

Survey of Baccalaureate Degree Alumni Spring 2023

BA Political Science Alumni



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Satisfaction with Degree Program

Number of Respondents: 8					
	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5
Ability to read and listen carefully to ideas and information, to understand those ideas, and to convey them to other people using both language and modes (written, oral, digital) appropriate to the intended audience					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	50.0% (4)
Ability to define and to respond to problems, challenges, and opportunities by employing logical, informed, and creative solutions					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	50.0% (4)
Ability to balance personal and professional challenges, to respond to changing realities, and to persevere through difficulty and unexpected situations					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	37.5% (3)	62.5% (5)
Ability to work respectfully and productively with people from diverse backgrounds, identities, and perspectives					
BA Political Science	0.0%	12.5% (1)	0.0%	37.5% (3)	50.0% (4)
Ability to learn, to actively pursue knowledge, and to continuously self-evaluate in current circumstances					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	12.5% (1)	50.0% (4)	37.5% (3)
Ability to develop perspectives and understanding of the human experience					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	50.0% (4)
Ability to communicate effectively in writing					
BA Political Science	0.0%	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	62.5% (5)
Ability to work as a team member					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	25.0% (2)	37.5% (3)	37.5% (3)
Ability to work as a team leader					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	37.5% (3)	25.0% (2)	37.5% (3)
Ability to accept responsibility					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	25.0% (2)	37.5% (3)	37.5% (3)

Satisfaction with Degree Program					
Number of Respondents: 5					
	Very Dissatisfied - 1	2	3	4	Very Satisfied - 5
Ability to engage with people from different local and global cultures					
BA Political Science	0.0%	12.5% (1)	12.5% (1)	37.5% (3)	37.5% (3)
Ability to understand and demonstrate effective work habits and act in the interest of the larger community and workplace					
BA Political Science	0.0%	0.0%	25.0% (2)	37.5% (3)	37.5% (3)
Satisfaction with Degree Program					
	No		Yes		
2. Would you recommend Southeastern to someone interested in what you majored in?					
BA Political Science	12.5% (1)		87.5% (7)		

Graduate Professional Education

Three (37.5%) of the respondents are currently enrolled in a degree program, one plans on getting a Master's degree, one a doctorate, and one a professional. Two (25.0%) of the respondents have completed a professional degree. One (12.5%) plans on getting a Master's degree in the future, and two (25.0%) have no plans for further education. Of the respondents with graduate experience, one (20.0%) felt that Southeastern "Very Effectively" prepared them for further graduate/professional, three (60.0%) felt that Southeastern "Effectively" prepared them, and one (20.0%) felt they were "Ineffectively" prepared. Two (40.0%) indicated their program was "Very Closely Related" to their Baccalaureate degree, two (40.0%) indicated it was "Somewhat Related", and one (20.0%) indicated it was "Not at all Related".

Employment

Four (50.0%) of the respondents are currently employed full-time, one (12.5%) is employed part-time and satisfied with part-time employment, and two (25.0%) are unemployed but seeking employment. Of those who are employed full-time, two (50.0%) are employed in the state of Louisiana and two (50.0%) are employed out of state. Two (50.0%) are employed in a professional firm, one (25.0%) in K-12 education and one (25.0%) in a nonprofit organization. Two (50.0%) respondents indicated their education was "Effective" in preparing them for employment or improving their job performance and two (50.0%) indicated it was "Ineffective". Two (50.0%) of the respondents are employed in an area related to their Southeastern bachelors degree and two (50.0%) in an unrelated area. One (25.0%) respondent indicated a salary range of \$30,001-\$40,000, one (25.0%) indicated \$40,001-\$50,000, and one (25.0%) indicated \$50,000-\$60,000.

Overall Satisfaction with Southeastern

In general, respondents were satisfied with Southeastern. Thirteen percent (12.5%, n=1) had a Very Positive general attitude toward Southeastern, and an additional 50.0% (n=4) had a Positive general attitude toward Southeastern. One (12.5%) were neutral and one (12.5%) had a negative attitude towards Southeastern. When asked if they would recommend Southeastern to a friend or family member considering college, 25.0% (n=2) said they would with no reservations, four (50.0%) would with some reservations, one (12.5%) with strong reservations.

Four (50.0%) of the respondents indicated that if they were to do it again, they would elect to attend Southeastern for their baccalaureate degree and one (12.5%) would not. Two (25.0%) did not know if they would. Respondents were also asked if their college education had improved the quality of their life, regardless of the financial benefits. Seven (87.5%) of the respondents indicated that the quality of their life had improved.