

### Statistical Comparisons

<i>Item wording or description</i>	Statistical Comparisons	
	Southeastern <i>Mean</i>	Masters L <i>Mean</i>
<b>1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?</b>	<i>(1=Never, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Very often)</i>	
a. Studied when there were other interesting things to do	2.7	2.7
b. Found additional information for course assignments when you didn't understand the material	2.8	2.8
c. Participated in course discussions, even when you didn't feel like it	2.5	2.6 *
d. Asked instructors for help when you struggled with course assignments	2.5	2.6 *
e. Finished something you have started when you encountered challenges	3.0	3.1
f. Stayed positive, even when you did poorly on a test or assignment	2.9	2.9
<b>2. During the current school year, how difficult have the following been for you?</b>	<i>(1=Not at All Difficult, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6=Very Difficult)</i>	
a. Learning course material	3.4	3.4
b. Managing your time	3.7	3.8
c. Getting help with school work	2.7	2.9
d. Interacting with faculty	2.6	2.7
<b>3. During the current school year, about how often have you sought help with coursework from the following sources?<sup>1</sup></b>	<i>(1=Never, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Very often)</i>	
a. Faculty members	2.1	2.2 **
b. Academic advisors	2.0	1.8 ***
c. Learning support services (tutoring, writing center, success coaching, etc.)	1.9	1.9
d. Friends or other students	2.7	2.8
e. Family members	2.1	2.0
f. Other persons or offices	1.5	1.6
<b>4a. During the current school year, have you seriously considered leaving this institution?</b>	20%	30% ***
<b>4b. [If answered "yes"] Why did you consider leaving? (Select all that apply.)</b>		
Academics are too difficult	37%	15%
Academics are too easy	2%	6%
Other academic issues (major not offered, course availability, advising, credit transfer, etc.)	10%	16%
Financial concerns (costs or financial aid)	40%	34%
To change your career options (transfer to another school or program, military service, etc.)	17%	19%
Difficulty managing demands of school and work	22%	15%
Too much emphasis on partying	0%	7%
Not enough opportunities to socialize and have fun	13%	18%
Relations with faculty and staff	2%	9%
Relations with other students	9%	19%
Campus climate, location, or culture	21%	25%
Unsafe or hostile environment	2%	6%
Personal reasons (family issues, physical or mental health, homesickness, stress, etc.)	32%	39%
<b>5. How important is it to you that you graduate from this institution?</b>	<i>(1=Not at All Important, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6=Very Important)</i>	
	5.1	5.0

\*p<.05, \*\*p<.01, \*\*\*p<.001 (2-tailed)