

RESIDENCE LIFE SURVEY

2011 Student Affairs' Student Voice Survey Results

Student Voice Survey Report #9



Student Affairs periodically conducts surveys about issues which impact students. In April 2011 Student Affairs conducted three surveys utilizing Student Voice, an entity which develops surveys in partnership with national experts. The surveys assess students' perceptions and experience, providing comparative data with national respondents. Overall, the respondents were similar to the Evergreen student population, with females and upper-class students responding at a higher rate. Participation was voluntary and all responses were completely confidential; the resulting data is reported only in the aggregate.

This report highlights some results from the **Residence Life** survey. The survey was sent to currently registered Evergreen students who lived in on-campus housing during the 2010-2011 academic year. There were 220 respondents for a response rate of 20%. The data was reviewed by Residential and Dining Services professional staff and was shared with the paraprofessional Resident Assistants.

We welcome questions or comments. Please direct them to [Michael Sledge](#) or [Wendy Endress](#), Co-Chairs of the Student Affairs Assessment Initiative.



80% of students surveyed indicated their on-campus living environment was somewhat or very respectful and very welcoming

90% of students surveyed were living in on-campus housing with 62% in their third quarter and 15% in their second year of living on campus; 6% were past or current Resident Assistants.

Overall, how satisfied are you with your on-campus living experience?

	TESC	National
Very satisfied	12%	27%
Somewhat satisfied	44%	46%
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	20%	12%
Somewhat dissatisfied	15%	11%
Very dissatisfied	8%	4%

Taking into account the quality of your on-campus living experience, how would you rate the value for what you pay in room and board?

	TESC	National
Students get much more or somewhat more than what they pay for	5%	9%
Students get what they pay for.	22%	32%
Students get somewhat or much less than what they pay for.	64%	55%
Students get much less than what they pay for.	19%	18%
No basis to judge	9%	4%



SUSTAINABILITY

Students indicated that conserving energy and being sustainable was:

- 18% extremely important
- 38% very important
- 29% moderately important
- 11% slightly important
- 4% not at all important

Students indicated that, in the area of conserving energy and being sustainable, they were:

- 9% extremely knowledgeable
- 34% very knowledgeable
- 47% moderately knowledgeable
- 8% slightly knowledgeable
- 1% not at all knowledgeable



SOCIAL PROGRAMMING

In thinking about their involvement in social programming offered by residence life, students indicated the following:

47% do not attend or participate
38% attend
9% actively participate
2% help plan, develop, or facilitate

99 students indicated that they participated in residence life programming, and of those who did, the following reported somewhat or strongly agreeing that they/their:

- 82% have been able to meet individuals with different interests than their own
- 78% feel part of the campus community
- 75% have been able to meet individuals with similar interests than their own
- 66% are more willing to try new things/attend new programs
- 64% became aware of a campus resource or service with which they were not already familiar
- 53% have a greater sense of personal responsibility
- 48% understanding of diverse perspectives has changed
- 42% gained experience/skills relevant to their academic major
- 42% gained experience/skills relevant to their future career
- 42% communication skills have improved

Reasons for not attending programs in comparison to national peers.

	TESC	National
Not interested	69%	51%
Not enough time too/busy	65%	51%
Interferes with social commitments	46%	38%
Don't like to participate alone	17%	14%
Too shy	17%	14%
Because of work	11%	20%