




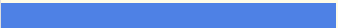



TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY
AUGUST 2013 GRADUATE SURVEY RESPONSES
Findings as of 2/14/14

1. From which college did you graduate?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Agriculture and Environmental Sciences		3	7%
2	Business		18	41%
3	Education		7	16%
4	Liberal and Fine Arts		9	20%
5	Science and Technology		7	16%
	Total		44	100%

2. Which degree did you most recently receive from Tarleton?





#	Answer		Response	%
1	undergraduate		31	70%
2	graduate		13	30%
	Total		44	100%

3. What was your major?



Text Response
Bachelor of Science
MBA
History
biology
Business Administration
psychology
PSYCHOLOGY
CJ
Criminal Justice
Agricultural Services and Development
Spanish
MBA
Mathematics
Business administration
Animal Science
accounting

BAAS Criminal Justice Administration
counseling psychology
business
Agriculture management
Business Administration, Management and Marketing
Information Systems
Mathematics with Teacher's Certification
instructional technology
Spanish
Kinesiology
Mathematics
Counseling Psychology
Liberal Studies
Social Work
Bsas
business administration
Psychology
business management
Psychology
HR Management
Information Technology
Business Administration
Psychology
Computer Information Systems
English
Counseling
Business Administration
Finance

4. Which Tarleton location did you primarily attend?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Stephenville		24	57%
2	Fort Worth		6	14%
3	Waco		10	24%
4	Midlothian		2	5%
	Total		42	100%

5. What is your gender?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Female		23	53%
2	Male		20	47%
3	Prefer not to answer		0	0%
	Total		43	100%

6. Did you graduate in the time frame you expected?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		38	86%
2	No		6	14%
	Total		44	100%

7. Did it take you longer than expected?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		5	83%
2	No		1	17%
	Total		6	100%

8. Which of the following barriers were applicable to your situation?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Financial		1	20%
2	Family commitments		1	20%
3	Academic preparedness		1	20%
4	Availability of courses		3	60%
5	Change of major		2	40%
6	Other		0	0%

9. Did you work (on or off campus) during your enrollment at Tarleton?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		35	80%
2	No		9	20%
	Total		44	100%











10. How many hours per week?

Text Response
50
10
40
20
40
40
45
35
40-60
40
20
20
10
20-40
50-60
40
40
30+
40+
15
40 plus
Depend on the season, 10-36
15
50
27
30
45-50
20-30
40
40
28
20-25
30-40 hours
36
10

11. Did you have an internship?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes - Required for my degree		10	23%
2	Yes - Not required for my degree		1	2%
3	No		33	75%
	Total		44	100%








12. Since leaving Tarleton, which statements are applicable to you (check all that apply)

#	Answer		Response	%
1	I found employment in an area related to my degree.		19	43%
2	Other		10	23%
3	I am pursuing additional undergraduate study		1	2%
4	I am employed in an area unrelated to my degree.		7	16%
5	I am still searching for employment.		7	16%
6	I started or assumed ownership of a business.		1	2%
8	I have started or am raising a family		9	20%
9	I am serving in the military		0	0%
10	I am pursuing volunteer service		1	2%
11	I am pursuing graduate study		15	34%

Other

I already had employment in an area related to my degree.
 employed in related field
 Still working at Tarleton
 Same job and is related to field of study
 I had a career before starting my degree.
 I already owned my own business and am still running it.
 care for elderly parents
 Professional Rodeo Cowboy

13. When did you obtain your first career related position?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Before graduation.		8	27%
2	One month after graduation.		6	20%
3	Two months after graduation.		1	3%
4	Three months after graduation.		4	13%
5	Remaining with the same employer as during my undergraduate education.		5	17%
6	Remaining with the same employer as during my graduate education.		4	13%
7	Other		2	7%
	Total		30	100%

14. If you are NOT working in a job related to your major, please check ONE statement which best describes why you are not working in a job related to your major.

#	Answer		Response	%
1	I am continuing my college education.		0	0%
2	I am unable to find a job in my field.		0	0%
3	I am working in another field while continuing to look for a position related to my major.		0	0%
4	I have not seriously sought		0	0%

	employment.			
5	I have found another job in another field.		0	0%
6	I am caring for my family.		0	0%
7	Other		1	100%
	Total		1	100%

15. Total number of years employed at current business:

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Less than 1 year		21	60%
2	1 to 5 years		5	14%
3	6 to 10 years		3	9%
4	11 to 15 years		2	6%
5	16 to 20 years		2	6%
6	20 to 25 years		1	3%
7	More than 25 years		1	3%
	Total		35	100%

16. Approximate salary earned per year:

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Less than \$20,000		7	21%
2	\$20,000 - \$29,000		5	15%
3	\$30,000 - \$39,000		7	21%
4	\$40,000 - \$49,000		7	21%
5	\$50,000 - \$59,000		2	6%
6	\$60,000 and over		6	18%
	Total		34	100%

17. After Graduation, did you remain within a 50 mile radius of Stephenville?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		16	36%
2	No (If no, Why?)		28	64%
	Total		44	100%

No (If no, Why?)
Lived in Waco
Career Opportunities
N/A
I attend the Waco campus
online student
Waco
I live in Fort Worth
Moving for School
Oilfield
Moved to my current location for my job
i'm in waco
I'm in Waco
distance student
moved to find a job
I did the online program
Location of job
Had a little girl and moved back in with my mom.
moved for increase in employment opportunities and for change.
I'm from and live in weatherford which is just over 50 miles away
Online student
In Waco
husband is military
I attended FT Worth classes because it was closer to my residence.

18. Do you intend to pursue another degree, license, or certification?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		31	70%
2	No		13	30%
	Total		44	100%

19. What other schools or universities are you considering?

Text Response
Universidad de Belgrano in Buenos Aires or Universidad Torcuato di Tella also in Buenos Aires
Tarleton State University Graduate School
UT Arlington
I'm currently enrolled in tarleton for a counseling psych masters degree
Tarleton Graduate and Baylor
Tarleton
UTA, UNT
SHSU
Texas A M
Unt
None
Any school with teaching certificates
Somewhere with an online Master's program.
University of Texas Arlington
Twu, Uta
University of Central Oklahoma and University of Liverpool in England.
Baylor University
Attended Texas Woman's University and completed a M.A. in English. Currently attending
Texas Woman's University and working towards Ph.D. in Rhetoric.
None
University of North Texas
Tarleton State University

20. Did you apply to a professional school (i.e. law, medical, veterinary, etc)?








#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	1	3%
2	No	30	97%
	Total	31	100%

21. Did you get accepted to the professional School?



#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes - (What school)	1	100%
2	No	0	0%
	Total	1	100%

Yes - (What school)
UTDT , Belgrano

22. How much debt did you incur to finance your Tarleton education?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	0-\$2,499		17	39%
2	\$2,500-\$4,999		2	5%
3	\$5,000-\$9,999		4	9%
4	\$10,000-\$14,999		7	16%
5	\$15,000-\$19,999		3	7%
6	\$20,000-\$24,999		0	0%
7	\$25,000-\$29,000		4	9%
8	\$30,000 or more		7	16%
	Total		44	100%

23. Would you refer a friend or family member to Tarleton State University based on your experience?

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Yes		41	93%
2	No		3	7%
	Total		44	100%

24. What would you change about your Tarleton experience?

Text Response
<p>Personally I would make it about the students. Tarleton has a nasty case of constant construction that I believe to be toxic to the students. There are so many fees that really don't benefit the students out here. I mean look at the Fort Worth students. They are being asked to pay for a student ID when they can't actually receive one. They are being charged a library fee when they don't get real access to it, and the list goes on. The fees that benefit the sports teams, the students at Fort Worth couldn't care less about sports. They're there for a degree, not "The Experience". Same with me, I've never cared about the experience. This is a school, not a giant party. Act like a school for once.</p>

25. Did you have a life-changing experience while at Tarleton, and, if so, would you briefly describe it?

Text Response

Tarleton was a pleasant surprise. I arrived in 2008 and experienced a bit of culture shock because of the size of the town and the dry county ambiance. But, slowly but surely I began to see why everyone found their niche in Stephenville, it is a diamond in the rough. Through Greek life I made numerous friends and connections that I will always attribute to my college days. I bet many beautiful women; traveled abroad, and interacted with some of the most brilliant minds (both on and off campus) I had ever come across. I loved it.

N/A

No

N/a

I found Tarleton State to be a very friendly atmosphere. All professors and key personnel seemed to really care about the students and attempted to be helpful in all areas. Tarleton was a very good experience for me.

I accomplished something no one else in my family did by receiving my Bachelor's Degree

no

I got into debt over 40k

I enjoyed the small classes as I received the attention I needed. I also enjoyed the faculty knowing me by name.

Yes, I had a baby

Met my wife, made friends for a lifetime, and would do it all over again.

Throughout my studies and interactions with teachers and staff I was able to learn who I was and find self discovery! Yay for Ms. XXX and Dr. XXXXX!

Yes. Being a part of Tarleton 1st ooc class was an incredible experience.

Yes, it was a big culture change and I loved it. During my time at Tarleton, we became family and friends. I also believe this was the best fit for me and changed my life forever!

No. However, Tarleton helped me grow as a person and gave me the opportunity to be more self-aware of myself.

I was hired at XXXXXX Medical Examiner's Office a month before I graduated from TSU. It was a huge relief to be employed before I graduated. I had originally interned at XXXXX. Medical Examiner's office while going to Weatherford College before I graduated and transferred to TSU. And I am still employed at XXXX Medical Examiner's office I am a Forensic Death Investigator.

After 30 years returned to complete my undergrad pursuit, I realized how much education means to my future and society. It is encouraging to me more than ever now, the importance of commitment and pursuit in education and higher learning. I feel empowered more now than ever to help make a difference in every aspect of my life that day of graduation forward. Thank you

I learned a lot about myself while in college! It has made me into the person I am today!

Yes, I made friends and business contacts during my time at Tarleton. I still keep in touch with those people today. In addition, I am currently and adjunct instructor for Tarleton State University.

I while attending Tarleton I was able to gain real world knowledge from my experienced professors. This knowledge has helped me to be a better employee in my current position.

I have met some good long lasting friendship in Tarleton. I am from Malaysia but I am pursuing my MBA right now so I can stay in the United States longer. I LOVE TARLETON!!