

Senior Exit Survey – Summary of Administration, Sampling and Student Participation

During March-July 2011, the NDSU Office of Institutional Research and Analysis administered the *Senior Exit Survey*, a stand-alone questionnaire designed to identify the future plans of seniors graduating spring semester 2011. This survey is completed annually on the NDSU campus in compliance with requirements stipulated by the Voluntary System of Accountability. This is the fourth administration of the survey, with the first administration occurring in spring 2008.

Table 1

Sample size	1000
Responses	277
Response Rate	27.7%

Table 1 (above) provides a basic summary of sampling and participation rate. The 2011 Senior Exit Survey generated a response rate of 27.7%. Table 2 (below) presents overall frequency responses by choice categories presented to spring semester graduating seniors.

Table 2

Activity	% Responses
Employment, full-time paid	49.0
Graduate or professional school, full-time	17.3
Other	10.3
Employment, part-time paid	8.1
Starting or raising a family	5.9
Graduate or professional school, part-time	3.9
Volunteer activity (e.g., Peace Corps)	2.5
Additional undergraduate coursework	2.2
Military service	0.8
Total	100.0

Note: Table 2 reports percentage of responses (some respondents made more than one response), while the “Future Plans of Bachelor’s Degree Recipients” chart on the College Portrait website reports percentage of students making each response.