

GRADUATING SENIOR SURVEY SPRING 2017 BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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What department are you in?

	Count	Percent
ACIS - Department of Accounting and Finance		
AHSC - Department of Allied Health Sciences		
ART - Department of Art		
BACI - Department of Business Administration and Computer Information Systems	41	100.0%
BIOL - Department of Biology		
GOSS - Department of Government and Social Sciences		
HIGE - Department of History and Geography		
IDST - Department of Interdisciplinary Studies		
JFCI - Department of John Folse Culinary Institute		
LANG - Department of Languages and Literature		
MACO - Department of Mass Communication		
MATH - Department of Mathematics		
MNMK - Department of Management and Marketing		
MTPS - Department of Applied Sciences		
MUS - Department of Music		
NURS - Department of Nursing		
PETS - Department of Petroleum Engineering Technology & Safety Management		
PHSC - Department of Physical Sciences		
PSYC - Department of Psychology, Counseling, and Family Studies		
TEED - Department of Teacher Education		
Total	41	100.0%

How HELPFUL were your undergraduate experiences at Nicholls in furthering your development in each area listed below?

	Very Helpful	Helpful	Moderately Helpful	Little Help	No Help at All	Count	Mean
Ability to write well	27.50%	52.5%	17.5%	2.5%		40	1.95
Ability to speak effectively	35%	47.5%	17.5%			40	1.83
Ability to use mathematical concepts and tools	25%	57.50%	12.5%	5%		40	1.98
Ability to use critical thinking skills	37.5%	45%	15%	2.5%		40	1.83
Belief in yourself as a capable person	35%	52.5%	10%		2.5%	40	1.83
Skills for work (knowledge at skills applicable to a specific job or type of work)	20%	70%	10%			40	1.9
Preparation for further education in some professional, scientific, or scholarly field	22.5%	70%	5%	2.5%		40	1.88
Acquisition of a broad, general education about a variety of subject areas	35%	55.00%	7.5%	2.5%		40	1.78
Acquisition of a range of information that may be relevant to a career	32.5%	57.50%	7.5%	2.5%		40	1.8
Awareness of the historical factors which influence current events	10%	50%	27.50%	12.5%		40	2.42
Wide acquaintance with literature	12.5%	37.5%	37.5%	12.5%		40	2.5
Understanding of your own capabilities	22.5%	57.50%	15%	2.5%	2.5%	40	2.05
Awareness of how political and economic events impact families and communities	20%	47.5%	22.5%	5%	5%	40	2.28
Ability to meet deadlines	52.5%	40%	7.5%			40	1.55
Ability to see relationships, similarities, and distinctions between ideas	37.5%	47.5%	15%			40	1.78
Own set of values	27.50%	57.50%	10%	2.5%	2.5%	40	1.95
Ability to make ethical decisions	37.5%	47.5%	10%	5%		40	1.83
Ability to take responsibility for your own actions	32.5%	57.50%	7.5%	2.5%		40	1.8
Ability to interact with others	57.50%	35%	5%	2.5%		40	1.53
Ability to interact comfortably with people of a different race	56.41%	33.33%	7.69%		2.56%	39	1.59

How HELPFUL were your undergraduate experiences at Nicholls in furthering your development in each area listed below?

	Very Helpful	Helpful	Moderately Helpful	Little Help	No Help at All	Count	Mean
Ability to learn independently	48.72%	46.15%	5.13%			39	1.56
Understanding of the nature and value of at least one of the fine arts (e.g., theater, dance, classical music, visual art)	23.08%	25.64%	28.21%	17.95%	5.13%	39	2.56
Recognition of the value of coming into contact with people whose ideas, race, and/or culture differ from your own	33.33%	46.15%	15.38%	5.13%		39	1.92
Ability to comprehend reading material	35.90%	41.03%	20.51%	2.56%		39	1.9
Ability to utilize computers	43.59%	43.59%	10.26%	2.56%		39	1.72
Understanding of experimentation in science	12.82%	30.77%	30.77%	15.38%	10.26%	39	2.79
Familiarity with key applications of the basic sciences (e.g., in medicine, industry, agriculture, communications, energy, transportation, etc.)	17.95%	35.90%	17.95%	20.51%	7.69%	39	2.64

In your courses OUTSIDE your major field, were the class sizes usually compatible with effective learning?

	Percent	Count
Yes	84.62%	33
No, they usually had too few students for effective learning		
No, they usually had too many students for effective learning	15.38%	6

In terms of your MAJOR field at Nicholls, how SATISFIED are you with each of the following?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Count	Mean
Clarity of the degree requirements in your major	45.71%	48.57%	5.71%		35	1.6
Academic advice you received from your departmental faculty adviser	42.86%	42.86%	11.43%	2.86%	35	1.74
Willingness of your departmental faculty adviser to assist you	54.29%	34.29%	11.43%		35	1.57
Effort your departmental faculty adviser made in keeping appointments	47.06%	52.94%			34	1.53
Degree to which your departmental faculty adviser kept up-to-date with curricula changes	38.24%	52.94%	5.88%	2.94%	34	1.74
Overall effectiveness of your departmental faculty adviser	60%	34.29%	5.71%		35	1.46
Availability of opportunities outside of class for you to interact with instructors in your major field courses	26.67%	53.33%	20%		30	1.93
Effectiveness of the faculty in your major as teachers	45.71%	48.57%	5.71%		35	1.6
Helpfulness of faculty in your major	48.57%	45.71%	5.71%		35	1.57
Interest shown by departmental faculty in your intellectual development	40%	54.29%	5.71%		35	1.66
Friendliness and helpfulness of the office staff in your department	57.14%	40%	2.86%		35	1.46
Effectiveness of lower division courses in preparing you for upper division courses in your major	31.43%	65.71%	2.86%		35	1.71
Quality of instruction in upper division courses in your major	45.71%	48.57%	5.71%		35	1.6
Availability of formal opportunities for you to evaluate instruction in your major	36.36%	60.61%	3.03%		33	1.67
Availability of opportunities for you to have meaningful participation in research projects in your field	32.26%	61.29%	6.45%		31	1.74
Availability of professional activities or clubs in your field	14.29%	75%	10.71%		28	1.96

In terms of your MAJOR field at Nicholls, how SATISFIED are you with each of the following?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Count	Mean
Availability of practicum, internship, or clinical experiences in your field	3.85%	76.92%	15.38%	3.85%	26	2.19
Availability of the required courses in your major	15.15%	78.79%	6.06%		33	1.91
Adequacy of emphasis on behaviors/practices which are considered unprofessional and/or unethical in your field	30.30%	69.70%			33	1.7
Availability of elective courses you wanted to take in your major	15.15%	72.73%	9.09%	3.03%	33	2
Availability of opportunities for you to collaborate with other students on projects for classes in your major	30.30%	66.67%	3.03%		33	1.73
Availability of classroom facilities related to your major	16.67%	80%		3.33%	30	1.9
Adequacy of computer resources (PC and/or mainframe) for courses in your major	22.58%	74.19%	3.23%		31	1.81
Adequacy of library resources related to your major	16.67%	83.33%			30	1.83
Adequacy of laboratory facilities related to your major	20%	80%			25	1.8
Effectiveness of your major's curriculum in providing a logical sequence of learning experiences	33.33%	66.67%			33	1.67
Help/encouragement you received from faculty in your department with regard to attending graduate or professional school	17.86%	71.43%	7.14%	3.57%	28	1.96
Effectiveness of your major in preparing you to apply what you learned in your classes to decisions you will be making in the workplace	18.18%	78.79%		3.03%	33	1.88
The size of classes in your major	30%	70%			30	1.7
Help/encouragement you received from faculty in your department with regard to finding employment in your field	23.08%	73.08%	3.85%		26	1.81
Overall quality of your major field	48.48%	48.48%	3.03%		33	1.55
Overall quality of your department	42.42%	57.58%			33	1.58
Overall quality of your entire degree program	39.39%	57.58%	3.03%		33	1.64

Do you think the grades you received in your major courses usually were consistent with how much you learned in those courses?

	Percent	Count
Yes	78.79%	26
No, I usually learned substantially more than my grades show	21.21%	7
No, I usually learned substantially less than my grades show		

What are your immediate plans after graduation (choose only one)?

	Percent	Count
I plan to enter a graduate program	29.03%	9
I plan to attend law school	3.23%	1
I plan to attend medical school		
I plan to seek another undergraduate degree		
I presently have a job offer, but have not accepted as of this date	6.45%	2
I have accepted a job offer	19.35%	6
I presently do not have any job offers, but I plan to start work as soon as possible	41.94%	13
Total	100%	31