

# 2023 Graduating Students' Survey

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#### **INTRODUCTION:**

The 2023 Survey of Graduating Students gathers information on students' satisfaction with their educational experiences. NNMC adopted the survey when it joined the Council of University Presidents (CUP) in 2012.

Prior surveys are available on Northern's Institutional Research survey website: https://nnmc.edu/about/office-of-institutional-research/institutional-research-surveys.html

This survey was administered via SurveyMonkey to all graduating students. A total of 222 students received the survey by email between May 1, 2023, and May 17, 2023. Seventy-six students responded, giving a 34% response rate.

#### The results are as follows:

Students provided responses regarding their satisfaction with various services provided by Northern. Very Satisfied and Satisfied options were grouped as Strengths and Dissatisfied and Very Dissatisfied were grouped as Areas for Improvement.

#### Strengths:

Graduates who completed the survey identified the top strengths as: The quality of instruction in your major (95%), Value of your education, relative to cost (93%), Quality of intellectual challenge of your program (91%), Quality of instruction OUTSIDE of your major (84%), and College experience (84%).



#### Areas of Improvement:

Graduates who completed the survey identified the top opportunities for improvement as: The quality of academic advising (9%), Adequacy of laboratories and equipment (9%), Quality of career counseling and advising received (8%), Adequacy of our online learning support (7%), and Preparation for the workforce or graduate school (6%).



#### STUDENT INFORMATION

#### Program Area of Study

Fifty-seven (57) students responded to the question asked for the Award they received. Forty-two percent (42%) indicated they received a bachelor's degree, thirty percent (30%) an associate's degree, and twenty-five (25%) a certificate (including Alternative Licensure), and three percent (3%) unspecified.

Out of these 57 students who responded to this question, twenty-one percent (21%) were from Business Administration department, twenty-five percent (25%) were from Teacher Education, nine percent (9%) were from Biology, Chemistry and ES, Eighteen percent (18%) were from Arts & Human Sciences, five percent (5%) were from Nursing and HS, nine percent (9%) were from Engineering and Tech, three percent were (3%) from Language and Letters, and eleven percent (11%) were unspecified.

#### Attend to Northern New Mexico College again?

Out of fifty-seven responded to this question, eighty-nine percent (89%) responded that they would attend NNMC again, and eleven percent (11%) responded that they would not attend.

#### Choose the same major.

Out of these 57 students, seventy-nine (79%) would choose the same major, and the rest would choose different majors.

#### What is next?

**Graduate School:** Out of 18 who would like to go the graduate school, twenty-eight (28%) indicated they would go to Northern New Mexico College, twenty-two percent (22%) indicated the University of New Mexico, eleven percent (11%) indicated Northern New Mexico for BA, and rest to other universities.

**Seek Job:** The top three places where graduates look for a job were: Los Alamos National Lab (13%), Chama Schools (7%), and Espanola Public Schools (7%)

*Already have a job in the same field:* Twenty-two students selected this option. The top two places where students have a job already were: Los Alamos National Lab (36%) and Working at Schools (27%).

Teacher (K-12): 12 students selected they would look for a job as Teacher (K-12) around NNMC.

Another field: Two students responded that they would look for a job in another field different than that they graduated from.

#### Stay in New Mexico after graduation?

Out of 56 students who responded to this question, 93% indicated they would stay in New Mexico College and the rest would not.

## Q1 Please rate your satisfaction with the quality of instruction in your major



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 50.00%    | 38 |
| Satisfied                          | 44.74%    | 34 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 2.63%     | 2  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 2.63%     | 2  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 76 |

# Q2 Please rate your satisfaction with NNMC quality of instruction OUTSIDE of your major



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 38.16%    | 29 |
| Satisfied                          | 46.05%    | 35 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 15.79%    | 12 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 0.00%     | 0  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 76 |

## Q3 Please rate your satisfaction with NNMC quality of academic advising



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 51.32%    | 39 |
| Satisfied                          | 31.58%    | 24 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 7.89%     | 6  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 5.26%     | 4  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 3.95%     | 3  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 76 |

# Q4 Please rate your satisfaction with NNMC quality of intellectual challenge of your program.



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 40.79%    | 31 |
| Satisfied                          | 50.00%    | 38 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 5.26%     | 4  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2.63%     | 2  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 1.32%     | 1  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 76 |

# Q5 Please rate your satisfaction with adequacy of financial assistance (\$) you received



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 47.89%    | 34 |
| Satisfied                          | 35.21%    | 25 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 14.08%    | 10 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2.82%     | 2  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 71 |

# Q6 Please rate your satisfaction with the quality of career counseling and advising you received



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 36.62%    | 26 |
| Satisfied                          | 38.03%    | 27 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 16.90%    | 12 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 4.23%     | 3  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 4.23%     | 3  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 71 |

# Q7 Please rate your satisfaction with the contact with faculty outside of class that you received



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 40.85%    | 29 |
| Satisfied                          | 42.25%    | 30 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 11.27%    | 8  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 5.63%     | 4  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 71 |

# Q8 Please rate your satisfaction with the adequacy of laboratories and equipment



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 16.18%    | 11 |
| Satisfied                          | 35.29%    | 24 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 39.71%    | 27 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 5.88%     | 4  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 2.94%     | 2  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 68 |

## Q9 Please rate your satisfaction with the adequacy of the library services



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 26.76%    | 19 |
| Satisfied                          | 36.62%    | 26 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 32.39%    | 23 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 4.23%     | 3  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 0.00%     | 0  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 71 |

# Q10 Please rate your satisfaction with the adequacy of our online learning support



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 38.03%    | 27 |
| Satisfied                          | 42.25%    | 30 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 12.68%    | 9  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2.82%     | 2  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 4.23%     | 3  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 71 |

# Q11 Please rate your satisfaction with Northern regarding the value of your education, relative to cost



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 44.93%    | 31 |
| Satisfied                          | 47.83%    | 33 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 2.90%     | 2  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 1.45%     | 1  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 2.90%     | 2  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 69 |

# Q12 Please rate your satisfaction with Northern regarding your sense of community on campus



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 31.88%    | 22 |
| Satisfied                          | 28.99%    | 20 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 33.33%    | 23 |
| Dissatisfied                       | 4.35%     | 3  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 1.45%     | 1  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 69 |

# Q13 Please rate your satisfaction with Northern regarding your preparation for the workforce or graduate school



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 39.13%    | 27 |
| Satisfied                          | 42.03%    | 29 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 13.04%    | 9  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 2.90%     | 2  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 2.90%     | 2  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 69 |

# Q14 Please rate your satisfaction with Northern regarding your satisfaction with your college experience



| ANSWER CHOICES                     | RESPONSES |    |
|------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Very satisfied                     | 43.48%    | 30 |
| Satisfied                          | 40.58%    | 28 |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied | 11.59%    | 8  |
| Dissatisfied                       | 1.45%     | 1  |
| Very dissatisfied                  | 2.90%     | 2  |
| TOTAL                              |           | 69 |

## Q15 What award(s) are you receiving?

Answered: 55 Skipped: 21

| ANSWER CHOICES                            | RESPONSES |    |  |
|---|-----------|----|--|
| Award (certificate, associate, bachelors) | 100.00%   | 55 |  |
| Major                                     | 83.64%    | 46 |  |

#### Majors by Degree

| Major                                 | Associate | Bachelors | Certificate<br>(including<br>Alternative<br>Licensure<br>Program) | Unspecified | Grand<br>Total |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|-------------|----------------|
| Accounting                            | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| Arts                                  | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| Barbering                             |           | -         | 1   | -           | 1              |
| Biology                               | 1         | 1         |   |             | 2              |
| Business Administration               |           | 3         |   |             | 3              |
| Criminal Justice                      |           | 1         |   |             | 1              |
| Early Childhood Education             |           | 3         |   | 1           | 4              |
| Elementary Education                  | 1         | 4         | 4   |             | 9              |
| Film and Digital Media Arts           | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| General Psychology                    | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| Information Engineering<br>Technology | 2         | 2         |   |             | 4              |
| Liberal Arts                          | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| Literary Editing and Publishing       |           |           | 1   |             | 1              |
| Management                            |           | 1         |   |             | 1              |
| Nursing                               | 2         | 1         |   |             | 3              |
| Project Management                    |           | 3         | 3   |             | 6              |
| Psychology                            |           | 5         |   | 1           | 6              |
| Radiation Protection                  | 3         |           |   |             | 3              |
| Software Engineering & Information    |           |           |   |             |                |
| Engineering Technology                | 1         |           |   |             | 1              |
| Special Education                     |           |           | 1   |             | 1              |
| Unspecified                           | 2         |           | 4   |             | 6              |
| Grand Total                           | 17        | 24        | 14  | 2           | 57             |



## Q16 If you had to do it over again, would you attend Northern?

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes            | 89.47%    | 51 |
| No             | 10.53%    | 6  |
| TOTAL          |           | 57 |

## Q17 If you had to do it over again, would you choose the same major?



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes            | 78.95%    | 45 |
| No             | 21.05%    | 12 |
| TOTAL          |           | 57 |

## Q18 What's next? Please specify:

Answered: 44 Skipped: 32

| ANSWER CHOICES                       | RESPONSES |    |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Graduate school (where)              | 47.73%    | 21 |
| Seek job (where)                     | 40.91%    | 18 |
| Already have job in my field (where) | 54.55%    | 24 |
| Teacher K-12 (where)                 | 38.64%    | 17 |
| Seek job in another field (where)    | 9.09%     | 4  |
| Military (branch)                    | 6.82%     | 3  |

| What's next? Please specify:               |       |
|--|-------|
| Graduate school (where)                    | Count |
| Northern New Mexico College                | 5     |
| University of New Mexico                   | 4     |
| Bachelors                                  | 2     |
| Northern New Mexico for a BA               | 2     |
| Highlands University maybe                 | 1     |
| Louisiana State University                 | 1     |
| NMSU                                       | 1     |
| Southwestern College & New Earth Institute | 1     |
| Walden University                          | 1     |
| Grand Total                                | 18    |

| Seek job (where)                  | Count |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Los Alamos National Laboratory    | 2     |
| Albuquerque                       | 1     |
| Chama Schools                     | 1     |
| Employed                          | 1     |
| Espanola                          | 1     |
| Espanola or Santa Fe              | 1     |
| Espanola Public Schools           | 1     |
| Google                            | 1     |
| Holloman Air Force Base           | 1     |
| Home Depot                        | 1     |
| IT position at Santa Clara Pueblo | 1     |
| Los Alamos County                 | 1     |
| McCurdy Charter School            | 1     |
| Santa Fe Recovery Center          | 1     |
| Grand Total                       | 15    |
|                                   |       |
| Seek job in another field (where) | Count |
| Criminal Justice                  | 1     |
| Ferrenela                         |       |

| unt | Already have job in my field (where)              | Count |
|-----|---|-------|
| 2   | Los Alamos National Laboratory                    | 8     |
| 1   | Espanola Public Schools                           | 2     |
| 1   | Chama Schools                                     | 1     |
| 1   | Chimayo elementary                                | 1     |
| 1   | Job with Espanola schools                         | 1     |
| 1   | LANL HPC Consultant                               | 1     |
| 1   | Las Clinicas del Norte                            | 1     |
| 1   | Las Cumbres Community Services-Conjunto Preschool | 1     |
| 1   | Los Alamos County                                 | 1     |
| 1   | Los Alamos High School                            | 1     |
| 1   | Nursing   | 1     |
| 1   | Santa Clara Behavioral Health                     | 1     |
| 1   | Santa Fe Recovery Center (3years)                 | 1     |
| 1   | TISA  | 1     |
| 15  | Grand Total                                       | 22    |

| Teacher K-12 (where)               | Count | Seek jo |
|------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Kindergarten teacher               | 2     | Crimin  |
| 4th                                | 1     | Espano  |
| Alcalde elementary                 | 1     | Grand   |
| Chimayo elementary                 | 1     |         |
| Conjunto Preschool                 | 1     | Militar |
| Either K-3 or 6th grade            | 1     | (blank) |
| Gallina Elementary                 | 1     | Grand   |
| LAPS                               | 1     |         |
| Los Alamos High School             | 1     |         |
| McCurdy Charter School             | 1     |         |
| Pojoaque valley high school        | 1     |         |
| Tony E. Quintana Elementary        | 1     |         |
| Winfield Middle School-Winfield,KS | 1     |         |
| Grand Total                        | 14    |         |
|                                    |       |         |

| ek job in another field (where) | Count |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| iminal Justice                  | 1     |
| panola                          | 1     |
| and Total                       | 2     |
|                                 |       |
| ilitary (branch)                | Count |
| ank)                            |       |
| and Total                       | 0     |
|                                 |       |
|                                 |       |
|                                 |       |

## Q19 Will you be staying in New Mexico after graduation?

Answered: 56 Skipped: 20

| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |    |
|----------------|-----------|----|
| Yes            | 92.86%    | 52 |
| No             | 7.14%     | 4  |
| TOTAL          |           | 56 |

Q20 Please comment on any aspect of your collegiate experience that you felt was a particular strength or a particular weakness in the areas of curriculum, instruction, academic support, or your overall college experience.

| Summarized Comments                | Percentage |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Staff/faculty are helpful          | 47%        |
| Technical issues                   | 10%        |
| Lack of support from staff/faculty | 10%        |
| Great learning experience          | 7%         |
| Useful online courses              | 7%         |
| Great events                       | 3%         |
| Needed more in-person classes      | 3%         |
| Great communication                | 3%         |
| Issues with course design          | 3%         |
| Lack of proper communication       | 3%         |
| Lack of student engagement         | 3%         |

Answered: 23

# Q21 If you were able to make one significant change in the programs, services, or environment for students at this institution, what would it be?

Answered: 25

| Summarized Comments                | Percentage |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Staff/faculty are helpful          | 47%        |
| Technical issues                   | 10%        |
| Lack of support from staff/faculty | 10%        |
| Great learning experience          | 7%         |
| Useful online courses              | 7%         |
| Great events                       | 3%         |
| Needed more in-person classes      | 3%         |
| Great communication                | 3%         |
| Issues with course design          | 3%         |
| Lack of proper communication       | 3%         |
| Lack of student engagement         | 3%         |