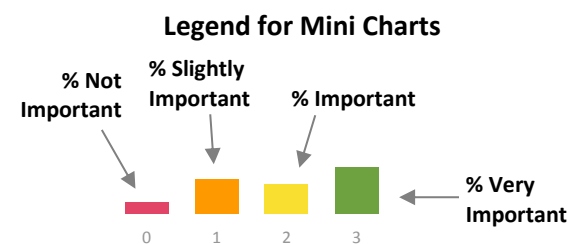


In pursuing your college education, how important are the following goals?

Students were asked how important certain goals are in pursuing their college education. The chart below is sorted from highest to lowest mean response. All Tacoma Campus respondents indicated Personal growth and development and Developing creative and effective communication skills were Important or Very Important. The goals that received the lowest mean responses were Developing artistic abilities (e.g. fine arts, media, performing arts), and Starting or improving a business.

***In pursuing your college education, how important are the following goals?***

<i>Listed from Highest to Lowest Means</i>		Mean	Not Important (0)	Slightly (1)	Important (2)	Very (3)	N
	Personal growth and development	2.88	0.0%	0.0%	11.9%	88.1%	42
	Developing creative and effective communication skills	2.78	0.0%	0.0%	22.0%	78.0%	41
	Helping others or contributing to the community	2.76	0.0%	2.4%	19.5%	78.1%	41
	Gaining an understanding of a broad range of ideas and fields of study	2.74	2.4%	2.4%	14.3%	80.9%	42
	Gaining a better understanding and appreciation for differences (ethnic, political, etc.)	2.74	0.0%	2.4%	21.4%	76.2%	42
	Gaining depth or expertise in a particular field	2.73	0.0%	2.4%	22.0%	75.6%	41
	Readiness for further education (graduate or professional)	2.66	0.0%	2.4%	29.3%	68.3%	41

In pursuing your college education, how important are the following goals?

<i>Listed from Highest to Lowest Means</i>		Mean	Not Important (0)	Slightly (1)	Important (2)	Very (3)	N
	Getting a job of your choice or making a career change	2.64	0.0%	7.1%	21.4%	71.5%	42
	Conserving and restoring the environment	2.52	0.0%	7.1%	33.3%	59.6%	42
	Getting involved or initiating change in community, state, or national politics	2.51	0.0%	9.8%	29.3%	60.9%	41
	Developing computer skills	2.48	2.5%	5.0%	35.0%	57.5%	40
	Developing the ability to understand and use mathematics, statistics, or quantitative reasoning	2.33	0.0%	14.3%	38.1%	47.6%	42
	Developing the ability to understand and use science, scientific principles, or methods	2.29	0.0%	16.7%	38.1%	45.2%	42
	Making more money	2.20	5.0%	10.0%	45.0%	40.0%	40
	Developing artistic abilities (e.g. fine arts, media, performing arts)	1.95	9.5%	26.2%	23.8%	40.5%	42
	Starting or improving a business	1.83	14.3%	16.7%	40.5%	28.6%	42