

Evergreen New Student Survey

About this survey:

This survey is intended to gather information about students' expectations of their college experience. We will use the information you provide for assessment and improvement of academic programs and student services.

Participation in this survey is completely voluntary and the answers that you provide will be kept confidential. At any time you are free to discontinue participation or refuse to answer a particular question. Your participation will be confidential and unidentifiable in the public report.

Please print your name and student ID below. This identifying information will be removed from the answers that you provide and your answers will remain confidential.

Name: _____

Student ID#: _____

Thank you for your participation!

Mark the box that best describes your answer.

1. **Do either of your parents have a 4-year college degree?**
 1 Yes 0 No 2 Don't Know
2. **If yes, did either of your parents attend The Evergreen State College?**
 1 Yes 0 No 2 Don't Know
3. **Are you employed or planning to work this quarter?**
 1 Yes 0 No 2 Don't Know
4. **When do you plan on taking most of your classes this year?**
 1 Daytime
 2 Evening/Weekend
 3 Both
 4 Neither – Mostly contract or internship
5. **Where do you plan to live this year while attending Evergreen?**
Please mark one answer that best describes your situation.
 1 On campus housing
 2 Private home or apartment (with family members)
 3 Private home or apartment (with non-family members)
 4 Private home or apartment (alone)
 5 Do not have housing
 6 Other (Please write in:) _____
6. **Do you have dependent children that live with you?**
 1 Yes 0 No
7. **If yes, will you need childcare for your dependents?**
 1 Yes 0 No
8. **How many colleges/educational institutions did you apply to?**
 1 Just Evergreen 2 2-4 3 5 or more
9. **Was Evergreen your first choice as a college or educational institution?**
 0 No, it was not my first choice
 1 Yes, it was my first choice among other choices
 2 Yes, it was my only choice

10. **If no, please write in your first choice:**

11. If Evergreen was your only choice, why was it your only choice?

Check all that apply.

- 1 I could not afford to attend elsewhere
- 2 I could not move out of the area
- 3 Evergreen was the only college I wanted to attend
- 4 I could not meet entrance requirements at other college(s)

12. What proportion of your tuition and living expenses for this year come from the following sources?

Please estimate the percentage from each source. Answers should add up to 100%.

- ____% A. You and/or your partner or spouse
- ____% B. Your parents
- ____% C. Aid that must be repaid (loans, etc.)
- ____% D. Aid that need not be repaid (grants, scholarships, military funding, etc.)
- ____% E. Other (Please write in:) _____

13. What is your best estimate of your parents' total income last year? Consider income from all sources before taxes.

Mark only one answer.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Less than \$6,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> 8 \$40,000-\$49,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 \$6,000-\$9,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 9 \$50,000-\$59,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 \$10,000-\$14,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 10 \$60,000-\$74,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4 \$15,000-\$19,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 11 \$75,000-\$99,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 \$20,000-\$24,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 12 \$100,000-\$149,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 \$25,000-\$29,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 13 \$150,000-\$199,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7 \$30,000-\$39,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> 14 \$200,000 or more |

14. What is the highest academic degree that you intend to obtain at Evergreen or elsewhere?

- 0 None
- 1 Bachelor's degree
- 2 Master's degree
- 3 Other professional degree such as a Ph.D., Ed.D, M.D., J.D., D.D.S
- 4 Other (Please write in:) _____

15. How important are the following goals for you after obtaining a college education? <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>				
	Not Important	Slightly Important	Very Important	
A. Have expertise in a particular field	0	1	2	3
B. Make more money	0	1	2	3
C. Influence or change the political system	0	1	2	3
D. Meet the expectations of my friends and family	0	1	2	3
E. Have a professional career	0	1	2	3
F. Contribute to scientific theory	0	1	2	3
G. Create original artistic work	0	1	2	3
H. Start or improve a business of my own	0	1	2	3
I. Help others or contribute to my community	0	1	2	3
J. Improve and protect the environment	0	1	2	3
K. Gain an understanding of a broad range of ideas and fields of study	0	1	2	3
L. Have a better understanding and appreciation for differences (ethnic, political, etc.)	0	1	2	3
M. Become an informed citizen	0	1	2	3
N. Get a job of my choice or make a career change	0	1	2	3
O. Be prepared for further education (graduate, professional, or doctoral)	0	1	2	3
P. Other (Please write in:)	0	1	2	3

16. How much influence did the following factors have on your decision to attend Evergreen? <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>				
	No influence	Slightly Influential	Very Influential	
A. Ability to study multiple disciplines by theme (interdisciplinary study)	0	1	2	3
B. Ability to study in a specific field or discipline of my choice	0	1	2	3
C. Opportunity for independent study	0	1	2	3
D. Ability to study a broad range of fields	0	1	2	3
E. Internship opportunities	0	1	2	3
F. Narrative evaluations by faculty and self (instead of letter grades)	0	1	2	3
G. Quality of faculty	0	1	2	3
H. Facilities/equipment	0	1	2	3
I. Close contact with faculty	0	1	2	3
J. Opportunity to design my own education	0	1	2	3
K. Study in integrated program instead of individual classes	0	1	2	3
L. Class size	0	1	2	3
M. A support service that is important to me (e.g. Access services, KEY services, Child Care, Academic Advising, etc.) <u>Please write in</u> the type of support service(s) that influenced your decision:	0	1	2	3
N. On campus housing options	0	1	2	3
O. Cost of Attendance (tuition, living expenses)	0	1	2	3
P. Diversity of campus community (age, cultural, economic background)	0	1	2	3
Q. Distance from permanent home	0	1	2	3
R. Availability of financial aid to attend Evergreen	0	1	2	3
S. Availability of scholarship to attend Evergreen	0	1	2	3
T. Special events on campus	0	1	2	3
U. Intercollegiate athletic program	0	1	2	3

17. What effect did each of the following factors have on your decision to attend? <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>	Negative Effect	No Effect	Positive Effect
A. Parents, other relatives, and/or friends	-1	0	1
B. Current Evergreen student	-1	0	1
C. Teacher or Counselor at prior school	-1	0	1
D. Evergreen admissions counselor or recruiter	-1	0	1
E. Contact with Evergreen faculty or staff	-1	0	1
F. Evergreen Alumni	-1	0	1
G. Newspaper or magazine article	-1	0	1
H. National ranking in newspaper, magazine, or college guide	-1	0	1
I. Evergreen’s web site, online catalog	-1	0	1
J. Printed information about Evergreen	-1	0	1
K. Campus visit	-1	0	1
L. Financial aid information	-1	0	1
M. Radio ads	-1	0	1
N. College Guide (such as Peterson’s)	-1	0	1
O. Evening and Weekend Studies class listing (Evergreen Times)	-1	0	1
P. Other: (please write in):	-1	0	1

18. How would you rate your level of skill in the following? <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>	No Skill	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
A. Writing effectively	0	1	2	3	4
B. Speaking effectively	0	1	2	3	4
C. Giving effective presentations	0	1	2	3	4
D. Participating in class discussion	0	1	2	3	4
E. Critically analyzing written information	0	1	2	3	4
F. Defining and solving problems	0	1	2	3	4
G. Learning independently	0	1	2	3	4
H. Working cooperatively in a group	0	1	2	3	4
I. Understanding and appreciating the arts	0	1	2	3	4
J. Understanding and applying scientific principles and methods	0	1	2	3	4
K. Understanding and applying quantitative principles and methods	0	1	2	3	4
L. Understanding different philosophies and cultures	0	1	2	3	4
M. Understanding the interaction of society and the environment	0	1	2	3	4
N. Recognizing your responsibilities, rights, and privileges as a citizen	0	1	2	3	4
O. Readiness for a career	0	1	2	3	4
P. Demonstrating breadth of learning in different fields	0	1	2	3	4
Q. Synthesizing information and ideas from many sources	0	1	2	3	4
R. Functioning as a responsible member of a diverse community	0	1	2	3	4
S. Managing my time effectively	0	1	2	3	4
T. Expressing yourself in creative, dramatic, or artistic ways	0	1	2	3	4
U. Using technology to present work, find information, or solve problems	0	1	2	3	4

19. How would you rate your level of skill in the following computer related tasks? <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>	No Skill	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
A. Writing a research paper using a computer	0	1	2	3	4
B. Giving a presentation using a computer	0	1	2	3	4
C. Conducting research via the Internet or other online sources	0	1	2	3	4
D. Solving mathematical or statistics problems using a computer	0	1	2	3	4
E. Using the computer for artistic expression (i.e. music, other audio, still images, animation, video, etc.)	0	1	2	3	4
F. Developing/maintaining a web site	0	1	2	3	4
G. Writing computer programs	0	1	2	3	4
H. Preparing a newsletter, brochure, or poster	0	1	2	3	4
I. Using a computer for scientific or geographic analysis	0	1	2	3	4

20. How confident are you... <i>Mark the box that best describes your answer.</i>	Not At All	A Little	Somewhat	Quite	Very
A. That you have the skills and abilities to succeed at Evergreen?	0	1	2	3	4
B. That you have the funding to complete your studies at Evergreen?	0	1	2	3	4
C. That you can get the kinds of courses you want at Evergreen?	0	1	2	3	4
D. That you will obtain a well-rounded interdisciplinary education?	0	1	2	3	4
E. That you will obtain technical skills in a specific field?	0	1	2	3	4
F. That you will be able to find a satisfying job or make a desired career change after graduation?	0	1	2	3	4
G. That you will be able to use your education to meet life-long goals?	0	1	2	3	4

21. Do you plan to stay at Evergreen until you earn a Bachelor's Degree?

- 1 Yes 0 No 2 Not sure

22. If no, please check the following that applies to you:

- 1 I plan to transfer to another institution.
 2 I am not attending Evergreen to earn a Bachelor's Degree
 3 Other (Please write in:) _____

23. Please write in any other comments that you would like to share.