

Graduating Student Survey

College of Education

Fall 2023

By the Office of Planning and Assessment

University of Houston-Clear Lake

Summary of the Survey

The purpose of the Graduating Student Survey is to determine the level of satisfaction of students with their recent higher education experience at the University of Houston-Clear Lake (UHCL). In addition, we solicit the students' opinions regarding which areas or issues need improvement to ensure that UHCL maintains the highest quality of instruction and support. Finally, the percentage of students who would recommend UHCL to family or friends is included in the UHCL progress card each year and is on the next page.

We conduct the Graduating Student Surveys in the fall and spring semesters using Qualtrics, a cloud-based software often used to capture a user's experience. The Office of Planning and Assessment sent an invitation to all students who applied for graduation during the fall 2023 semester to complete the survey on November 1st. The survey was active through December 10th, 2023. You'll find the data grouped by college, degree level, gender, ethnicity, and program. The following pages summarize data collected in the Graduating Student Survey Fall 2023 by UHCL on the College of Education.

The final reports are posted online at:

<https://www.uhcl.edu/about/administrative-offices/institutional-research/survey-data>

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Demographics

Respondents:

158 graduating COE students were invited to participate. During this collection period, 74 students started the survey. The response rate for this survey is 46.84%.

Spring	2023	37.9%
Fall	2022	41.5%
Spring	2022	37.7%
Fall	2021	44.4%
Spring	2021	27.1%
Fall	2020	Not Captured
Spring	2020	23.7%
Fall	2019	39.5%
Spring	2019	27.0%

Gender:

Female	83.78%	62
Male	4.05%	3
Non-binary/third gender	0.00%	0
Prefer not to respond	0.00%	0
No Response	12.16%	9

Ethnicity:

American Indian or Alaskan Native	0.00%	0
Asian	2.53%	2
Black or African American	8.86%	7
Hispanic	46.83%	37
Multi-racial	1.26%	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.00%	0
Other	0.00%	0
White	29.11%	23
Prefer to not respond	0.00%	0
No Response	11.39%	9

Citizenship:

International	1.35%	1
U.S. Citizen	83.78%	62
U.S. Resident (Green Card)	1.35%	1
Prefer to not respond	1.35%	1
No response	12.16%	9

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Overall Satisfaction**

The overall education received at UHCL was one of high quality.

Strongly agree	72.97%	54
Somewhat agree	16.21%	12
Neither agree nor disagree	1.35%	1
Somewhat disagree	0.00%	0
Strongly disagree	5.40%	4
No response	4.05%	3

I would recommend UHCL to friends and family considering college.

Strongly agree	78.37%	58
Somewhat agree	9.45%	7
Neither agree nor disagree	0.00%	0
Somewhat disagree	1.35%	1
Strongly disagree	5.40%	4
No response	5.40%	4

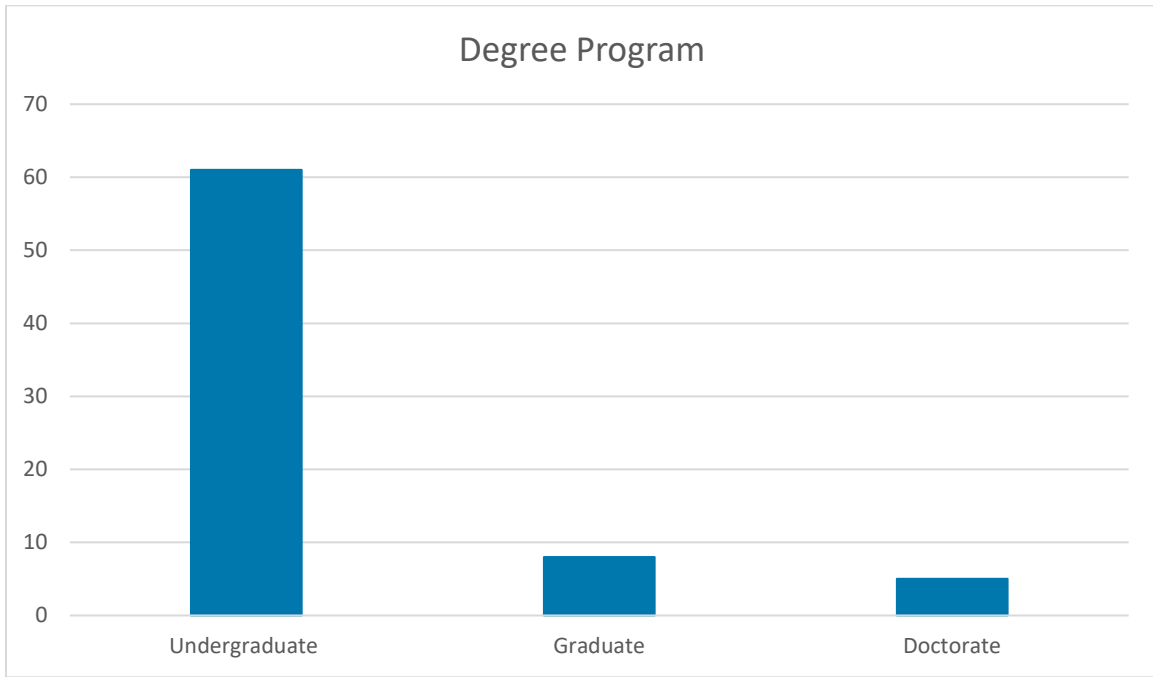
If I were to start over, I would still choose to attend UHCL.

Strongly agree	78.37%	58
Somewhat agree	5.40%	4
Neither agree nor disagree	2.70%	2
Somewhat disagree	2.70%	2
Strongly disagree	6.75%	5
No response	4.05%	3

If I were to start over, I would still choose the same program of study.

Strongly agree	71.62%	53
Somewhat agree	10.81%	8
Neither agree nor disagree	8.10%	6
Somewhat disagree	0.00%	0
Strongly disagree	5.40%	4
No response	4.05%	3

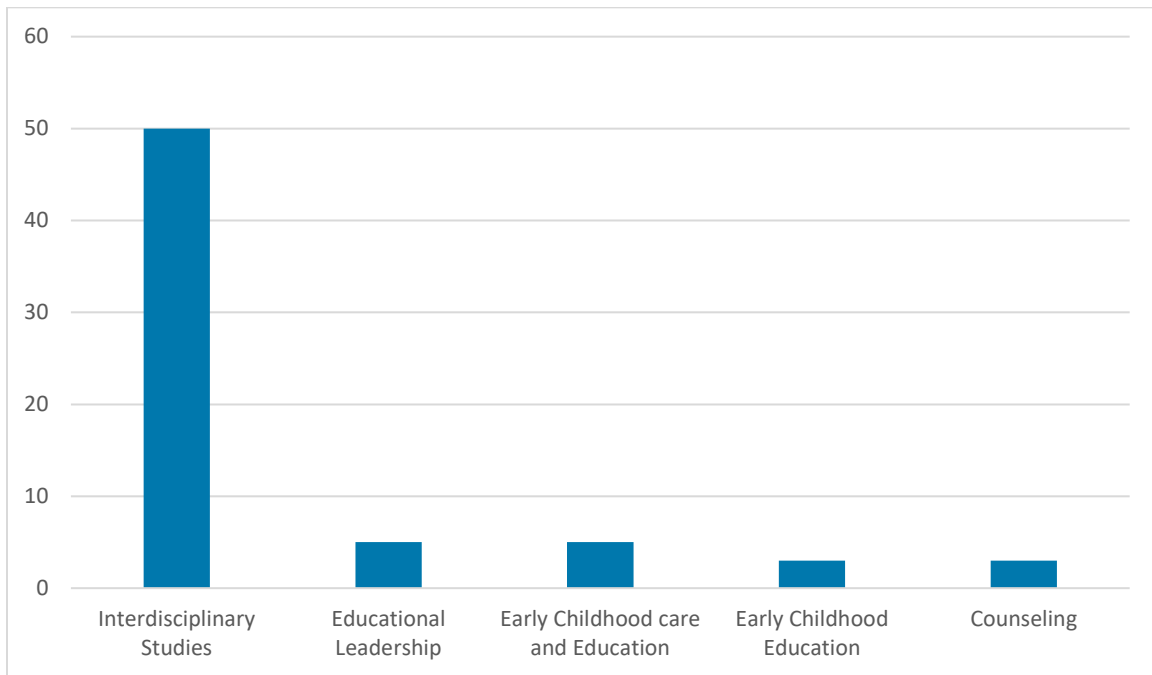
What will be your degree level?



Degree	Count of Responses	Percentage
Undergraduate	61	82.43%
Graduate	8	10.81%
Doctorate	5	6.76%
Total	74	100%

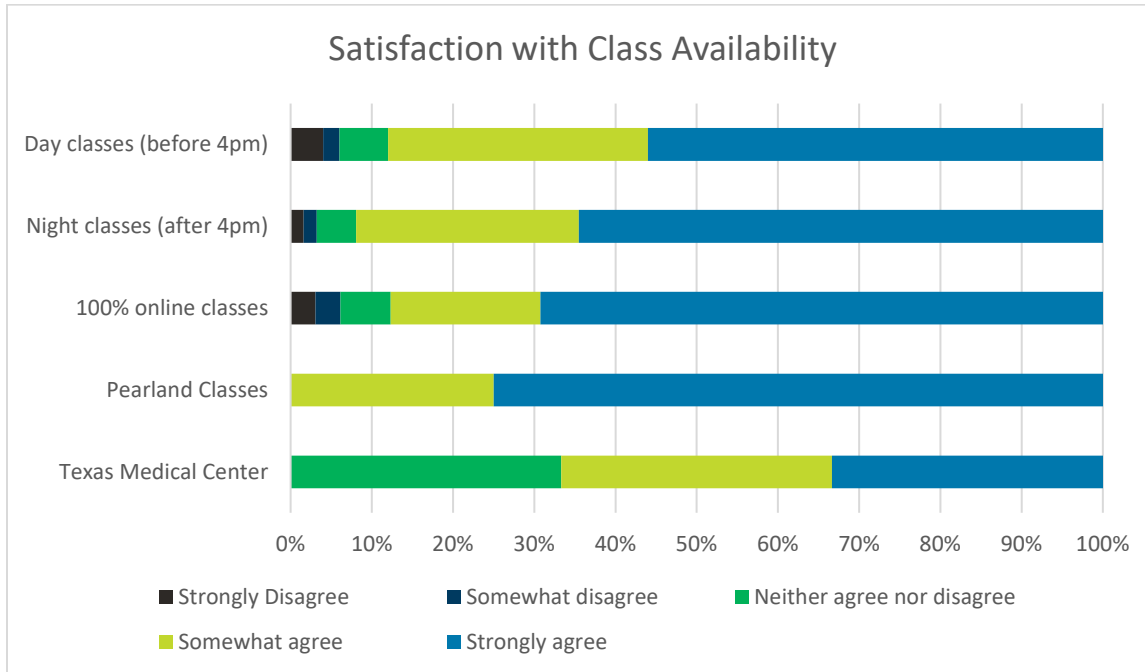
What is your primary degree program in the College of Education?

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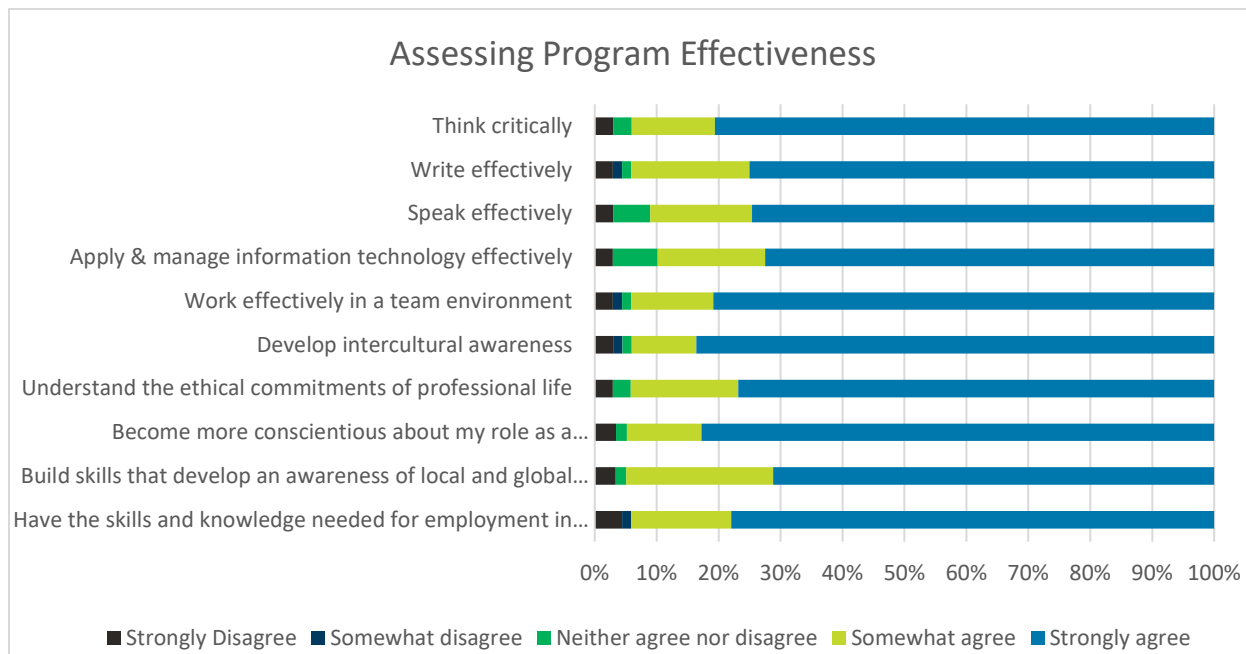
Degree	Count
Clinical Mental Health Counseling	2
Counseling	3
Curriculum & Instruction	2
Early Childhood Care and Education	5
Early Childhood Education	3
Educational Leadership	5
Educational Management	0
Instructional Design and Technology	0
Interdisciplinary Studies	50
Masters of Arts in Teaching	0
School Library & Information Science	0
UHCL Certifications	0

I was satisfied with the availability of classes at the following times & locations.



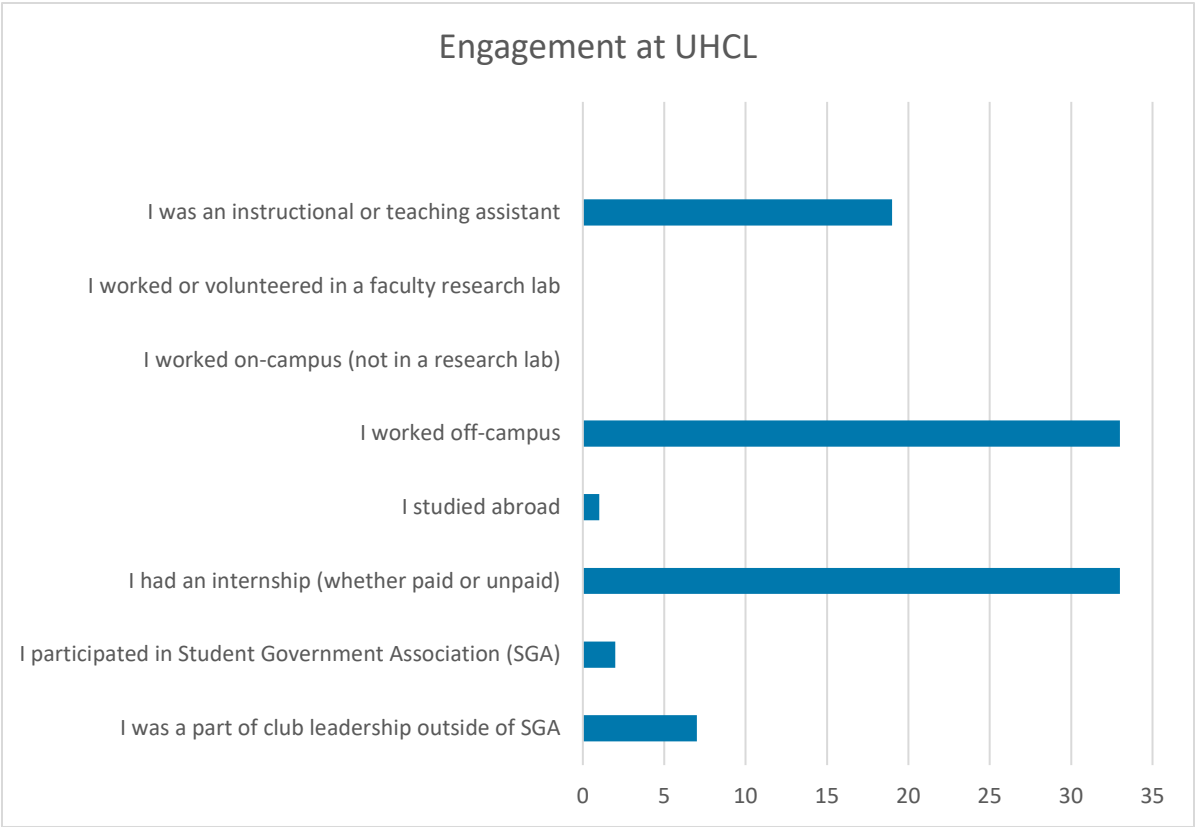
Time/Location	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Blank/Not applicable
Day classes (before 4 pm)	2	1	3	16	28	24
Night classes (after 4 pm)	1	1	3	17	40	12
100% online classes	2	2	4	12	45	9
Pearland Classes	0	0	0	3	9	62
Texas Medical Center	0	0	1	1	1	71

Please indicate your level of agreement with how well your program prepared you in each of the following areas:



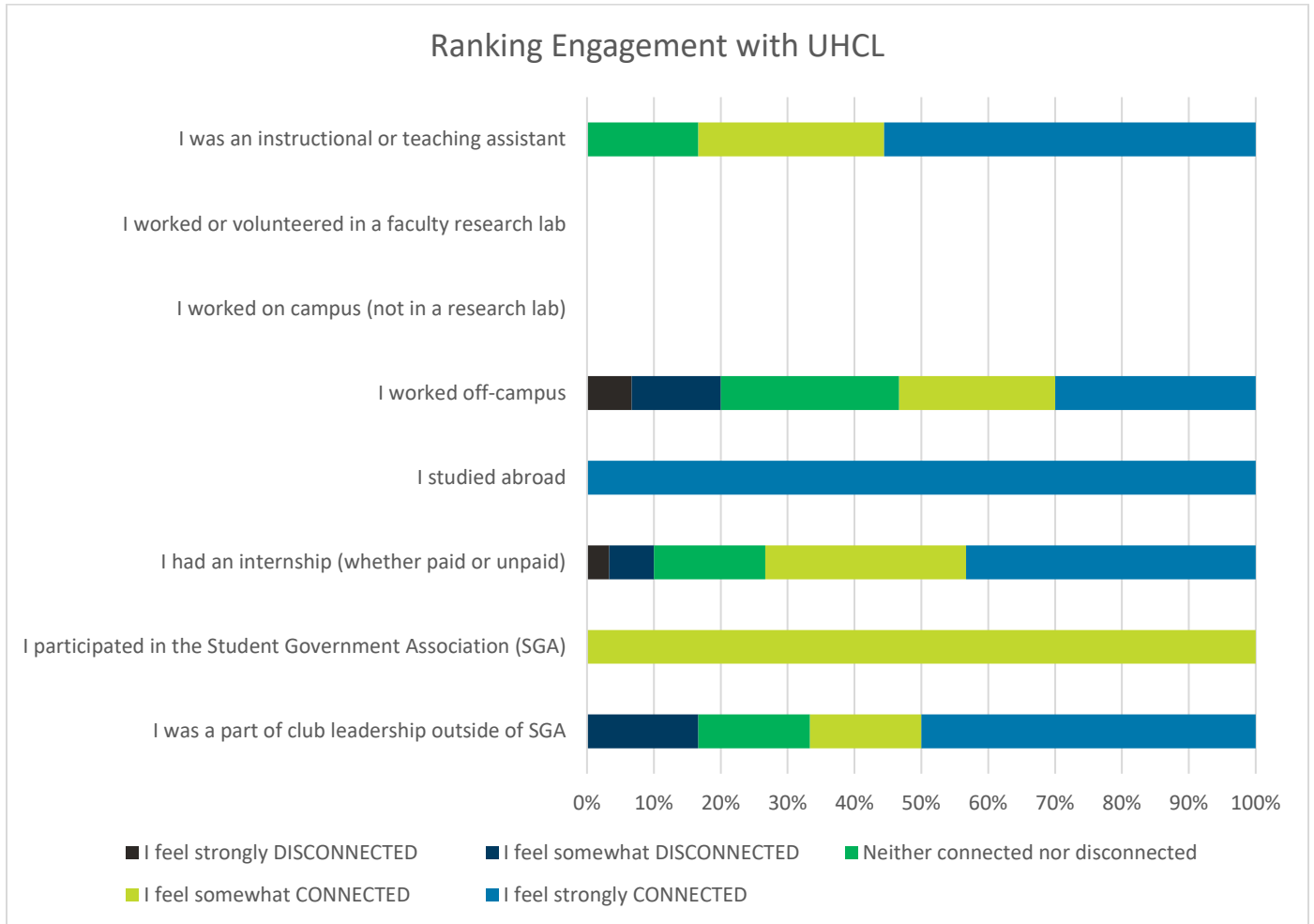
Area	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Blank/Not applicable
Think critically	2	0	2	9	54	7
Write effectively	2	1	1	13	51	6
Speak effectively	2	0	4	11	50	7
Apply & manage information technology effectively	2	0	5	12	50	5
Work effectively in a team environment	2	1	1	9	55	6
Develop intercultural awareness	2	1	1	7	56	7
Understand the ethical commitments of professional life	2	0	2	12	53	5
Become more conscientious about my role as a responsible citizen	2	0	1	7	48	16
Build skills that develop an awareness of local and global needs	2	0	1	14	42	15
Have the skills and knowledge needed for employment in my field	3	1	0	11	53	6

Please select the box for each activity you did while a student at UHCL, regardless of when or how often you did so. Check all that apply.



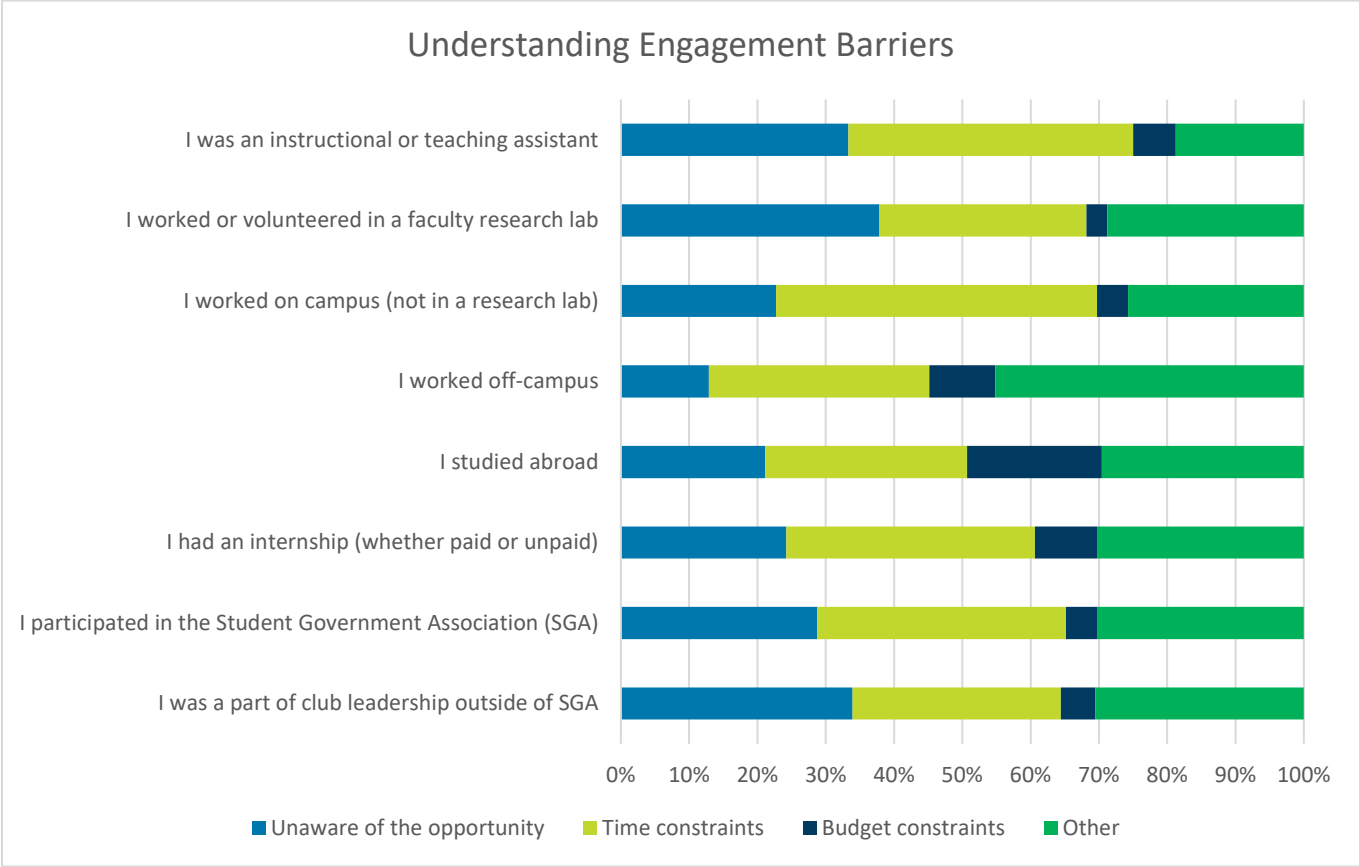
Response	Count	Percentage
I was an instructional or teaching assistant	19	25.67%
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	0	0.00%
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	0	0.00%
I worked off-campus	33	44.60%
I studied abroad	1	1.35%
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	33	44.60%
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	2	2.70%
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	7	9.46%
Blank/Not applicable	16	21.62%

Please rank your CONNECTEDNESS to UHCL based on the activity(ies) you participated in:



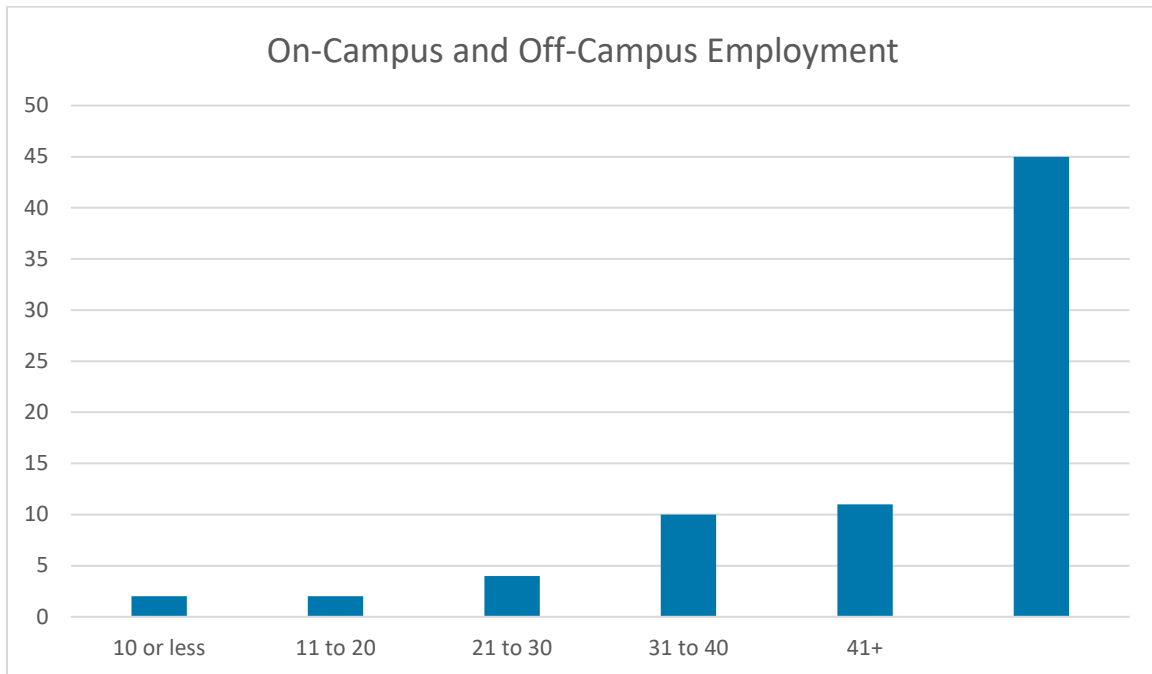
Response	I feel strongly DISCONNECTED	I feel somewhat DISCONNECTED	Neither connected nor disconnected	I feel somewhat CONNECTED	I feel strongly CONNECTED	Blank/Not applicable
I was an instructional or teaching assistant	0	0	3	5	10	56
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	0	0	0	0	0	74
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	0	0	0	0	0	74
I worked off-campus	2	4	8	7	9	44
I studied abroad	0	0	0	0	1	73
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	1	2	5	9	13	44
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	0	0	0	1	0	73
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	0	1	1	1	3	68

For the activity(ies) you did NOT participate in, please select the box or boxes for why you didn't. Select all that apply.



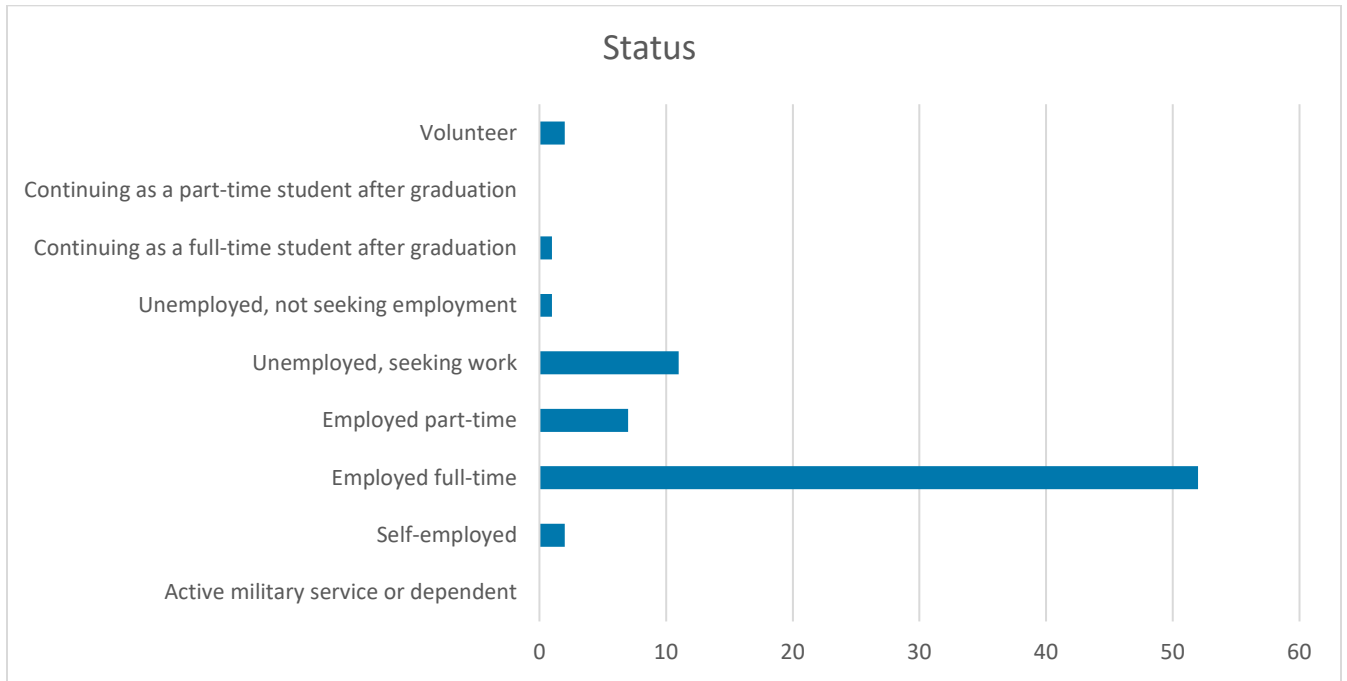
Response	Unaware of the opportunity	Time constraints	Budget constraints	Other
I was an instructional or teaching assistant	16	20	3	9
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	25	20	2	19
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	15	31	3	17
I worked off-campus	4	10	3	14
I studied abroad	15	21	14	21
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	8	12	3	10
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	19	24	3	20
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	20	18	3	18
Blank/Not applicable	40	35	58	42

If you were employed on-campus or off-campus, how many hours per week did you work?



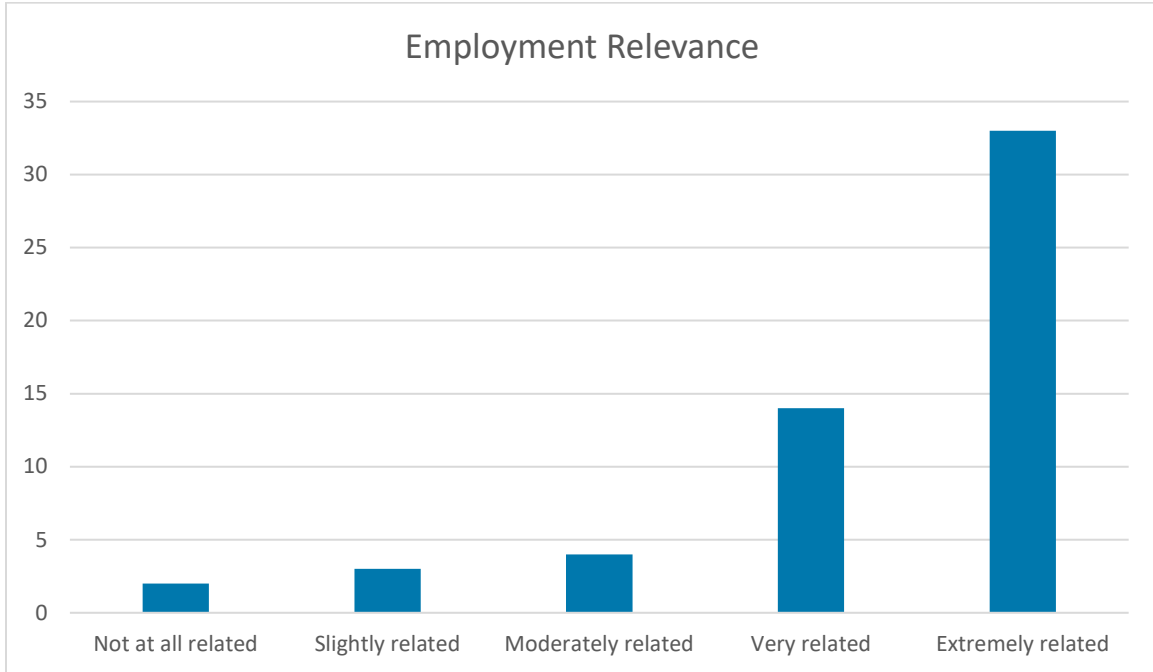
Response	Count	Percentage
10 or less	2	2.71%
11-20	2	2.71%
21-30	4	5.42%
31-40	10	13.52%
41+	11	14.82%
No Response/Blank	45	60.82%

What will be your status upon graduating?



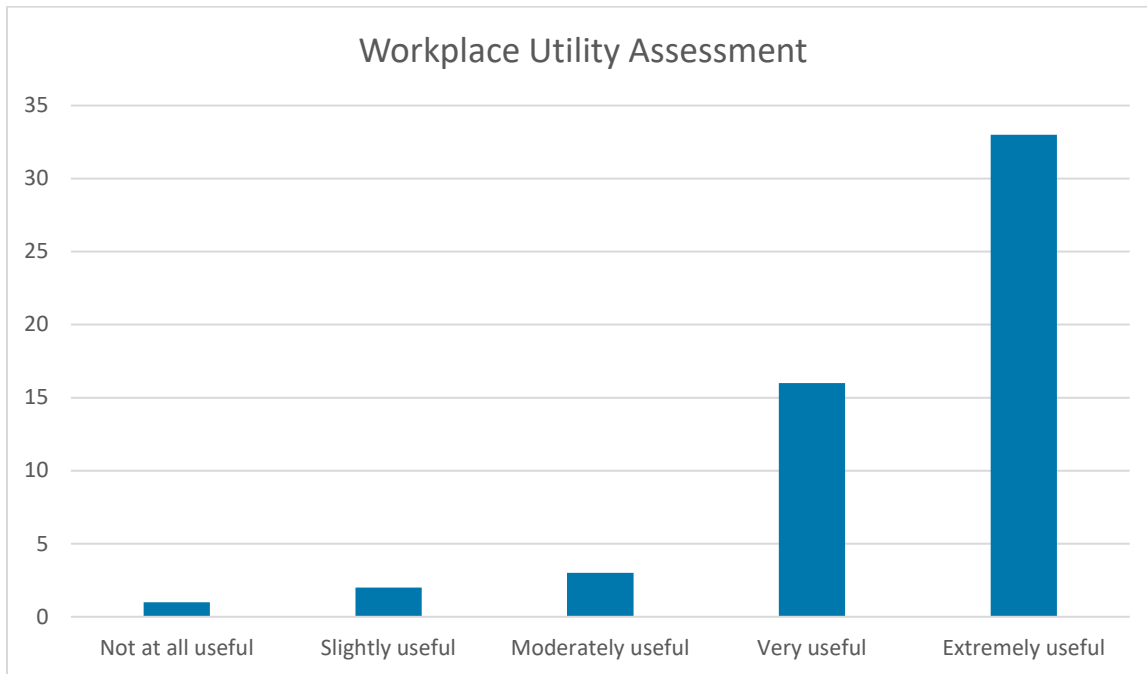
Response	Count	Percentage
Active military service or dependent	0	0.00%
Self-employed	2	2.71%
Employed full-time	52	70.28%
Employed part-time	7	9.46%
Unemployed, seeking work	11	14.87%
Unemployed, not seeking employment	1	1.35%
Continuing as a full-time student after graduation	1	1.35%
Continuing as a part-time student after graduation	0	0.00%
Volunteer	2	2.71%

To what extent is your employment related to your major or area of study at UHCL if employed, self-employed, or volunteering?



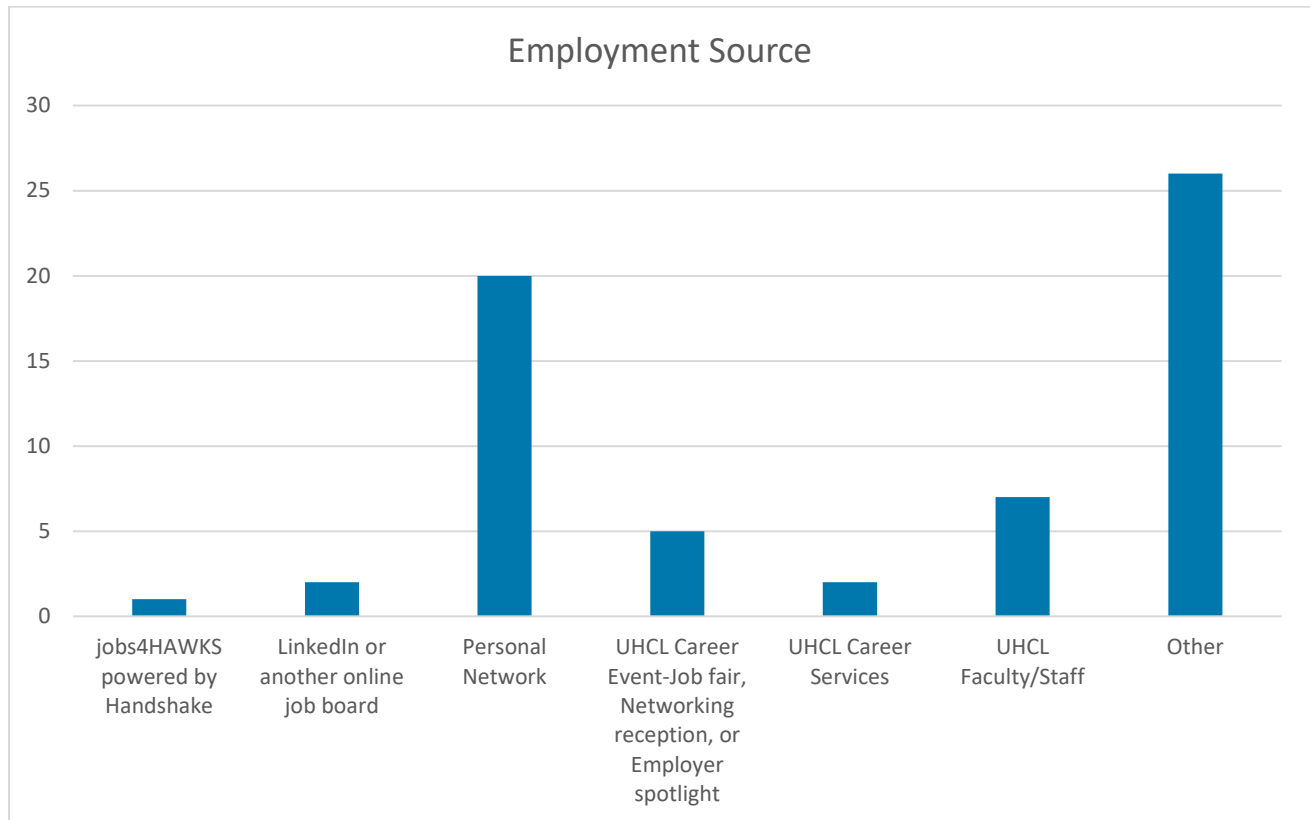
Response	Count	Percentage
Not at all related	2	2.71%
Slightly related	3	4.05%
Moderately related	4	5.42%
Very related	14	18.91%
Extremely related	33	44.60%
No Response/Blank	18	24.31%

If employed, self-employed, or volunteering, how useful is what you learned at UHCL in your daily work at your place of employment?



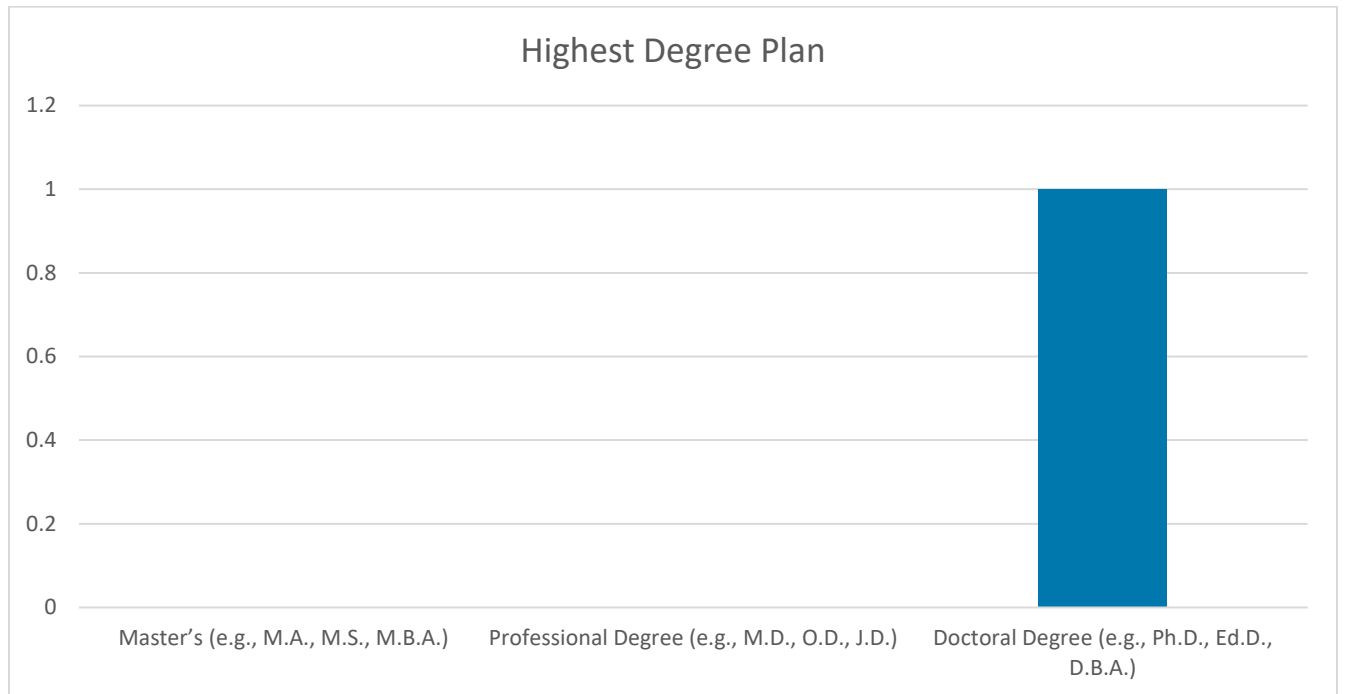
Response	Count	Percentage
Not at all useful	1	1.35%
Slightly useful	2	2.71%
Moderately useful	3	4.05%
Very useful	16	21.62%
Extremely useful	33	44.60%
No Response/Blank	19	25.67%

If employed, how did you find your position?



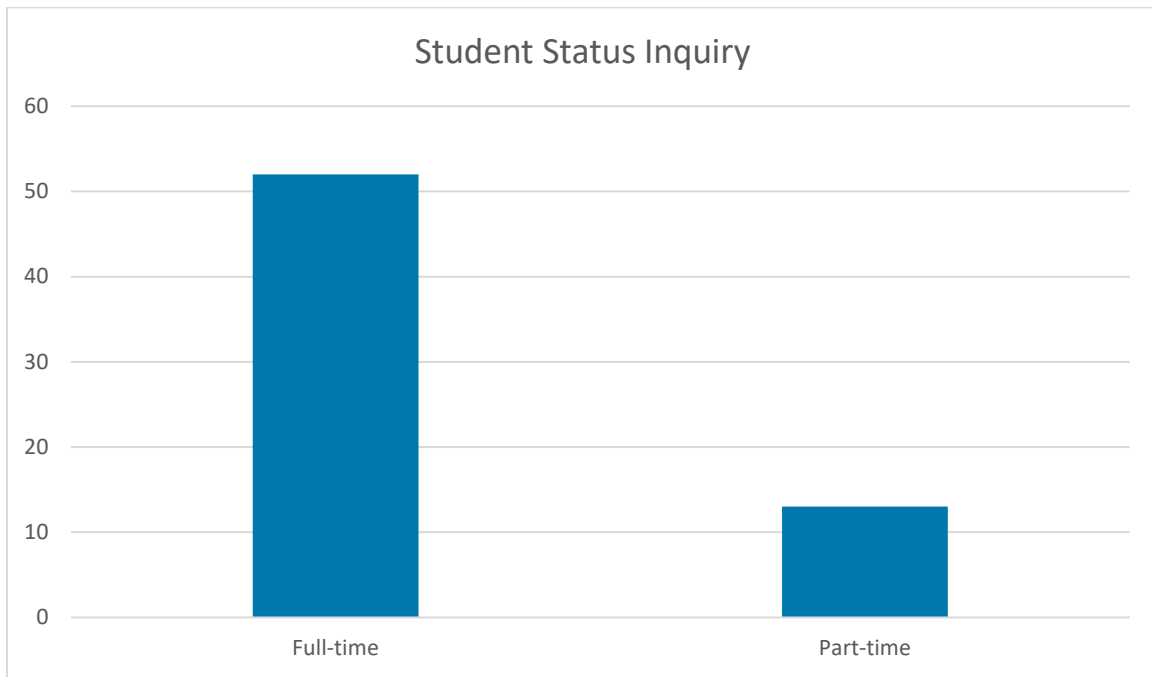
Response	Count	Percentage
jobs4HAWKS powered by Handshake	1	1.35%
LinkedIn or another online job board	2	2.72%
Personal Network	20	27.02%
UHCL Career Event-Job fair, Networking reception, or Employer spotlight	5	6.76%
UHCL Career Services	2	2.72%
UHCL Faculty/Staff	7	9.46%
Other	26	35.13%
No Response/Blank	22	29.73%

If you're continuing as a full-time or part-time student, what is the highest degree you plan to earn?



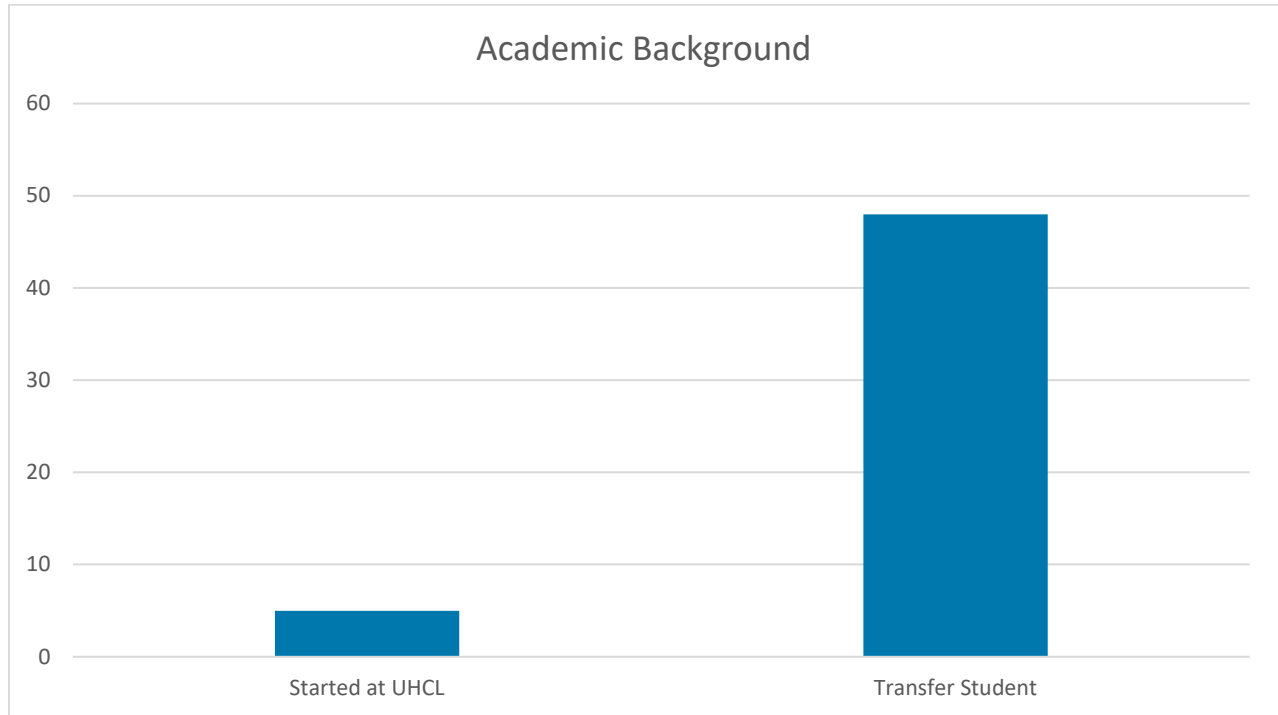
Response	Count	Percentage
Master's (e.g., M.A., M.S., M.B.A.)	0	0.00%
Professional Degree (e.g., M.D., O.D., J.D.)	0	0.00%
Doctoral Degree (e.g., Ph.D., Ed.D., D.B.A.)	1	1.35%
No Response/Blank	73	98.65%

Were you primarily a full-time or part-time student while at UHCL?



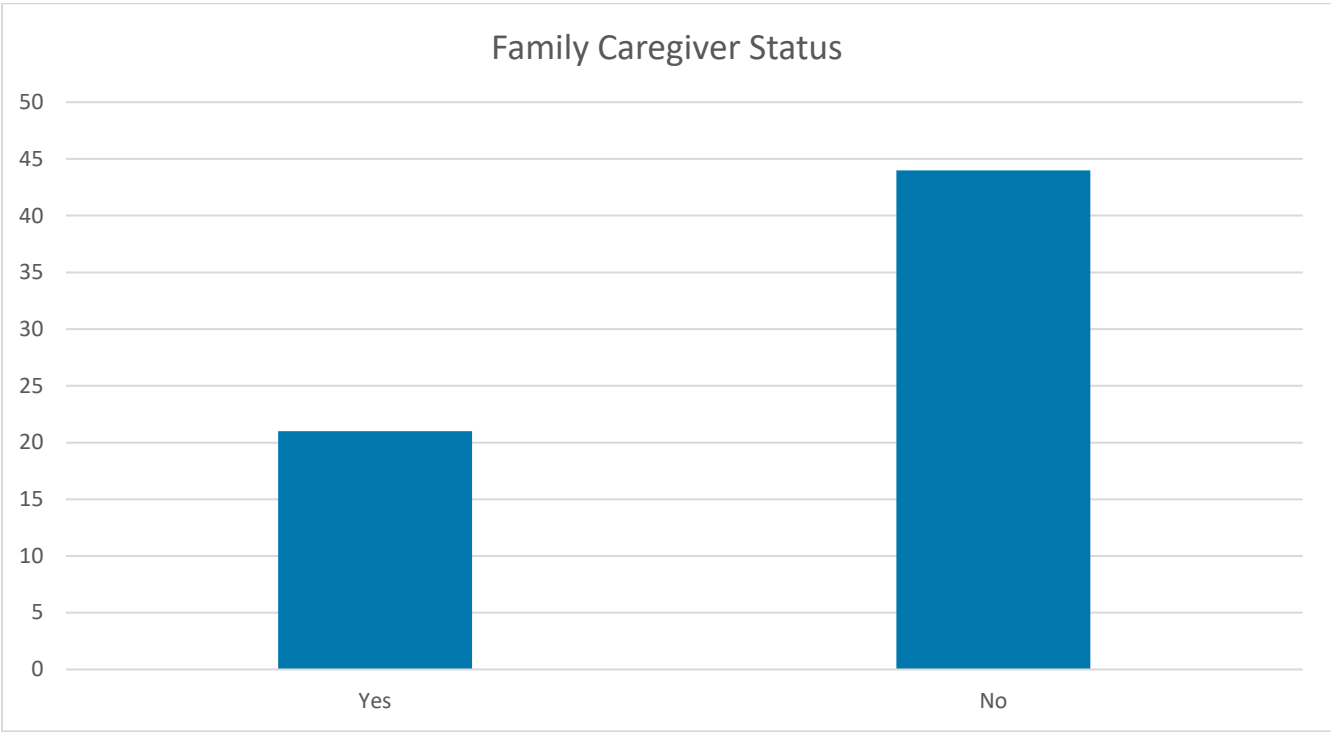
Response	Count	Percentage
Full-time	52	70.27%
Part-time	13	17.57%
No Response/Blank	9	12.16%

Did you start your undergraduate education at UHCL, or did you transfer from another institution?



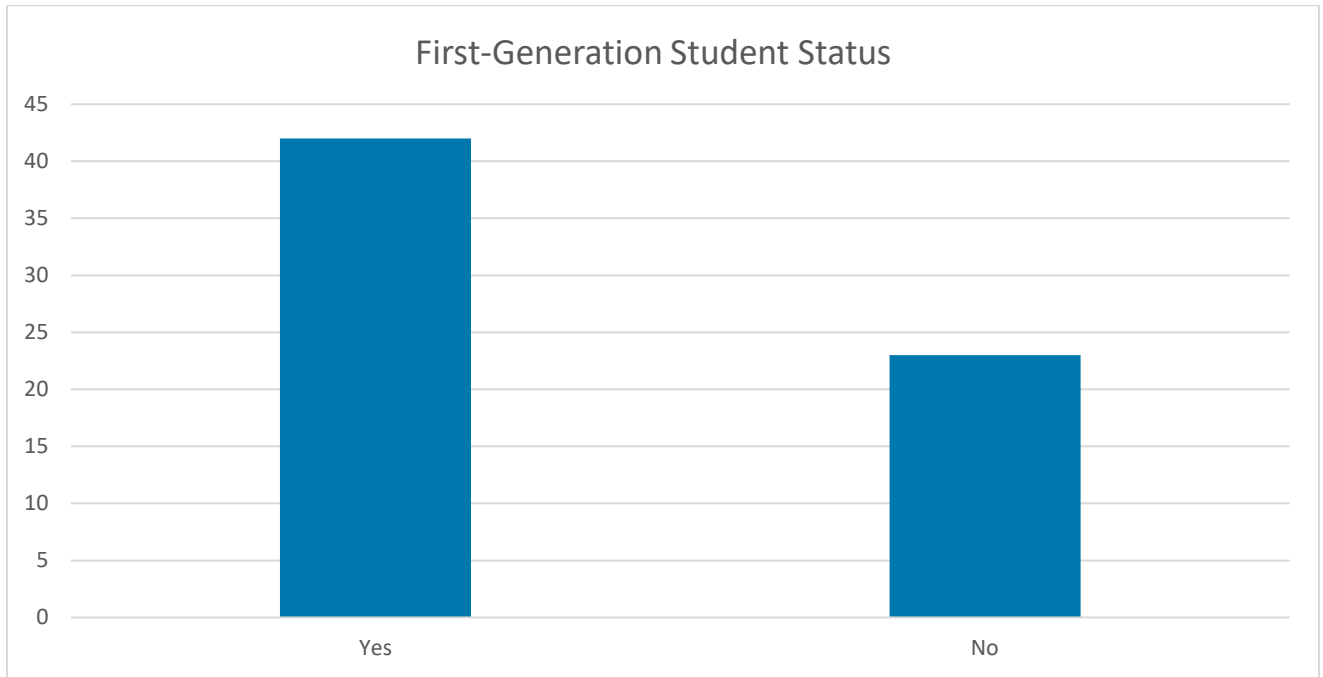
Response	Count	Percentage
Started at UHCL	5	6.76%
Transfer Student	48	64.86%
No Response/Blank	21	28.38%

Are you a parent or primary caregiver for someone in your family?



Response	Count	Percentage
Yes	21	28.38%
No	44	59.46%
No Response/Blank	9	12.16%

Are you a first-generation student?



Response	Count	Percentage
Yes	42	56.76%
No	23	31.08%
No Response/Blank	9	12.16%

End of Report