

Ruffalo Noel Levitz Second Year Student Assessment[™] (SYSA)

Student information fields:

First Name Middle Initial Last Name Student Identification Number Date of Birth MMDDYYYY Gender Email Address Custom Group: (optional) Custom Group: (optional) Custom Group: (optional) Custom Group: (optional)

- 1. The amount of time I am working at a job this term is approximately:
 - 0 (I do not work)
 - 1 to 10 hours per week
 - o 11 to 20 hours per week
 - 21 to 30 hours per week
 - 31 to 40 hours per week
 - o over 40 hours per week
- 2. My current GPA is approximately:
 - o 3.5 4.0
 - o 2.5 3.49
 - o **1.5 2.49**
 - o **1.0 1.49**
 - o Less than 1.0

3. I would describe my racial/ethnic origin as:

- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander
- o Black/African-American
- White/Caucasian (non-Hispanic)
- Mexican or Mexican American
- Puerto Rican
- Other Hispanic or Latino
- o Multiethnic
- o Other
- Prefer not to respond
- 4. The statement that describes my current college enrollment status is:
 - o I enrolled here with no previous college credits.
 - I enrolled here with dual-enrollment credits earned while in high school.
 - I transferred here from a community college.
 - I transferred here from a four-year college or university.
 - o Other

- 5. The total number of college credit hours I have earned here and at other institutions is:
 - 0 15 credits
 - o 16 30 credits
 - o 31 45 credits
 - 46 60 credits
 - More than 60 credits
- 6. The number of classes I'm enrolled in at other institutions this term is:
 - o None
 - o 1 class
 - 2 classes
 - 3 classes
 - More than 3 classes
- 7. My study plans this year are:
 - I don't think I will need to study as much as I did last year.
 - I think I will need to study about the same amount as I did last year.
 - I think I will need to study more than I did last year.
- 8. My current decision on the selection of a major or program is:
 - I plan to continue with the major or program I have selected.
 - I have selected a major or program, but I'm thinking about changing it.
 - I'm actively engaged in the process of selecting a major or program.
 - I have some potential major or programs in mind, but haven't explored them yet.
 - o I have not thought seriously about a major or program at this point.
- 9. The highest degree or program that I plan to pursue is:
 - 1-year certificate
 - 2-year certificate or associate degree
 - 4-year college degree (bachelor's)
 - Master's degree
 - Professional degree (medicine, dentistry, law, Ph.D., or other similar degrees)
 - o Other
- 10. My current college or program completion plan is:
 - \circ ~ I plan to complete my degree or program at this college or university.
 - I plan to transfer to another college or university to complete my degree or program.
 - College is not right for me at this time, and I do not plan to continue.
 - I am undecided about my plans at this time.

Items 11-39

Rating scale 1 to 7: Not at all true - Completely true

From the survey instructions: "If you agree completely with a statement, you should answer with a "7". Agreement that is fairly strong but not total is indicated by selecting a "5", while agreement that is fairly weak is indicated by a "3". Total disagreement is indicated by selecting "1".

- 11. Of all the things I could do at this point in my life, going to college is definitely the most satisfying.
- 12. It has been easy for me to make friends in college.
- 13. I feel comfortable with the changes in life style that occur in college.
- 14. I feel energized by the ideas I'm learning in most of my classes.
- 15. I have always felt that the rest of my family was firmly behind me.
- 16. Most people have a lot of trust in my judgment and opinions.
- 17. I feel as though I'm learning things in my classes that are worthwhile to me as a person.
- 18. I have many friends and feel at home here.
- 19. I am able to grasp complicated ideas.
- 20. I don't have any financial problems that will interfere with my studies.
- 21. Enter a "7" for this item.
- 22. Many people consider me an effective leader and look to me for direction.
- 23. I can usually find ways of applying what I'm learning in class to something else in my life.
- 24. It has been easy for me to adapt to my college living arrangements.
- 25. The total college experience is very rewarding.
- 26. I feel good about the way I have adapted to the college social environment.
- 27. I have a good memory of the information that my instructors present in class.
- 28. I feel comfortable discussing important issues with my family.
- 29. When I'm in a group, others often turn to me as the group's leader.
- 30. I find myself thinking about what I'm learning in class even when I'm not in class.
- 31. I am good at figuring out what material is most important for an exam.
- 32. Enter a "3" for this item.
- 33. My family respects my judgment on most decisions.
- 34. Over the years, I have frequently been selected as a spokesperson or group leader.
- 35. I have the financial resources that I need to finish college.
- 36. I am quite confident that my decision to go to college was right for me.
- 37. During an exam, I'm able to concentrate and keep my thoughts well organized.
- 38. My family and I understand each other's point of view.
- 39. I am strongly dedicated to finishing college no matter what obstacles get in the way.

Items 40-54

From the survey instructions: "Items in this section allow you to indicate your use of programs and services in specific areas, as well as your desire to receive - or continue to receive - additional assistance or information in these areas."

Left side: Received assistance last year. YES/NO

Right side: Would like to receive assistance this year. YES/NO

My Specific Needs and Interest

- 40. Get help with study skills (time management, taking notes, concentrating, exam skills, etc.)
- 41. Find tutors in one or more of my courses.
- 42. Select an academic program or major.
- 43. Prepare a written academic plan for graduation
- 44. Figure out the impact of my grades on my desired major.
- 45. Discuss transfer questions and issues.
- 46. Define goals suited to my major or career interest(s).
- 47. Explore advantages and disadvantages of my career choice.
- 48. Identify work experiences or internships related to my major
- 49. Find ways to balance the demands of school with work.
- 50. Discuss options for financing my education.
- 51. Find better ways to manage my personal finances, including loans, work, and credit cards.
- 52. Discuss difficulties in my personal relationships and social life.
- 53. Receive help with family issues that are distracting to me.
- 54. Find ways to deal with emotional tensions that are bothering me.

Items 55-67

Rating scale 1 to 7: Very Dissatisfied – Very Satisfied

From the survey instructions: "Items in this section measure your current impressions of this institution. Use the scale below to indicate how satisfied you are with your experience at this institution thus far".

- 55. Frequency of interactions with my instructors
- 56. Frequency of communication with my academic advisor
- 57. Variety of majors available here
- 58. Variety of courses available in my (desired) major
- 59. Degree of academic challenge in my classes here
- 60. Opportunities to get involved in activities and events associated with my (desired) major
- 61. Availability of service learning, internships, and/or other work experiences associated with my career interests
- 62. Adequacy of financial assistance available to me
- 63. Leadership opportunities in student government and other organizations
- 64. Social life (both on and off campus)
- 65. Level of interaction with other students
- 66. Sense of belonging to the college community
- 67. My overall experience as a student at this institution

CUSTOM QUESTIONS ASKED BY INSTITUTION (optional)

"FINAL" ITEM OF SURVEY IS ALWAYS THIS STANDARD ITEM

##. I authorize my institution to share results from this inventory with my advisor and appropriate student service offices, which will help me select courses and make other educational decisions:

- o YES
- NO (If you select this option, all of your reports will be kept on file with the Coordinator of this program; as soon as the Student Report is available, you will be able to obtain it from the Coordinator.)