

Quick statistics

Survey 613749 'Western Survey of Non-Returning Students'

Results

Survey 613749

Number of records in this query:	288
Total records in survey:	288
Percentage of total:	100.00%

Summary for Intent

When you enrolled at Western, was your intent to:

Answer	Count	Percentage
Earn a degree from Western (1)	245	85.07%
Transfer to another institution (2)	29	10.07%
Take classes without earning a degree from any institution (3)	6	2.08%
No answer	1	0.35%
Not completed or Not displayed	7	2.43%

Summary for Intent2

Have you enrolled at the institution to which you intended to transfer?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	24	8.33%
No (2)	5	1.74%
No answer	0	0.00%
Not completed or Not displayed	259	89.93%

Summary for Return

How likely is it that you will return to Western to continue your education?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Very unlikely (1)	136	47.22%
Somewhat unlikely (2)	20	6.94%
I am unsure (3)	32	11.11%
Somewhat likely (4)	15	5.21%
Very likely (5)	77	26.74%
No answer	1	0.35%
Not completed or Not displayed	7	2.43%

Summary for NotEnrICat

Which of the following categories describe the most important reasons why you did not return to Western this fall?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Finances (1)	113	39.24%
Academics (2)	98	34.03%
Western's environment or location (3)	67	23.26%
Family or personal (4)	112	38.89%
Community and connectedness (5)	74	25.69%
Other (7)	63	21.88%
Not completed or Not displayed	10	3.47%

Summary for NotEnrIAcd

Which academic reasons were important in your decision not to return to Western this fall? Check all that apply.

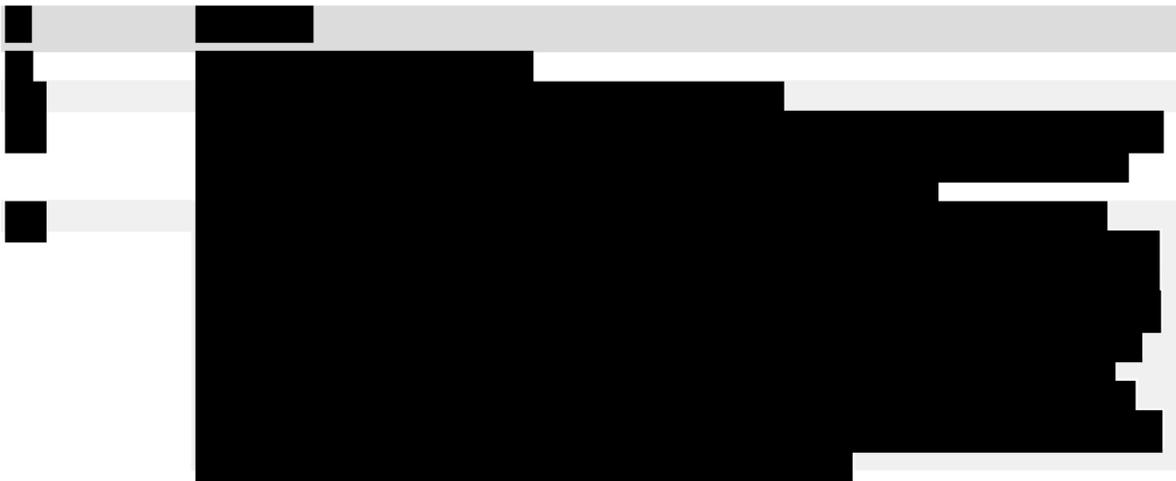
Answer	Count	Percentage
I achieved my goals and felt no more need to attend (1)	1	0.35%
I wanted to complete GURs at another college (2)	7	2.43%
Another school has a better reputation (3)	15	5.21%
I struggled academically at Western (4)	30	10.42%
I didn't feel challenged by the courses I took at Western (5)	13	4.51%
I was unsure of what I wanted to study (6)	24	8.33%
Western doesn't offer the major program that interests me (7)	31	10.76%
I was not able to declare the major I was interested in (8)	11	3.82%
It was too hard to get the classes I needed (9)	23	7.99%
Classes were too big (10)	10	3.47%
The curriculum was not inclusive (11)	10	3.47%
Other	15	5.21%
Not completed or Not displayed	195	67.71%



Summary for NotEnrIClass

Why was it too hard to get the classes you needed? Check all that apply.

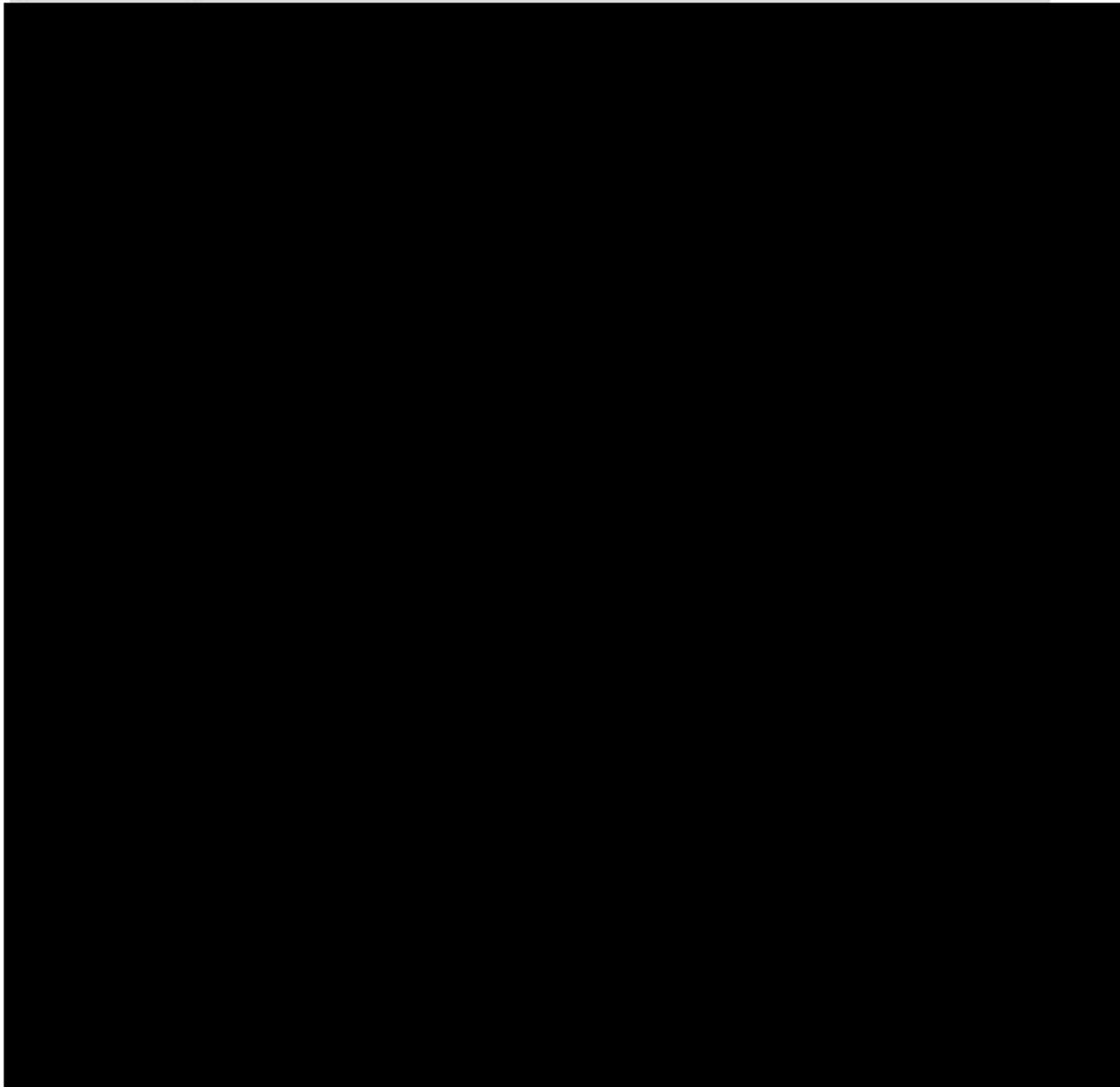
Answer	Count	Percentage
They were full (1)	17	5.90%
They had prerequisites that I had not completed (2)	9	3.12%
They were at conflicting times (3)	11	3.82%
They were not taught by the professors I wanted (4)	5	1.74%
Not enough online courses were offered (5)	6	2.08%
They were not offered frequently (6)	16	5.56%
Other	4	1.39%
Not completed or Not displayed	265	92.01%



Summary for NotEnrIEnvLoc

Which environment or location reasons were important in your decision not to return to Western this fall?
Check all that apply.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Western is too big (1)	3	1.04%
Western is too small (2)	15	5.21%
I disliked the weather, recreation opportunities, or location in general (3)	21	7.29%
I wanted to be closer to home (4)	26	9.03%
I wanted to be further from home (5)	4	1.39%
I was unhappy with my housing situation (6)	29	10.07%
Western did not offer the support resources I needed (7)	16	5.56%
Other	18	6.25%
Not completed or Not displayed	224	77.78%



Summary for NotEnrIPrsnl

Which family or personal reasons were important in your decision not to return to Western this fall? Check all that apply.

Answer	Count	Percentage
I lacked social support at Western (1)	29	10.07%
Someone in my family needed assistance (2)	22	7.64%
I wanted to be with friends or a significant other (3)	22	7.64%
I had personal medical reasons (4)	18	6.25%
I was struggling with mental health issues (5)	59	20.49%
I didn't fit in at Western (6)	27	9.38%
I wanted to do something or go somewhere new and different (7)	20	6.94%
I wanted to serve in the military (8)	1	0.35%
While I was at Western I experienced crime, violence, or sexual violence (9)	4	1.39%
Other	20	6.94%
Not completed or Not displayed	180	62.50%

ID	Response
7	Family pressure
117	I had a lot going on near registration and the beginning of the quarter
119	I didn't have the systems and habits built up to allow for success
131	Would rather not say
149	My mom died suddenly and traumatically and I wanted to be with family. I completed my work just didn't do the final graduation ceremony/papers.
159	I have no family to rely on for financial assistance
162	I felt like I was dragging my feet in finishing my degree. I can't pay for higher education with this much uncertainty, especially when it's not even my own money.
164	financial aid ran out
165	Job opportunity
177	Focusing on working/making money
181	See previous answer.
183	i was kicked out of my parents house and no longer receive support from my family
193	Western made me feel awkward, uncomfortable, and out of place especially pertaining to race, culture, clubs, events, and administrative outreach checking in on me
210	I had some family issues arise, and I wanted to be closer to home to feel more connected and provide help where I could.
220	wanted to address ADHD diagnosis
241	My mother retired from the military and wanted to move back to california.
246	I was only 3 credits away from graduating with my minor, and found it cheaper to transfer credits from another institution.
247	While at Western there was racism towards all students, and with the Palestine conflict a lot of racism was directed towards white and Jewish students. And although the lgbtq+ community was very welcoming, it tended to exclude non-queer students and assume people's backgrounds or stories. I saw a lot of white students speaking for minority students instead of letting them shares their experiences or just supporting them. Just all around, the campus felt very inclusive, and yet so exclusive at the same time. Students are outspoken and progressive, but they can also be assumptious and mean to one another. I think these are some reasons why the campus can feel alienating or intimidating to some.
276	Family wanted me closer
278	My grandmother passed away during spring quarter along with my childhood dog and cat too much death while doing finals

Summary for NotEnrIPrsnlCom

Which reasons regarding community and connectedness were important in your decision not to return to Western this fall?

Answer	Count	Percentage
I did not find a connection or community at Western (1)	56	19.44%
My identity was not supported at Western (2)	8	2.78%
I did not feel a sense of belonging at Western (3)	51	17.71%
I did not feel safe on campus (4)	12	4.17%
My whole self was not supported at Western (5)	16	5.56%
There was lack of diversity at Western (7)	18	6.25%
I was treated poorly by Western's faculty and staff (8)	12	4.17%
Other	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	218	75.69%

ID	Response
78	No one was outgoing or wanted to make friends, everyone that I met has transferred. Horrible food for the amount of money I wasted on the school. Like actually do better. I will never pay that amount of money for that type of shitty food again. There was nothing to do outside of school and classes, i felt like no one wanted to have go out and explore or make new friends. Everyone is introverted. Most of my professors wrre nice but some of the workload in classes was insane. Which I understand because we only take three classes but come on, I was majorly stressing about it every week. Definitely just not the place for me. But I can understand how it might be for others.
162	Seeing the same names and faces, which is natural within a department and/or major, is just very disturbing for me.
193	Your campus needs more diversity in staff, clubs, events, advising, courses, curriculum, assignments, and publicity/marketing because people like me are basically invisible and it makes us shut down and distance ourselves frankly because we don't want to advocate for what other campuses already have so we transfer and leave or drop out

Summary for ReturnFactors

What factors would make it more likely for you to return to Western?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Improved personal circumstances (1)	63	21.88%
Improved access to mental healthcare services (2)	20	6.94%
Increased financial aid to pay tuition/fees (3)	50	17.36%
Increased financial support to pay for rent/food (4)	39	13.54%
Individualized support services (academic/career advising) (5)	21	7.29%
More support for my identity (identity-based groups/programs) (6)	4	1.39%
More flexible course modalities (online/hybrid) (7)	28	9.72%
More flexible course scheduling (evenings/weekends) (8)	15	5.21%
Other	18	6.25%
Not completed or Not displayed	160	55.56%

ID	Response
4	I already have re-applied
25	A sports scholarship
35	Study Abroad Opportunities
41	I won't be returning because I'll be graduating in December.
49	Once my maternity leave is over. Just taking 2 quarters off to bond with my baby.
63	I have already finished enough credits to apply for graduation. I just need to apply for graduation this quarter.
65	I will be returning this winter.
69	Me failing my K grade courses
83	I am already planning on returning to Western for Winter quarter.
117	I will be returning
128	When I finish my internship
136	Getting into pre major with portfolio
137	No reason. I am planning on coming back.
169	Nothing, just college isn't for me.
177	Im coming back next quarter
201	I am done playing soccer
204	I am already registered for my last classes
237	Receive my previous financial aid from spring quarter that I never had the chance to gain back no matter how many times I tried

Summary for Principal

What is currently your principal activity?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Paid employment (1)	91	31.60%
Student at another institution (2)	122	42.36%
Military service (3)	0	0.00%
Volunteer activity (e.g. Peace Corps) (4)	2	0.69%
Starting or raising a family (5)	1	0.35%
Unemployed and/or looking for employment (6)	18	6.25%
Personal or family health issues (7)	11	3.82%
Other	10	3.47%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	30	10.42%

ID	Response
10	School and work!
49	Spending time with my baby.
63	I'm on a break.
136	Biking around Japan
151	In the process of transferring
183	working full time while enrolled at EVCC
230	school at a better institution
244	Student waiting to enroll in classes
281	Working full time
284	Part-time worker and continuing my education at my local Community College.

Summary for jobperm

Is your job permanent?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	31	10.76%
No (2)	54	18.75%
No answer	1	0.35%
Not completed or Not displayed	202	70.14%

Summary for jobindustry

In which industry/field do you work?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Accounting (1)	0	0.00%
Agriculture/Natural Resources/Environment (2)	0	0.00%
Arts/Design/Planning (3)	0	0.00%
Communication (4)	0	0.00%
Computer Science/Statistics (5)	0	0.00%
Consulting (6)	0	0.00%
Education/Teaching (7)	8	2.78%
Engineering (8)	1	0.35%
Financial Services (9)	3	1.04%
Food service (10)	31	10.76%
Government (11)	1	0.35%
Health care (12)	6	2.08%
Hospitality/Travel (13)	3	1.04%
Law enforcement (14)	0	0.00%
Legal (15)	0	0.00%
Management/Administration (16)	0	0.00%
Marketing/Sales (17)	2	0.69%
Non-profit (18)	0	0.00%
Politics (19)	0	0.00%
Research (20)	0	0.00%
Retail (21)	10	3.47%
Social Services (22)	3	1.04%
Supply Chain (23)	0	0.00%
Other (24)	14	4.86%
No answer	4	1.39%
Not completed or Not displayed	202	70.14%

Summary for jobloccity

Where is your job located?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Answer	62	21.53%
No answer	24	8.33%
Not completed or Not displayed	202	70.14%

ID	Response
1	Federal way WA
3	Seattle
16	Bellingham
21	Washington
23	N/A
24	Bellingham
29	Bellingham
35	Bainbridge Island
36	Bellingham
38	Burlington, WA
40	Marysville, Wa
41	1835 Barkley Blvd Ste 105
42	Bellingham, WA
43	Mount Vernon
47	Bellingham
48	Animal Kingdom, Orlando Florida
52	Boulder, CO
55	Bellevue, WA
59	On Meridian
67	Downtown Bellingham
69	See previous answer
70	Issaquah
74	Bellingham
82	Mackinac Island, Michigan
88	Edmonds, WA
93	Viking commons
107	Bellingham
113	Lakewood, WA
117	Meridian Street
118	Bellingham
124	federal way
126	1206 Cornwall Ave Bellingham Wa
128	Orlando
133	Bellingham
134	Downtown Bellingham
135	Bellingham
138	Bellingham
149	NA
156	5612 176th St E, Puyallup, WA
158	Easthampton, MA
159	Seattle
161	East Wenatchee, Washington
163	1122 post Ave, seattle wa 98101
164	3230 Meridian St, Bellingham, WA 98225
169	Bow, WA
176	Bellingham Wa
178	Seattle, WA
184	Redmond
192	Burlington
198	Bellingham, WA
199	Ferndale, WA

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205	Tukwila Washington
207	Mount Vernon, WA
228	Richland, Washington
229	N/a
237	32025 Pacific Hwy S Federal Way, WA 98003
242	Sumner
272	Bellis Fair Mall
249	Bellevue WA
252	Mount Vernon
265	Lynnwood, Washington
274	In Bellingham

Summary for AttendAfter

Since you left Western, have you attended another school?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	14	4.86%
No (2)	116	40.28%
No answer	1	0.35%
Not completed or Not displayed	157	54.51%

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Summary for AttendSchool

Which school are you attending, or have you attended since you left Western? If you have attended more than one, choose the school you attended immediately after Western.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Bellevue College (1)	6	2.08%
Bellingham Technical College (2)	4	1.39%
Boise State University (3)	1	0.35%
Cascadia Community College (4)	0	0.00%
Clark College (5)	2	0.69%
Central Washington University (6)	5	1.74%
Eastern Washington University (7)	2	0.69%
Everett Community College (8)	7	2.43%
Evergreen State College (9)	2	0.69%
Green River Community College (10)	0	0.00%
Gonzaga University (11)	1	0.35%
Lewis & Clark College (12)	0	0.00%
Linfield College (13)	0	0.00%
Olympic College (14)	0	0.00%
Oregon State University (15)	2	0.69%
Pacific Lutheran University (16)	1	0.35%
Portland State University (17)	0	0.00%
Seattle Pacific University (18)	1	0.35%
Seattle University (19)	0	0.00%
Skagit Valley College (20)	3	1.04%
University of British Columbia (21)	0	0.00%
University of Colorado at Boulder (22)	0	0.00%
University of Montana (23)	0	0.00%
University of Oregon (24)	1	0.35%
University of Portland (25)	1	0.35%
University of Puget Sound (26)	0	0.00%
University of Washington (27)	16	5.56%
Washington State University (28)	12	4.17%
Whatcom Community College (29)	7	2.43%
Whitman College (30)	0	0.00%
Willamette University (31)	0	0.00%
Other	59	20.49%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	152	52.78%

ID	Response
5	evergreen beauty school
6	TSPA Whitehouse
11	Colorado State University
14	UBC
18	West Chester University of PA
25	Multnomah Campus of Jessup
26	University of Hull in the UK (my home institution)
44	University of Alaska Fairbanks
45	Pierce College
51	Otago polytechnic
54	Lake Washington Institute of Technology
56	University of Guelph
62	Cornish College of Art
78	university of hawaii
79	Highline College
80	international christian univ
81	Humber College
88	Shoreline Community College
91	University of Maryland

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99	Chapman University
101	University of Maryland Global Campus
105	Perdue global university
111	Westchester University
112	University of hawaii
114	University of Idaho
123	Portland State
130	University of Arizona
140	Akita International University
144	University of Minnesota Duluth
152	Tsuda University
153	None, taking a gap semester.
154	Front Range Community College
157	Universidad Alfonso X el Sabio
175	WGU
180	Montana State University
189	University of Nevada Las Vegas
190	Pennsylvania College of Technology
194	univeristy of Geneva
201	The evergreen state college
210	Northwestern Michigan College
212	Missouri State University
213	DigiPen Institute of Technology
214	Arizona State University
219	edmonds college
235	university of alaska anchorage
238	Oregon State University
240	Temple university, Japan
241	Westmont
242	University of Arizona
246	University of Phoenix
250	Spokane Falls CC
254	DePaul University
262	Arizona state university online
268	University of Southern California
275	South Puget Sound Community College
282	Seattle Central College
284	South Puget Sound Community College
287	University of California Santa Cruz

Summary for AttendStill

Are you still enrolled at a higher education institution?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	125	43.40%
No (2)	8	2.78%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	152	52.78%

Summary for AttendCompleteb

Have you completed a degree or certificate since you last attended Western?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	8	2.78%
No (2)	240	83.33%
No answer	4	1.39%
Not completed or Not displayed	36	12.50%

Summary for SeekDegree

What degree are you working towards?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Certificate (1)	3	1.04%
Associate's (2)	23	7.99%
Bachelor's (3)	177	61.46%
Other (4)	4	1.39%
None (5)	23	7.99%
No answer	2	0.69%
Not completed or Not displayed	56	19.44%

Summary for EarnedDegree

What degree did you earn?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Certificate (1)	4	1.39%
Associate's (2)	0	0.00%
Bachelor's (3)	4	1.39%
Other (4)	0	0.00%
None (5)	0	0.00%
No answer	0	0.00%
Not completed or Not displayed	280	97.22%

Summary for Belonging(1)[I feel valued as an individual at Western.]

Based over your experience this past year, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the statements below.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly disagree (1)	22	7.64%
Disagree (2)	37	12.85%
Neither agree nor disagree (3)	72	25.00%
Agree (4)	92	31.94%
Strongly agree (5)	23	7.99%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	39	13.54%

Summary for Belonging(2)[I feel I belong at Western.]

Based over your experience this past year, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the statements below.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly disagree (1)	33	11.46%
Disagree (2)	57	19.79%
Neither agree nor disagree (3)	65	22.57%
Agree (4)	67	23.26%
Strongly agree (5)	24	8.33%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	39	13.54%

Summary for Belonging(3)[I have considered leaving Western because I felt isolated or unwelcomed.]

Based over your experience this past year, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the statements below.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly disagree (1)	50	17.36%
Disagree (2)	66	22.92%
Neither agree nor disagree (3)	45	15.62%
Agree (4)	54	18.75%
Strongly agree (5)	32	11.11%
No answer	2	0.69%
Not completed or Not displayed	39	13.54%

Summary for Belonging(4)[Western is a place where I am able to perform up to my potential.]

Based over your experience this past year, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the statements below.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly disagree (1)	26	9.03%
Disagree (2)	50	17.36%
Neither agree nor disagree (3)	71	24.65%
Agree (4)	85	29.51%
Strongly agree (5)	15	5.21%
No answer	2	0.69%
Not completed or Not displayed	39	13.54%

Summary for Belonging(5)[I have found one or more communities or groups where I feel I belong at Western.]

Based over your experience this past year, please indicate your level of agreement with each of the statements below.

Answer	Count	Percentage
Strongly disagree (1)	31	10.76%
Disagree (2)	59	20.49%
Neither agree nor disagree (3)	62	21.53%
Agree (4)	76	26.39%
Strongly agree (5)	18	6.25%
No answer	3	1.04%
Not completed or Not displayed	39	13.54%

Summary for LeaveDiscuss

Before leaving Western, did you talk with a faculty or staff member about your decision to leave?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (1)	93	32.29%
No (2)	146	50.69%
No answer	8	2.78%
Not completed or Not displayed	41	14.24%

Summary for SexualOrientation

What is your sexual orientation?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Heterosexual/Straight (1)	122	42.36%
Gay (2)	4	1.39%
Lesbian (3)	13	4.51%
Bisexual (4)	49	17.01%
Queer (5)	13	4.51%
Pansexual (6)	8	2.78%
Asexual (7)	6	2.08%
Other	6	2.08%
No answer	25	8.68%
Not completed or Not displayed	42	14.58%

ID	Response
4	This is none of your business.
6	this is a weird question
23	Queer
27	Get over your shallow label obsessions.
69	N/A
101	Polysexual

Summary for Gender

What is your gender identity?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Agender (1)	0	0.00%
Genderqueer/fluid (2)	6	2.08%
Man (3)	77	26.74%
Nonbinary (4)	17	5.90%
Trans man (5)	3	1.04%
Trans woman (6)	0	0.00%
Two-spirit (7)	0	0.00%
Woman (8)	115	39.93%
Other	4	1.39%
No answer	24	8.33%
Not completed or Not displayed	42	14.58%

ID	Response
6	also a weird question
69	N/A
78	what do these two questions have to do with how you feel about the school. Im serious. Why are you asking my gender if I am complaining about food and money.
193	Nonbinary woman so feminine fluidity but more queer ig