

## Academic Year 2017-2018 Exit Survey Results

Each semester, undergraduate students finishing a program at The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) are asked to complete a survey regarding their experiences as UTA students. For the combined fall 2017 and spring 2018 semesters, 4,372 graduates provided their opinions. The overall response rate of this survey was 60.3%. This report contains data tables for questions asked of all respondents (questions tailored to students of specific Colleges and open-ended questions are excluded from this summary analysis). Customized breakdowns of the data may be requested by contacting Dr. Andrew Pagel at [andrew.pagel@uta.edu](mailto:andrew.pagel@uta.edu).

Q1 - Are you an undergraduate senior graduating this semester?

Answer	N	%
Yes	4349	99.5%
No	23	0.5%
Total	4372	

Q2 - What were the top 3 factors that influenced your decision to attend UT Arlington for the degree you are currently pursuing?

Answer	N	%
UT Arlington's academic reputation	1692	40.7%
UT Arlington's reputation for career preparation	173	4.2%
Availability of major program in my area of interest	1433	34.5%
Reputation of major program in my area of interest	497	12.0%
Availability of online degree program in my area of interest	1627	39.2%
Cost of attendance	2144	51.6%
Financial aid or scholarship offer	832	20.0%
Convenience of location relative to home or work	1120	27.0%
Influence of relatives or friends	381	9.2%
Influence of teacher/counselor/advisor	192	4.6%
Opportunities to become involved in student activities and events	111	2.7%
Information provided by UT Arlington representative	110	2.6%
Information on UT Arlington website	443	10.7%
Campus visit	405	9.7%
Availability of on-campus housing	118	2.8%
Other (please specify):	297	7.1%
Total	4154	

Q3 - To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Strongly Agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly Disagree		Not Applicable/ No Opinion		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
I would recommend UT Arlington to a friend or relative.	2038	49.6%	1771	43.1%	127	3.1%	80	1.9%	90	2.2%	4106
My major gave me a sense of competence in my field of study.	1941	47.3%	1864	45.5%	143	3.5%	68	1.7%	84	2.0%	4100
Required courses were offered with reasonable frequency.	1687	41.2%	1901	46.4%	351	8.6%	112	2.7%	47	1.1%	4098
Class sizes were appropriate.	1722	42.0%	1966	48.0%	110	2.7%	37	0.9%	262	6.4%	4097
Faculty members were genuinely interested in my welfare.	1520	37.1%	2033	49.6%	297	7.3%	86	2.1%	159	3.9%	4095
Course content reflected current trends in my field.	1737	42.5%	1956	47.8%	210	5.1%	62	1.5%	124	3.0%	4089
Degree requirements were relevant to my professional goals.	1692	41.3%	1918	46.8%	296	7.2%	96	2.3%	97	2.4%	4099
If I had to do it over again, I would choose UT Arlington for my degree.	1856	45.3%	1577	38.5%	300	7.3%	152	3.7%	211	5.2%	4096

Q4 - How would you rate the following aspects of UT ARLINGTON?

	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Not Applicable/ No Opinion		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Academic experience	1739	43.3%	1761	43.8%	418	10.4%	70	1.7%	28	0.7%	4016
Social experience	868	21.6%	1233	30.7%	825	20.5%	278	6.9%	813	20.2%	4017
General campus attractiveness	818	20.4%	1264	31.5%	696	17.4%	183	4.6%	1047	26.1%	4008
Safety measures on campus	847	21.2%	1317	32.9%	570	14.3%	149	3.7%	1115	27.9%	3998
Quality of facilities and equipment, such as laboratories and studios	772	19.3%	1269	31.7%	568	14.2%	190	4.7%	1203	30.1%	4002
Library facilities, resources, and services	1390	34.7%	1572	39.3%	438	10.9%	77	1.9%	527	13.2%	4004
Computer labs	846	21.1%	1244	31.1%	501	12.5%	141	3.5%	1274	31.8%	4006
Recreational facilities	1101	27.5%	1137	28.4%	304	7.6%	36	0.9%	1421	35.5%	3999
Online registration	1686	42.1%	1670	41.7%	476	11.9%	115	2.9%	56	1.4%	4003
Paying tuition/fees online	1703	42.5%	1607	40.1%	490	12.2%	144	3.6%	60	1.5%	4004
Paying tuition/fees at Bursar's Office	721	18.0%	957	23.9%	408	10.2%	137	3.4%	1779	44.5%	4002
Food services	525	13.1%	1035	25.9%	643	16.1%	214	5.4%	1579	39.5%	3996
Bookstore services	1182	29.5%	1524	38.1%	551	13.8%	133	3.3%	612	15.3%	4002
Health services	700	17.6%	905	22.7%	336	8.4%	76	1.9%	1970	49.4%	3987
UT Arlington administration (Records, Financial Aid, Bursar, etc.)	1096	27.5%	1614	40.4%	620	15.5%	232	5.8%	430	10.8%	3992
UT Arlington as a whole	1523	38.1%	1907	47.7%	450	11.3%	72	1.8%	47	1.2%	3999

Q5 - How would you rate the following aspects related to your MAJOR/DEPARTMENT?

	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Not Applicable/ No Opinion		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Availability of co-op, intern, or practicum experiences	1026	25.8%	639	16.1%	888	22.4%	265	6.7%	1152	29.0%	3970
Sensitivity to cultural needs and difference among students	1512	38.0%	843	21.2%	858	21.6%	74	1.9%	689	17.3%	3976
Overall quality of advising	1791	44.8%	843	21.1%	1092	27.3%	235	5.9%	33	0.8%	3994
Availability of printed information about your major	1507	37.8%	915	23.0%	1117	28.0%	154	3.9%	290	7.3%	3983
Clarity of degree requirements	1767	44.5%	923	23.2%	1135	28.6%	131	3.3%	19	0.5%	3975
Accuracy of printed information about your major	1481	37.2%	941	23.7%	1129	28.4%	109	2.7%	317	8.0%	3977
The major/department as a whole	1698	42.8%	1087	27.4%	1068	26.9%	76	1.9%	40	1.0%	3969
Quality of upper division courses	1548	39.0%	1061	26.7%	1120	28.2%	94	2.4%	147	3.7%	3970
Overall quality of faculty	1636	41.1%	1033	26.0%	1143	28.7%	97	2.4%	68	1.7%	3977
Availability of courses	1516	38.2%	978	24.6%	1248	31.4%	201	5.1%	29	0.7%	3972
Overall quality of assistance provided by the department	1533	38.6%	1019	25.7%	1183	29.8%	151	3.8%	83	2.1%	3969
Quality of lower division courses	1177	29.7%	1048	26.4%	1207	30.4%	127	3.2%	408	10.3%	3967
Opportunities for interaction with faculty	1513	38.1%	954	24.0%	1209	30.4%	142	3.6%	155	3.9%	3973
Adequacy of career information	1387	35.0%	932	23.5%	1245	31.4%	181	4.6%	222	5.6%	3967
Ease of finding and navigating online information about your major	1449	36.5%	1000	25.2%	1292	32.5%	176	4.4%	56	1.4%	3973
Accuracy of online information about your major	1556	39.1%	1012	25.4%	1230	30.9%	113	2.8%	68	1.7%	3979

Q6 - As a result of your experience at UT Arlington, how prepared are you in the following areas?

	Very Well Prepared		Adequately Prepared		Poorly Prepared		Not at all Prepared		Not Applicable/ No Opinion		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Identifying, formulating and solving problems	1770	45.9%	1912	49.6%	82	2.1%	16	0.4%	74	1.9%	3854
Thinking outside the box and generating new ideas	1773	46.1%	1837	47.8%	134	3.5%	20	0.5%	80	2.1%	3844
Applying what I learned in the classroom to situations in the real world	1830	47.6%	1717	44.6%	172	4.5%	42	1.1%	85	2.2%	3846
Expressing my thoughts and ideas well in writing	1903	49.5%	1702	44.3%	143	3.7%	18	0.5%	78	2.0%	3844
Expressing my thoughts and ideas well using visual communication (charts, Power Points, graphs, video clips, etc.)	1873	48.8%	1738	45.3%	119	3.1%	22	0.6%	87	2.3%	3839
Expressing my thoughts and ideas well in spoken communication	1805	47.0%	1776	46.2%	137	3.6%	20	0.5%	106	2.8%	3844
Recognizing and critiquing various forms of artistic expression	1431	37.3%	1733	45.1%	230	6.0%	57	1.5%	390	10.2%	3841
Manipulating and interpreting numerical data	1447	37.7%	1928	50.3%	218	5.7%	44	1.1%	197	5.1%	3834
Gathering and analyzing information in order to make conclusions	1856	48.4%	1786	46.5%	107	2.8%	21	0.5%	67	1.7%	3837
Collaborating with other people in a team setting	1984	51.7%	1575	41.1%	88	2.3%	25	0.7%	162	4.2%	3834
Considering other people's points of view	2198	57.4%	1479	38.6%	64	1.7%	12	0.3%	79	2.1%	3832
Considering the impact of my behavior and actions on others	2155	56.2%	1475	38.4%	65	1.7%	19	0.5%	123	3.2%	3837
Understanding professional and ethical responsibilities	2264	59.1%	1416	37.0%	66	1.7%	14	0.4%	71	1.9%	3831
Understanding the function of national, state, and local governments	1532	40.0%	1752	45.7%	245	6.4%	77	2.0%	226	5.9%	3832
Understanding the impact of global politics and economics	1451	37.9%	1708	44.6%	299	7.8%	80	2.1%	289	7.6%	3827
Interacting with people from different cultures and backgrounds	2133	55.9%	1444	37.8%	65	1.7%	22	0.6%	153	4.0%	3817

Q7 - While attending UT Arlington, usually how often did you...?

	Daily		Weekly		2-3 Times a Month		One a Month or Less		Not at All		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Check your UT Arlington student email account	2923	75.8%	794	20.6%	103	2.7%	22	0.6%	12	0.3%	3854
Use a computer lab to complete class assignments	541	14.0%	563	14.6%	457	11.9%	650	16.9%	1635	42.4%	3846
Use a computer lab to access academic software	526	13.6%	492	12.8%	408	10.6%	667	17.3%	1748	45.4%	3841
Use an iPad or other tablet in the classroom	703	18.2%	357	9.3%	160	4.2%	215	5.6%	2396	62.2%	3831

Q8 - Did you own or lease any of the following?

	Owned		Leased		Did Not Have		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
PC/IBM-compatible desktop computer	1352	35.8%	36	1.0%	2384	63.2%	3772
PC/IBM-compatible notebook computer	1740	46.1%	33	0.9%	1985	52.6%	3758
Apple/Mac desktop computer	634	16.8%	30	0.8%	3042	80.6%	3706
Apple/Mac notebook computer	1306	34.6%	19	0.5%	2395	63.5%	3720
iPad or other tablet device	1865	49.4%	26	0.7%	1871	49.6%	3762
iPhone or other smart phone	3183	84.4%	22	0.6%	594	15.7%	3799

Q9 - How much did you like using the following technologies in your classes?

	Like a great deal		Like a moderate amount		Like a little		Neither like nor dislike		Dislike a little		Dislike a moderate amount		Dislike a great deal		Total
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N
Computers	2129	56.6%	794	21.1%	219	5.8%	517	13.8%	39	1.0%	21	0.6%	41	1.1%	3760
Projectors	1297	35.3%	774	21.1%	278	7.6%	1168	31.8%	51	1.4%	11	0.3%	97	2.6%	3676
Clickers	804	22.0%	580	15.9%	389	10.6%	1417	38.7%	143	3.9%	66	1.8%	259	7.1%	3658
Blackboard (website)	2109	56.3%	986	26.3%	259	6.9%	250	6.7%	72	1.9%	23	0.6%	44	1.2%	3743
Microsoft Office	2215	59.3%	860	23.0%	221	5.9%	373	10.0%	27	0.7%	10	0.3%	30	0.8%	3736
Online syllabus	2472	65.8%	825	22.0%	186	5.0%	222	5.9%	23	0.6%	9	0.2%	19	0.5%	3756

Q10 - How do you like to receive communications from UT Arlington? (select all that apply)

Answer	N	%
Personal email	1298	34.0%
UT Arlington email	3473	91.0%
Text messaging	1451	38.0%
Personal authenticated website (MyMav Portal)	599	15.7%
Paper mail	422	11.1%
Social media (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube)	341	8.9%
Other (please specify):	26	0.7%
Total	3817	

Q11 - What is most likely to be your principal activity upon graduation?

Answer	N	%
Employment	2720	70.7%
Undergraduate, graduate, or professional school	916	23.8%
Military service	21	0.5%
Volunteer activity	16	0.4%
Starting or raising a family	57	1.5%
Other (please specify):	115	3.0%
Total	3845	

Q12 - Which of the following best describes your post-graduation employment?

Answer	N	%
Already secured full-time employment	944	34.9%
Already secured part-time employment	82	3.0%
Currently seeking employment	1092	40.3%
Continuing employment with current employer	394	14.6%
Already secured internship	48	1.8%
Currently seeking internship	71	2.6%
Starting a business or self-employed	23	0.8%
Other (please specify)	53	2.0%
Total	2707	

Q13 - Why are you planning to stay with your current employer?

Answer	N	%
UT Arlington degree will improve the opportunity for advancement in current position	267	68.1%
I have not been able to find new position	65	16.6%
Other (please specify):	60	15.3%
Total	392	

Q14 - What was your annual income for the last twelve months (prior to taxes)?

Answer	N	%
Less than \$20,000	48	4.7%
\$20,000 - \$29,999	41	4.0%
\$30,000 - \$39,999	66	6.5%
\$40,000 - \$49,999	148	14.5%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	438	42.8%
More than \$75,000	211	20.6%
Prefer not to respond	71	6.9%
Total	1023	

Q15 - What is your future educational plan?

Answer	N	%
I plan to continue on in an undergraduate, graduate, or professional program within one year of graduation.	1596	41.6%
I plan to continue my education at some point in the future.	1394	36.4%
I am unsure if I will continue my education.	644	16.8%
I will not continue my education.	200	5.2%
Total	3834	

Q16 - Which best describes your ultimate educational goal?

Answer	N	%
Second bachelor's degree	83	2.8%
Health professional (MD, DVM, PA, etc.)	543	18.2%
Law (JD)	67	2.2%
Masters/MBA	1763	59.1%
PhD	311	10.4%
Teacher certification	67	2.2%
Other (please specify):	149	5.0%
Total	2983	

Q17 - What has been your primary source of financial support while completing your degree?

Answer	N	%
Own employment	1278	33.4%
Spouse/Significant other	258	6.7%
Parents/Other family	663	17.3%
Savings	93	2.4%
Grants/Scholarships	593	15.5%
Loans	718	18.8%
G.I. Benefits	127	3.3%
Other (please specify):	96	2.5%
Total	3826	

Q18 - Which category best describes your employment status while completing your degree?

Answer	N	%
Not employed	525	13.7%
Employed only during summer/semester breaks	172	4.5%
Employed 1-10 hrs/week	198	5.2%
Employed 11-20 hrs/week	553	14.5%
Employed 21-30 hrs/week	606	15.9%
Employed 31-40 hrs/week	1098	28.8%
Employed 41 or more hrs/week	667	17.5%
Total	3819	

Q19 - Was the job related to the degree being sought?

Answer	N	%
Yes	2084	63.3%
No	1208	36.7%
Total	3292	

Q20 - Which category best describes the location of your residence, most of the time, while completing your degree?

Answer	N	%
On campus or in university affiliated housing	291	7.6%
Within one mile of campus	188	4.9%
More than one mile from campus, but within Arlington city limits	647	16.9%
Outside Arlington, less than 25 miles from campus	989	25.9%
Outside Arlington, 25 or more miles from campus	1707	44.7%
Total	3822	

Q21 - To what extent were the courses for your degree online?

Answer	N	%
Completely online	1335	34.9%
Mostly online	138	3.6%
Equally online and in person	260	6.8%
Mostly in person	1348	35.3%
Completely in-person	742	19.4%
Total	3823	



Q22 - Is your degree an Accelerated Online Nursing program?

Answer	N	%
Yes	1070	28.0%
No	2595	67.9%
Unsure/Don't know	157	4.1%
Total	3822	

Q23 - Did you transfer to UT Arlington from another institution?

Answer	N	%
Yes	2357	61.6%
No	1470	38.4%
Total	3827	

Q24 - From which institution did you transfer?

Answer	N	%
Abilene Christian	9	0.4%
Austin Community College	39	1.7%
Baylor University	12	0.5%
Collin County College	47	2.1%
Dallas County College	323	14.1%
Grayson County College	7	0.3%
Hill County College	15	0.7%
Navarro County College	36	1.6%
Southwest Assembly of God	2	0.1%
Stephen F. Austin	10	0.4%
Southern Methodist University	3	0.1%
Tarrant County College	732	32.0%
Tarleton State	13	0.6%
Texas Christian University	7	0.3%
Texas A&M	25	1.1%
Texas A&M Commerce	36	1.6%
Texas Tech	19	0.8%
University of Dallas	1	0.0%
University of North Texas	33	1.4%
University of Texas at Dallas	14	0.6%
University of Texas at Austin	18	0.8%
Other (please specify):	884	38.7%
Total	2285	

Q25 - How long did it take you to adjust to UT Arlington?

Answer	N	%
One semester	1772	75.6%
Two semesters	401	17.1%
Three semesters	82	3.5%
Four or more semesters	90	3.8%
Total	2345	

Note: Q26 is omitted as it is open-ended

Q27 - How long did it take for you to complete your degree overall (at UT Arlington and/or other institutions)?

Answer	N	%
Less than 4 years	1358	35.7%
4 years	950	24.9%
5 years	707	18.6%
6 years	349	9.2%
7+ years	444	11.7%
Total	3808	

Q28 - Have you ever taken classes at UT Arlington and another institution (either on-line or on-campus) during the same semester?

Answer	N	%
Yes	1283	33.8%
No	2514	66.2%
Total	3797	

Q29 - At which other institutions did you enroll while a student at UT Arlington?

Answer	N	%
Tarrant County College	587	46.4%
Dallas County Community College District	326	25.8%
Midlands College	3	0.2%
Other (please specify):	350	27.6%
Total	1266	

Q30 - Which of the following co-curricular activities did you participate in during your academic career?

Answer	N	%
Internship for credit	508	10.6%
Internship (non-credit)	357	7.4%
On-campus employment	397	8.3%
Off-campus employment	1151	23.9%
Research at UT Arlington	311	6.5%
Service learning at UT Arlington	100	2.1%
Study abroad	106	2.2%
Student organization or other leadership position	778	16.2%
Volunteer or community service at UT Arlington	398	8.3%
Volunteer or community service (non-UT Arlington)	636	13.2%
Other (please specify):	65	1.4%
Total	4807	

Q31 - With which gender do you identify?

Answer	N	%
Male	1143	30.1%
Female	2611	68.8%
Prefer not to answer	42	1.1%
Total	3796	

Q32 - Are you an international student?

Answer	N	%
Yes	135	3.6%
No	3620	95.3%
Prefer not to answer	42	1.1%
Total	3797	

Q33 - Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic/Latino?

Answer	N	%
Yes	1040	27.4%
No	2692	70.9%
Prefer not to answer	63	1.7%
Total	3795	

Q34 - With which race/ethnicity do you identify? (Select that apply)

Answer	N	%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	89	2.4%
Asian	522	14.1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	349	9.4%
Black or African American	262	7.1%
White or Caucasian	2210	59.8%
Prefer not to answer	346	9.4%
Total	3697	

Q35 - What is your age?

Answer	N	%
17-25	1695	46.0%
26-30	672	18.2%
31-35	423	11.5%
36-40	287	7.8%
41-49	389	10.6%
50-59	198	5.4%
60-69	21	0.6%
Total	3685	

Q36 - What is your current relationship status?

Answer	N	%
Single	1343	35.5%
In a committed relationship	928	24.5%
Married	1305	34.5%
Separated or divorced	112	3.0%
Widowed	11	0.3%
Prefer not to answer	82	2.2%
Total	3781	

Q37 - Do you have any children?

Answer	N	%
Yes	1335	35.3%
No	2393	63.2%
Prefer not to answer	56	1.5%
Total	3784	

Q38 - What was the combined income of your household (parents or own family) last year?

Answer	N	%
Less than \$20,000	322	8.5%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	240	6.4%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	269	7.1%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	251	6.6%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	291	7.7%
\$60,000 to \$69,999	262	6.9%
\$70,000 to \$79,999	207	5.5%
\$80,000 to \$89,999	220	5.8%
\$90,000 to \$99,999	180	4.8%
\$100,000 or more	805	21.3%
Do not know/Prefer not to answer	729	19.3%
Total	3776	

Q39 - Did either of your parents graduate from college?

Answer	N	%
Yes, both parents	786	20.9%
Yes, one parent	932	24.7%
No, neither parent	1927	51.2%
Do not know/Prefer not to answer	122	3.2%
Total	3767	

Q40 - For the degree you are about to receive from UT Arlington, please select your school/college from the list below.

Answer	N	%
Architecture, Planning And Public Affairs	40	1.1%
Business	643	16.9%
Education	94	2.5%
Engineering	246	6.5%
Liberal Arts	572	15.1%
Nursing and Health Innovation	1564	41.2%
Science	323	8.5%
Social Work	118	3.1%
University College	195	5.1%
Total	3795	