Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey 2007

(For Doctoral Stream/Research Programs)

Section 1. Educational Status

1.	At which degree level are you currently enrolled?
	□ Master's □ Doctoral
2.	In what disciplinary area are you pursuing your degree? (Select One)
	 ☐ Humanities ☐ Fine and Applied Arts ☐ Social Sciences ☐ Business/Management ☐ Education ☐ Engineering ☐ Physical and Mathematical Sciences ☐ Environmental Science ☐ Biological Sciences ☐ Health Science
3.	What is your current year of study?
	☐ 1st year ☐ 2nd year ☐ 3rd year ☐ 4th year ☐ 5th year ☐ 6th year or above
4.	What is your current status in your graduate program?
	☐ I am still taking courses ☐ I have completed coursework ☐ I have passed qualifying exams/paper ☐ I have had my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted ☐ I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper
5.	Do you expect to graduate by the end of the current academic year?
	□ No □ Yes

Section 2. General Satisfaction

Please select your response to the following statements.

	Definitely	Probably	Maybe	Probably not	Definitely not
If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select this same university?					C
2. If you were to start your graduate/ professional career again, would you select the same field of study?					
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program?					C
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field?					C
5. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same faculty supervisor?					С

Section 3. Satisfaction with Program, Quality of Interactions, and Coursework

Please rate the following dimensions of your program.

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor
The intellectual quality of the faculty				O	
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students				O	
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students					
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty				0	
5. Advice on the availability of financial support					
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance					
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program					
Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program				0	
Quality of instruction in my courses			C	C	
10. Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals	C		0		0
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork					
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department	E		0	0	0
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work					
14. Amount of coursework				0	

Section 4. Professional Skills Development

How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
1. Courses, workshops, or orientation on teaching							
2. Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations	C						C
3. Feedback on your research							
4. Advice/workshops on the standards for academic writing in your field	6					E	E
5. Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals					C		
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work							
7. Advice/workshops on career options within academia							
8. Advice/workshops on career options outside academia	E					D	C
9. Advice/workshops about research positions							
10. Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research							
11. Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals	C						C
12. Advice on intellectual property issues							

Section 5. Research Experience

How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
Conducting independent research since starting your graduate program							G
2. Training in research methods before beginning your own research	E					E	C
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic							
4. Research collaboration with one or more faculty members	•					E	C
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal							

Section 6. Presentations and Publications

Please select if the following occurs in your department, and the number of times you were involved.

			Number of times you were involved				ved
	Yes	No	0	1	2	3	4+
1. Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research							
2. Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings							
3. Attend national scholarly meetings							
4. Deliver any papers or present a poster at national scholarly meetings							C
5. Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty							
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal							

Section 7. Advisor and Thesis/Dissertation/Research Paper

Does v	your	program	include a	Thesis,	Dissertation,	or Research	n Paper?

☐ Yes

□ No

Thesis/Dissertation advisors engage in a variety of mentoring activities. For each of the following statements, indicate the extent that it DESCRIBES THE BEHAVIOR of your advisor.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	NA/No opinion
1. Was knowledgeable about formal degree requirements	C			0	6
2. Served as my advocate when necessary				0	
3. Gave me constructive feedback on my work	C			0	0
4. Returned my work promptly					
5. Promoted my professional development					
6. Overall, performed the role well	6				
7. Was available for regular meetings	0				
8. Was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams					
9. Was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam					
10. Was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic	E			E	

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	NA/No opinion
11. Was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal	E			E	•
12. Was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation					
13. Was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee	C		6	0	5

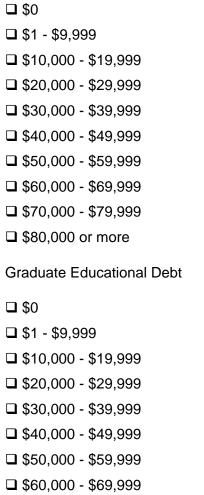
On average, how often per month do you meet or communicate with your dissertation advisor about:

a.	Your ongoing research and results
	Four or more times (at least once a week) One to three times (at least once a month) Less than once a month Not applicable/No opinion
b.	Your writing of the dissertation draft
	Four or more times (at least once a week) One to three times (at least once a month) Less than once a month Not applicable/No opinion

Section 8. Financial Support

1.	Please check all of the following forms of support you received while you have been enrolled in your program. Please check if you received support from this source:
	Federal Granting Council Scholarship/Fellowship
	Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship
	Support from a Foreign Government
	External (to university) non-government fellowship
	University funded fellowships
	University funded bursary
	Graduate research assistantship
	Graduate teaching assistantship
	Other part-time research employment
	Other part-time teaching employment
	Residence Donship
	Full tuition scholarships or waivers
	Partial tuition scholarships or waivers
	Other campus employment
	Off campus employment
	Employee benefit or employer funding
	Loans, savings, or family assistance

2. Please estimate the amount of undergraduate educational debt, if any, plus the amount of graduate educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here.
Undergraduate Educational Debt
□ \$0
□ \$1 - \$9.999



\$70,000 - \$79,999

■ \$80,000 or more

Section 9. University Resources and Student Life

Please rate the following university resources based on the quality you have experienced while using them.

Please answer regarding your most recent year's experience in the graduate school at this university.

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
1. Library facilities	6						
2. Graduate student work/study space	C					E	
3. Research laboratories.	E						
4. Health care services	C		C			E	E
5. Child care services	E					E	•
6. Financial aid office	6		E			E	E
7. Career services	B						
8. Student counseling & resource centre	E	E	E				
9. Athletic facilities	0						
10. International office	E	E	E			E	
11. Housing assistance						E	
12. Ombudsperson's office	E					E	
13. Campus Transportation service							
14. Food services						E	
15. University bookstore						6	
16. Student government office		C				C	
17. Registrarial processes	E				C	•	
18. Information technology services						E	

Section 10. Social Life

How often do the following social activities occur on campus and how often do you attend them?

	Frequency of occurrence of activities?			Frequency of your attendance?		
	Frequent	Occasionally	Never	Frequent	Occasionally	Never
Organized university-wide social activities						
2. Organized social activities within your department						
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group						
4. Organized social activities within your residence	C				E	

Section 11. General Assessment

1. Overall, how would you rate the quality of:

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor
Your academic experience at this university?			C		
Your student life experience at this university?					
Your graduate/professional program at this university?					
Your overall experience at this university?	6	5			

2. Rate the extent to which the following factors are an obstacle to your academic progress.

	Not an obstacle	A minor obstacle	A major obstacle
Work/financial commitments	C	G	C
Family obligations	E	E	E
Availability of faculty	0		
Program structure or requirements	0		
Course scheduling	0		
Immigration laws or regulations	E	E	C
Other	E		C

Section 12. Personal Demographics

1.	Gender
	☐ Male
	☐ Female
2.	Age
	☐ 21 or younger
	□ 21 - 25
	2 6 - 30
	□ 31 - 35
	□ 36 - 40
	41 - 45
	□ Over 45
3.	Which of the following housing situations best describes your CURRENT residence?
	☐ On-campus student housing (no resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)
	☐ On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)
	☐ Off-campus housing owned by this university
	☐ Off-campus housing not owned by this university
4.	What is your marital status?
	☐ Not married
	☐ Married
	☐ Divorced
	☐ Separated
	☐ Widowed
	☐ With domestic partner
5.	How many, if any, children do you have?
	☐ None/Not applicable
	□ 1 child
	☐ 2 children
	☐ 3 children
	☐ 4 or more

6.	What is your present citizenship status?
	☐ Canadian Citizen
	☐ Canadian Permanent Resident
	☐ Citizen of another country with a student visa or other nonimmigrant visa.
	☐ Please specify country:
7.	Please indicate whether you consider yourself to be a member of one or more of the following visible minority groups:
	☐ Black (e.g. African, African American, African Canadian, Caribbean)
	☐ East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian)
	☐ South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi)
	☐ Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese)
	☐ West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish)
	☐ Latin American (e.g. Mexican, Indigenous Central and South American)
	☐ Mixed origin, please specify:
8.	Do you self-identify with, or have ancestry as an Aboriginal person (status or non-status Indian, Métis or Inuit)?
	□ Yes
	□ No
	e there any additional comments you would like to add about your graduate student perience at this university?