## Results of the Entering Freshmen Survey 2017-2018

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## Introduction

All students who enter Southeastern with fewer than 30 hours are required to participate in Orientation. The program is filled with informative and fun activities that introduce students and their families to college life and the great programs Southeastern has to offer. Students are assigned to small groups with student Orientation Leaders to experience college life first hand and to learn what it takes to be successful at Southeastern. From policies and procedures to meeting with faculty advisors and registering for classes, participants get a crash course in College 101. Students are required to take Orientation 101 whether they enter Southeastern in the Summer, Fall or Spring semester.

All students are sent a link to the Entering Freshmen Survey just before the semester begins. The Entering Freshmen Survey asks students about sources of information that influenced their decision to attend Southeastern, their reasons for attending Southeastern, as well as questions about their personal and social development. Also included are sections that ask the students about their level of confidence in their general education skills (based on the Board of Regents general education goals), their future participation in college sports, and demographic information not available in the Student Record System. A copy of the Entering Freshmen Survey can be found in Appendix A. For 2017-18, the survey was sent to 2,635 students and 1,265 took the survey, for a response rate of $48.0 \%$.

## Student Characteristics

The majority of respondents were single ( $99 \%$, $n=1,061$ ), while $0.8 \%(n=9)$ were married and $0.6 \%(n=6)$ were previously married. Also, the majority of students had no children ( $96 \%, n=1,039$ ), while $2 \%(n=19)$ had one child, $1 \%$ ( $n=11$ ) had two children, and $0.6 \%(n=7)$ had three children. Five percent $(5 \%, n=50)$ of the respondents are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces. The majority, 89\% ( $n=951$ ) had applied for financial aid at Southeastern.

Traditional college students are often considered to be undergraduate students that are single, with no children and between the ages of 18 and 22 . However, due to changing societal and economic conditions, more non-traditional students are entering into universities. Defining non-traditional students as those undergraduate students who are over the age of 22 or married or have children, $4 \%(n=56)$ of the entering freshmen were non-traditional students, while $96 \%$ ( $n=1,205$ ) were traditional students.

The survey results support the notion that Southeastern has a large commuter population. The majority of respondents who commute ( $24 \%, \mathrm{n}=256$ ) travel more than 30 miles (one way) to Southeastern's main campus. The breakdown for travel to campus can be found in Table 1.

Table 1
Miles Traveled One Way to Southeastern's Main Campus

| Miles Traveled One Way to Southeastern's Main <br> Campus | Percent | Number of <br> Respondents |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Live on Campus | $31 \%$ | 331 |
| Less than 5 miles | $10 \%$ | 112 |
| Between 5 and 10 miles | $9 \%$ | 92 |
| Between 11 and 20 miles | $10 \%$ | 103 |
| Between 21 and 30 miles | $17 \%$ | 183 |
| More than 30 miles | $24 \%$ | 256 |

The majority of students ( $54 \%, \mathrm{n}=581$ ) plan to work off campus, while $23 \%(\mathrm{n}=246)$ plan to work on campus, $7 \%(\mathrm{n}=75)$ plan to work both on and off campus, and $16 \%(n=176)$ do not plan to work at all. Of those students who indicated they plan on working while attending Southeastern, $26 \%(n=234)$ plan to work no more than 10 hours per week, $47 \%(n=419)$ plan to work 11-20 hours per week, $20 \%(n=179)$ plan to work 21-30 hours per week, and $6 \%(n=54)$ plan to work more than 30 hours per week.

According to Terenzini et al. (1996), a first generation student is one who has no parent with any college or university experience. Using this definition, $21 \%(n=217)$ of entering students are first generation college students.

## Section I

## Sources of Information about Southeastern

Students were asked to indicate the level to which different information sources influenced their decision to attend Southeastern rather than another university. Results are reported in Table 2, separately for beginning freshmen and transfer freshmen.

Overall, a visit to Southeastern's campus had the largest influence on the decision to attend Southeastern (mean=3.76). U.S. Department o Education's College Navigator had the least influence in the decision to attend Southeastern (mean=2.32).

Table 2
Information Sources Which Influenced Decisions to Attend Southeastern

|  |  | No Influence <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Major Influence (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Visits by Southeastern's admissions staff at your high school | Beginning | 33.1\% (396) | 13.4\% (161) | 24.0\% (287) | 13.4\% (160) | 16.2\% (194) | 2.66 |
|  | Transfer | 49.0\% (24) | 10.2\% (5) | 14.3\% (7) | 10.2\% (5) | 16.3\% (8) | 2.35 |
| College publications (catalogs, brochures, etc.) | Beginning | 24.5\% (294) | 18.4\% (221) | 26.6\% (319) | 15.0\% (180) | 15.6\% (187) | 2.79 |
|  | Transfer | 35.4\% (17) | 14.6\% (7) | 20.8\% (10) | 12.5\% (6) | 16.7\% (8) | 2.60 |
| Communications about financial aid (not the aid decision) | Beginning | 18.0\% (216) | 13.7\% (165) | 29.3\% (352) | 19.2\% (231) | 19.9\% (239) | 3.09 |
|  | Transfer | 29.2\% (14) | 12.5\% (6) | 20.8\% (10) | 18.8\% (9) | 18.8\% (9) | 2.85 |
| Visit to Southeastern's campus | Beginning | 9.5\% (114) | 6.5\% (78) | 22.0\% (264) | 22.0\% (265) | 40.0\% (481) | 3.77 |
|  | Transfer | 16.3\% (8) | 10.2\% (5) | 20.4\% (10) | 14.3\% (7) | 38.8\% (19) | 3.49 |
| Contact with Southeastern's students and graduates | Beginning | 9.8\% (118) | 9.8\% (118) | 27.6\% (331) | 19.7\% (237) | 30.3\% (364) | 3.61 |
|  | Transfer | 16.3\% (8) | 8.2\% (4) | 18.4\% (9) | 16.3\% (8) | 40.8\% (20) | 3.57 |
| Accessing the Southeastern website | Beginning | 12.6\% (151) | 9.8\% (118) | 27.6\% (331) | 19.7\% (237) | 30.3\% (364) | 3.45 |
|  | Transfer | 8.2\% (4) | 12.2\% (6) | 24.5\% (12) | 22.4\% (11) | 32.7\% (16) | 3.59 |

Table 2 Continued
Information Sources Which Influenced Decisions to Attend Southeastern

|  |  | No Influence <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Major Influence (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Information about Southeastern in the newspaper, on television or on the radio | Beginning | 34.4\% (414) | 21.1\% (254) | 23.9\% (287) | 9.1\% (109) | 11.5\% (138) | 2.42 |
|  | Transfer | 36.7\% (18) | 16.3\% (8) | 20.4\% (10) | 6.1\% (3) | 20.4\% (10) | 2.57 |
| College guide books and/or rankings such as Peterson's or U.S. News and World Report | Beginning | 35.1\% (419) | 15.6\% (186) | 25.9\% (309) | 12.4\% (148) | 11.1\% (133) | 2.49 |
|  | Transfer | 40.8\% (20) | 4.1\% (2) | 24.5\% (12) | 16.3\% (8) | 14.3\% (7) | 2.59 |
| U.S. Department of Education's College Navigator website | Beginning | 42.4\% (507) | 14.2\% (170) | 23.1\% (276) | 9.5\% (114) | 10.8\% (129) | 2.32 |
|  | Transfer | 46.9\% (23) | 8.2\% (4) | 24.5\% (12) | 10.2\% (5) | 10.2\% (5) | 2.29 |

## Section II Personal and Social Development

Students were asked to indicate the extent to which they agreed or disagreed with statements regarding their personal and social development. Results are reported in Table 3, separately for beginning freshmen and transfer freshmen.

Overall, students entering Southeastern believe they are well-adjusted, productive individuals. The item with the highest overall agreement was "I am very committed to finishing college, no matter what problems I encounter" (mean=4.61). The item with the lowest overall agreement was "I can think of many things I would rather do than go to college" (mean=2.13).

Table 3
Personal and Social Development

|  |  | Strongly Disagree <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Strongly Agree <br> (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I am a capable, self-reliant person | Beginning | 0.5\% (6) | 2.2\% (24) | 20.5\% (229) | 25.7\% (286) | 51.1\% (570) | 4.25 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 2.2\% (1) | 15.2\% (7) | 10.9\% (5) | 71.7\% (33) | 4.52 |
| I know my own capabilities and interests | Beginning | 0.7\% (8) | 2.2\% (24) | 18.3\% (203) | 26.3\% (293) | 52.5\% (584) | 4.28 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 2.2\% (1) | 15.2\% (8) | 10.9\% (5) | 71.7\% (33) | 4.52 |
| I meet deadlines | Beginning | 0.9\% (10) | 1.8\% (20) | 16.5\% (184) | 29.9\% (333) | 50.9\% (568) | 4.28 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 10.9\% (5) | 21.7\% (10) | 67.4\% (31) | 4.57 |
| I take responsibility for my own actions | Beginning | 0.4\% (5) | 1.2\% (13) | 10.7\% (120) | 21.2\% (237) | 66.4\% (742) | 4.52 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 8.7\% (4) | 13.0\% (6) | 78.3\% (36) | 4.70 |
| I interact comfortably with others who are different from myself | Beginning | 2.9\% (32) | 8.8\% (98) | 29.5\% (329) | 24.5\% (273) | 34.3\% (382) | 3.79 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 8.7\% (4) | 26.1\% (12) | 19.6\% (9) | 45.7\% (21) | 4.02 |
| I have strong leadership and management skills | Beginning | 1.8\% (20) | 9.7\% (108) | 28.6\% (319) | 23.7\% (264) | 36.2\% (403) | 3.83 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 2.2\% (1) | 26.7\% (12) | 24.4\% (11) | 44.4\% (20) | 4.07 |

Table 3 Continued Personal and Social Development

|  |  | Strongly Disagree <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Strongly Agree <br> (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I am dependable and punctual | Beginning | 1.4\% (16) | 2.6\% (29) | 19.2\% (214) | 29.5\% (328) | 47.3\% (526) | 4.19 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 23.9\% (11) | 8.7\% (4) | 67.4\% (31) | 4.43 |
| I accept new responsibilities willingly | Beginning | 0.8\% (9) | 3.5\% (39) | 22.6\% (252) | 28.8\% (321) | 44.4\% (495) | 4.12 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 6.7\% (3) | 22.2\% (10) | 11.1\% (5) | 57.8\% (26) | 4.16 |
| I place great importance on being active in public and community affairs | Beginning | 4.1\% (46) | 14.0\% (156) | 38.3\% (425) | 18.7\% (208) | 24.8\% (276) | 3.46 |
|  | Transfer | 4.3\% (2) | 13.0\% (6) | 39.1\% (18) | 10.9\% (5) | 32.6\% (15) | 3.54 |
| I have the capacity to begin and sustain important interpersonal relationships | Beginning | 1.7\% (19) | 3.8\% (42) | 29.6\% (330) | 28.7\% (319) | 36.2\% (403) | 3.94 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 6.5\% (3) | 28.3\% (13) | 17.4\% (8) | 47.8\% (22) | 4.07 |
| I have financial problems, and the need to earn money will probably hinder my studies | Beginning | 23.7\% (264) | 23.9\% (266) | 29.0\% (323) | 11.7\% (130) | 11.8\% (132) | 2.64 |
|  | Transfer | 30.4\% (14) | 15.2\% (7) | 19.6\% (9) | 19.6\% (9) | 15.2\% (7) | 2.74 |
| My studying is irregular and unpredictable | Beginning | 22.9\% (255) | 25.7\% (286) | 29.2\% (326) | 11.5\% (128) | 10.8\% (120) | 2.62 |
|  | Transfer | 32.6\% (15) | 21.7\% (10) | 30.4\% (14) | 6.5\% (3) | 8.7\% (4) | 2.37 |
| I am very committed to finishing college, no matter what problems I encounter | Beginning | 0.5\% (6) | 1.3\% (14) | 9.9\% (110) | 14.2\% (158) | 74.1\% (825) | 4.60 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 6.5\% (3) | 13.0\% (6) | 80.4\% (37) | 4.74 |
| I have family commitments that may interfere with my studies | Beginning | 37.5\% (418) | 29.9\% (333) | 19.8\% (221) | 5.8\% (65) | 7.0\% (78) | 2.15 |
|  | Transfer | 42.2\% (19) | 20.0\% (9) | 24.4\% (11) | 6.7\% (3) | 6.7\% (3) | 2.16 |
| I can think of many things I would rather do than go to college | Beginning | 41.8\% (467) | 24.3\% (271) | 20.0\% (223) | 6.6\% (74) | 7.3\% (81) | 2.13 |
|  | Transfer | 50.0\% (23) | 21.7\% (10) | 19.6\% (9) | 0.0\% | 8.7\% (4) | 1.96 |

Table 3 Continued Personal and Social Development

|  |  | Strongly Disagree <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Strongly Agree <br> (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I dread the thought of going to school for several more years | Beginning | 22.5\% (251) | 28.0\% (312) | 29.3\% (326) | 7.3\% (81) | 12.9\% (144) | 2.60 |
|  | Transfer | 37.8\% (17) | 17.8\% (8) | 26.7\% (12) | 6.7\% (3) | 11.1\% (5) | 2.36 |

## General Education <br> Section III

The items in this section were developed on the basis of the general education goals provided by the Board of Regents. Students were asked to indicate the level of confidence they felt regarding each skill or ability. Results are reported in Table 4, separately for beginning freshmen, transfer freshmen, and those who attended Orientation but were not enrolled as of the $14^{\text {th }}$ class day.

Overall, students had the most confidence in their "personal set of values and ethical standards" (mean=4.12). Students had the least confidence in their ability to use mathematical and statistical concepts and tools (mean=3.46).

Table 4
Confidence in General Education Skills

|  |  | Not Confident <br> at all (1) | $(2)$ | $(3)$ | $(4)$ | Very Confident <br> $(5)$ | Mean |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ability to write well | Beginning | $3.0 \%(34)$ | $11.7 \%(130)$ | $30.3 \%(338)$ | $25.9 \%(289)$ | $29.1 \%(324)$ | 3.66 |
|  | Transfer | $4.3 \%(2)$ | $13.0 \%(6)$ | $15.2 \%(7)$ | $23.9 \%(11)$ | $43.5 \%(20)$ | 3.89 |
|  | Beginning | $2.7 \%(30)$ | $7.5 \%(83)$ | $29.8 \%(332)$ | $27.4 \%(305)$ | $32.7 \%(364)$ | 3.80 |
|  | Transfer | $4.3 \%(2)$ | $2.2 \%(1)$ | $21.7 \%(10)$ | $26.1 \%(12)$ | $45.7 \%(21)$ | 4.07 |
| Ability to comprehend reading <br> material and to analyze its <br> meaning | Beginning | $2.5 \%(28)$ | $8.4 \%(94)$ | $33.1 \%(369)$ | $27.9 \%(311)$ | $28.0 \%(3.12)$ | 3.70 |
|  | Transfer | $0.0 \%$ | $6.5 \%(3)$ | $13.0 \%(6)$ | $28.3 \%(13)$ | $52.2 \%(24)$ | 4.26 |
| Ability to use logic and critical <br> thinking skills | Beginning | $0.7 \%(8)$ | $3.6 \%(40)$ | $26.9 \%(300)$ | $32.7 \%(365)$ | $36.1 \%(402)$ | 4.00 |
|  | Transfer | $0.0 \%$ | $2.2 \%(1)$ | $15.2 \%(7)$ | $23.9 \%(11)$ | $58.7 \%(27)$ | 4.39 |
| Ability to see relationships, <br> similarities, and distinctions <br> between ideas | Beginning | $0.5 \%(6)$ | $4.3 \%(48)$ | $26.8 \%(299)$ | $31.8 \%(355)$ | $36.5 \%(407)$ | 3.99 |
|  | Transfer | $0.0 \%$ | $6.5 \%(3)$ | $10.9 \%(5)$ | $30.4 \%(14)$ | $52.2 \%(24)$ | 4.28 |

Table 4 Continued

## Confidence in General Education Skills

|  |  | Not Confident at all (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Very Confident (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ability to apply problem solving techniques | Beginning | 1.1\% (12) | 3.9\% (44) | 29.3\% (326) | 31.9\% (355) | 33.8\% (377) | 3.93 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 6.5\% (3) | 13.0\% (6) | 26.1\% (12) | 52.2\% (24) | 4.20 |
| Ability to use mathematical and statistical concepts and tools | Beginning | 6.9\% (77) | 13.2\% (147) | 32.5\% (362) | 23.5\% (262) | 23.9\% (266) | 3.44 |
|  | Transfer | 4.4\% (2) | 15.6\% (7) | 17.8\% (8) | 22.2\% (10) | 40.0\% (18) | 3.78 |
| Understanding the nature of science and the scientific method | Beginning | 2.9\% (32) | 11.0\% (122) | 33.8\% (376) | 25.7\% (286) | 26.8\% (298) | 3.62 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 6.5\% (3) | 28.3\% (13) | 28.3\% (13) | 37.0\% (17) | 3.96 |
| Familiarity with key applications of the basic sciences | Beginning | 2.7\% (30) | 8.9\% (99) | 38.5\% (429) | 25.0\% (278) | 25.0\% (278) | 3.61 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 6.5\% (3) | 47.8\% (22) | 10.9\% (5) | 32.6\% (15) | 3.65 |
| Ability to learn on your own, to pursue ideas and to find the information you need | Beginning | 1.1\% (12) | 4.9\% (55) | 30.3\% (338) | 29.7\% (331) | 34.1\% (380) | 3.91 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 8.7\% (4) | 6.5\% (3) | 34.8\% (16) | 50.0\% (23) | 4.26 |
| Recognition of the value of coming into contact with people different from you | Beginning | 0.7\% (8) | 4.0\% (44) | 26.8\% (297) | 30.5\% (338) | 38.1\% (422) | 4.01 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 6.5\% (3) | 19.6\% (9) | 17.4\% (8) | 56.5\% (26) | 4.24 |
| Understanding the nature and value of at least one of the performing arts | Beginning | 4.0\% (44) | 12.5\% (139) | 33.4\% (371) | 21.2\% (236) | 28.9\% (321) | 3.59 |
|  | Transfer | 6.5\% (3) | 19.6\% (9) | 19.6\% (9) | 17.4\% (8) | 37.0\% (17) | 3.59 |
| Wider acquaintance with and enjoyment of literature | Beginning | 4.8\% (54) | 15.0\% (167) | 36.4\% (406) | 21.5\% (240) | 22.2\% (247) | 3.41 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 8.7\% (4) | 32.6\% (15) | 26.1\% (12) | 30.4\% (14) | 3.74 |

Table 4 Continued

## Confidence in General Education Skills

|  |  | Not Confident at all (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Very Confident (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Personal set of values and ethical standards | Beginning | 0.8\% (9) | 3.0\% (34) | 25.8\% (288) | 25.7\% (287) | 44.6\% (497) | 4.10 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 2.2\% (1) | 10.9\% (5) | 21.7\% (10) | 65.2\% (30) | 4.50 |
| Awareness of how political and economic trends impact families and communities | Beginning | 3.0\% (34) | 11.5\% (129) | 36.3\% (406) | 25.0\% (279) | 24.1\% (269) | 3.56 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 8.9\% (4) | 28.9\% (13) | 20.0\% (9) | 42.2\% (19) | 3.96 |
| Awareness of historical trends which influence current events | Beginning | 3.3\% (37) | 11.8\% (131) | 37.5\% (417) | 24.2\% (269) | 23.3\% (259) | 3.52 |
|  | Transfer | 2.2\% (1) | 6.5\% (3) | 30.4\% (14) | 19.6\% (9) | 41.3\% (19) | 3.91 |
| Ability to utilize computers | Beginning | 1.4\% (16) | 6.1\% (68) | 27.2\% (303) | 26.6\% (297) | 38.7\% (432) | 3.95 |
|  | Did not Attend | 0.0\% | 2.2\% (1) | 8.7\% (4) | 21.7\% (10) | 67.4\% (31) | 4.54 |

## Reasons for Attending Southeastern Section IV

In this section, students were asked to indicate how important a list of reasons were in their decision to attend Southeastern. Results are reported in Table 5, separately for beginning freshmen and transfer freshmen.

Overall, the most important reason for students' decision to attend Southeastern was "Southeastern's seemed to be a friendly place" (mean=4.15). The least important reason was "The campus is far enough away from home so I do not have to live at home" (mean=2.58).

Table 5
Reasons for Attending Southeastern Rather than Another Institution

|  |  | No Influence <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Major Influence (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Southeastern has a good degree program in the field I want to study | Beginning | 5.2\% (62) | 5.8\% (70) | 18.3\% (220) | 19.1\% (230) | 51.6\% (621) | 4.06 |
|  | Transfer | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 22.0\% (11) | 18.0\% (9) | 60.0\% (30) | 4.38 |
| Southeastern is the university closest to my home | Beginning | 19.9\% (239) | 10.5\% (127) | 20.0\% (241) | 13.0\% (145) | 36.6\% (441) | 3.36 |
|  | Transfer | 30.0\% (15) | 6.0\% (3) | 10.0\% (5) | 8.0\% (4) | 46.0\% (23) | 3.40 |
| Southeastern's cost is lower than other schools I considered | Beginning | 6.4\% (77) | 6.2\% (75) | 18.8\% (227) | 18.5\% (223) | 50.1\% (604) | 4.00 |
|  | Transfer | 14.0\% (7) | 6.0\% (3) | 22.0\% (11) | 16.0\% (8) | 42.0\% (21) | 3.66 |
| Southeastern has a good academic reputation | Beginning | 3.1\% (37) | 3.6\% (44) | 22.5\% (271) | 24.8\% (299) | 46.1\% (556) | 4.07 |
|  | Transfer | 4.0\% (2) | 4.0\% (2) | 24.0\% (12) | 18.0\% (9) | 50.0\% (25) | 4.06 |
| I met the admission requirements at Southeastern | Beginning | 5.1\% (62) | 4.6\% (55) | 16.8\% (202) | 20.6\% (248) | 52.9\% (638) | 4.12 |
|  | Transfer | 8.2\% (4) | 8.2\% (4) | 26.5\% (13) | 6.1\% (3) | 51.0\% (25) | 3.84 |

Table 5 Continued
Reasons for Attending Southeastern Rather than Another Institution

|  |  | No Influence <br> (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | Major Influence (5) | Mean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Southeastern offered me a scholarship | Beginning | 40.2\% (484) | 12.0\% (145) | 14.9\% (179) | 8.5\% (103) | 24.4\% (294) | 2.65 |
|  | Transfer | 58.0\% (29) | 8.0\% (4) | 14.0\% (7) | 4.0\% (2) | 16.0\% (8) | 2.12 |
| Southeastern seemed to be a friendly place | Beginning | 3.2\% (38) | 3.5\% (42) | 18.2\% (219) | 25.6\% (308) | 49.6\% (598) | 4.15 |
|  | Transfer | 2.0\% (1) | 6.0\% (3) | 20.0\% (10) | 18.0\% (9) | 54.0\% (27) | 4.16 |
| My parents have a good opinion of Southeastern | Beginning | 10.6\% (127) | 6.2\% (75) | 23.3\% (280) | 21.5\% (259) | 38.4\% (461) | 3.71 |
|  | Transfer | 16.0\% (8) | 10.0\% (5) | 32.0\% (16) | 6.0\% (3) | 36.0\% (18) | 3.36 |
| Southeastern's size seemed right for me | Beginning | 4.1\% (50) | 4.1\% (50) | 17.1\% (207) | 21.1\% (255) | 53.5\% (646) | 4.16 |
|  | Transfer | 6.1\% (3) | 0.0\% | 34.7\% (17) | 18.4\% (9) | 40.8\% (20) | 3.88 |
| My friends and/or relatives recommended Southeastern | Beginning | 10.5\% (127) | 10.0\% (120) | 23.4\% (282) | 21.4\% (258) | 34.7\% (418) | 3.60 |
|  | Transfer | 12.0\% (6) | 8.0\% (4) | 28.0\% (14) | 10.0\% (5) | 42.0\% (21) | 3.62 |
| I expect to be more successful in my courses at Southeastern than at another university | Beginning | 6.2\% (75) | 5.7\% (69) | 22.0\% (265) | 22.6\% (273) | 43.4\% (524) | 3.91 |
|  | Transfer | 6.0\% (3) | 2.0\% (1) | 28.0\% (14) | 16.0\% (8) | 48.0\% (24) | 3.98 |
| My high school teachers or advisors recommended Southeastern | Beginning | 18.6\% (223) | 12.6\% (151) | 29.6\% (356) | 16.6\% (199) | 22.7\% (273) | 3.12 |
|  | Transfer | 34.0\% (17) | 10.0\% (5) | 22.0\% (11) | 10.0\% (5) | 24.0\% (12) | 2.80 |
| I visited the Southeastern campus and really liked it | Beginning | 7.3\% (88) | 6.9\% (83) | 21.4\% (258) | 21.2\% (255) | 43.1\% (519) | 3.86 |
|  | Transfer | 6.0\% (3) | 18.0\% (9) | 26.0\% (13) | 16.0\% (8) | 34.0\% (17) | 3.54 |

Table 5 Continued
Reasons for Attending Southeastern Rather than Another Institution

|  |  | No Influence <br> $(1)$ | (2) | (3) | (4) | Major <br> Influence <br> $(5)$ | Mean |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The campus is far enough <br> away from home so I do not <br> have to live at home | Beginning | $40.8 \%(490)$ | $11.6 \%(140)$ | $15.4 \%(185)$ | $11.9 \%(143)$ | $20.3 \%(244)$ | 2.59 |
|  | Transfer | $54.0 \%(27)$ | $4.0 \%(2)$ | $18.0 \%(9)$ | $10.0 \%(5)$ | $14.0 \%(7)$ | 2.26 |
| Some of my friends decided <br> to attend Southeastern | Beginning | $19.7 \%(237)$ | $12.6 \%(151)$ | $24.0 \%(289)$ | $16.8 \%(202)$ | $26.9 \%(323)$ | 3.19 |
|  | Transfer | $22.4 \%(11)$ | $14.3 \%(7)$ | $18.4 \%(9)$ | $6.1 \%(3)$ | $38.8 \%(19)$ | 3.24 |

## Extra Curricular Activities

## Question 70

Students were asked whether they participated in a variety of activities while in High School and whether they planned to participate in them at Southeastern. Overall, students were most likely to have participated in varsity athletics (47.2\%) and service organizations ( $40.1 \%$ ) in High School and were most likely to participate in service organizations (42.1\%) and a fraternity or sorority (30.7\%) at Southeastern.

Table 6
Participation in Extra Curricular Activities

|  |  | High School | Southeastern |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Instrumental Music | Beginning | $12.9 \%(122)$ | $5.5 \%(50)$ |
|  | Transfer | $15.8 \%(6)$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| Vocal Music | Beginning | $11.3 \%(105)$ | $6.1 \%(55)$ |
|  | Transfer | $7.9 \%(3)$ | $0.0 \%$ |
| Student Government | Beginning | $14.0 \%(131)$ | $15.6 \%(141)$ |
|  | Transfer | $7.9 \%(3)$ | $16.2 \%(6)$ |
|  | Beginning | $13.3 \%(125)$ | $13.1 \%(118)$ |
|  | Transfer | $21.1 \%(8)$ | $5.4 \%(2)$ |
| Debate | Beginning | $8.0 \%(75)$ | $9.1 \%(83)$ |
|  | Transfer | $10.5 \%(4)$ | $2.7 \%(1)$ |
|  | Beginning | $21.5 \%(201)$ | $21.4 \%(192)$ |

Table 6 Continued
Participation in Extracurricular Activities

|  |  | High School | Southeastern |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dramatics, Theater | Beginning | 16.6\% (155) | 15.3\% (139) |
|  | Transfer | 15.4\% (6) | 2.7\% (1) |
| Religious Organizations | Beginning | 30.0\% (281) | 27.4\% (248) |
|  | Transfer | 12.8\% (5) | 7.9\% (3) |
| Racial or Ethnic Organizations | Beginning | 4.2\% (39) | 10.6\% (96) |
|  | Transfer | 10.5\% (4) | 10.8\% (4) |
| Intramural Athletics | Beginning | 15.9\% (148) | 27.4\% (249) |
|  | Transfer | 8.1\% (3) | 18.9\% (7) |
| Varsity Athletics | Beginning | 47.2\% (449) | 19.3\% (176) |
|  | Transfer | 56.4\% (22) | 18.4\% (7) |
| Political Organizations | Beginning | 6.0\% (56) | 9.2\% (83) |
|  | Transfer | 7.9\% (3) | 5.4\% (2) |
| Radio, TV | Beginning | 4.6\% (43) | 10.3\% (93) |
|  | Transfer | 5.3\% (2) | 5.4\% (2) |
| Fraternity or Sorority | Beginning | 1.9\% (18) | 30.7\% (280) |
|  | Transfer | 5.3\% (2) | 29.7\% (11) |
| Special-interest groups (writing group, rodeo, etc.) | Beginning | 9.8\% (91) | 15.3\% (139) |
|  | Transfer | 10.5\% (4) | 2.7\% (1) |

Table 6 Continued
Participation in Extracurricular Activities

|  |  | High School | Southeastern |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Campus or community <br> service organizations | Beginning | $40.1 \%(376)$ | $42.1 \%(382)$ |
|  | Transfer | $36.8 \%(14)$ | $19.4 \%(7)$ |

## Expectations At Southeastern <br> Section 5

Students were asked whether they thought they would need assistance in several areas while at Southeastern. Results are reported in Table 7. Overall, students anticipated needing the most help with improving their study skills (68.7\%). Students were also asked how much time they expect to spend studying outside of the classroom. The majority ( $27.2 \%$ ) expected to spend 1012 hours a week studying. The results for this question are reported in Table 8.

Table 7
Expectations at Southeastern

|  |  | Need Assistance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deciding my educational and occupational plans | Beginning | 64.1\% (672) |
|  | Transfer | 65.1\% (28) |
| Expressing my ideas in writing | Beginning | 64.9\% (681) |
|  | Transfer | 68.2\% (30) |
| Improving my reading speed and comprehension | Beginning | 61.0\% (639) |
|  | Transfer | 50.0\% (22) |
| Improving my study skills | Beginning | 79.5\% (835) |
|  | Transfer | 68.3\% (41) |
| Improving my mathematical skills | Beginning | 76.0\% (798) |
|  | Transfer | 70.5\% (31) |
| Improving my ability to speak in public | Beginning | 67.8\% (713) |
|  | Transfer | 68.2\% (30) |

Table 7 Continued
Expectations at Southeastern

|  |  | Need Assistance |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Improving my ability to think <br> critically | Beginning | $63.6 \%$ (668) |
|  | Transfer | $59.1 \%$ (26) |
|  | Beginning | $39.2 \%(410)$ |
|  | Transfer | $36.4 \%$ (16) |

## Table 8

## Amount of Time Expecting to Study

|  | 3 hours or less <br> a week | 4-6 hours | $7-9$ hours | $10-12$ hours | $13-15$ hours | $16-18$ hours | 19-21 hours |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| More than 21 <br> hours a week |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning | $4.6 \%(49)$ | $21.3 \%(224)$ | $25.5 \%(269)$ | $23.6 \%(249)$ | $13.1 \%(138)$ | $6.4 \%(67)$ | $2.7 \%(28)$ |
| Transfer | $4.5 \%(2)$ | $27.3 \%(12)$ | $15.9 \%(7)$ | $20.5 \%(9)$ | $18.2 \%(8)$ | $6.8 \%(3)$ | $2.3 \%(1)$ |

## Athletic Interest \& Participation

The items in this section were asked about students previous participation in sports and their potential participation while in college. Only students who actually attended Southeastern were included in these analyses. Students were asked at what level they might be interested in participating in 28 sports while in college. Overall, students expressed the most interest in Cheerleading at the varsity level and the least interest in Field Hockey. At the intramural level, students were most interested in Sand Volleyball and least interested in Wrestling. At the club level, students expressed the most interest in Volleyball and the least interest in Water Polo. Table 9 provides the percent of students interested in each sport, broken down by female and male students, and total. For females, the only sports at the varsity level that $5 \%$ or more of the respondents showed an interest in were Cheerleading (13.0\%), Gymnastics (5.7\%), Sand Volleyball (5.7\%), Softball (8.2\%), Track \& Field (5.1\%) and Volleyball (9.8\%).

Table 9

## Athletic Interest

|  |  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baseball | Females | $5.2 \%(41)$ | $2.9 \%(23)$ | $3.4 \%(27)$ | $88.5 \%(702)$ |
|  | Males | $16.7 \%(57)$ | $7.0 \%(24)$ | $12.3 \%(42)$ | $63.9 \%(218)$ |
|  | Total | $8.6 \%(98)$ | $4.1 \%(47)$ | $6.1 \%(69)$ | $81.1 \%(920)$ |
| Basketball | Females | $6.7 \%(53)$ | $4.8 \%(38)$ | $4.8 \%(38)$ | $83.7 \%(660)$ |
|  | Males | $23.3 \%(80)$ | $8.7 \%(30)$ | $8.7 \%(30)$ | $59.2 \%(203)$ |
|  |  | Total | $11.7 \%(133)$ | $6.0 \%(68)$ | $6.0 \%(68)$ |
|  | Bowling | Females | $9.7 \%(77)$ | $6.5 \%(52)$ | $3.5 \%(28)$ |

Table 9 Continued
Athletic Interest

|  |  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cheerleading | Females | 6.0\% (48) | 5.9\% (47) | 13.0\% (103) | 75.1\% (596) |
|  | Males | 2.9\% (10) | 1.5\% (5) | 3.2\% (11) | 92.4\% (315) |
|  | Total | 5.1\% (58) | 4.6\% (52) | 10.0\% (114) | 80.3\% (911) |
| Cross Country | Females | 3.6\% (29) | 4.2\% (33) | 2.5\% (20) | 89.7\% (713) |
|  | Males | 3.3\% (11) | 3.6\% (12) | 3.6\% (12) | 89.6\% (303) |
|  | Total | 3.5\% (40) | 4.0\% (45) | 2.8\% (32) | 89.7\% (1,016) |
| Equestrian | Females | 4.2\% (33) | 4.7\% (37) | 1.8\% (14) | 89.4\% (706) |
|  | Males | 2.1\% (7) | 1.2\% (4) | 1.5\% (5) | 95.3\% (323) |
|  | Total | 3.5\% (40) | 4.0\% (45) | 1.7\% (19) | 91.1\% (1,029) |
| Fencing | Females | 3.3\% (26) | 3.3\% (26) | 1.3\% (10) | 92.2\% (731) |
|  | Males | 4.4\% (15) | 7.1\% (24) | 2.9\% (10) | 85.5\% (290) |
|  | Total | 3.6\% (41) | 4.4\% (50) | 1.8\% (20) | 90.2\% (1,021) |
| Field Hockey | Females | 2.4\% (19) | 1.5\% (12) | 0.6\% (5) | 95.5\% (757) |
|  | Males | 5.3\% (18) | 3.2\% (11) | 2.1\% (7) | 89.4\% (303) |
|  | Total | 3.3\% (37) | 2.0\% (23) | 1.1\% (12) | 93.6\% (1,060) |
| Football | Females | 6.4\% (51) | 3.4\% (27) | 3.0\% (24) | 87.1\% (689) |
|  | Males | 21.1\% (72) | 7.3\% (25) | 14.3\% (49) | 57.3\% (196) |
|  | Total | 10.9\% (123) | 4.6\% (52) | 6.4\% (73) | 78.1\% (885) |

Table 9 Continued
Athletic Interest


Table 9 Continued
Athletic Interest

|  |  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rugby | Females | 2.7\% (21) | 1.3\% (10) | 1.0\% (8) | 95.1\% (753) |
|  | Males | 5.3\% (18) | 3.8\% (13) | 2.4\% (8) | 88.5\% (300) |
|  | Total | 3.4\% (39) | 2.0\% (23) | 1.4\% (16) | 93.1\% (1,053) |
| Sand Volleyball | Females | 15.3\% (121) | 9.4\% (74) | 5.7\% (45) | 69.7\% (551) |
|  | Males | 12.9\% (44) | 7.4\% (25) | 5.9\% (20) | 73.8\% (251) |
|  | Total | 14.6\% (165) | 8.8\% (99) | 5.7\% (65) | 70.9\% (802) |
| Skiing (Snow) | Females | 4.3\% (34) | 4.4\% (35) | 1.4\% (11) | 89.9\% (714) |
|  | Males | 6.8\% (23) | 4.1\% (14) | 3.3\% (11) | 85.8\% (290) |
|  | Total | 5.0\% (57) | 4.3\% (49) | 1.9\% (22) | 88.7\% (1,004) |
| Soccer | Females | 9.3\% (74) | 4.7\% (37) | 4.4\% (35) | 81.6\% (646) |
|  | Males | 12.6\% (43) | 7.4\% (25) | 5.9\% (20) | 73.8\% (251) |
|  | Total | 10.3\% (117) | 4.9\% (55) | 4.5\% (51) | 80.3\% (910) |
| Softball | Females | 13.1\% (104) | 4.7\% (37) | 4.4\% (35) | 81.6\% (646) |
|  | Males | 11.7\% (40) | 2.9\% (10) | 1.5\% (5) | 83.9\% (286) |
|  | Total | 12.7\% (144) | 4.7\% (53) | 6.2\% (70) | 76.4\% (866) |
| Swimming \& Diving | Females | 9.2\% (73) | 5.5\% (44) | 4.3\% (34) | 81.0\% (642) |
|  | Males | 8.8\% (30) | 8.5\% (29) | 2.4\% (8) | 80.3\% (273) |
|  | Total | 9.1\% (103) | 6.4\% (73) | 3.7\% (42) | 80.8\% (915) |

Table 9 Continued
Athletic Interest

|  |  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tennis | Females | 11.2\% (89) | 6.9\% (55) | 4.0\% (32) | 77.8\% (617) |
|  | Males | 10.0\% (34) | 6.2\% (21) | 3.8\% (13) | 80.1\% (273) |
|  | Total | 10.8\% (123) | 6.7\% (76) | 4.0\% (45) | 78.5\% (890) |
| Triathalon | Females | 3.2\% (25) | 1.8\% (14) | 1.0\% (8) | 94.0\% (742) |
|  | Males | 3.2\% (11) | 2.6\% (9) | 2.4\% (8) | 91.8\% (312) |
|  | Total | 3.2\% (36) | 2.0\% (23) | 1.4\% (16) | 93.4\% (1,054) |
| Track \& Field | Females | 7.0\% (56) | 6.3\% (50) | 5.1\% (41) | 81.6\% (650) |
|  | Males | 7.6\% (26) | 4.4\% (15) | 10.3\% (35) | 77.7\% (265) |
|  | Total | 7.2\% (82) | 5.7\% (65) | 6.7\% (76) | 80.4\% (915) |
| Tumbling | Females | 7.3\% (58) | 7.7\% (61) | 3.9\% (31) | 81.1\% (642) |
|  | Males | 2.3\% (8) | 3.5\% (12) | 2.1\% (7) | 92.1\% (314) |
|  | Total | 5.8\% (66) | 6.4\% (73) | 3.4\% (38) | 84.4\% (956) |
| Volleyball | Females | 14.5\% (115) | 10.9\% (86) | 9.8\% (78) | 64.8\% (513) |
|  | Males | 13.8\% (47) | 4.7\% (16) | 4.1\% (14) | 77.4\% (264) |
|  | Total | 14.3\% (162) | 9.0\% (102) | 8.1\% (92) | 68.6\% (777) |
| Water Polo | Females | 3.2\% (25) | 1.0\% (8) | 1.0\% (8) | 94.8\% (751) |
|  | Males | 3.2\% (11) | 2.1\% (7) | 2.4\% (8) | 92.4\% (314) |
|  | Total | 3.2\% (36) | 1.3\% (15) | 1.4\% (16) | 94.1\% (1,065) |

Table 9 Continued

| Athletic Interest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |  |  |
| Wrestling | Females | $1.9 \%(15)$ | $0.9 \%(7)$ | $0.8 \%(6)$ | $96.5 \%(763)$ |  |  |
|  | Males | $5.0 \%(17)$ | $5.0 \%(17$ | $5.3 \%(18)$ | $84.8 \%(370)$ |  |  |
|  | Total | $2.8 \%(32)$ | $2.1 \%(24)$ | $2.1 \%(24)$ | $92.9 \%(1,052)$ |  |  |

Students were then asked if they had previously participated in organized sports. Overall, $68.5 \%$ ( $\mathrm{n}=789$ ) of respondents had participated in organized sports, with $75.1 \%(n=262)$ of males and $65.7 \%(n=527)$ of the females. Those students who indicated they had participated in organized sports were then asked at what level for each of the sports they had participated. Below are the results of that question.

Athletic Participation

|  |  | letic Participation |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | High School Varsity | Junior High School Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not Participate |
| Baseball | Females | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 8 | 489 |
|  | Males | 18 | 54 | 9 | 2 | 42 | 122 |
|  | Total | 19 | 57 | 11 | 5 | 50 | 611 |
| Basketball | Females | 17 | 52 | 14 | 8 | 58 | 359 |
|  | Males | 20 | 42 | 8 | 9 | 49 | 121 |
|  | Total | 37 | 94 | 22 | 17 | 106 | 480 |
| Bowling | Females | 2 | 10 | 5 | 7 | 36 | 449 |
|  | Males | 0 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 41 | 190 |
|  | Total | 2 | 16 | 10 | 13 | 77 | 639 |
| Cheerleading | Females | 26 | 80 | 18 | 10 | 47 | 326 |
|  | Males | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 244 |
|  | Total | 26 | 82 | 19 | 10 | 48 | 570 |
| Cross Country | Females | 14 | 19 | 9 | 3 | 8 | 454 |
|  | Males | 11 | 15 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 215 |
|  | Total | 25 | 34 | 10 | 3 | 15 | 669 |


|  |  | High School Varsity | Junior High School Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not Participate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Equestrian | Females | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 11 | 485 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 246 |
|  | Total | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 13 | 731 |
| Fencing | Females | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 501 |
|  | Males | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 242 |
|  | Total | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 743 |
| Field Hockey | Females | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 499 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 244 |
|  | Total | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 743 |
| Football | Females | 4 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 483 |
|  | Males | 24 | 90 | 6 | 10 | 34 | 86 |
|  | Total | 28 | 92 | 9 | 16 | 43 | 569 |
| Golf | Females | 1 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 9 | 486 |
|  | Males | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 25 | 208 |
|  | Total | 2 | 11 | 5 | 8 | 34 | 694 |
| Gymnastics | Females | 4 | 5 | 24 | 11 | 50 | 415 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 237 |
|  | Total | 4 | 5 | 25 | 11 | 60 | 652 |
| Ice Hockey | Females | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 501 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 241 |
|  | Total | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 742 |


|  |  | High School Varsity | Junior High School Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not Participate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Lacrosse | Females | 2 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 497 |
|  | Males | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 235 |
|  | Total | 3 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 732 |
| Rifle | Females | 1 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 489 |
|  | Males | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 22 | 216 |
|  | Total | 2 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 28 | 705 |
| Rowing | Females | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 501 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 243 |
|  | Total | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 744 |
| Rugby | Females | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 50 |
|  | Males | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 234 |
|  | Total | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 12 | 734 |
| Sand Volleyball | Females | 1 | 3 | 17 | 9 | 43 | 435 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 25 | 218 |
|  | Total | 1 | 3 | 21 | 10 | 68 | 653 |
| Skiing (Snow) | Females | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 14 | 485 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 237 |
|  | Total | 2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 25 | 722 |
| Soccer | Females | 7 | 46 | 17 | 11 | 34 | 396 |
|  | Males | 10 | 20 | 8 | 4 | 28 | 178 |
|  | Total | 17 | 66 | 25 | 15 | 62 | 574 |


|  |  | High School Varsity | Junior High School Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not Participate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Softball | Females | 27 | 61 | 17 | 8 | 71 | 325 |
|  | Males | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 12 | 228 |
|  | Total | 29 | 61 | 18 | 13 | 83 | 553 |
| Swimming \& Diving | Females | 3 | 18 | 9 | 5 | 43 | 430 |
|  | Males | 1 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 27 | 213 |
|  | Total | 4 | 21 | 13 | 5 | 70 | 643 |
| Tennis | Females | 5 | 15 | 7 | 4 | 26 | 449 |
|  | Males | 0 | 11 | 0 | 2 | 16 | 218 |
|  | Total | 5 | 26 | 7 | 6 | 42 | 667 |
| Triathalon | Females | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 496 |
|  | Males | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 240 |
|  | Total | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 8 | 736 |
| Track \& Field | Females | 29 | 64 | 7 | 6 | 23 | 382 |
|  | Males | 8 | 54 | 4 | 3 | 12 | 168 |
|  | Total | 37 | 118 | 11 | 9 | 35 | 550 |
| Tumbling | Females | 4 | 20 | 19 | 4 | 37 | 426 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 243 |
|  | Total | 4 | 20 | 20 | 4 | 41 | 669 |
| Volleyball | Females | 29 | 73 | 18 | 11 | 47 | 331 |
|  | Males | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 33 | 206 |
|  | Total | 31 | 73 | 20 | 16 | 80 | 573 |


|  |  | High School <br> Varsity | Junior High <br> School <br> Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not <br> Participate |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Water Polo | Females | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 500 |
|  | Males | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 245 |
|  | Total | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 745 |
| Wrestling | Females | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 502 |
|  | Males | 4 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 223 |
|  | Total | 5 | 13 | 4 | 2 | 7 | 725 |

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## Appendix A

Entering Freshman Survey

1. On a scale of 1 through 5 , indicate the level to which each of the following influenced your decision to attend Southeastern Louisiana University rather than another university.
Visits by Southeastern's admissions staff at your high school
College publications (catalogs, brochures, etc.)
Communications about financial aid (not the aid decision)
Visit to Southeastern's campus
Contact with Southeastern's students and graduates
Accessing the Southeastern website
Information about Southeastern in the newspaper, on television or on the
radio
College guide books and/or rankings such as Peterson's or U.S. News and
World Report
U.S. Department of Education's College Navigator website
2. On a scale of 1 through 5, indicate how important each reason was in your decision to attend Southeastern Louisiana University. I decided to attend Southeastern Louisiana University rather than another institution because:

|  | 1- Not at all Important | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 - Very Important |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Southeastern has a good degree program in the field I want to study | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Southeastern is the university closest to my home | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | , |
| Southeastern's cost is lower than other schools I considered | $0$ |  |  |  |  |
| Southeastern has a good academic reputation | $0$ |  |  |  | ) |
| I met the admission requirements at Southeastern | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Southeastern offered me a scholarship | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | ) |
| Southeastern seemed to be a friendly place | $J$ |  |  |  |  |
| My parents have a good opinion of Southeastern | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Southeastern's size seemed right for me | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| My friends and/or relatives recommended Southeastern | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| I expect to be more successful in my courses at Southeastern than at another university | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| My high school teachers or advisors recommended Southeastern | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | ) |
| I visited the Southeastern campus and really liked it | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| The campus is far enough away from home so I do not have to live at home | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Some of my friends decided to attend Southeastern | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | O |

## 3. What is your goal in attending Southeastern?

No definite goal in mindTake a few courses in order to learn specific job skills or for my own personal interestTake a few courses and then transfer to another universityObtain a degree from SoutheasternOther (please specify)
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4. On a scale of 1 through 5 , indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each statement.
I am a capable, self-reliant person.
I know my own capabilities and interests.
I meet deadlines.
I take responsibility for my own actions.
I interact comfortably with others who are different from myself.
I have strong leadership and management skills.
I am dependable and punctual.
I accept new responsibilities willingly.
I place great importance on being active in public and community affairs.
I have the capacity to begin and sustain important interpersonal relationships.
I have financial problems, and the need to earn money will probably hinder my
studies.
My studying is irregular and unpredictable.
I am very committed to finishing college, no matter what problems I encounter.
I have family commitments that may interfere with my studies.
I can think of many things I would rather do than go to college.
I dread the thought of going to school for several more years.
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5. On a scale of 1 through 5, indicate the level of confidence you feel regarding each skill or ability. How confident are you in your:

|  | 1 - Not at All <br> Confident | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 - Very Confident |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ability to write well | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Ability to speak effectively | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Ability to comprehend reading material and to analyze its meaning | $0$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Ability to use logic and critical thinking skills | $\circlearrowleft$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Ability to see relationships, similarities and distinctions between ideas | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Ability to apply problem solving techniques | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Ability to use mathematical and statistical concepts and tools | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Understanding the nature of science and the scientific method | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | ) |
| Familiarity with key applications of the basic sciences | $\circlearrowright$ |  |  |  | ) |
| Ability to learn on your own, to pursue ideas and to find the information you need | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Recognition of the value of coming into contact with people different from you | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  |  |
| Understanding the nature and value of at least one of the performing arts | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Wider acquaintance with and enjoyment of literature | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |
| Personal set of values and ethical standards | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | ) |
| Awareness of how political and economic trends impact families and communities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Awareness of historical trends which influence current events | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | ) |
| Ability to utilize computers | $\bigcirc$ |  |  |  | $\bigcirc$ |

6. For each of the following sports, please indicate at what level you would be interested in participating.

|  | Intramural | Club | Varsity | Not Interested |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baseball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Basketball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Bowling |  | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Cheerleading | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Cross Country | $\checkmark$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\circlearrowright$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Equestrian | $\circlearrowright$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Fencing | $\smile$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\circlearrowright$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Field Hockey | $0$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Football | $\bigcirc$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $0$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Golf | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Gymnastics | $J$ | $\checkmark$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Ice Hockey | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Lacrosse | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rifle | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rowing | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rugby | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Sand Volleyball | $\circlearrowleft$ | $0$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Skiing (Snow) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Soccer | $0$ | $\circlearrowleft$ | $0$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Softball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Swimming \& Diving | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Tennis | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Triathalon | $0$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Track \& Field | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Volleyball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Water Polo | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Wrestling | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Tumbling | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

7. Have you previously participated in organized sports?
$\bigcirc$ No $\bigcirc \mathrm{Yes}$
8. For each of the following sports, please indicate at what level you previously participated.

|  | High School Junior Varsity | High School Varsity | Club | Intramural | Recreational | Did Not <br> Participate in this Sport |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Baseball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Basketball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Bowling | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Cheerleading | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Cross Country | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Equestrian | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Fencing | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Field Hockey | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Football | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Golf | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Gymnastics | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Ice Hockey | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Lacrosse | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rifle | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rowing | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Rugby | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Sand Volleyball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Skiing (Snow) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Soccer | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Softball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Swimming \& Diving | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Tennis | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Triathalon | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Track \& Field | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Volleyball | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Water Polo | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Wrestling | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Tumbling | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |


9. For each of the following areas, please indicate whether or not you think you might seek assistance while at Southeastern.
Deciding my educational and occupational plans
Expressing my ideas in writing
Improving my reading speed and comprehension
Improving my study skills
Improving my mathematical skills
Improving my ability to speak in public
Improving my ability to think critically
Personal concerns
10. While attending Southeastern, how much time do you expect to spend studying outside of class?3 hours or less a week10-12 hours a week
19-21 hours a week4-6 hours a week13-15 hours a week7-9 hours a week16-18 hours a week
11. For each of the following activities, please indicated on the left whether or not you participated in high school, and on the right, whether or not you plan to participate at Southeastern.

|  | High School | Southeastern |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Instrumental Music |  |  |
| Vocal Music |  |  |
| Student Government |  |  |
| Publications (Newspaper, Yearbook) |  |  |
| Debate |  |  |
| Departmental Clubs |  |  |
| Dramatics, Theater |  |  |
| Religious Organizations |  |  |
| Racial or Ethnic Organizations |  |  |
| Intramural Athletics |  |  |
| Varsity Athletics |  |  |
| Political Organizations |  |  |
| Radio, TV |  |  |
| Fraternity or Sorority |  |  |
| Special-interest groups (writing group, rodeo, etc.) |  |  |
| Campus or community service organizations |  |  |

12. While attending Southeastern, do you plan to be employed?

13. Will your employment be on campus (e.g. work study) or off campus?

I do not plan to be employed
I I plan to have a job on campus

- I plan to have a job off campus
- I plan to be employed both on and off campus

14. How far do you travel (one way) to Southeastern's main campus?

I live on campusBetween 5 and 10 miles
Between 21 and 30 miles
Less than 5 miles
Between 11 and 20 miles

More than 30 miles

## 15. What is your current marital status?

$\bigcirc$ Never married $\bigcirc$ Currently married $\bigcirc$ Previously married
16. Have you applied for financial aid at Southeastern?
$\bigcirc \mathrm{No} \bigcirc \mathrm{Yes}$
17. How many children under the age of 18 do you have?None $\qquad$ One $\qquad$ Two $\qquad$ Three $\qquad$ Four or More
18. Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?Yes $\qquad$ No
19. Please indicate your parents' highest levels of education.

Highest Education
Father

Mother

