

**2003-04**

***Graduating Senior Report Card***

**Results**

**(N = 6,079)**

*Due to rounding, some percentages may total 99 or 101.*

*Items with an asterisk (\*) indicate a non-response rate of 15% or more.*



## ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

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Dear Graduating Senior:

During your years as an undergraduate student at Arizona State University, your academic performance has been continually evaluated. Now, it is time for you to do the same for ASU by completing the ASU *GRADUATING SENIOR REPORT CARD (GSRC)*. It is vital that every GSRC be completed and returned, because the "grades" or responses you assign will be used to help us make informed decisions about programs and services at ASU.

Your responses will be kept confidential, so please be honest in your opinions. We ask for your ASU Student ID number for two reasons. First, it allows a match with other information on file (e.g., gender, age), thus saving time and effort for you and us. Second, it helps us manage the survey so you will not receive a follow-up request once you reply. When you have completed the GSRC, place it in the envelope provided and return it to the Graduation Section (first floor, Student Services Building) or drop it in campus mail.

As a graduating senior, your input is most valuable. While your response is voluntary, please take the time to complete the *GRADUATING SENIOR REPORT CARD* and help make Arizona State University even better in the future.

Congratulations on completing your undergraduate program at ASU. We wish you the best of success!!

Regards,

Patricia J. Green  
Director, OFFICE OF UNIVERSITY EVALUATION & TESTING

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Complete all questions on the *GSRC* with a #2 pencil.
2. Place the *GSRC* in the pre-addressed envelope.
3. Return the *GSRC* either to the Graduation Section (SSV-140) or drop it in campus mail to the address below.

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## A. EXPERIENCES ON CAMPUS

### GENERAL UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

1.		N	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	Thinking about all the classes you've taken at ASU, please indicate <b>how much you agree or disagree</b> with each statement.					
a.	Most of my classes at ASU have been stimulating.	5954	14%	75%	11%	1%
b.	Most of my classes have had too many students in them.	5927	10%	31%	55%	3%
c.	Most of my teachers at ASU have been available <u>outside</u> of class to help me.	5914	23%	69%	7%	1%
d.	Too many of my classes at ASU have been taught by graduate students.	5907	6%	17%	64%	13%

2. How many times have you participated in an ASU **research project or program** (excluding being a subject in psychology experiments, doing lab work for a course or similar experiences)? (N = 6067)
- 55% None
  - 18% One time
  - 13% Two times
  - 14% Three or more times

3. How many times have you participated in an ASU **performance/public presentation or design project** (e.g., gallery show, recital, theater performance, lecture, etc.)? (N = 6057)
- 67% None
  - 12% One time
  - 7% Two times
  - 15% Three or more times

4. How often during your time at ASU have you discussed coursework or assignments with a faculty member **outside of class**? (N = 6055)
- 13% Once a week
  - 22% Every few weeks
  - 44% A few times a semester
  - 17% Once a semester or less
  - 3% Never

5. With how many ASU faculty have you discussed subjects **not related to coursework**? (e.g., career, graduate school, or personal matters) (N = 6066)
- 16% None
  - 16% 1
  - 24% 2
  - 20% 3
  - 9% 4
  - 4% 5
  - 12% 6 or more

6. Thus far at ASU, about how many hours do you spend in a typical week using a computer on course-related work **outside of class**? (N = 6064)
- |     |                 |     |              |
|-----|-----------------|-----|--------------|
| 1%  | 0 (zero) hrs/wk | 13% | 16-20 hrs/wk |
| 26% | 1-5 hrs/wk      | 5%  | 21-25 hrs/wk |
| 30% | 6-10 hrs/wk     | 3%  | 26-30 hrs/wk |
| 17% | 11-15 hrs/wk    | 5%  | > 30 hrs/wk  |

- 7a. Do you own a computer that can be connected to the internet?

N	%	
476	8%	No
5528	92%	Yes

- 7b. If 'yes,' is it a laptop that can be connected to the internet? (N = 5483)

64%	No
36%	Yes

8. How many on-line courses did you take **at ASU**? (N = 6000)

49%	None
22%	1
13%	2
8%	3
4%	4
2%	5
1%	6
0%	7
0%	8
0%	9
0%	10+

9. How many on-line courses did you take **elsewhere** that counted toward your graduation at ASU? (N = 6006)

80%	None
10%	1
5%	2
2%	3
1%	4
0%	5
0%	6
0%	7
0%	8
0%	9
0%	10+

10.	To what extent has your experience at ASU contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?	N	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
a.	Acquiring a broad general education	6055	39%	42%	17%	2%
b.	Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	6055	27%	38%	28%	7%
c.	Writing clearly and effectively	6041	25%	42%	28%	5%
d.	Speaking clearly and effectively	6043	23%	40%	30%	7%
e.	Thinking critically and analytically	6046	37%	45%	15%	2%
f.	Analyzing quantitative problems	6037	26%	41%	27%	6%
g.	Using computing and information technology	6043	28%	38%	26%	7%
h.	Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	6046	25%	31%	31%	13%

### UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC MAJOR AT ASU

11. What is your current major?  
(Note: If you have more than one major, what major do you identify with most?)

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

12. From what college below will you receive your degree?  
(Note: If you are in more than one college, choose the one with which you most identify)  
(N = 6072)

#### MAIN/TEMPE CAMPUS

- 2% Architecture & Environmental Design
- 18% Business
- 8% Division of Undergraduate Academic Services (All BIS majors)
- 7% Education
- 10% Engineering & Applied Sciences
- 5% Fine Arts
- 25% Liberal Arts & Sciences
- 2% Nursing
- 14% Public Programs

#### EAST/POLYTECHNIC CAMPUS

- 1% Agribusiness & Resource Management
- 5% East College
- 2% Technology & Applied Sciences

13. If you were to do it again, would you select the same major? (N = 6042)  
(Refer to the major specified above)
- 18% No
  - 64% Yes
  - 18% Don't know/Not sure

14. How satisfied were you with the advising you received in your major field of study? (N = 6057)

Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Doesn't Apply To Me
24%	49%	16%	9%	1%

15. Academic advising was available when I needed it. (N = 6061)

Almost always	More often than not	Sometimes	Almost never	Never
31%	34%	28%	5%	1%

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⑤	⑥	⑦	⑧
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16. From the perspective of your major area of study, how satisfied are you with each of the following?		N	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Doesn't Apply To Me
<b>a. Degree Requirements &amp; Advising</b>							
1.	Clarity of degree requirements	6058	28%	60%	9%	2%	0%
2.	Availability of <u>desired</u> courses	6046	17%	53%	24%	6%	0%
3.	Availability of <u>required</u> courses	6032	19%	54%	20%	6%	0%
4.	Advising on employment placement	5995	8%	37%	27%	12%	15%
5.	College/Department advising on courses & requirements	6004	20%	57%	16%	6%	1%
<b>b. Courses</b>							
1.	Quality of instruction in <u>100 and 200 level</u> courses	6052	13%	62%	12%	3%	10%
2.	Quality of instruction in <u>300 and 400 level</u> courses	6051	33%	59%	6%	1%	0%
3.	Effect of courses in providing a good general education	5949	22%	70%	6%	1%	1%
4.	Quality of courses in preparing you for your chosen <u>career</u>	6045	20%	58%	16%	3%	3%
5.	Quality of courses in preparing you for <u>graduate or professional school</u>	6033	16%	55%	12%	2%	15%
<b>c. Faculty</b>							
1.	Opportunities for interaction with faculty	6056	25%	64%	9%	1%	1%
2.	Concern of faculty for individual students	6051	21%	59%	15%	3%	1%
3.	Opportunity to assist faculty with research projects	6037	11%	39%	19%	4%	27%
<b>d. Other Experiences in Major</b>							
1.	Professional preparation	6031	18%	61%	16%	2%	4%
2.	Quality of field/internship experience(s)	6019	22%	40%	14%	3%	22%
3.	Availability of field/internship experience(s)	6002	19%	41%	19%	5%	15%
4.	Availability of clubs or professional activities	6013	15%	53%	13%	2%	18%
5.	Opportunity to do own research or creative work	6020	14%	49%	17%	3%	18%
6.	<u>Overall</u> academic experience in your major	6027	24%	66%	8%	1%	1%

## B. OVERALL EVALUATION OF YOUR EXPERIENCES AT ASU

1. How do you rate your overall experience at Arizona State University? (N = 5875)
- 30% Excellent
  - 64% Good
  - 5% Poor
  - 1% Very Poor

2. In general, how satisfied were you with each of the following at ASU?		N	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
a.	Academic <b>experience</b> (courses, professors)	6057	26%	67%	6%	1%
b.	Academic <b>performance</b> (GPA, honors)	6050	27%	59%	13%	1%
c.	<b>Social</b> experience	6025	28%	58%	13%	2%
d.	<b>Recreational</b> experience (SRC, intramurals)	5989	22%	62%	14%	2%
e.	<b>Cultural</b> experience	6018	19%	64%	15%	2%
f.	Professional development	6029	19%	63%	16%	2%
g.	<u>Overall</u> undergraduate experience	6053	26%	68%	6%	1%

**C. EXPERIENCES DURING YOUR SENIOR YEAR**

1.	During your senior year, about how often have you done each of the following?	N	Very Often	Often	Sometimes	Never
a.	Asked questions in class or contributed in class discussions	6055	39%	35%	23%	2%
b.	Made a class presentation	6051	33%	36%	27%	4%
c.	Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in	6040	27%	32%	28%	12%
d.	Came to class without completing readings or assignments	6037	9%	19%	55%	17%
e.	Worked with other students on projects <b>during class</b>	6026	24%	38%	30%	7%
f.	Worked with classmates <b>outside of class</b> to prepare class assignments	6031	28%	36%	29%	6%
g.	Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary)	6027	9%	12%	26%	53%
h.	Participated in a community-based project as part of a regular course	6027	6%	11%	21%	62%
i.	Used an electronic medium (listserv, chat group, internet, etc.) to discuss or complete an assignment	6043	25%	30%	30%	16%
j.	Received prompt feedback from faculty on your academic performance (written or oral)	6030	19%	49%	29%	3%
k.	Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)	6041	21%	39%	34%	6%
l.	Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations	6047	21%	38%	34%	7%

2. To what extent does ASU emphasize 'spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work?' (N = 5879)
- 20% Very Much
  - 47% Quite a bit
  - 28% Some
  - 5% Very Little

3.	Thinking about your senior year, about how many hours do you spend in a typical week doing each of the following?	N	0 hrs/wk	1-5 hrs/wk	6-10 hrs/wk	11-15 hrs/wk	16-20 hrs/wk	21-25 hrs/wk	26-30 hrs/wk	More than 30 hrs/wk
a.	Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, and other activities related to your academic program)	6035	0%	24%	30%	17%	14%	6%	4%	4%
b.	Working for pay <b>on campus</b>	5998	83%	2%	3%	3%	5%	2%	1%	1%
c.	Working for pay <b>off campus</b>	5988	28%	4%	5%	7%	13%	12%	10%	20%
d.	Participating in co-curricular activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, etc.)	6024	54%	27%	9%	4%	3%	1%	1%	1%
e.	Relaxing and socializing (watching TV, partying, exercising, etc.)	6039	2%	25%	31%	19%	12%	5%	2%	4%
f.	Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)	6038	66%	13%	7%	4%	3%	1%	1%	6%

## D. POST GRADUATION PLANS

1. What do you think you'll be doing a year after you leave ASU?  
**How likely are you to be...**

	N	Highly Likely	Maybe	Unlikely
a. A <i>full-time</i> student in a graduate or professional program?	5889	25%	31%	44%
b. A <i>part-time</i> student in a graduate or professional program?	5861	10%	43%	47%
c. Employed <i>full-time</i> ( $\geq 35$ hrs), include military and self-employed, but NOT a TA or RA?	5931	69%	18%	14%
d. Employed <i>part-time</i> ( $< 35$ hrs), but NOT as a TA or RA?	5822	11%	37%	52%
e. Taking a break from both work and school?	5854	3%	15%	82%

2. Indicate one response below that best indicates your **employment** plans within the next year. (N = 5964)

N	%	
1548	26%	I have applied for a full-time job <b>(Go to Item 3)</b>
2878	48%	I plan to apply for a full-time job within the next year <b>(Go to Item 7)</b>
836	14%	I do <b>not</b> plan to apply for a full-time job within the next year <b>(Go to Item 7)</b>
702	12%	I intend to stay in my current position <b>(Go to Item 4)</b>

3. Have you accepted a job offer? (N = 1502)

N	%	
1077	72%	No <b>(Go to Item 7)</b>
425	28%	Yes <b>(Go to Item 4)</b>

4. Tell us about your job....

Position title	Salary
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Employer	
<input type="text"/>	
City	State
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5. How closely is this position related to the field you studied at ASU? (N = 1057)

46%	Closely related
27%	Somewhat closely related
27%	Not at all related

6. Did you complete a practicum or internship with this employer? (N = 1053)

67%	No
33%	Yes

7. Regardless of your plans, how effectively do you think ASU has prepared you for a **job** in your major? (N = 5997)

17%	Very Effectively
67%	Effectively
14%	Ineffectively
2%	Very Ineffectively

8. Regardless of your plans, how effectively do you think ASU prepared you for **graduate or professional study** in your field? (N = 5931)

18%	Very Effectively
69%	Effectively
12%	Ineffectively
1%	Very Ineffectively

9. Indicate one response below that best indicates your **graduate or professional school** plans within the next year. (N = 5842)

N	%	
780	13%	I have applied for admission (Go to Item 10)
2062	35%	I plan to apply within the next year (Go to Section E)
3000	51%	I do not plan to apply within the next year (Go to Section E)

10. Have you accepted an admissions offer? (N = 745)

72%	No (Go to Section E)
28%	Yes (Go to Item 11)

11. Tell us about the graduate or professional school....

College/University	
<input type="text"/>	
City	State
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Program of Study	
<input type="text"/>	
Degree	
<input type="text"/>	

**E. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

1. Where did you graduate from high school/secondary school or obtain your G.E.D.? (N = 6009)
- 60% In Arizona
  - 34% In another U.S. state -which state?
  - 6% In another country

2. Are you an international student? (N = 6007)
- 95% No
  - 5% Yes

3. A year from now, where do you think you will be living? (N = 5968)
- 63% In Arizona
  - 32% In another U.S. state -which state?
  - 5% In another country

- 4a. Do you have any children? (N = 6025)
- | N    | %   |     |                |
|------|-----|-----|----------------|
| 5399 | 90% | No  | (Go to Item 5) |
| 626  | 10% | Yes |                |

- 4b. If 'yes'...
- a. How many of your children are between **0 - 5 years**? (N = 581)
- | 0   | 1   | 2   | 3  | 4+ |
|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 27% | 51% | 18% | 3% | 1% |
- b. How many of your children are between **6 - 12 years**? (N = 523)
- | 0   | 1   | 2   | 3  | 4+ |
|-----|-----|-----|----|----|
| 65% | 22% | 11% | 2% | 0% |
- c. How many of your children are between **13 - 18 years**? (N = 508)
- | 0   | 1   | 2  | 3  | 4+ |
|-----|-----|----|----|----|
| 78% | 15% | 6% | 1% | 1% |
- d. How many of your children are **19 or older**? (N = 499)
- | 0   | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4+ |
|-----|----|----|----|----|
| 82% | 7% | 8% | 1% | 2% |

5. When you first enrolled at the ASU Main or East Campus, which of the following **best** described you? (Mark ONE) (N = 5999)
- 49% 1st time college/pre-college student (≤ 11 credit hours)
  - 35% 2-year community college transfer student (≥12 credit hours)
  - 15% 4-year college or university transfer student (≥12 credit hours)

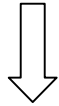
6. While enrolled at ASU, did you take courses at a college or university **other than ASU**? (N = 6017)
- 57% No
  - 43% Yes

- 7a. Have you been continuously enrolled at ASU since you were first admitted?
- | N    | %   |     |                 |
|------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| 829  | 14% | No  | (Go to Item 7b) |
| 5189 | 86% | Yes | (Go to Item 8)  |

- 7b. How long were you away from ASU before you returned to complete your degree? (N = 811)
- 36% One semester
  - 23% One year
  - 41% More than one year

8. Please provide your ASU ID# in the spaces below.

(As always, information you provide is strictly confidential & no identifying information is shared with any party.)



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**F. CAMPUS CLIMATE**

1. As best you can, how would you characterize the **racial/ethnic climate** (i.e., how different racial/ethnic groups relate to each other) at ASU on the following dimensions. *(Mark one number for each dimension)*

N				Neutral/Unsure			
5798	Tense	1%	4%	28%	36%	31%	Relaxed
5791	Hostile	1%	2%	27%	39%	31%	Friendly
5775	Intolerant	1%	3%	26%	38%	33%	Tolerant
5783	Disrespectful	1%	4%	26%	39%	30%	Respectful
5784	Socially Separated	6%	18%	32%	25%	19%	Socially Integrated

2. From your perspective, has the racial/ethnic climate at ASU changed since you first enrolled? (N = 5632)

- 11% Yes, it's better
- 3% Yes, it's worse
- 61% No, it hasn't really changed
- 25% I'm not sure/don't know

**G. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. If any ASU faculty or staff positively influenced your experiences at ASU, please complete the information below.

**Person 1:**

		Comments:
(First name)	(Last name)	
Department:		
Position/Title:		

**Person 2:**

		Comments:
(First name)	(Last name)	
Department:		
Position/Title:		

2. Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you** for taking the time to complete the GSRC. Your responses will assist us in improving ASU.  
**Please return the completed Graduating Senior Report Card to the Graduation Section**  
**(1st Floor, Student Services Building).**