## Survey of Recent Program Applicants

This survey is authorized by law (xxxx).

## We want you to know that:

1. We are asking you these questions in order to gather infфrmation about your educational and work experiences.
2. Please be assured that all information you provide will be kept confidential. Using the Login Identification Number and Password ensures that the information you provide to the study will be protected and will only be seen by selected nembers of the study team. The next page provides you with general information abou the survey. You may skip any questions you do not wish to answer. However, we hope that you answer as many questions as you can.

As a thank you for participating in the survey, we would like to send yqu $\$ 15$ if completed by Web and $\$ 10$ if completed by phone or paper.

For questions, call toll free at (xxx) xxx-xxx or email $\underline{x x x x x x x @ y y y y y y y v . c o m ~}$
You may complete the survey one of three ways:

| Receive \$15 | OR | Receive \$10 | OR | Receive \$10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| COMPLETE SURVEY BY WEB |  | COMPLETE THIS PAPER SURVEY AND RETURN |  | CALL XXXX IF YOU WANT TO BE INTERVIEWED OVER THE TELEPHONE |
|  |  | Mail to: |  | Call: |
| $\begin{array}{l\|l} \text { BARCODE } \\ \text { LABEL } & \text { d } \\ \text { Nord } \end{array}$ |  | Xxx Yyyy, Survey Director, |  | Company toll free at: ( $\mathbf{x x x}$ ) $\mathbf{x x x} \mathbf{- x x x}$ |
|  |  | Applicants |  | Survey of Recent Program |
|  |  | Contact info: |  | Applicants |
|  |  | Use the enclosed pre-addressed postage paid envelope |  |  |

Per the policies and procedures required by the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, Tithe I, Part E, Section 183, responses to this data collection will be used only for statistical purposes. The reports prepared for this study vill summarize findings across the sample and will not associate responses with an individual. We will not provide information that iden ifies you to anyone outside the study team, except as required by law. Any willful disclosure of such information for nonstatistical purposes, without the informed consent of the respondent, is a class E felony.

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

WHO/WHICH AGENCY IS SPONSORING THE STUDY? This study is being sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education.

WHO IS CONDUCTING THE STUDY? The study is being conducted by a team of researchers at XXXX under contract to the U.S. Department of Education.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE STUDY? Our goal is to learn about how program applicants are doing. It will allow us to understand what works well and what doesn't.

NO LONGER IN PROGRAM/NEVER PARTICIPATED. We are contacting people who signed up to participate, even if they never attended the educational or training program, or are no longer participating.
[IF LESS THAN 18 YEARS OF AGE: The consent form your parents signed mentioned we would be contacting you to conduct an interview.]

HOW DID YOU GET MY NAME? After you applied to the [PROGRAM at INSTITUTION], and were offered your financial aid package, you were scientifically selected from among persons in your program to participate in the study.

I GOT A JOB SOON AFTER I APPLIED. That is wonderful, but we would like to talk to people who didn't enroll in a program as well as those who did.

IS THE SURVEY CONFIDENTIAL? Yes. Your responses are protected from disclosure by federal statue [P.L. 107-347, Title V Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA)]. Your answers will be combined with those of others and your name will never be used in reporting the results of the study. Your answers to questions will not affect your eligibility for any public program.
[I DON'T HAVE THE TIME. TELEPHONE ONLY: We can schedule a call to conduct the survey at your convenience. Our interviewers are available to speak with you seven days a week as follows: on Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 A.m. to 12:00 midnight, on Fridays from 9:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Saturdays from 9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.m. and Sundays from 1:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time. We can also complete the survey in more than one call, if necessary.]

I'M NOT INTERESTED. Let me reassure you that we are not selling anything. The questions we ask are designed to help the U.S. Department of Education understand the lives of individuals who applied to participate in a program. There are no right or wrong answers. We're interested in your experiences and opinions. Your answers will be combined with those of others and your name will never be included in any report. We will also mail you a check in the amount of $\$ 15$ for completing over the Web or $\$ 10$ for completing the survey by phone or hard copy.

HOW LONG WILL THIS TAKE? The length of the interview varies, but it usually takes about 15 minutes.
WHO GAVE YOU THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT THE STUDY? This study is being sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education and has been approved by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget under OMB control number $X X X X-X X X X$. Without this approval we would not be able to conduct this survey. Questions regarding any aspect of this survey may be directed to U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number XXX-XXX-XXXX (this is not a toll-free number) or by email: xxx.xx@ed.gov.

WILL I BE PAID? Yes, we will mail you a check in the amount of $\$ 15$ for completing over the Web or $\$ 10$ for completing the survey by phone or hard copy. The check will be mailed within 2 weeks of completing the survey.

I'M ON THE NATIONAL "DO NOT CALL LIST/REGISTRY." WHY ARE YOU CALLING ME? The do not call list or registry applies to telemarketing calls, not to calls like this one that are approved by the government. Lawmakers recognize the need for the public to participate in studies like this to learn how government programs are working and how to improve them. We will not sell you anything, nor will we ask for money. Your privacy will be respected, and your cooperation is appreciated. For more information on who is included and excluded on the do not call list, you can visit the website at www.donotcall.gov.

WHO CAN I CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION? For more information about the study, you can visit the U.S. Department of Education (ED) website at http://www.ed.gov/. You can also call XXX-XXX-XXXX and ask to speak to [NAME].

## A. PROGRAM SELECTION

We received your name as someone who applied to [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION] in [fill APPLICATION MONTH, YEAR]. The program may have informed you that you were selected to be part of a study for the U.S. Department of Education conducted by [fill COMPANY]. We are contacting you to see how you are doing and to learn about some of your experiences since you applied.

A1. At the time you applied to [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION] in [fill APPLICATION MONTH/YEAR], what was the highest diploma, degree, or certification you had received?
Select one onlyNo diploma, degree, or certificateAdult basic education (ABE) certificateGeneral Educational Development (GED) credential or its equivalentHigh school diplomaVocational/technical certificate (less than 2 years)Associate's degree (AS, 2 years)—vocationalAssociate's degree (AA, 2 years)—vocationalBachelor's degree or equivalent (BA/BS, 4 years)Master's degree or equivalent (MA/MS)
10Doctoral degree (MD, PhD)
11Other professional degree/certificate
${ }_{99} \square$Other (Specify)

A2. Thinking back to [fill APPLICATION MONTH, YEAR], when you applied to [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION], did you enroll in [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION], enroll in some other educational or training program, or did you decide not to enroll in any educational or training programs?
Select one onlyEnrolled in [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION]Enrolled in other educational or training programDecided not to enroll in any educational or training


## A. PROGRAM SELECTION (CON'T)

A3. Now, we would like to know about all of the educational and training programs you have enrolled in since [fill APPLICATION MONTH, YEAR]. Please complete all of the questions on this table (pages 2 and 3).

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \& A. Name of program, institution, city, and state. \& B. What was/is the field of study? Please use codes below. \& \begin{tabular}{l}
C. What type of certificate/degree you expect/expected to receive? \\
Select one only
\end{tabular} \& D. Program Start and End Date \& E. Method of Program Delivery Select one only \\
\hline 1 \& \begin{tabular}{l} 
Name of Program \\
\hline City/State \\
\begin{tabular}{l} 
We are interested in the name of Institution \\
the program, not a list of the \\
courses you took within the \\
program.
\end{tabular}
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
\(\square\) \\
If 99 Other, (Specify)
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\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Vocational/technical certificate (<2 years)
Associate's degree (AS, 2 years, vocational)
Associate's degree (AA, 2 years, academic)
Bachelor's degree or equivalent (BA/BS, 4 years)
Master's degree or equivalent (MA/MS)
Doctoral degree (MD, PhD)
Other professional degree/certificate \\
\(99 \square\) Other (Specify)
\end{tabular} \&  \& All in-person
All online (i.e. using a computer without in-person instruction)
Some in-person and some online
Some in-person and some at a work/ business location \\
\hline 2 \& \begin{tabular}{l} 
Name of Program \\
\hline Name of Institution \\
City/State \\
\begin{tabular}{l} 
We are interested in the name of \\
the program, not a list of the \\
courses you took within the \\
program.
\end{tabular}
\end{tabular} \& If 99 Other, (Specify)
\(\qquad\) \& Vocational/technical certificate (<2 years)
Associate's degree (AS, 2 years, vocational)
Associate's degree (AA, 2 years, academic)
Bachelor's degree or equivalent (BA/BS, 4 years)
Master's degree or equivalent (MA/MS)
Doctoral degree (MD, PhD)
Other professional degree/certificate
Other (Specify) \&  \& All in-person
All online (i.e. using a computer without in-person instruction)
Some in-person and some online
Some in-person and some at a work/ business location \\
\hline 3 \& \begin{tabular}{l} 
Name of Program \\
\hline \multicolumn{1}{c}{ City/State } \\
\begin{tabular}{l} 
We are interested in the name of Institution \\
the program, not a list of the \\
courses you took within the \\
program.
\end{tabular}
\end{tabular} \& If 99 Other, (Specify) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Vocational/technical certificate (<2 years)
Associate's degree (AS, 2 years, vocational)
Associate's degree (AA, 2 years, academic)
Bachelor's degree or equivalent (BA/BS, 4 years)
Master's degree or equivalent (MA/MS)
Doctoral degree (MD, PhD)
Other professional degree/certificate \\
\(99 \square\) Other (Specity)
\end{tabular} \&  \& \begin{tabular}{l}
\\
```All in-person
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\\
```All online (i.e. using a computer without in-person instruction)
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```Some in-person and some online
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```Some in-person and some at a work/ business location
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\end{tabular} <br>

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\end{tabular}



## FIELD OF STUDY CODES

1 = Agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences
$2=$ Architecture, planning, and related services
3 = Area, ethnic, cultural, and gender studies
4 = Arts-visual and performing
5 = Biological and biomedical sciences
$6=$ Business, management, marketing, and related support services
$7=$ Communication, journalism, communication technologies, and related programs
$8=$ Computer and information sciences and support services
$9=$ Construction trades
$10=$ Cosmetology, funeral services, and culinary service

11 = Education
$12=$ Engineering, engineering technologies/technicians
$13=$ English language and literature/letters
14 = Family and consumer sciences/human sciences
15 = Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics
$16=$ Health professions and related clinical sciences
$17=$ Legal professions and studies
$18=$ Liberal arts and sciences, general studies and humanities
19 = Library science
$20=$ Mathematics and statistics
$21=$ Mechanical and repair technologies/technicians
$22=$ Multi/interdisciplinary studies
$23=$ Parks, recreation, leisure and fitness studies $24=$ Precision production
$25=$ Philosophy, religion \& theology
$26=$ Physical sciences
27 = Psychology
$28=$ Public administration and social service professions
$29=$ Science technologies/technicians $30=$ Security \& protective services
$31=$ Social sciences and history (except psychology)
$32=$ Transportation \& materials moving $99=$ Other

## A. PROGRAM SELECTION (CON'T)

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \& \begin{tabular}{l}
F. What waslis your reason for applying/enrolling? \\
Select all that apply
\end{tabular} \& G. Did you complete the program? \& \begin{tabular}{l}
H. What were the reasons you stopped attending? \\
Select all that apply
\end{tabular} \\
\hline 1 \& 
To gain new job or occupational skills

To help move up in the job I already have

To help me get a new job I'm interested in

To prepare for occupational certification or work-related licensure

To earn course credits needed for a program at a different school

To take courses for recreation, self-improvement or personal interest

To complete an undergraduate degree

Other (Specify) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Stopped Attending
Yes <br>
GO TO NEXT <br>
PROGRAM OR B1
Still Enrolled GO TO NEXT PROGRAM OR B1

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1 Offered or got a good job <br>
$2 \square$ Did not have money for tuition/cost of program <br>
3 Needed to work more so didn't have enough time <br>
$4 \square$ Did not expect to get a good job after completion <br>
5 Not satisfied with the quality of the program <br>
$6 \square$ Program was too hard/did not have the right background to learn the new skills <br>
$7 \square$ Physical, mental health, family, or personal reasons <br>
$8 \square$ Was called to active duty/joined the armed forces <br>
99 Other (Specify)
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 2 \&
To gain new job or occupational skills

To help move up in the job I already have

To help me get a new job l'm interested in

To prepare for occupational certification or work-related licensure

To earn course credits needed for a program at a different school

To take courses for recreation, self-improvement or personal interest

To complete an undergraduate degree

Other (Specify) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
Stopped Attending
Yes <br>
GO TO NEXT <br>
PROGRAM OR B1
Still Enrolled GO TO NEXT PROGRAM OR B1

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1 <br>
Offered or got a good job <br>
2 Did not have money for tuition/cost of program <br>
3 Needed to work more so didn't have enough time <br>
$4 \square$ Did not expect to get a good job after completion <br>
$5 \square$ Not satisfied with the quality of the program <br>
$6 \square$ Program was too hard/did not have the right background to learn the new skills <br>
$7 \square$ Physical, mental health, family, or personal reasons <br>
$8 \square$ Was called to active duty/joined the armed forces <br>
99 Other (Specify)
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline 3 \& \begin{tabular}{l}

To gain new job or occupational skills

To help move up in the job I already have
To help me get a new job I'm interested in

To prepare for occupational certification or work-related licensure <br>
$5 \square$
To earn course credits needed for a program at a different school <br>
6 To take courses for recreation, self-improvement or personal interest

To complete an undergraduate degree

Other (Specify)

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Stopped Attending

Yes <br>
GO TO NEXT <br>
PROGRAM OR B1
Still Enrolled GO TO NEXT PROGRAM OR B1

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Offered or got a good job
Did not have money for tuition/cost of program <br>
$3 \square$ Needed to work more so didn't have enough time <br>
4 Did not expect to get a good job after completion <br>
5 Not satisfied with the quality of the program <br>
$6 \square$ Program was too hard/did not have the right background to learn the new skills <br>
$7 \square$ Physical, mental health, family, or personal reasons <br>
$8 \square$ Was called to active duty/joined the armed forces <br>
99 Other (Specify)
\end{tabular} <br>

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\hline 4 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 To gain new job or occupalal skills
To help move up in the job I already have

To help me get a new job I'm interested in

To prepare for occupational certification or work-related licensure

To earn course credits needed for a program at a different school <br>
$6 \square$ To take courses for recreation, self-improvement or personal interest

To complete an undergraduate degree
Other (Specify)

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Stopped Attending
Yes <br>
GO TO NEXT <br>
PROGRAM OR B1
<br>
$2 \square$ <br>
Still Enrolled GO TO NEXT PROGRAM OR B1
\end{tabular} \&

Offered or got a good job

Did not have money for tuition/cost of program

Needed to work more so didn't have enough time

Did not expect to get a good job after completion

Not satisfied with the quality of the program

Program was too hard/did not have the right background to learn the new skills

Physical, mental health, family, or personal reasons

Was called to active duty/joined the armed forces
Other (Specify) <br>
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\end{tabular}

## B. EXPERIENCE WITH THE MOST RECENT OR MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED PROGRAM

B1. There are many factors students may consider when choosing an educational or training program. For your most recent program, how important was each of the factors listed below in your decision to enroll in this program? Were these factors very important, somewhat important, or not important in your decision to choose the program?
a. Quality of faculty/teachers
b. Ability to reach or talk to faculty/teachers
c. Opportunities for hands-on learning
d. Skills taught seemed very related to desired job, promotion, or industry certification
e. Availability/quality of career counseling/case management
f. Availability/quality of work readiness training (e.g. resume writing, job interviewing, career information)
g. Job placement assistance
h. Academic advising/support
i. Availability of financial aid, such as loans, scholarships, or grants
j. Convenience of location
k. Convenience of time when classes are offered
I. Duration of program
m. Availability of an internship as part of the program
n. Recommended by a friend, relative, or advisor


## B. EXPERIENCE WITH THE MOST RECENT OR MOST RECENTLY COMPLETED PROGRAM (CON'T)

B2. Considering these same factors, please rate your satisfaction with the most recent education or training program you attended. Would you say you are/were very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

Select one per row

a. Quality of faculty/teachers
b. Ability to reach/talk to faculty/teachers
c. Opportunities for hands-on-learning
d. Appropriateness of skills taught to desired job, promotion, or industry certification
e. Availability and/or quality of career counseling/case management
f. Work readiness (e.g. resume writing, job interviewing) and career information
g. Job search/placement assistance
h. Academic advising/support
i. Availability of financial aid, such as loans, scholarships, or grants
o. geographic location/convenience

B3. Overall, how would you rate your most recent education/training program?ExcellentGoodFairPoor

B4. Have you received career counseling, work readiness, or job search assistance from any other person or organization outside your most recent educational or training program since [fill APPLICATION MONTH, YEAR]?

Select all that apply

| Work readiness <br> (e.g. resume writing, <br> job interviewing) and <br> career information | Job search/placement <br> assistance | Career <br> counseling/case <br> management |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| ${ }_{1} \square$ |  |  |
| $\square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |

Select all that apply


## B. EXPERIENCE WITH THE MOST RECENT PROGRAM (CON'T)

B4. Have you obtained a professional certification or a state or industry license? A professional certification or license shows you are qualified to perform a specific job and includes things like Certified Medical Assistant, commercial truck driving, automotive technician, or an IT certification (e.g., Cisco, networking, security technology, etc.).


B5. What is the name of any certification(s) or license(s) and what type of credential is it?

|  | Select one per row |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A. Name of credential | B. Industry <br> Certification | C. State License | D. Other |
| 1. | $\square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |  |
| 2. | $\square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |  |
| 3. | $\square$ | ${ }_{1} \square$ |  |  |

## C. PAYING FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS

The next few questions are designed to help us understand how students pay for expenses to attend educational and vocational training programs.

C1. Please think about all of the educational and training programs you may have attended since [fill APPLICATION MONTH/YEAR]. What was the total cost of your tuition to attend the program(s)?

Please include room and board if you had this expense.
Please include any costs covered by financial aid, grants, loans or scholarships.
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C2. Now we would like to know the different funding sources you used to cover your costs in attending all these educational and training programs and how the availability of the funding source affected your choice to enroll.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{Select one per row} \\
\hline Funding Source \& Did you receive funds? \& If yes, how much of your overall spending did it cover? \& If you had not received funding from this source, would you have enrolled in these programs? \\
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{GRANTS (Financial aid that does not need to be paid back)} \\
\hline a. Federal Pell Grants \& \begin{tabular}{l}
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1
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\\
```Yes
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\\
```No \\
d \(\square\) \(\square\) I don't know
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\end{tabular} \& 
Less than 1/4
More than \(1 / 4\) but less than \(1 / 2\)
About 1/2
More than \(1 / 2\) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes \\
\(0 \square\) No \\
d \(\square\)
I don't know
\end{tabular} \\
\hline b. Other federal/state/school grants \& \[
\begin{aligned}
\& 1 \square \text { Yes } \\
\& 0 \square \text { No } \\
\& \mathrm{d} \square \text { I don't know }
\end{aligned}
\] \& 
Less than 1/4
More than \(1 / 4\) but less than \(1 / 2\)
About 1/2
More than \(1 / 2\) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes \\
\(0 \square\) No \\
d \(\square\) I don't know
\end{tabular} \\
\hline c. Job raining vouchers or Indiyidual Training Accounts fromplal One-Stop Center or workforce development agency \& \begin{tabular}{l}
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1
\square
Yes
```
\\
```No \\
d \(\square\)
\(\square\) I don't know
```
\end{tabular} \& 
Less than 1/4
More than \(1 / 4\) but less than \(1 / 2\)
About 1/2
More than 1/2 \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes \\
\(0 \square\) No \\
d \(\square\) \(\square\) I don't know
\end{tabular} \\
\hline d. Grants or tuition reimbursement from your employer \& \begin{tabular}{l}
\(1 \square\) Yes
No \\
d \(\square\)
I don't know
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1
Less than 1/4
More than \(1 / 4\) but less than \(1 / 2\)

About 1/2 <br>
4 More than $1 / 2$

 \& 

1 Yes
No <br>
d $\square$
I don't know
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{LOANS (Financial aid that needs to be paid back)} <br>

\hline e. Federal/state/school loans \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& 1 \square \text { Yes } \\
& 0 \square \text { No } \\
& \text { d } \square \mathrm{I} \text { don't know }
\end{aligned}
$$ \& Less than 1/4

More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2

More than $1 / 2$ \& $$
\begin{aligned}
& 1 \square \text { Yes } \\
& 0 \square \text { No } \\
& \text { d } \square \text { I don't know }
\end{aligned}
$$ <br>

\hline f. Loans from private banks \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes
No \\
d \(\square\)
I don't know
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1
Less than 1/4
More than \(1 / 4\) but less than \(1 / 2\)

About 1/2 <br>
$4 \square$ More than $1 / 2$

\end{tabular} \& \[

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\begin{aligned}
& 1 \square \text { Yes } \\
& 0 \square \text { No } \\
& \mathrm{d} \square \mathrm{I} \text { don't know }
\end{aligned}
$$
\] <br>

\hline \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{SCHOLARSHIPS (Financial aid awarded based on merit or status-e.g. because you are citizen of state, member of church, etc.)} <br>

\hline g. Scholarships \& \begin{tabular}{l}
$1 \square$ Yes <br>
$0 \square$ No

I don't know
\end{tabular} \&

Less than $1 / 4$
More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2

More than $1 / 2$ \& | 1 , Yes |
| :--- |
| $\circ \square$ No |
| d $\square$ I don't know | <br>

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\end{tabular}

C. PAYING FOR ALL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMS (CON'T)

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{Select one per row} <br>
\hline Funding Source \& Did you receive funds? \& If yes, how much of your overall spending did it cover? \& If you had not received funding from this source, would you have enrolled in this program? <br>
\hline \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{OTHER} <br>

\hline h. From Veteran's Benefits (including GI Bill) \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes <br>
$0 \square$ No

I don't know
\end{tabular} \&

Less than $1 / 4$

More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2

More than $1 / 2$ \& 1 Yes

No

I don't know <br>

\hline i. Gifts from family and friends \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes <br>
$0 \square$ No

I don't know
\end{tabular} \&

Less than $1 / 4$

More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2

More than $1 / 2$ \& \begin{tabular}{l}
$1 \square$ Yes <br>
$\circ \square$ No

I don't know
\end{tabular} <br>

\hline j. My savings \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1 Yes \\
\(0 \square\) No \\
d \(\square\)
I don't know
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}

Less than $1 / 4$

More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2 <br>
$4 \square$ More than $1 / 2$

 \& 

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1 ,
```  \\
```Yes
```

<br>

```No
\(\square\) d \(\square\) I don't know
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\end{tabular} <br>

\hline k. Credit Cards \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1
Yes \\
\(0 \square\) No \\
d \(\square\) I don't know
\end{tabular} \& \begin{tabular}{l}

Less than $1 / 4$

More than $1 / 4$ but less than $1 / 2$
About 1/2 <br>
4
More than $1 / 2$

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```Yes \(\circ \square\)
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```No d \(\square\)
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<br>

```I don't know
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\end{tabular} <br>

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\end{tabular}

C3. Overall, about what portion of the total cost of the programs would you say you will pay through student loans offered to you from schools, banks, or other organizations?

Please do nos include money that you borrowed from friends or family.

```
    1 }\square\mathrm{ None
        GO TO C5
    \square Less than 1/4
    3}\square\mathrm{ More than 1/4 but less than 1/2
    \square About 1/2
    5}\square\mathrm{ More than 1/2
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C4. Right now, how much do you still owe in student loans or credit card payments used to cover tuition?
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## C. PAYING FOR ALL EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING PROGRAMS (CON’T)

C5. We are also interested in learning about financial assistance you may have received to help you with other expenses (not including tuition and fees) to attend any educational or training programs?

Since [fill APPLICATION MONTH, YEAR], have you received assistance in the form of cash, vouchers, gift cards, or reimbursement to help you pay for any of the following:
(Please do not include financial assistance you may have received from friends or family.)
Select one per row
a. Books?
b. Tools or other supplies?
c. Clothes or other uniforms?
d. Transportation such as gas cards or bus passes?
e. Child care?

## D. REASONS FOR NOT ATTENDING EDUCATIONAL OR TRAINING PROGRAM(S)

## ONLY COMPLETE SECTION D IF YOU DID NOT ATTEND ANY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM SINCE [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION]

D1. How important was each of the following factors in your decision to not attend any educational or training program since [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION]?

|  | Select one per row |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | MAJOR FACTOR | MINOR FACTOR | NOT A FACTOR |
| a. Offered or got a good job | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| b. Did not have money for tuition/cost of program | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| c. Needed to work more so didn't have enough time for program | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| d. Did not expect to get a good job after completing the programs I knew about | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| e. Was not satisfied with the quality of the program | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| f. Was undecided about which course of study to pursue | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| g. Did not think I had the right background to learn the new occupational/ vocational skills | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| h. Family reasons (e.g. needed to take care of family member, had child) | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| i. Had physical or mental health challenges | $1 \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| j. Other personal reasons (e.g. other interests besides school) | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |
| k. I was called to active duty and/or I joined one of the armed forces/military | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ |

## E. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

E1. Which of these conditions describes your main activity during the week? Select one onlyWorkingSeeking employmentCaring for children or other relatives at home without payVolunteering at least 20 hours per weekPart-time studentFull-time studentMedical or maternity leaveSomething else (Specify) $\qquad$

E2. How many hours do you work in a typical week?
Enter " 0 " if not currently employed


E2a. Using the list of occupations, please select the code that best describes your current job or most recent job if you're not currently employed. If you are currently holding more than one job, select the occupation where you work the most hours.
Select one only


LIST OF OCCUPATIONS
To make sure you have found the best code, please review all occupations before making your choice.

```
1 Management
Business and Financial
Computer and Mathematical
Architecture and Engineering
Life, Physical, and Social Science
Life, Physical, and Social Science
Legal
Education, Training, and Library
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical
Healthcare Support 22
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12 Protective Service
13 Food Preparation and Serving Related
14 Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance
15 Personal Care and Service
16 Sales and Related
17 Office and Administrative Support
18 Farming, Fishing, and Forestry
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20
21
22 Transportation and Material Moving

E2b. In what month and year did you begin working at this job (current or most recent) for pay?


## E. EMPLOYMENT STATUS (CON'T)

E3. How much do you currently earn per hour at this job or did or did you earn in your most recent job? Your best estimate is fine.
Select one only$\$ 7.25$ or less\$7.26-\$10.00\$10.01-\$13.00\$13.01-\$16.00\$16.01-\$19.00
\$19.01-\$23.00
\$23.01-\$25.00$\$ 25.01$ or more

IF CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED GO TO F1, PAGE 13, OTHERWISE CONTINUE.

E4. Thinking about your current job, please rate your satisfaction with the job's benefits such as ...

|  | Select one per row |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | VERY SATISFIED | SOMEWHAT SATISFIED | SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIE D | VERY DISSATISFIE D |
| a. Salary | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| b. Healthcare benefits | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| c. Pension/retirement benefits | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| d. $401 \mathrm{~K} / \mathrm{IRA}$ | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{2} \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| e. Job Security | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| f. Opportunities for additional or specialized training | $1 \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| g. Opportunities for advancement/promotion | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| h. Intellectual challenge | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| i. Level of responsibility | $1 \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| j. Contribution to society | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |
| k. Ability to use skills you learned from education and training | ${ }_{1} \square$ | $2 \square$ | ${ }_{3} \square$ | ${ }_{4} \square$ |

## E. EMPLOYMENT STATUS (CON'T)

E5. Who was most helpful to you in getting your current job?
Select one onlyNo one, I got the position on my ownCounselors, teacher, or other staff at the most recent education or training program I attendedCollege/school career centerA government agencyLocal/community workforce development center or organization (e.g. One-Stop Career Center)Community base or neighborhood organizationHigh school advisorFamily/relatives (e.g. parents, guardians)Previous employerFriends

E6. To what extent is the work you do on your current job related to any education or training you may have received since [fill APPLICATION MONTH/YEAR]?
Select one onlyClosely related to a training program1 1 attended/am attendingSomewhat related to a training program $*$ attended/am attendingI did not attend a training program, so work not at all related

GO TO F1, PAGE 13
I did attend a training program, but work not at all related

E7. Did any of these factors influence your decision to work in an area outside the program field you applied for in [fill APPLICATION MONTH/YEAR] which was [fill PROGRAM AT INSTITUTION]?

|  | Select one per row |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | YES | NO |
| a. Pay, promotion opportunities | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| b. Working conditions (e.g. hours, equipment, working environment) | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| c. Job location | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| d. Change in career or interests | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| e. Family-related reasons (e.g. children, spouse's job moved) | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| f. Job in program field not available | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |
| g. Some other reason (Specify) | ${ }_{1} \square$ | ${ }_{0} \square$ |

## F. FUTURE GOALS

F1. Do you plan on enrolling in any other educational or vocational training programs in the future?
${ }_{1} \square$ Yes
No $\longrightarrow$ GO TO G1, PAGE 15

F2. What type of degrees or certification programs and in what fields of study do you plan on pursuing?
Please use the codes below to complete table.
SELECT ONE CODE PER ROW
a. Vocational/technical certificate (less than 2 years)
b. Associate's degree (AS, 2 years, vocational) $\qquad$

c. Associate's degree (AA, 2 years, academic)
d. Bachelor's degree or equivalent (BA/BS, 4 years)

e. Master's degree or equivalent (MA/MS)

f. Doctorate/Ph.D. (MD, PhD)

g. Other professional degree/certificate (Specify)

h. Some other (Specify)


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1 = Agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences
2 = Architecture, planning, and related services
3 = Area, ethnic, cultural, and gender studies
4 = Arts-visual and performing
5 = Biological and biomedical sciences
$6=$ Business, management, marketing, and related support services
7 = Communication, journalism, communication technologies, and related programs
$8=$ Computer and information sciences and support services
$9=$ Construction trades
$10=$ Cosmetology, funeral services, and culinary service

[^1]23 = Parks, recreation, leisure and fitness studies 24 = Precision production 25 = Philosophy, religion \& theology
26 = Physical sciences
27 = Psychology
$28=$ Public administration and social service professions
29 = Science technologies/technicians
30 = Security \& protective services
31 = Social sciences and history (except psychology)
32 = Transportation \& materials moving
99 = Other

## G. BACKGROUND AND CONTACT INFORMATION

These last questions ask for some general demographic information.

G1. In what year were you born?


1 $\square$ YEAR

G2. Are you Hispanic or Latino?YesNo

G3. What is your race?
Select all that applyWhiteBlack or African AmericanAsianNative Hawaiian or Other Pacific IslanderAmerican Indian or Alaska Native

G4. Are you...MaleFemale

G5. Do you have any children under 18 ? Include birth, adopted, foster, or stepchildren.YesNo

G6. What is your marital status as of today?
Select one onlyI am singleI am married/remarriedI am separatedI am divorced or widowed

G7. We will be mailing you a check in a couple of weeks and we would like to confirm the spelling of your name and address where we should send the payment.

## FIRST NAME

MIDDLE INITIAL/NAME

LAST NAME

STREET 1

STREET 2

APT. \#

## CITY

STATE
ZIP

G8. Thank you for participating in the survey and providing your address. Please provide your telephone number and email address because we may need to contact you again in the future.


EMAIL



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    13 = English language and literature/letters
    14 = Family and consumer sciences/human sciences
    $15=$ Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics $16=$ Health professions and related clinical sciences 17 = Legal professions and studies
    18 = Liberal arts and sciences, general studies and humanities
    19 = Library science
    $20=$ Mathematics and statistics
    21 = Mechanical and repair technologies/technicians
    $22=$ Multi/interdisciplinary studies

