.0%
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Campus Dining	26	18.4%	46	32.6%	47	33.3%	11	7.8%	141	100.0%
Campus Parking	21	14.7%	32	22.4%	63	44.1%	14	9.8%	143	100.0%
Physical Comfort of Environment	15	10.5%	33	23.1%	68	47.6%	25	17.5%	143	100.0%
UHCLidian Newspaper	6	4.2%	86	60.6%	40	28.2%	8	5.6%	142	100.0%
Quick Copy Services	8	5.6%	90	63.4%	30	21.1%	9	6.3%	142	100.0%

General Level of Agreement

While enrolled in my degree program at UHCL, I ...

	Strongly Disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly Agree		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Felt my instructors were competent to teach the classes	1	.7%	4	2.8%	14	9.8%	80	55.9%	44	30.8%	143	100.0%
Found faculty to be available to talk with me outside the classroom	1	.7%	4	2.8%	12	8.4%	80	55.9%	46	32.2%	143	100.0%
Found enough flexibility in scheduling classes to be able to complete my degree in a reasonable amount of time	6	4.2%	19	13.3%	15	10.5%	80	55.9%	23	16.1%	143	100.0%
Acquired sufficient skills and knowledge to prepare me for employment in my field	5	3.5%	6	4.2%	20	14.0%	76	53.1%	36	25.2%	143	100.0%
Felt genuinely academically challenged	2	1.4%	7	4.9%	25	17.5%	75	52.4%	34	23.8%	143	100.0%
Had opportunities to use computers as a tool	3	2.1%	5	3.5%	11	7.7%	75	52.4%	49	34.3%	143	100.0%
Found that the library satisfied my needs to access materials needed for class work and research	3	2.1%	8	5.6%	26	18.2%	64	44.8%	42	29.4%	143	100.0%
Had opportunities to engage in research with faculty	10	7.0%	30	21.0%	57	39.9%	29	20.3%	17	11.9%	143	100.0%
Had opportunities for internships or other on-the-job experiences	15	10.5%	32	22.4%	51	35.7%	23	16.1%	22	15.4%	143	100.0%

As a result of my degree program at UHCL, I have... I ...

	Strongly Disagree		Disagree		Neutral		Agree		Strongly Agree		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Mastered the knowledge base in my discipline	1	.7%	6	4.2%	28	19.4%	76	52.8%	33	22.9%	144	100.0%
Have mastered a higher order of thinking including quantitative analysis, synthesis and evaluation of information, argumentation, problem solving and creativity	1	.7%	4	2.8%	19	13.2%	86	59.7%	34	23.6%	144	100.0%
Developed effective written and verbal expression, including the use of appropriate media	2	1.4%	2	1.4%	23	16.0%	86	59.7%	31	21.5%	144	100.0%
Learned to effectively apply information technology to search for, access, retrieve, organize, interpret, process, and transfer information	2	1.4%	2	1.4%	14	9.7%	93	64.6%	33	22.9%	144	100.0%
Gained the capacity to understand many points of view and to work responsibly with others in a variety of settings	2	1.4%	3	2.1%	13	9.1%	87	60.8%	38	26.6%	143	100.0%
Developed the capacity to demonstrate awareness of local and global diversity, international issues, and the interrelated worldwide environment	2	1.4%	9	6.3%	23	16.1%	73	51.0%	36	25.2%	143	100.0%
Developed the ability to identify, assess, revise, and monitor learning to achieve personal and professional goals	2	1.4%	3	2.1%	22	15.4%	78	54.5%	38	26.6%	143	100.0%
Developed the ability to make ethical decisions in personal and professional societal contexts	3	2.1%	3	2.1%	25	17.5%	75	52.4%	37	25.9%	143	100.0%

Distance Education

	Did you complete one or more courses through Distance Education?
Yes	23.4%
No	76.6%

	If yes, the mode of instruction was:
Face to Face instruction at a remote site	24.2%
Web-based course	75.8%
Instructional telecommunication format	.0%
Other technologies like CD-ROM programs, telephones, or vide	.0%

Demographics

	Gender	
	N	%
Male	62	42.8%
Female	83	57.2%
Total	145	100.0%

	Ethnicity	
	N	%
White	90	61.6%
Black	5	3.4%
Hispanic	15	10.3%
Asian	26	17.8%
American Indian	2	1.4%
International	8	5.5%
Total	146	100.0%

	Age Group	
	N	%
20 - 24	47	32.4%
25 - 29	43	29.7%
30 - 34	22	15.2%
35 - 39	13	9.0%
40 - 44	12	8.3%
45 - 49	6	4.1%
50 - 54	1	.7%
55 - 59	1	.7%
Total	145	100.0%

Demographics

	Marital Status	
	N	%
Single/Never Married	61	41.8%
Separated	3	2.1%
Divorced	11	7.5%
Married	70	47.9%
Widowed	1	.7%
Total	146	100.0%

	Did either of your parents (or legal guardians) attend college?	
	N	%
Yes	109	78.4%
No	30	21.6%
Total	139	100.0%

	Did either of your parents (or legal guardians) graduate from college?	
	N	%
Yes	77	74.7%
No	26	25.3%
Total	103	100.0%

	Transferred to UHCL from	
	N	%
Two-year institution	74	51.0%
Four-year institution	71	49.0%
Total	145	100.0%

Demographics

	Degree Level	
	N	%
Undergraduate	87	60.4%
Graduate	57	39.5%
Total	144	100.0%

	Estimated cumulative GPA	
	N	%
3.50-4.00	77	53.5%
3.00-3.49	48	33.3%
2.50-2.99	16	11.1%
less than 2.50	3	2.1%
Total	144	100.0%

	Course load while attending UHCL	
	N	%
Full-Time	100	72.4%
Part-Time	38	27.6%
Total	138	100.0%

	Number of years in attendance at UHCL	
	N	%
Less than one	1	.7%
One	11	7.5%
Two	53	36.3%
Three	46	31.5%
Four	21	14.4%
More than four	13	8.9%
Total	145	100.0%

Demographics

	Average number of hours employed on/off campus per week during past year	
	N	%
None	36	24.8%
1 to 9 hours	4	2.8%
10 to 19 hours	19	13.1%
20 to 29 hours	19	13.1%
30 to 39 hours	23	15.9%
40 hours or more	44	30.3%
Total	145	100.0%

Reason for deciding to get a degree (select all that apply):

	Yes		No		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
Start a Career	69	46.9%	78	53.1%	147	100.0%
Advance in Current Career	42	28.6%	105	71.4%	147	100.0%
Change Careers	35	23.8%	112	76.2%	147	100.0%
Personal Enrichment	52	35.4%	95	64.6%	147	100.0%
Other	7	4.8%	140	95.2%	147	100.0%

	Projected income for this upcoming year	
	N	%
Under \$4,999	15	10.9%
\$5,000 - \$10,000	6	4.4%
\$10,001 - \$20,000	10	7.3%
\$20,001 - \$35,000	36	26.3%
\$35,001 - \$50,000	47	34.3%
\$50,001 - \$75,000	18	13.1%
Over \$75,000	4	2.9%
Total	136	100.0%

Demographics

		Degree	
		N	%
BPA	Management	9	6.2%
	Marketing	3	2.1%
	General Business	2	1.4%
	Business Administration	14	9.7%
	Management Information Systems	7	4.8%
	Accounting	14	9.7%
	Finance	7	4.8%
	Healthcare Admin/Business Administration	1	.7%
	Professional Accounting	1	.7%
	Environmental Management	2	1.4%
	Political Science	1	.7%
	Human Resource Management	1	.7%
	Applied Design and Visual Arts	1	.7%
HSH	Business Administration	1	.7%
	Applied Design and Visual Arts	6	4.1%
	Humanities	4	2.8%
	Literature	6	4.1%
	History	6	4.1%
	Communication	1	.7%
	Behavioral Sciences	1	.7%
	Studies of the Future	1	.7%
	Psychology	8	5.5%
	Sociology	1	.7%
	Family Therapy	1	.7%
Fitness/Human Performance	2	1.4%	
SCE	Biological Sciences	3	2.1%
	Chemistry	1	.7%
	Environmental Science	3	2.1%
	Computer Information Systems	6	4.1%
	Computer Science	10	6.9%
	Computer Engineering	1	.7%
SOE	Educational Management	7	4.8%
	Interdisciplinary Studies	2	1.4%
	Multicultural Studies in Education	2	1.4%
	Reading	1	.7%
	Instructional Technology	2	1.4%
	Early Childhood Education	6	4.1%
Total		145	100.0%