Graduating Student Survey College of Human Sciences and Humanities 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 on November 1st, 2023 to all students who applied for graduation during the Fall 2023 semester to complete the survey. 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 Human Sciences and Humanities.

The final reports are posted online at:

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

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Demographics

Respondents:

260 graduating HSH students were invited to participate. During this collection period, 155 students started the survey. The response rate for this survey is 59.62%.

Spring	2023	34.2%
Fall	2022	41.3%
Spring	2022	30.7%
Spring	2021	27.5%
Fall	2020	Not Captured
Spring	2020	23.7%
Fall	2019	31.6%
Spring	2019	33.3%
Fall	2018	35.0%

Ethnicity:

Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	1.23%	2
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.23%	2
Asian	5.55%	9
Black	4.93%	8
Hispanic	42.59%	69
Multi-racial	3.07%	6
White	29.01%	47
Prefer to not respond	1.23%	2
No Response	9.87%	16
Other	0.61%	1

Gender:

Female	61.93%	96
Male	24.51%	38
Prefer to self-describe	1.29%	2
Prefer not to respond	1.93%	3
No response	10.32%	16

Citizenship:

International	3.22%	5
U.S. Citizen	83.22%	129
U.S. Resident (Green Card)	1.29%	2
Prefer to not respond	1.29%	2
No response	10.96%	17

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Overall Satisfaction

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

Strongly agree	67.09%	104
Somewhat agree	24.51%	38
Neither agree nor disagree	0.64%	1
Somewhat disagree	0.64%	1
Strongly disagree	3.87%	6
No response	3.22%	5

I would recommend UHCL to friends and family considering college.

Strongly agree	69.67%	108
Somewhat agree	20.00%	31
Neither agree nor disagree	3.22%	5
Somewhat disagree	1.93%	3
Strongly disagree	1.93%	3
No response	3.22%	5

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

Strongly agree	63.22%	98
Somewhat agree	21.29%	33
Neither agree nor disagree	5.16%	8
Somewhat disagree	3.22%	5
Strongly disagree	3.87%	6
No response	3.22%	5

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

Strongly agree	64.51%	100
Somewhat agree	18.70%	29
Neither agree nor disagree	3.87%	6
Somewhat disagree	8.38%	13
Strongly disagree	1.29%	2
No response	3.22%	5

What will be your degree level?
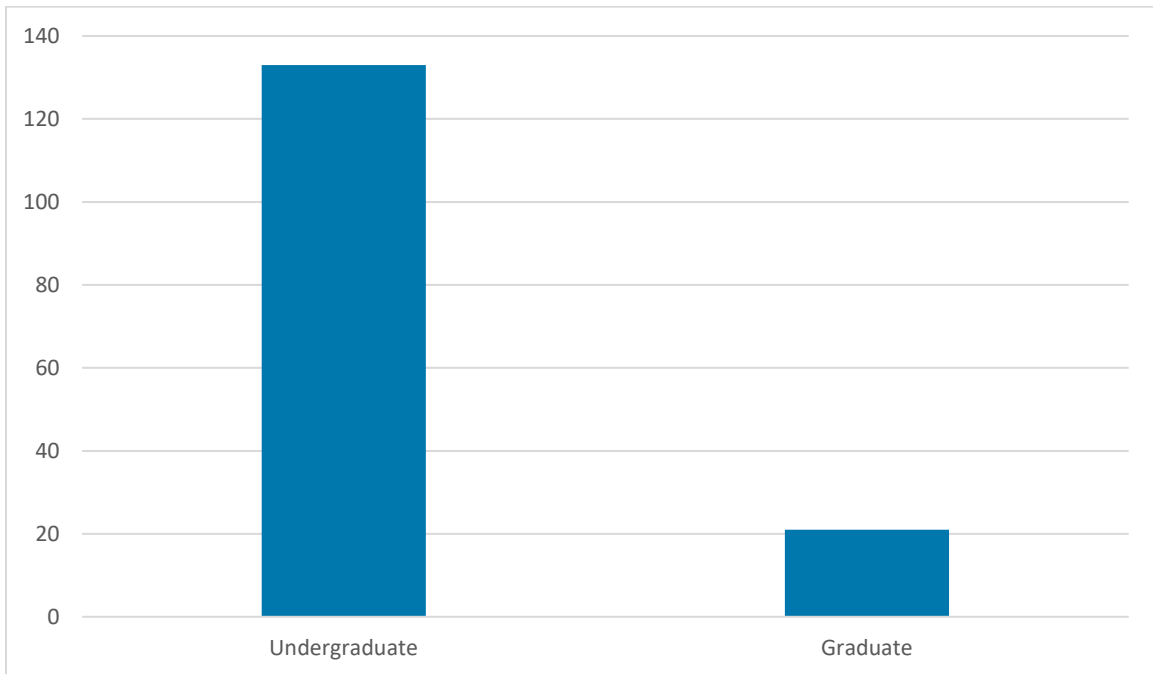
Degree	Count of Responses	Percentage
Undergraduate	134	86.36%
Graduate	21	13.64%
Doctorate	0	0.00%
No response	0	0.00%
Total	154	100%

What is your primary degree program in the College of Human Sciences and Humanities?

Top 5
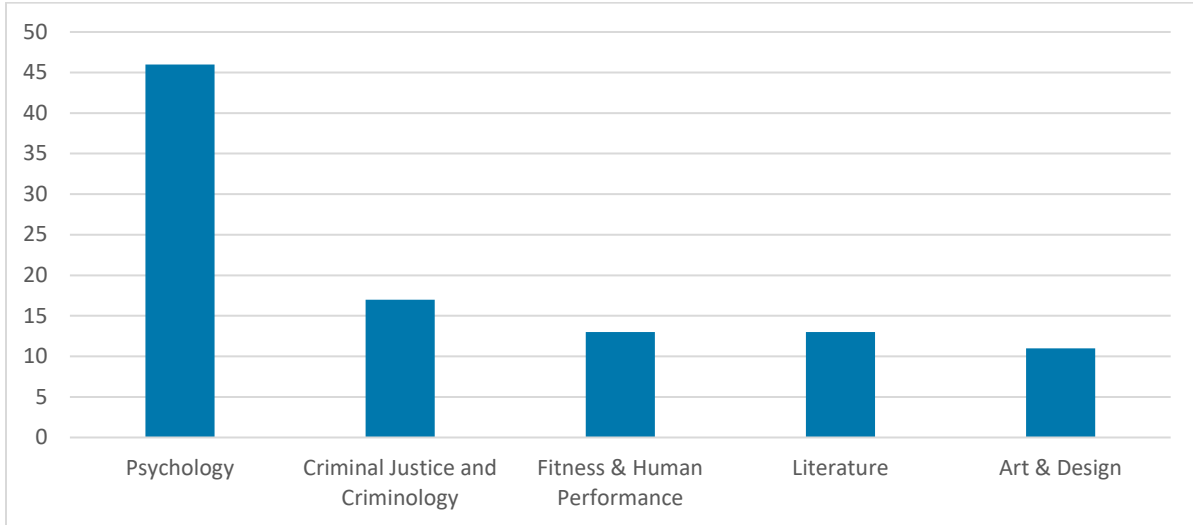
Degree	Count
Anthropology	3
Art & Design	11
Behavior Analysis	1
Behavioral Sciences - General	8
Clinical Psychology	4
Communication	10
Criminal Justice and Criminology	17
Criminology	2
Cross-Cultural Studies	0
Digital Media Studies	3
Exercise & Health Sciences	4
Family Therapy	0
Fitness & Human Performance	13
Geography	0
Health Service Psychology Psy.D.	0
History	6
Humanities	6
Industrial/ Organizational Psychology	1
Literature	13
Nursing	2
Obtained a Dual Degree	2
Psychology	46
Public Service Leadership	1
School Psychology	0
Social Work	0
Sociology	4

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


Satisfaction with Class Availability
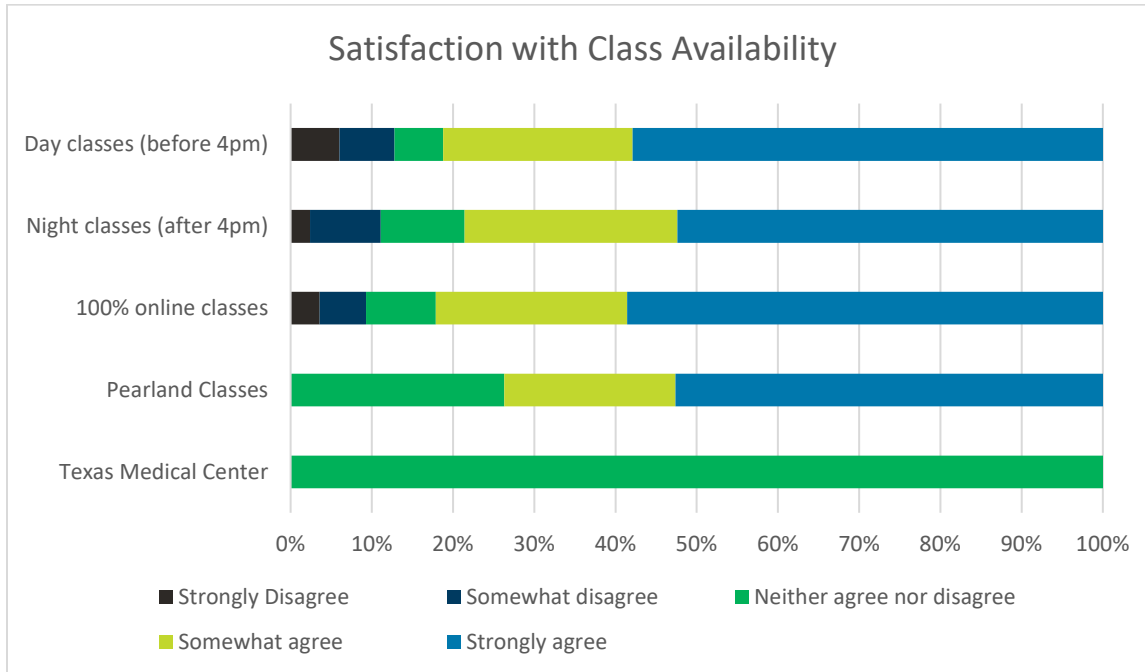
Time/Location	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Blank/Not applicable
Day classes (before 4 pm)	8	9	8	31	77	22
Night classes (after 4 pm)	3	11	13	33	66	29
100% online classes	5	8	12	33	82	15
Pearland Classes	0	0	5	4	10	136
Texas Medical Center	0	0	1	0	0	154

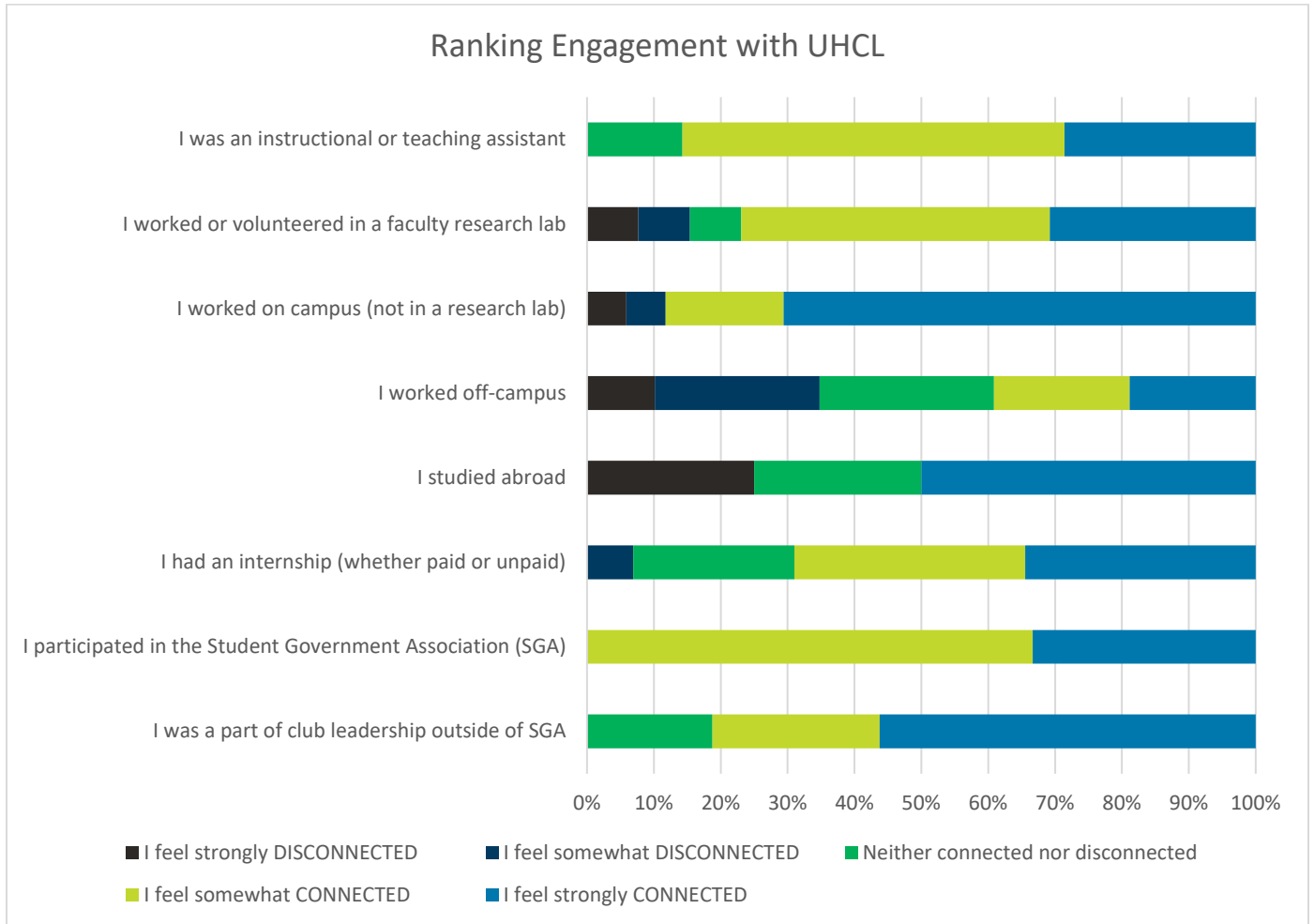# Please indicate your level of agreement with how well your program prepared you in each of the following areas:

Assessing Program Effectiveness

Legend: ■ Strongly Disagree ■ Somewhat disagree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Strongly agree
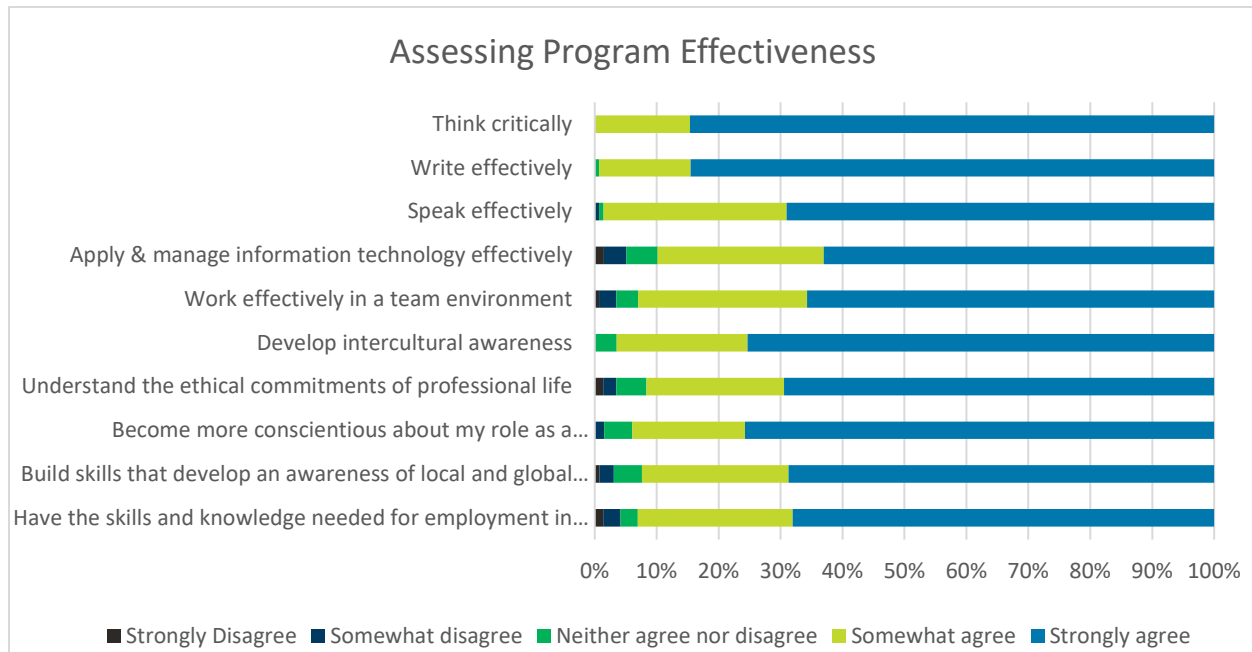
Area	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Blank/Not applicable
Think critically	0	0	0	22	121	12
Write effectively	0	0	1	21	120	13
Speak effectively	0	1	1	42	98	13
Apply & manage information technology effectively	2	5	7	37	87	17
Work effectively in a team environment	1	4	5	39	94	12
Develop intercultural awareness	0	0	5	30	107	13
Understand the ethical commitments of professional life	2	3	7	32	100	11
Become more conscientious about my role as a responsible citizen	0	2	6	24	100	23
Build skills that develop an awareness of local and global needs	1	3	6	31	90	24
Have the skills and knowledge needed for employment in my field	2	4	4	36	98	11

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.

Engagement at UHCL
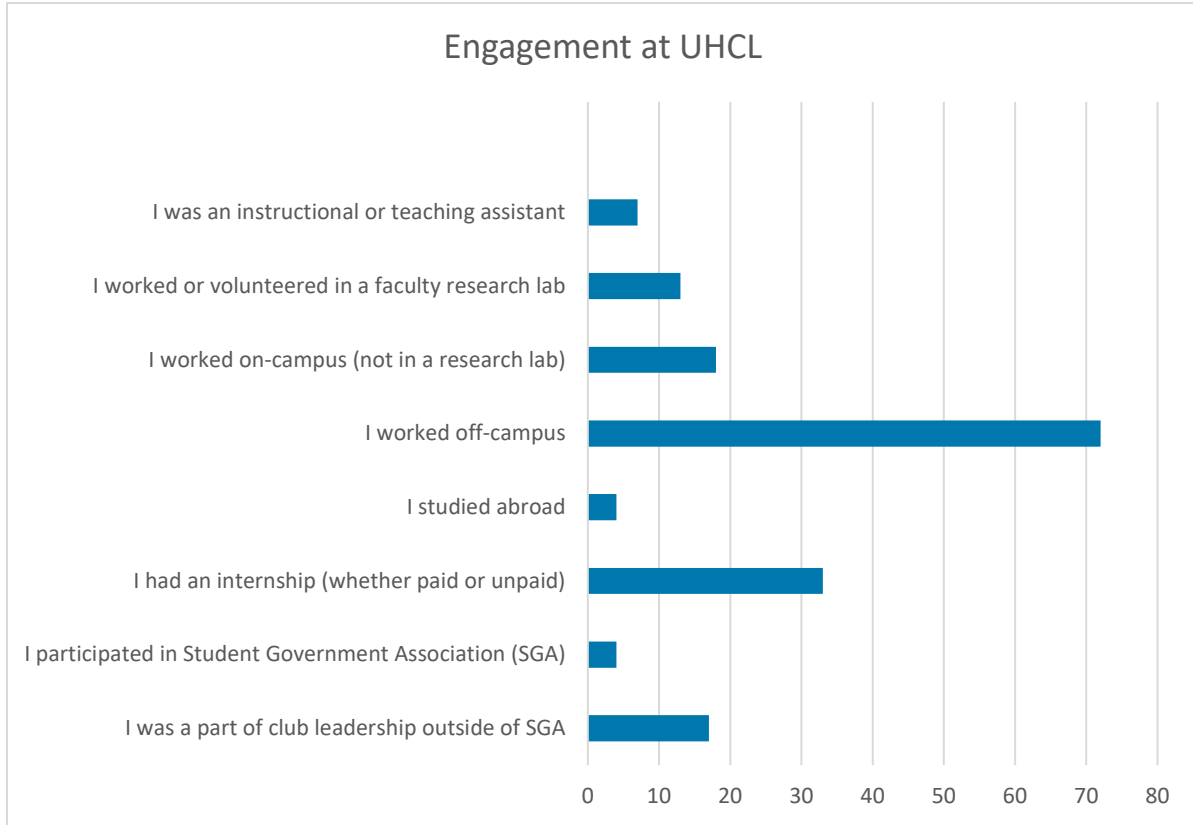
Response	Count	Percentage
I was an instructional or teaching assistant	7	4.52%
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	13	8.39%
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	18	11.61%
I worked off-campus	72	46.45%
I studied abroad	4	2.58%
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	33	21.29%
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	4	2.58%
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	17	10.97%
Blank/Not applicable	57	36.77%

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

Ranking Engagement with UHCL

Categories (top to bottom):
- I was an instructional or teaching assistant
- I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab
- I worked on campus (not in a research lab)
- I worked off-campus
- I studied abroad
- I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)
- I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)
- I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA

Axis: 0% 10% 20% 30% 40% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100%

Legend:
- I feel strongly DISCONNECTED
- I feel somewhat DISCONNECTED
- Neither connected nor disconnected
- I feel somewhat CONNECTED
- I feel strongly CONNECTED

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	1	4	2	148
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	1	1	1	6	4	142
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	1	1	0	3	12	138
I worked off-campus	7	17	18	14	13	86
I studied abroad	1	0	1	0	2	151
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	0	2	7	10	10	126
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	0	0	0	2	1	152
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	0	0	3	4	9	139

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


Understanding Engagement Barriers
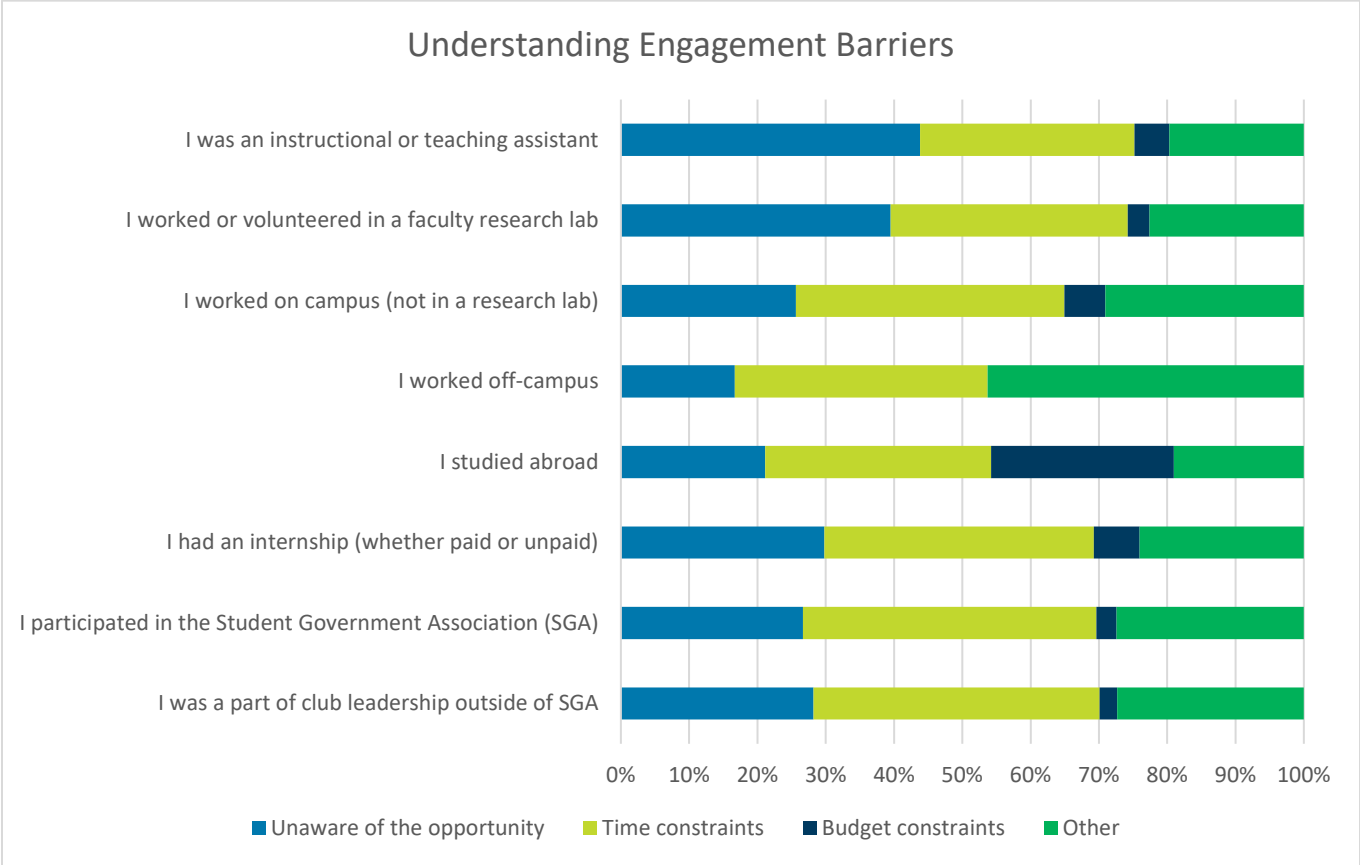
Response	Unaware of the opportunity	Time constraints	Budget constraints	Other
I was an instructional or teaching assistant	60	43	7	27
I worked or volunteered in a faculty research lab	49	43	4	28
I worked on campus (not in a research lab)	30	46	7	34
I worked off-campus	9	20	0	25
I studied abroad	30	47	38	27
I had an internship (whether paid or unpaid)	31	41	7	25
I participated in the Student Government Association (SGA)	36	58	4	37
I was a part of club leadership outside of SGA	33	49	3	32
Blank/Not applicable	77	63	112	94

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

On-Campus and Off-Campus Employment
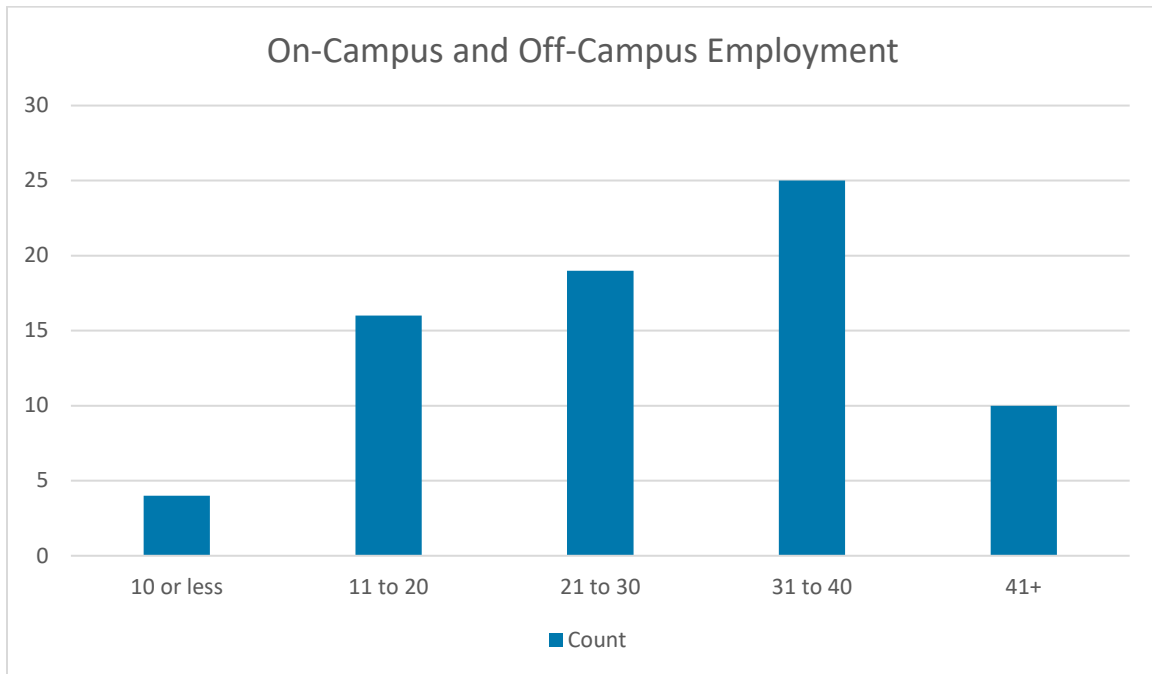
Response	Count	Percentage
10 or less	4	2.60%
11-20	16	9.74%
21-30	19	12.34%
31-40	25	16.23%
41+	10	6.49%
No Response/Blank	81	52.6%

What will be your status upon graduating?

Status
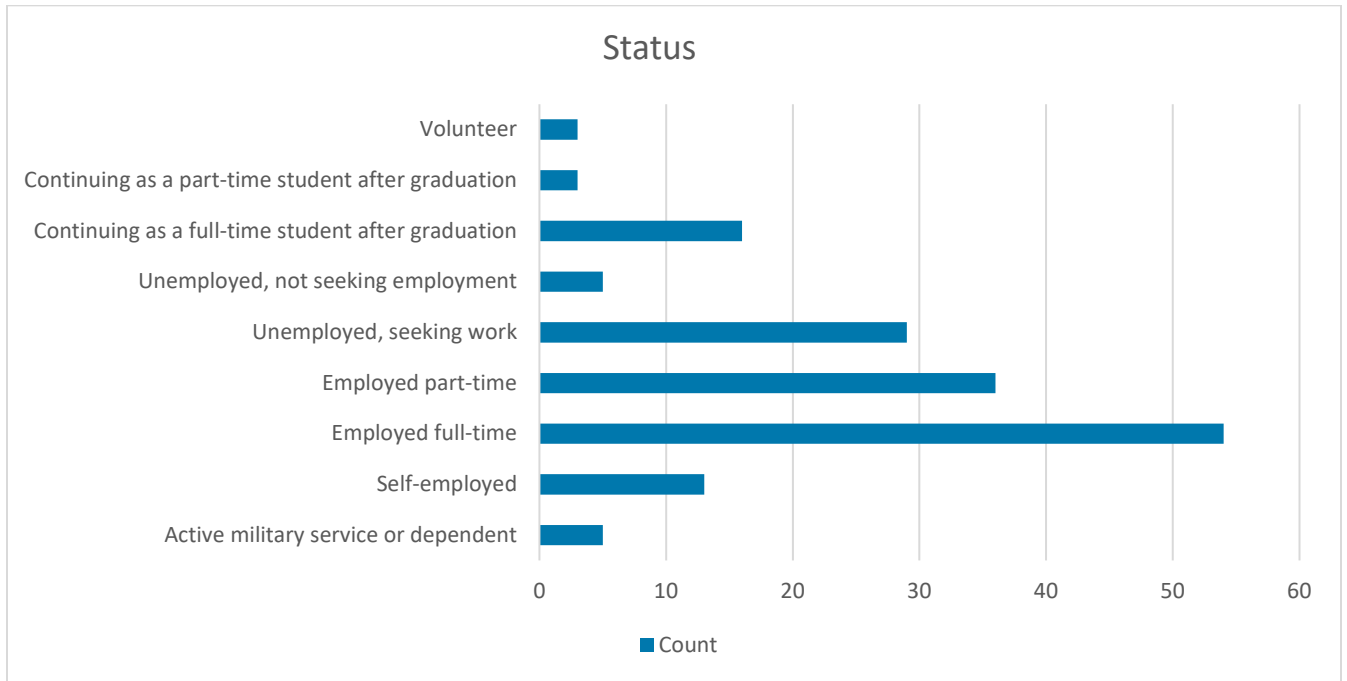
Response	Count	Percentage
Active military service or dependent	5	3.23%
Self-employed	5	3.23%
Employed full-time	54	34.84%
Employed part-time	36	23.22%
Unemployed, seeking work	29	18.71%
Unemployed, not seeking employment	5	3.23%
Continuing as a full-time student after graduation	16	10.32%
Continuing as a part-time student after graduation	3	1.93%
Volunteer	3	1.93%

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

Employment Relevance
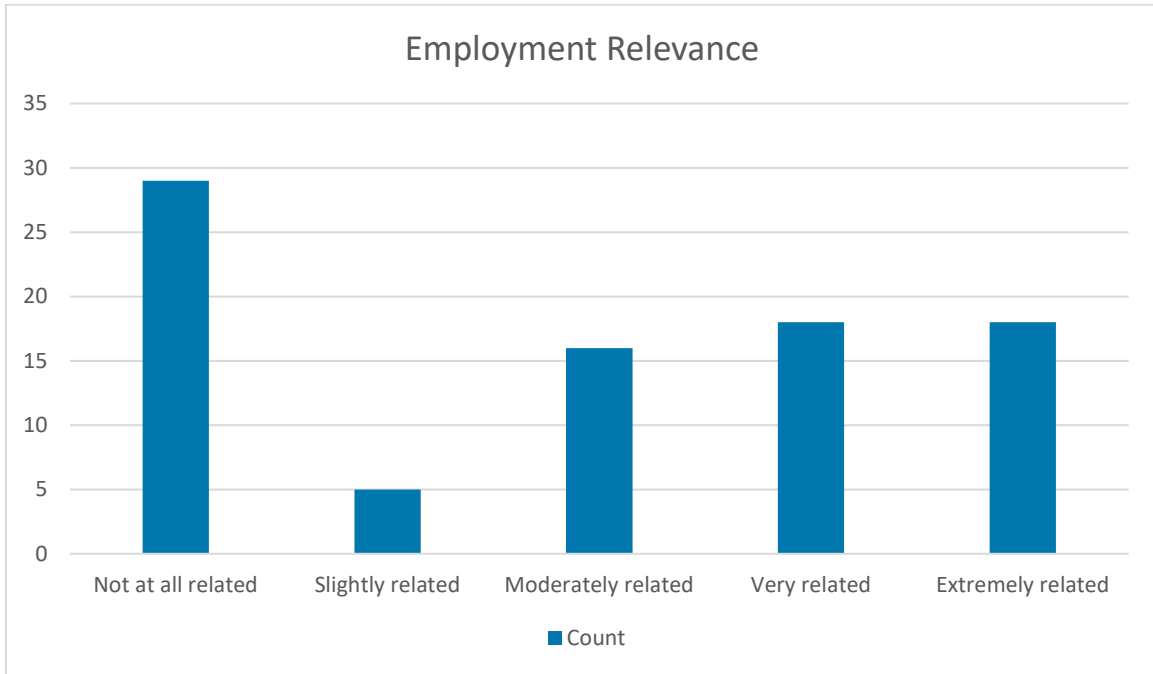
Response	Count	Percentage
Not at all related	29	18.71%
Slightly related	5	3.23%
Moderately related	16	10.32%
Very related	18	11.61%
Extremely related	18	11.61%
No Response/Blank	69	44.52%

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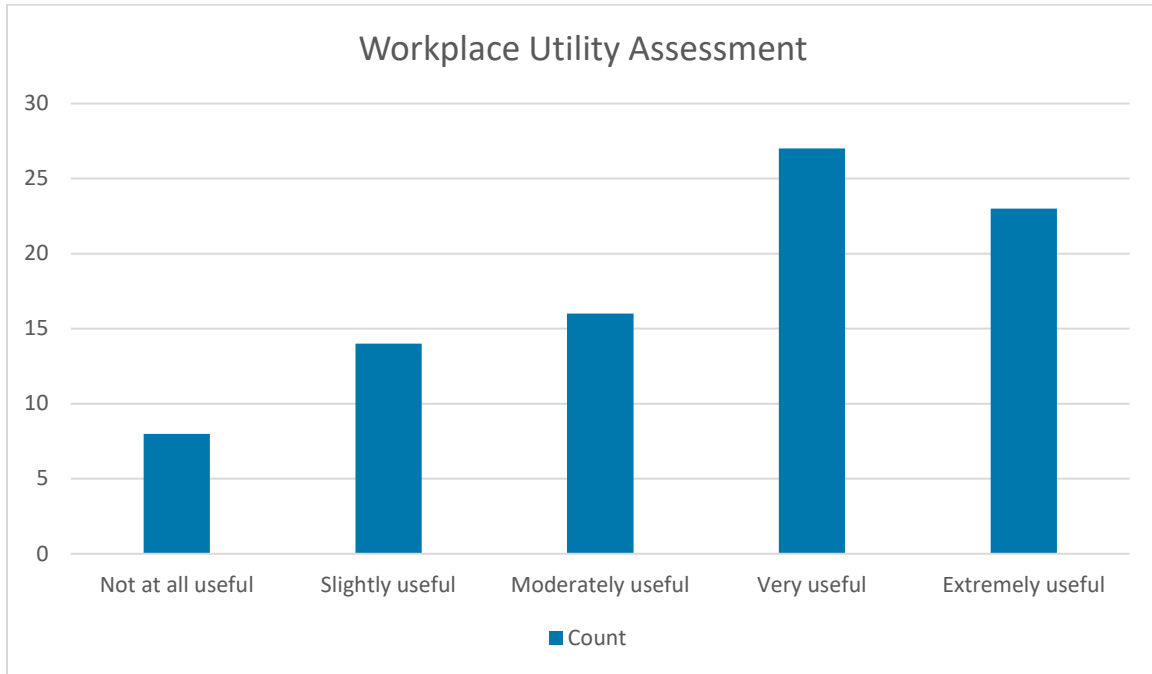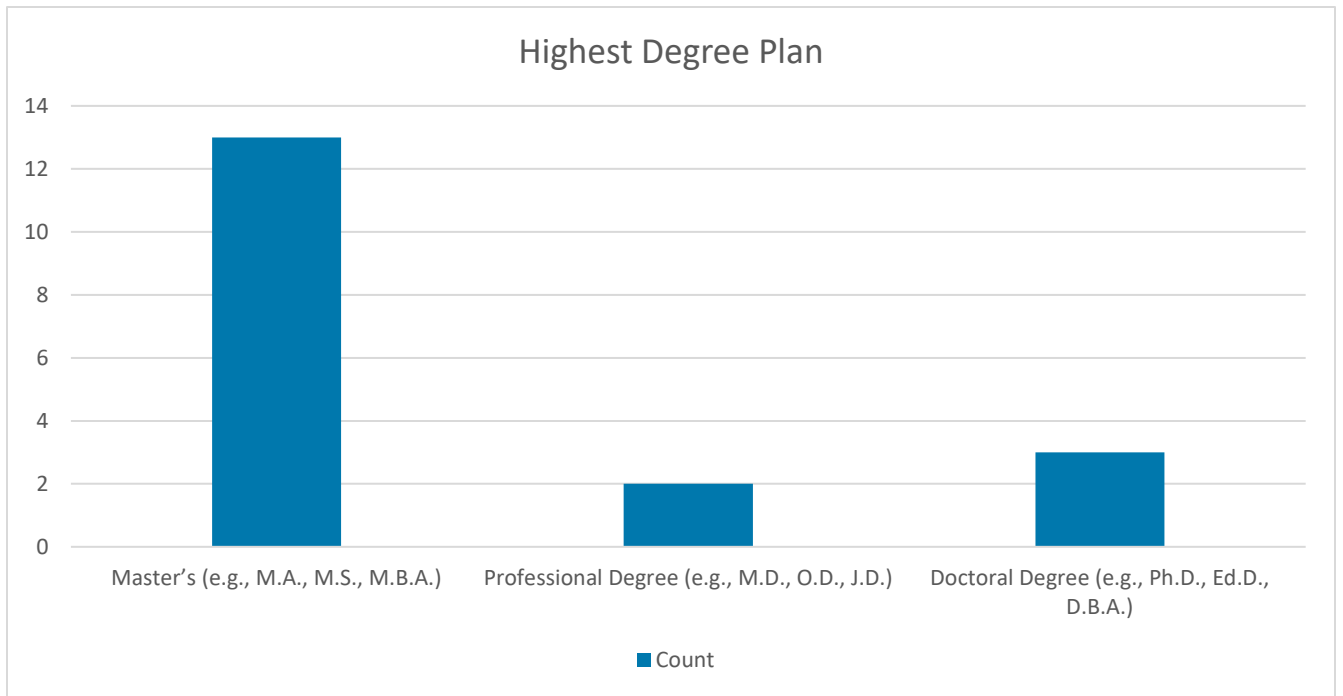

Response	Count	Percentage
Not at all useful	8	5.16%
Slightly useful	14	9.03%
Moderately useful	16	10.32%
Very useful	27	17.42%
Extremely useful	23	14.84%
No Response/Blank	67	43.23%

If employed, how did you find your position?

Employment Source
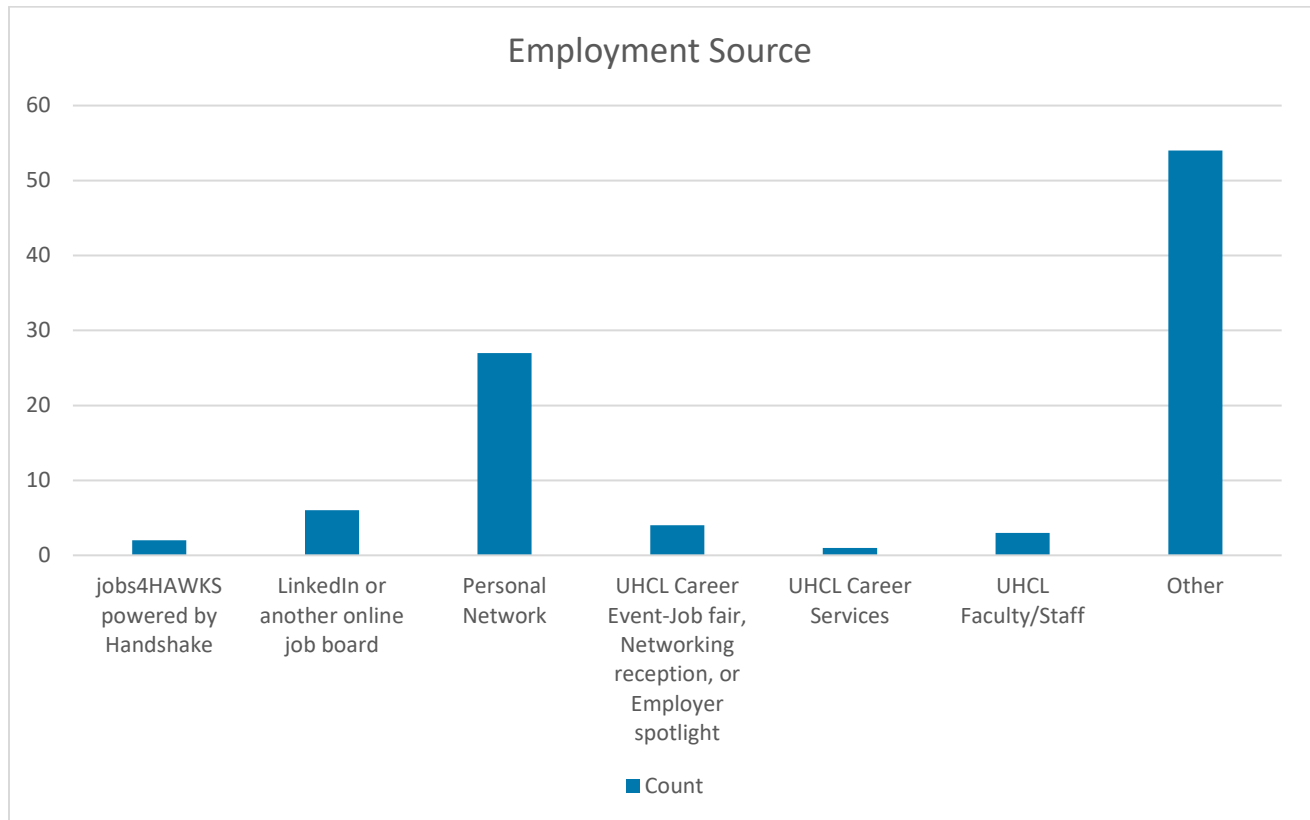
Response	Count	Percentage
jobs4HAWKS powered by Handshake	2	1.30%
LinkedIn or another online job board	6	3.88%
Personal Network	27	17.42%
UHCL Career Event-Job fair, Networking reception, or Employer spotlight	4	2.59%
UHCL Career Services	1	0.64%
UHCL Faculty/Staff	3	1.93%
Other	54	34.83%

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

Highest Degree Plan

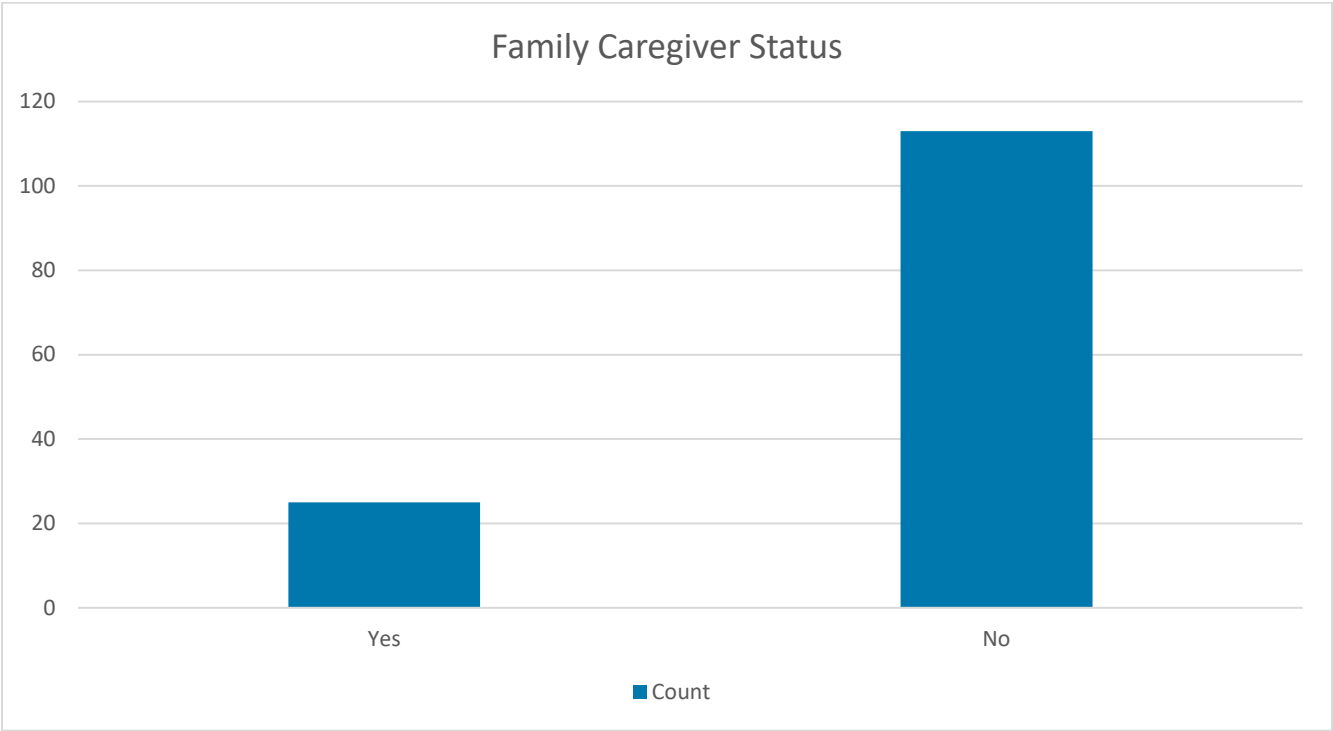| Response	Count	Percentage
Master's (e.g., M.A., M.S., M.B.A.)	13	8.39%
Professional Degree (e.g., M.D., O.D., J.D.)	2	1.29%
Doctoral Degree (e.g., Ph.D., Ed.D., D.B.A.)	3	1.93%
No Response/Blank	137	88.39%

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

Student Status Inquiry
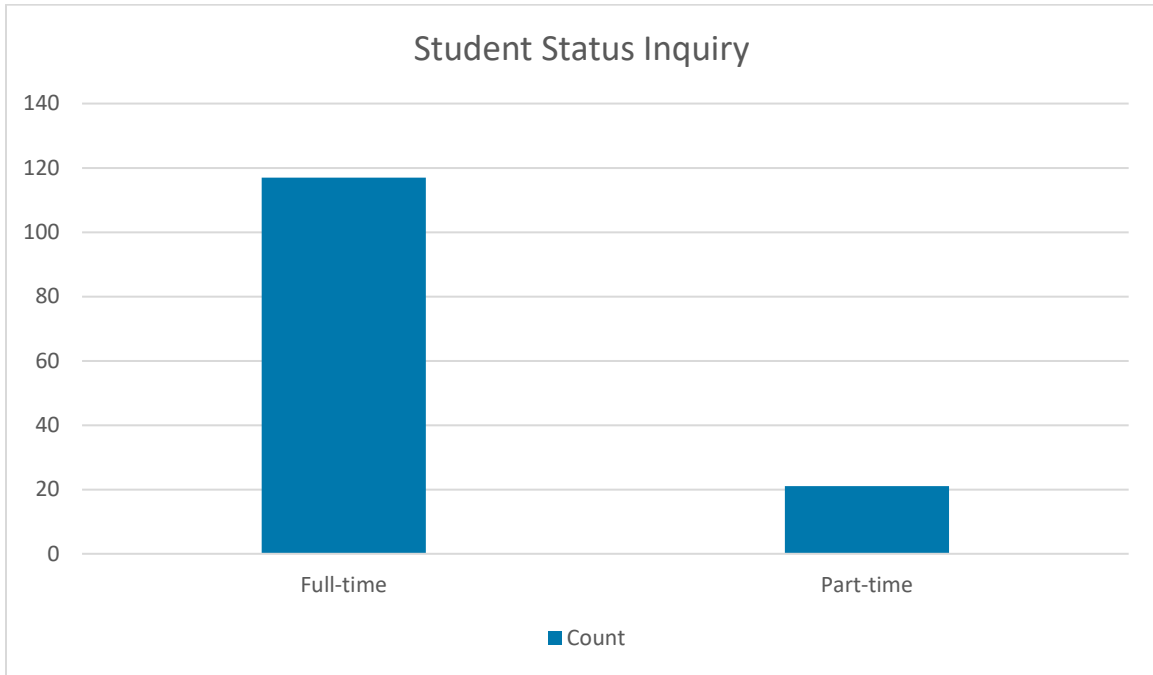
Response	Count	Percentage
Full-time	117	75.48%
Part-time	21	13.55%
No Response/Blank	17	10.97%

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

Academic Background
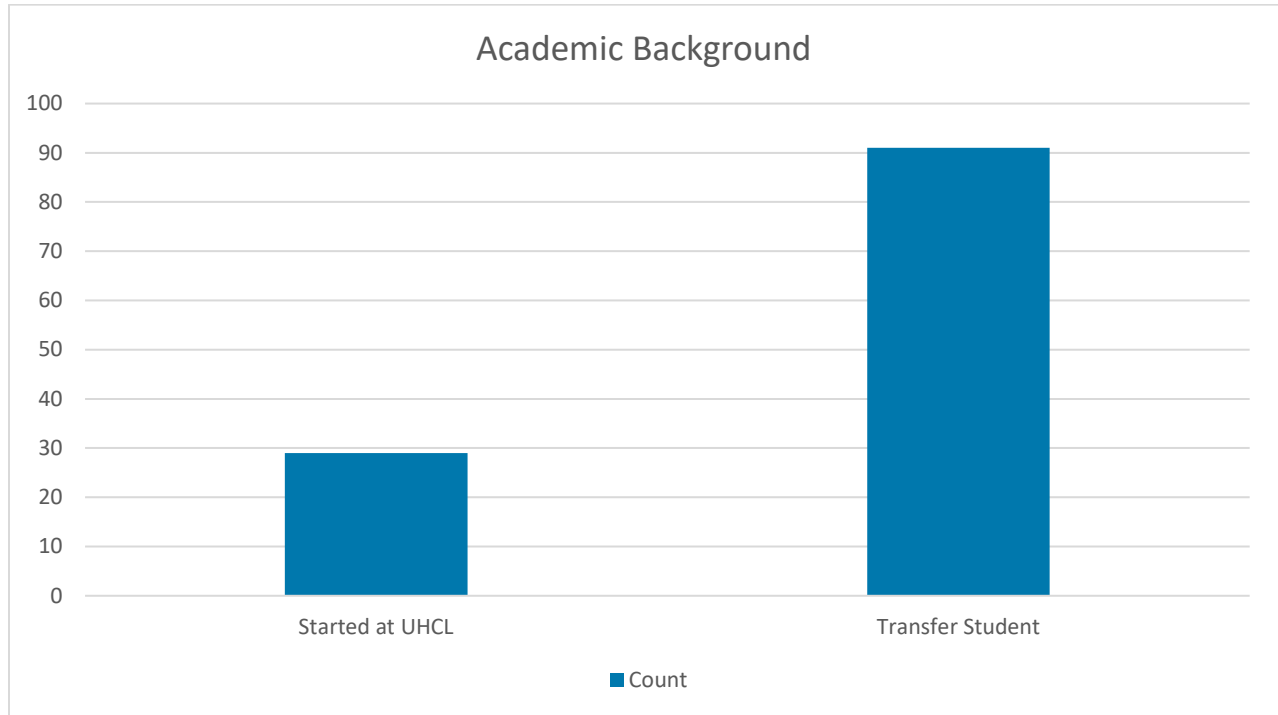
Response	Count	Percentage
Started at UHCL	29	18.71%
Transfer Student	91	58.71%
No Response/Blank	35	22.58%

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

Family Caregiver Status

Response	Count	Percentage
Yes	25	16.13%
No	113	72.90%
No Response/Blank	17	10.97%

Are you a first-generation student?

First-Generation Student Status
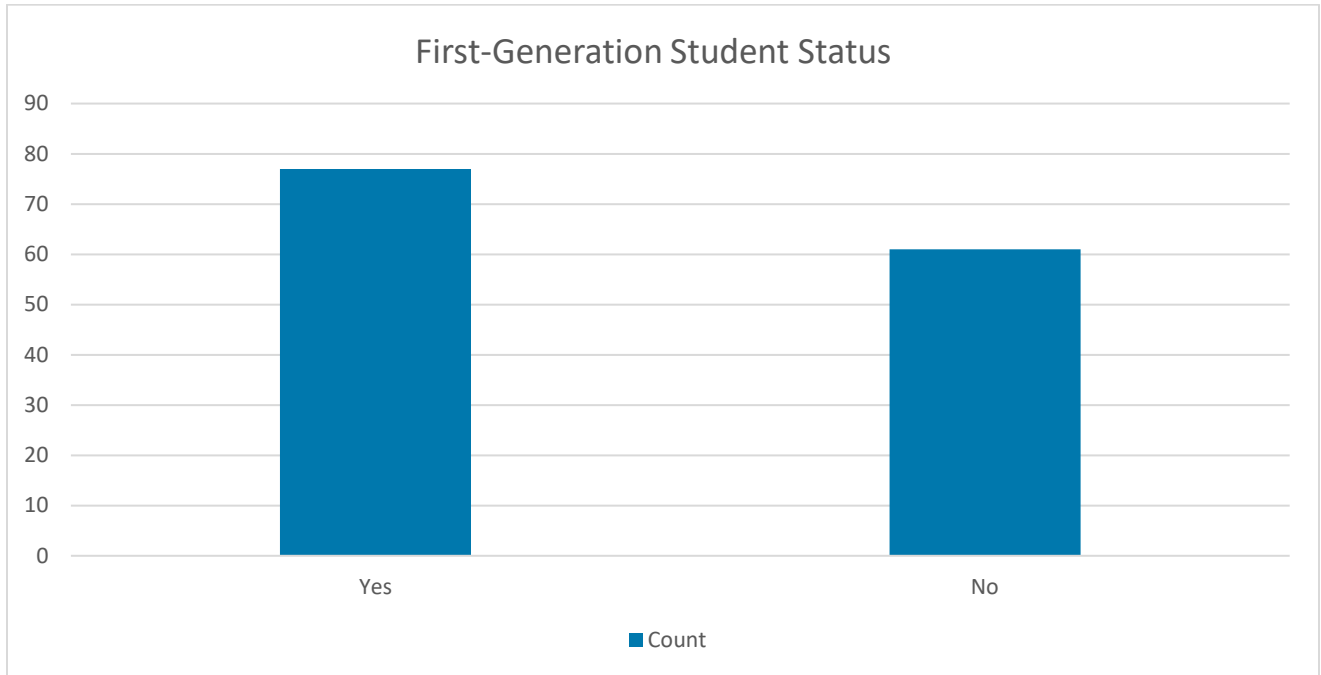
Response	Count	Percentage
Yes	77	49.68%
No	61	39.35%
No Response/Blank	17	10.97%

End of Report