# Graduating Senior Survey Summer and Fall 2019, Spring 2020 (FINAL)

Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness – George Mason University

The survey is administered online through Qualtrics. This instrument is not to be filled out.

<b>I.</b> 1.		ollment and Employment History you begin college at Mason or elsewhere?  Started here Started elsewhere and th	nen transf	ferred	to Mas	son		
2.	Whi	le you were a student at Mason, did you <b>WORK FOR P</b>	'AY eithei	on or	off ca	mpus?		_
	_	2.1 If yes, how often did you <b>WORK FOR PAY</b> ? (Mark a apply)	all that	Mc seme		A few semester	Not at all	ſ
		On campus: Part-	time					
		Full-t	ime					
		Off campus: Part-		L	_			
		Full-t	ime					
II.		ation in Your Major and Competence						T
		o what extent did courses in your major contribute your competence in the following areas:	A grea	t deal	A fai	r amount	A little	Not at all
	a.	Critical thinking and analysis		]				
	b.	Connecting concepts across disciplines		]				
	c.	Conducting research within your field/major		]				
	d.	Writing within your field/major						
	e.	Identifying, locating, evaluating and managing information resources within your field/major		]				
	f.	Applying the ideas of your field/major outside of the classroom or university		]				
	g.	Applying ethics within your field/major		]				
	h.	Identifying and assessing the validity of assumptions within your field/major		]				
	i.	Ability to engage in civic activities (e.g., be involved in political systems or process, identify and address issues of public/community concerns)		]				
	j.	Communicating with others in personal and professional contexts (oral communication only)		]				
		what extent do you agree/disagree with the wing statement?	Strongl Agree	y A	gree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A or Don't Know
		rogram prepared me well to pursue my chosen ession.						

### **III. Global Experience**

5. Which of the following have you done at Mason?	Done	Have NOT done
a. Studied abroad		
b. Participated in short-term immersion/cultural exchange program		
c. Completed an internship with an international organization		
d. Completed an internship with a national or local organization that deals with international issues		
e. Participated in service-learning abroad (e.g., Alternative spring break) organized by Mason		
f. Interacted with international students at Mason		
g. Discussed global issues with people from another country		
h. Learned (practiced) a foreign language from (with) a native speaker		
i. Completed a research or creative project in another country		
j. Travelled abroad in conjunction with a Mason course		

#### IV. Community-Engaged Learning

Community-engaged learning is defined as students engaging in structured service or action that allows them to apply what they are learning at Mason to community-based issues and problems. Communities can be local, regional/state, national, or global.

6. While you were a student at Mason, were you involved in any of the following kinds of community-engaged learning?	Involved	NOT Involved
a. Service-learning academic course		
b. Community-engaged practicum, internship, or field experience		
c. Community-engaged research or creative project		
d. Community service or volunteer work		
e. Community activism for an issue or group		
f. Community-engaged living-learning community		
g. Community service club or organization at Mason		
h. Service club or organization in the community		
i. Day of service event		
j. Alternative Spring Break		
k. Other, specify:		

#### V. Experiential Learning

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7. While you were a student at Mason, did you do or participate in any of the following? Check all that apply.
a. Completed non-credit internship(s) (paid)
□ b. Completed non-credit internship(s) (unpaid)
c. Authored or co-authored a published academic paper
d. Presented or co-presented at a conference or professional meeting
e. Had practicum, clinical experience, or student teaching as part of a course requirement
f. Worked on <b>own</b> research project(s) under the supervision of faculty
g. Participated as a research assistant (paid, for credit or as a volunteer) on a faculty research or creative project
h. Produced creative projects that were nationally presented/exhibited/juried/evaluated.
i. Completed capstone course(s) and/or culminating design course(s)

j. Participated in a recital or performance   k. Participated in an event that showcased n   l. Participated in an event that exhibited or de   m. Participated in cooperative education   n. Took a student leadership role on campus   o. Completed an entrepreneurship project in   p. Other:	a club, co re the aca g services nal) includ e proceed	ed my in mpetition demic pa (e.g., Gla ing Blogs	vention on the per was pressured to the per wa	e MIX	maker: ned. Ch	spaces.	apply.	
VI. Academic Advising	None	1-2	3-4		5-6	7-8	9 or more	<u>.                                    </u>
8. How many times have you met in person with an academic advisor during your time at Mason?								
9. How many times have you consulted with an academic advisor by phone, email, or Skype?								
10. How many times have you used Degree Works (Mason's online degree audit system) during your last year at Mason?								
11. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the follo statements?	wing	Stror	- Δρ	ree	Disagr	ee Stron Disag	I I)On	't
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12.1.3. To what extent did the following factors affect your decision in choosing your major while at Mason?	A great deal	A fair amount	A little	Not at all
Interest in the subject				
Family tradition				
Friends				
Employment prospect				
Graduate school/further education				
Academic Advising at Mason				
Exposure to new subject through a course, faculty member, or out of classroom experience				
Cost (time, money)				
12.2. (Show this if b is selected for Q12) To what extent did the following factors affect your decision in choosing a major before you came to Mason?	A great deal	A fair amount	A little	Not at all
Interest in the subject				
Family tradition				
Employment prospect				
Graduate school/further education				
High school counselor				
Pre-enrollment advising from Mason				
Pre-enrollment advising at another school (if				
transferred)				
1. (Show this if c is selected for Q12 or Yes is selected for				
(my current major).  12.3.2. To what extent did the following factors affect your decision to change your major while at Mason?		hed from (my or	iginal major)_ A little	Not at all
(my current major).  12.3.2. To what extent did the following factors affect			T	
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## VII. Language Experience 13. Which of the following best describes the language environment in which you grew up? a. English language only \_\_ b. No English language c. Multiple languages including English d. Multiple languages not including English 13.1. (if a is selected for Q13) Which of the following best describes your current language abilities? Use English only Use at least one other language with some fluency Use at least one other language with high fluency 13.2. (if b or d is selected for Q13) Which of the following best describes your current English abilities? Use English with some fluency Use English with high fluency 13.3. (if c or d is selected for Q13) Do you still remain fully fluent in at least two languages? Yes No 13.4. (if c is selected for Q13 AND Yes is selected for Q13.3) Is English one of the languages you remain fully fluent? No VIII. School or College 14. Which of the following best describes your college: College of Education & Human Development (go to CEHD section) College of Humanities & Social Sciences (go to CHSS section) School of Business (go to BUSINES section) School for Conflict Analysis & Resolution (go to S-CAR section) College of Science (go to COS section) Volgenau School of Engineering (go to Volgenau section) Schar School of Policy and Government (go to SCHAR section) College of Health and Human Services (go to CHHS section)

#### **College of Education and Human Development ONLY**

College of Visual and Performing Arts (go to CVPA section)

15. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements about your preparation for your profession?	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A or Don't Know
The internship/practicum I had in my program helped me gain valuable experiences relevant to the demands of my discipline.					
The educational experiences I had in my program were closely connected to the realities in my field/major.					
The knowledge and skills I acquired from my program enable me to take on responsibilities in my profession upon graduation.					

16. How satisfied are you with the following:	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	d Dissatisfi	ואם	Very atisfied	N/A or Don't Know
Practicum/internship or other experience-based	П					
learning in your program	Ш					
The supervision in that						
practicum/internship/experience-based learning						Ш
The relevance of your program for your intended						
field						
College of Humanities and Social Sciences ONLY						
17. To what extent did the following factors affect yo	ur A grea	it deal	A fair amoun	nt A	little	Not at all
decision to register for courses while at Mason?	7, 8, 6,	it deal /	Trail alloan		Tetre	Not ut un
Content of course						
Preferred time course was scheduled						
Preferred mode in which course was offered (face to face, hybrid or online)						
		- I				
Preferred faculty assigned to teach the course						
18. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the fol about your experience at George Mason University?	lowing state	ments	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My major provided good preparation for the career I w	ant to pursue					
My major provided good preparation for the further e	_					
pursue.						
My choice of major will give me the background I need	d for many			П		
opportunities.						
The faculty in my department cared about my success						
At least one faculty member took a special interest in	me.					
School of Integrative Studies ONLY  The following concentrations/degrees are part of the Sch  Applied Global Conservation  Childhood Studies  Early Childhood Education  Elementary Education  Environmental & Sustainability Studies  Individualized  Legal Studies  Life Sciences  Language Arts for Education  Natural Science for Education  Organizational Administration/Leadership & Organizational Justice & Human Rights  Social Justice & Human Rights  Social Science for Education						
19. Is your major in the School of Integrative Studies?						
Yes (proceed to next question)	∐ No (go	to section	n IX)			

	20. How satisfied are you with the following experiences in the School of Integrative Studies?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	NA/I have not had it
	Integrative learning across disciplines					
	Collaborative projects					
	Emphasis on writing					
	Emphasis on critical thinking					
	Research (e.g., conducting an independent, scholarly project)					
	Internships					
	Study abroad					
	Community service-learning					
	Field Studies (e.g., credit-earning courses with field experience)					
	Living Learning Community					
	Involvement in Student Organizations					
	Employment while in college					
	Other: please specify:					
Sch	nool of Business ONLY					
i	21. To what extent did the following factors affect your decision to register for courses while at Mason	_	nt deal A	A fair amount	A little	Not at all
	Content of course					
	Ability to take course in evening					
	Ability to take course online					
	Faculty assigned to teach course					
22.	Have you had an internship(s) while at Mason?  Yes (go to 23) No (go to 24)					
23.	Did the internship(s) count toward credit hours for Yes No	your major?				
24.	How satisfied are you with the career support withi  Very Satisfied  Satisfied		of Business itisfied		Dissatisfied	
Scł	nool for Conflict Analysis and Resolution ONLY					
	e next two items are related to field experiences you ependent study or research, study abroad, service-lo				experiences inc	clude internship,
25.	How many field experiences have you had while at  One  Two	Mason? Three or mor	e			

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	26. To what extent did your <b>field experience</b> contribute to your competence in the following?	А	great dea	al A fair a	amount	A little	Not at all
	Global perspective						
	Ability to reflect and grow						
	Ability to apply theories in practice			Г			
	Oral communication		$\overline{}$	Ī	7		
	Ability to work in groups						
	Problem-solving skills			-	7		
	Preparation for my career				_		
L	Freparation for my career			L			
	ege of Science ONLY  What was your primary reason for choosing Mason  Location  Cost/Affordability	for you	ur degreeî	? Select on	e.		
	Employment prospect Family tradition Course flexibility Research focus						
	Faculty expertise Campus environment						
	Student activities						
	Athletic activities						
	Degree programs						
	Other, please specify:						
	28. Rate the quality of the following based on your experiences at Mason.	Very 0	Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Very Poor
	Work/lab space on campus		1				
	Discipline specific software & equipment		1				
	Unique learning experiences	Ė	]				
	Other, please specify:		1	H			
	Other, pieuse speeny		1				
	29. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statement about your preparation for your profession?	A	rongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A or Don't Know
	The lab practicum and/or research project(s) I had in my program helped me gain valuable experience relevant to my career/profession.						
Volg	genau School of Engineering ONLY						
	30. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements about your preparation for your profession?	A	rongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A or Don't Know
	My program offered opportunities for me to apply learning outside of class.	4					

	The internship/practicum I had in my program helped me gain valuable experience relevant to career/profession.	my									
	The knowledge and skills I acquired from my program will enable me to take on responsibilit in my profession upon graduation.	ies									
Scha	ar School of Policy and Government ONLY			1						1	_
	31. To what extent did your GOVT coursework on the competence in the following?		to I	great deal		fair nount	A little	e Not		NA	
	Ability to apply concepts relating to political theo institutions	ories and			1						
	Ability to interpret patterns of American political	behavior									
	Ability to compare international political systems	5									
	Ability to apply analytical reasoning using researd	ch method	s						٦		
	within the field										
	Preparation for my career (e.g., public service)							L			
t V F	Internship Independent study Study abroad URAP – SCHAR undergraduate research and Other research work Related student organization, interest graduate research work None  33. To what extent did your applied learning experience contribute to your competence in the following?  Oral communication Vitten communication Problem solving skills Sibility to work in groups Preparation for my career (e.g., public service)		t gr			A little	1	Not at all		NA	
reac	The next few questions address workforce liness skills. Please indicate how satisfied you with the preparation you received at Mason for n of the following:	Very Satisfie	d	Satisfied		Dissatis	fied	Very Dissatisf		N/	A
App	lying problem-solving skills										]
Wor	king well with others in a group situation										
	paredness from Internships & practicum eriences										]
Oth	er (please specify)										
satis	CHHS is interested in your experience and sfaction with selected course teaching/	Very Satisfie	d	Satisfied		Dissatis	fied	Very Dissatisf		N/	Α
ıcdi	hing-learning methods listed below. Please										

indicate your overall level of satisfaction with each:							
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On-line courses							]
Hybrid (partly on-line) courses							
Service learning						L	_
Volunteer work  36. When did you declare your current major at Masc							
<ul><li>Freshman</li><li>Sophomore</li><li>Junior</li><li>Senior</li></ul>	onr						
College of Visual and Performing Arts ONLY							
37. To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements?	Strongl Agree	Δgre	ee C	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	N/A or Don't Know	
The educational experiences I had in my program were closely connected to the demands of my discipline.							
☐ Faculty ☐ Coursework ☐ Facilities ☐ Internships							
Performance/Exhibit opportunities Technology Other, please specify:							
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40. Did you pursue a second academic interest (major or minor) beyond the scope of your major during your time at Mason?    Yes				
IX. Satisfaction				
41. How <b>satisfied</b> are you with the following aspects of your education at Mason?	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
a. Sense of belonging at Mason				
b. Overall Mason experience				
c. Education you received in your major				
d. Academic advising				
e. Your level of involvement in campus activities				
f. Career support from faculty and staff (e.g., assistance with career planning, job search, etc.)				
g. Preparation for work				
h. Preparation for post-baccalaureate study				
i. Mentoring (e.g., support of professional growth)				
j. Overall quality of course instruction				
42. What is the best thing about Mason?  43. If you were to do it all over again, would you attend George Mason University? (Select one)  Definitely Yes Probably Not Definitely Not				
X. Alumni Involvement  Mason's Alumni Association uses your contact information to help keep you informed about Mason news and events and to offer discounts and benefits to members of the Alumni Community.				
44. Have you joined the Online Alumni Community?  Yes  No				
45. Please enter your preferred email address after graduation:				
(Your responses to Q44 and Q45 will be shared with the Office of Alumni Relations)				
XI. Overall Comments/Recommendations/Observations  46. Please use the space below to make comments/recommendations/ observations about your experience at Mason:				

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