



201-22 Graduating Senior Survey Report

Prepared by Institutional Research and Decision Support

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Response Rate: Of the 1,882 students invited to complete the survey, 848 (45%) provided partial or complete responses. Because students could skip questions, response rates varied by question.

Administration: The survey was available for seniors to complete between March 28 and May 7, 2022. As an incentive, respondents were entering into drawings to receive 35 \$25 Amazon e-gift cards. Students could complete the survey by clicking their individualized link in personalized emails or by using an anonymous link that required authentication. Survey publicity and outreach was coordinated across multiple groups on campus: IRDS, Student Affairs, assessment managers, faculty, academic advisors, and others.

Respondent Characteristics: Please refer to Tables 1-4 below for respondent characteristics, including information about the representativeness of the sample relative to the invited population. The sample was roughly representative of the invitee population, and subgroup response rates were similar to the overall response rate of 45%, with few exceptions. Women were more likely to take the survey than men, which is common in survey research. Other differences in response rates are likely due to small sample sizes for particular groups.

Report Notes: Unless otherwise noted, all students could answer each question on the survey. Students could choose to skip questions. Students were invited to take the survey if they had been awarded a degree or applied to receive a degree as of the 15th day of instruction in spring 2022. It is possible that some students completing the survey did not graduate, though all were seniors and responses still aid understanding of the experience of students close to graduation.

If you have questions about this report, please contact Andrea Hall-Cuccia (ahallcuccia@ucmerced.edu) in Institutional Research and Decision Support.

Table 1: Student Demographics

Student Characteristic	# Invited (of 1,882 Total)	% Invited	# Responded (of 848 Total)	% Responded	Response Rate (# responded/ # Invited)
Entering Level					
Entering Frosh	1,691	90%	745	88%	44%
Transfer Students	191	10%	103	12%	54%
Race/Ethnicity					
International	142	8%	61	7%	43%
Hispanic	1,022	54%	457	54%	45%
African American	79	4%	26	3%	33%
American Indian	2	<1%	1	<1%	50%
Asian	381	20%	173	20%	45%
Pacific Islander	8	<1%	4	<1%	50%
White	171	9%	89	10%	52%
Multi-racial	67	4%	33	4%	49%
Unknown	10	1%	4	<1%	40%
Gender					
Female	1,041	55%	507	60%	49%
Male	821	44%	330	39%	40%
Unknown	20	1%	6	1%	30%

Note: % values may not sum to 100% for a given characteristic due to rounding error.

Table 2: Student Demographics and School

Student Characteristic	# Invited (of 1,882 Total)	% Invited	# Responded (of 848 Total)	% Responded	Response Rate (# responded/ # Invited)
First Generation Status					
First Generation	1,321	70%	597	71%	45%
Non-First Generation	561	30%	239	29%	43%
Pell Grant Eligibility Status					
Pell Grant Eligible	1,164	62%	522	62%	45%
Non-Pell Grant Eligible	718	38%	326	38%	45%
Student Characteristic	# Invited (of 1,976 Total)	% Invited	# Responded (of 903 Total)	% Responded	Response Rate (# responded/ # Invited)
Engineering	490	25%	220	24%	45%
Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts	1,048	53%	477	53%	46%
Natural Sciences	438	22%	206	23%	47%

Note: % Values may not sum to 100% for a given characteristic due to rounding error; School counts will sum to values greater than the overall invited and respondent student totals due to students with multiple majors - denominators are adjusted to the number of majors for this table.

Table 3: Student Majors

Student Major	# Invited (of 1,976 total)	% Invited	# Responded (of 903 total)	% Responded	Response Rate (# responded/# invited)
ANTH – Anthropology	18	1%	9	1%	50%
BENG – Bioengineering	40	2%	19	2%	48%
BIOS – Biological Sciences	329	17%	151	17%	46%
CHEM – Chemical Sciences	41	2%	23	3%	56%
COGS – Cognitive Science	69	3%	29	3%	42%
CRES—Critical Race and Ethnic Studies	23	1%	10	1%	43%
CSE – Computer Science & Engineering	272	14%	98	11%	36%
ECON – Economics	23	1%	9	1%	39%
ENG – English	32	2%	18	2%	56%
ENVE – Environmental Engineering	23	1%	16	2%	70%
ESS – Earth Systems Science	15	1%	7	1%	47%
GASP – Global Arts Studies	15	1%	4	<1%	27%
HIST – History	10	1%	6	1%	60%
MATH – Mathematical Sciences	37	2%	18	2%	49%
MBE – Management & Business	180	9%	67	7%	37%
Economics					
ME—Mechanical Engineering	195	10%	85	9%	44%
MSE—Material Science and Engineering	4	<1%	2	<1%	50%
PH—Public Health	135	7%	63	7%	47%
PHIL—Philosophy	10	1%	8	1%	80%
PHYS—Physics	16	1%	7	1%	44%
POLI—Political Science	111	6%	44	5%	40%
PSY—Psychology	288	15%	139	15%	48%
SOC—Sociology	116	6%	61	7%	53%
SPAN--Spanish	18	1%	10	1%	56%

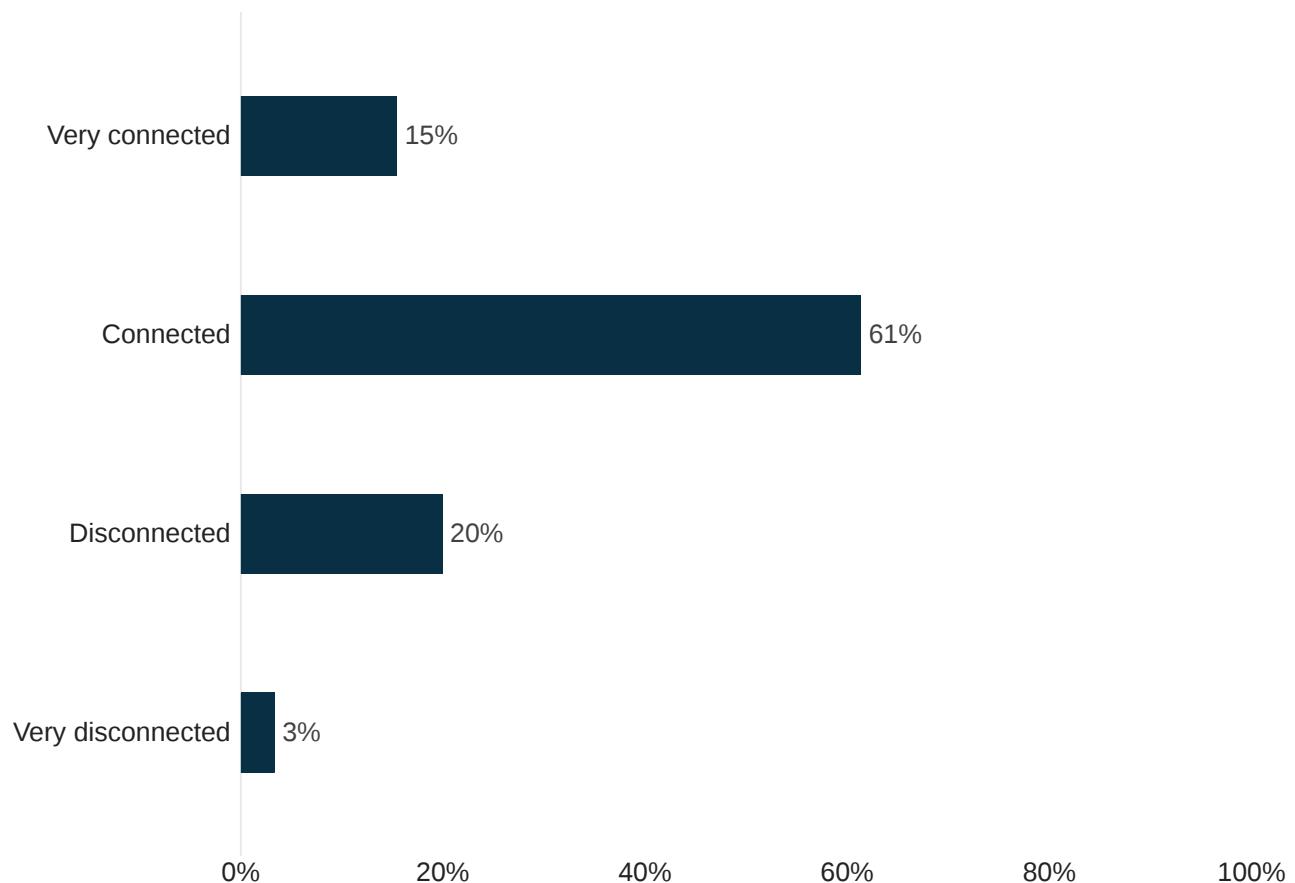
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Table 4: Student Minors (Students with Minors)

Student Minor	# Invited (of 486 total)	% Invited	# Responded (of 236 total)	% Responded	Response Rate (# responded/# invited)
AMER—American Studies	0	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
ANTH—Anthropology	14	3%	8	3%	57%
ARTS—Arts	1	<1%	0	0%	0%
CCST—Chicano/Chicana Studies	3	1%	3	1%	100%
CHEM—Chemical Sciences	5	1%	4	2%	80%
COGS—Cognitive Science	30	6%	14	6%	47%
CRS—Critical Race and Ethnic Studies	7	1%	5	2%	71%
ECON—Economics	4	1%	2	1%	50%
ENG—English	3	1%	1	<1%	33%
ESSU—Environmental Science and Sustainability	0	0%	N/A	N/A	N/A
GASP—Global Arts Studies	10	2%	6	3%	60%
HIST—History	2	<1%	1	<1%	50%
MAD—Management Analytics and Decision-making	3	1%	1	<1%	33%
MBE—Management and Business Economics	21	4%	11	5%	52%
MTHM—Applied Mathematics	13	3%	6	3%	46%
NSEC—Natural Sciences Education	6	1%	2	1%	33%
NSED—Natural Sciences Education with Teaching	35	7%	19	8%	54%
PH—Public Health	17	3%	10	4%	59%
PHIL—Philosophy	19	4%	7	3%	37%
PHYS—Physics	3	1%	1	<1%	33%
POLI—Political Science	38	8%	19	8%	50%
PSY—Psychology	116	24%	63	27%	54%
SOC—Sociology	42	9%	15	6%	36%
SPAN—Spanish	55	11%	18	8%	33%
WRI—Writing	39	8%	20	8%	51%

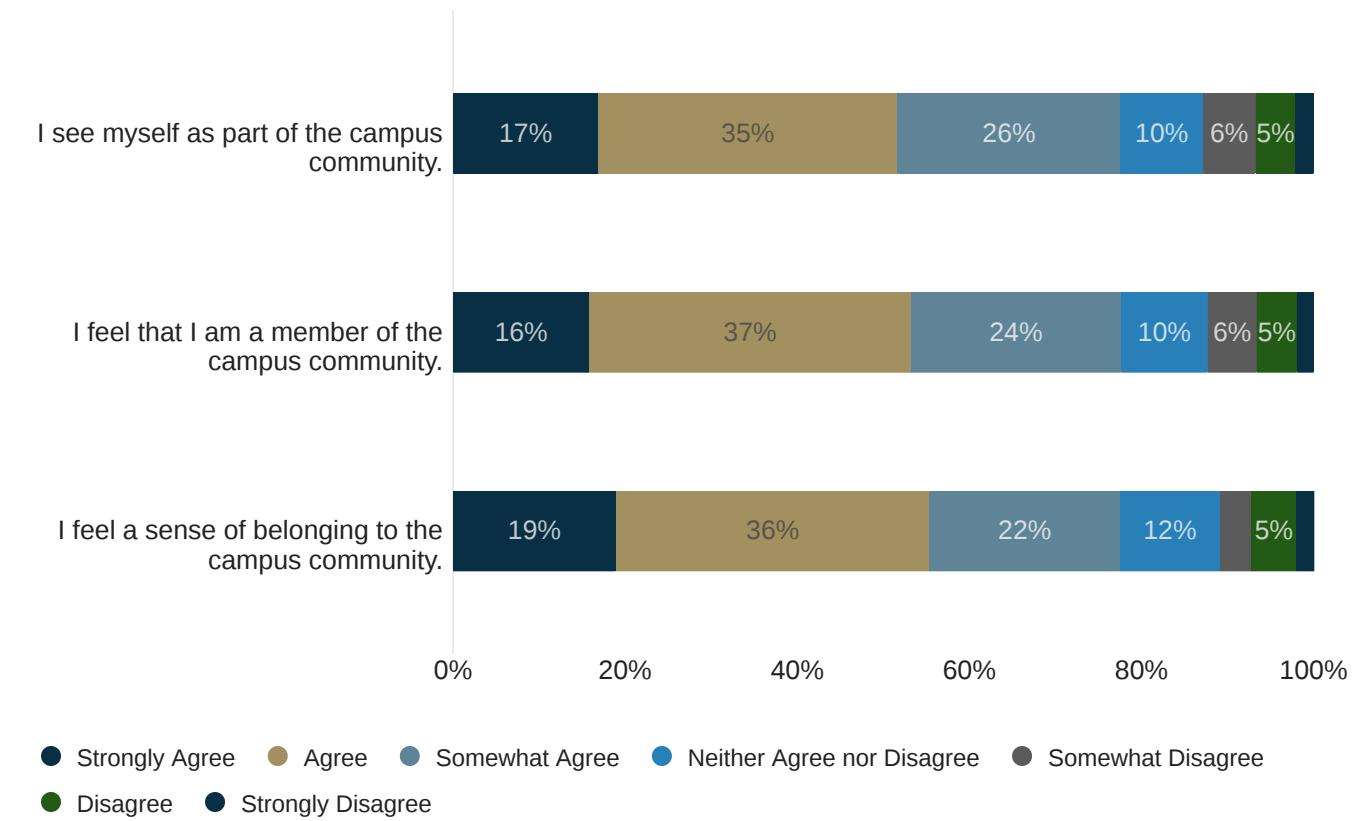
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Today, how connected to or disconnected from UC Merced do you feel?



Field	Choice Count	
Very connected	15%	130
Connected	61%	517
Disconnected	20%	168
Very disconnected	3%	28
Total		843

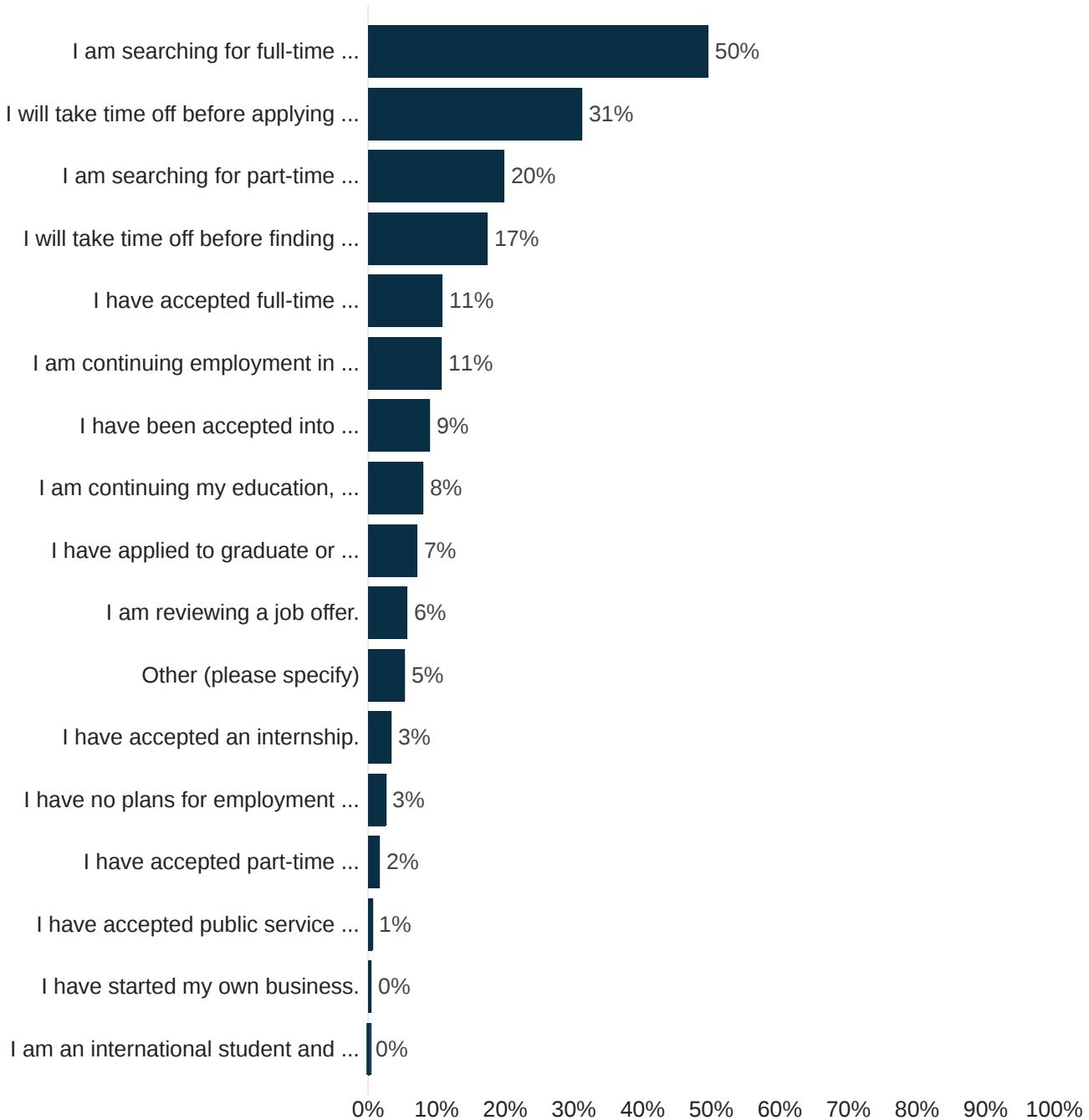
To what extent do you agree or disagree with each statement about your experiences as a student at UC Merced.



Field	Strongly Agree	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total
I see myself as part of the campus community.	17% 143	35% 295	26% 220	10% 81	6% 52	5% 39	2% 18	848
I feel that I am a member of the campus community.	16% 134	37% 316	24% 207	10% 85	6% 48	5% 40	2% 16	846
I feel a sense of belonging to the campus community.	19% 160	36% 308	22% 187	12% 98	4% 31	5% 44	2% 17	845

What are your current post-graduation plans? (Please select all that apply.)

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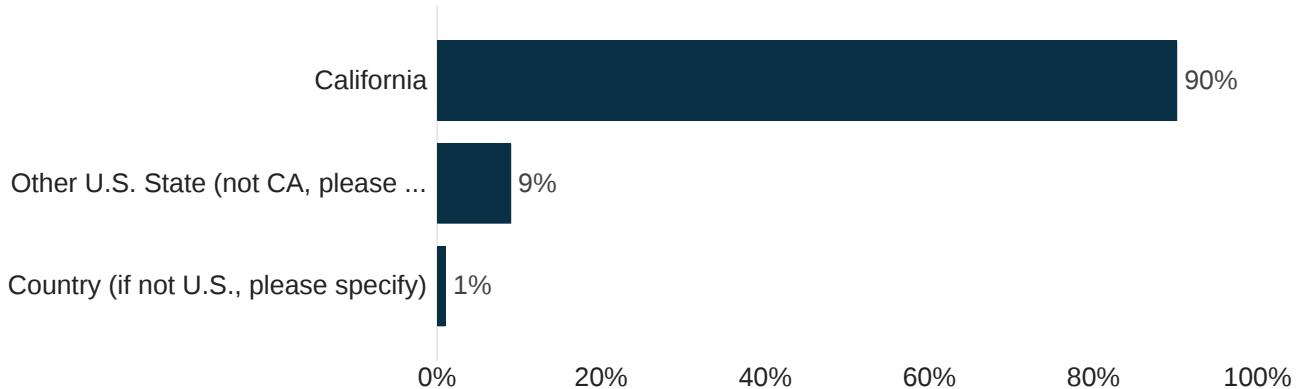
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Field	Choice Count
I am searching for full-time employment.	50% 407
I will take time off before applying to graduate school.	31% 256
I am searching for part-time employment.	20% 163
I will take time off before finding a job.	17% 143
I am continuing my education, but not in graduate school (e.g. second bachelor's, license, certification/credential, etc.).	8% 66
I am continuing employment in my current job.	11% 88
I have been accepted into graduate or professional school.	9% 74
I have accepted full-time employment at a new employer.	11% 89
I have applied to graduate or professional school, but have not yet been accepted.	7% 59
I am reviewing a job offer.	6% 47
Other (please specify)	5% 44
I have accepted an internship.	3% 28
I have accepted part-time employment at a new employer.	2% 14
I have no plans for employment (e.g. homemaker, traveling, volunteer, retired, etc.)	3% 21
I have accepted public service employment (military, Peace Corps, Teach for America, etc.).	1% 5
I have started my own business.	0% 4
I am an international student and will return to my home country.	0% 1
Total	821

You said you obtained employment or an internship since obtaining your undergraduate degree from UC Merced. Please provide some information about this education below.

Location - State (or country, if not U.S.)

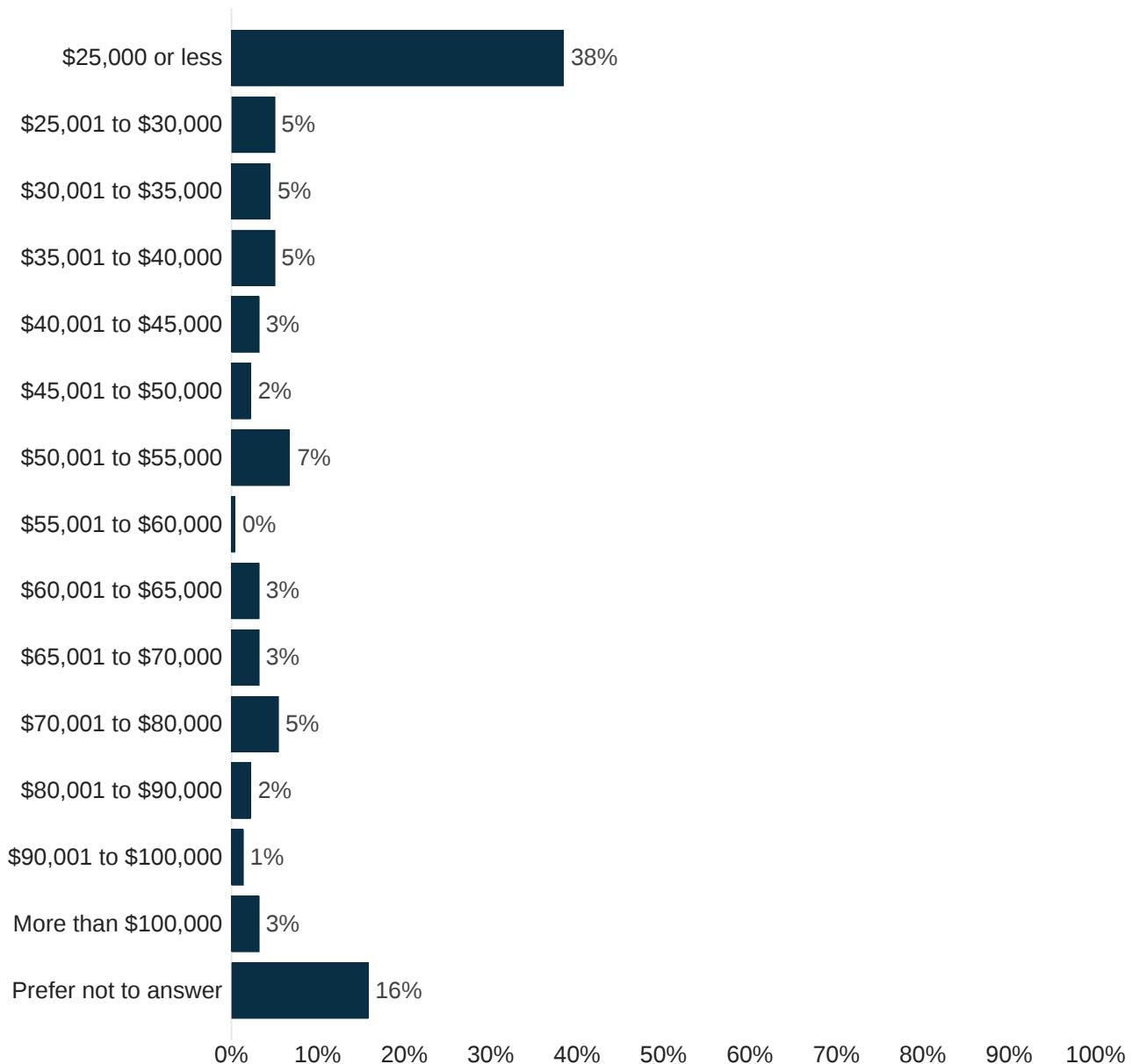
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Field	Choice Count
California	90% 182
Other U.S. State (not CA, please specify)	9% 18
Country (if not U.S., please specify)	1% 2
Total	202

Approximate salary (per year):

Note: Only respondents who said they obtained employment or an internship could answer this question.

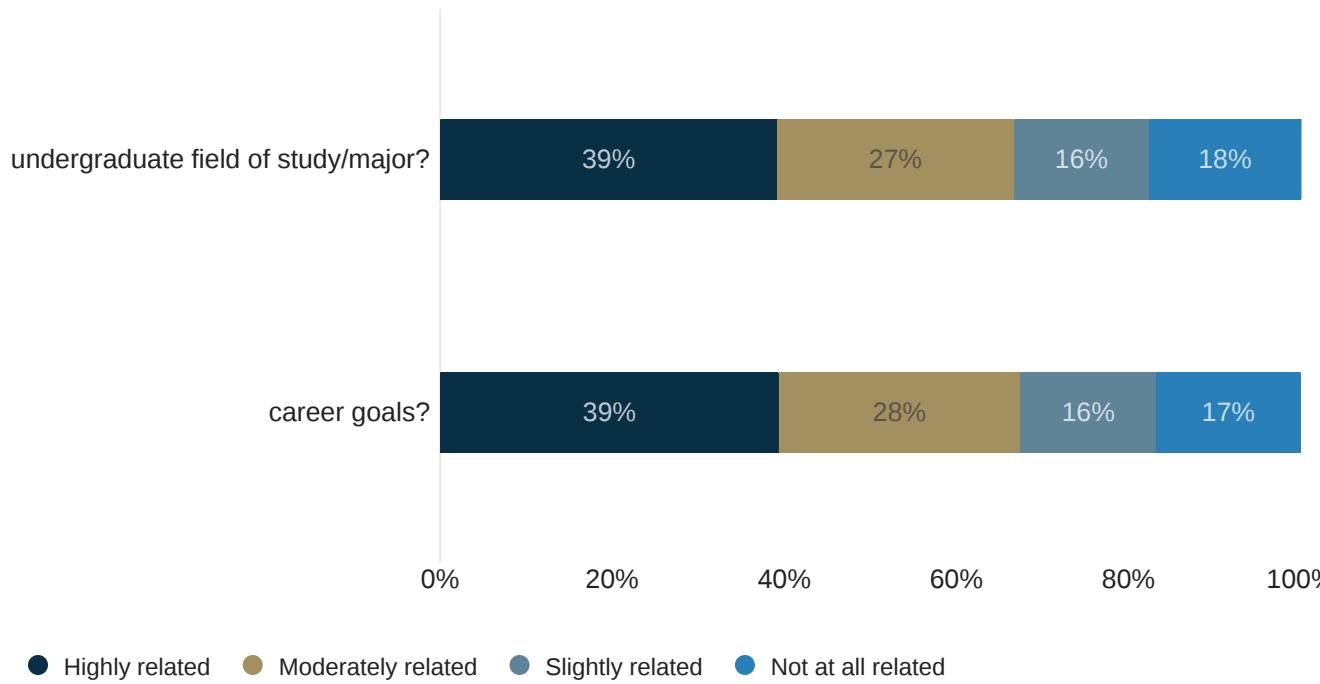


Approximate salary (per year):

Field	Choice Count
\$25,000 or less	38% 85
\$25,001 to \$30,000	5% 11
\$30,001 to \$35,000	5% 10
\$35,001 to \$40,000	5% 11
\$40,001 to \$45,000	3% 7
\$45,001 to \$50,000	2% 5
\$50,001 to \$55,000	7% 15
\$55,001 to \$60,000	0% 1
\$60,001 to \$65,000	3% 7
\$65,001 to \$70,000	3% 7
\$70,001 to \$80,000	5% 12
\$80,001 to \$90,000	2% 5
\$90,001 to \$100,000	1% 3
More than \$100,000	3% 7
Prefer not to answer	16% 35
Total	221

How closely related is this job to your:

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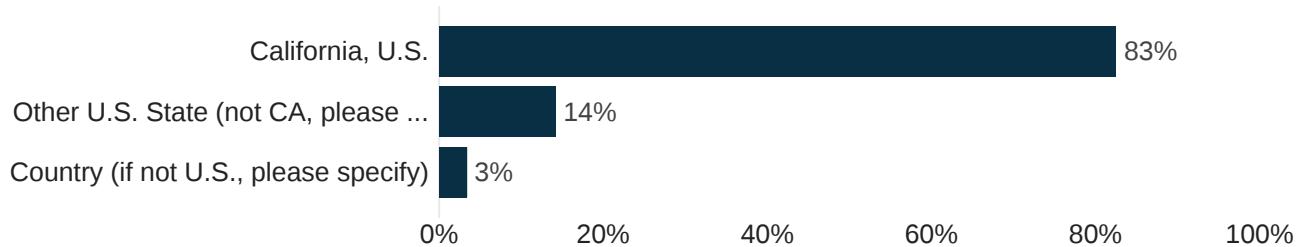


Field	Highly related	Moderately related	Slightly related	Not at all related	Total
undergraduate field of study/major?	39%	27%	16%	18%	222
career goals?	39%	28%	16%	17%	221

You said you are currently continuing your education since obtaining your undergraduate degree from UC Merced. Please provide some information about this education below.

Location - State (or country, if not U.S.)

Note: Only respondents who said they were continuing their education could answer this question.
Other responses are included on next page.

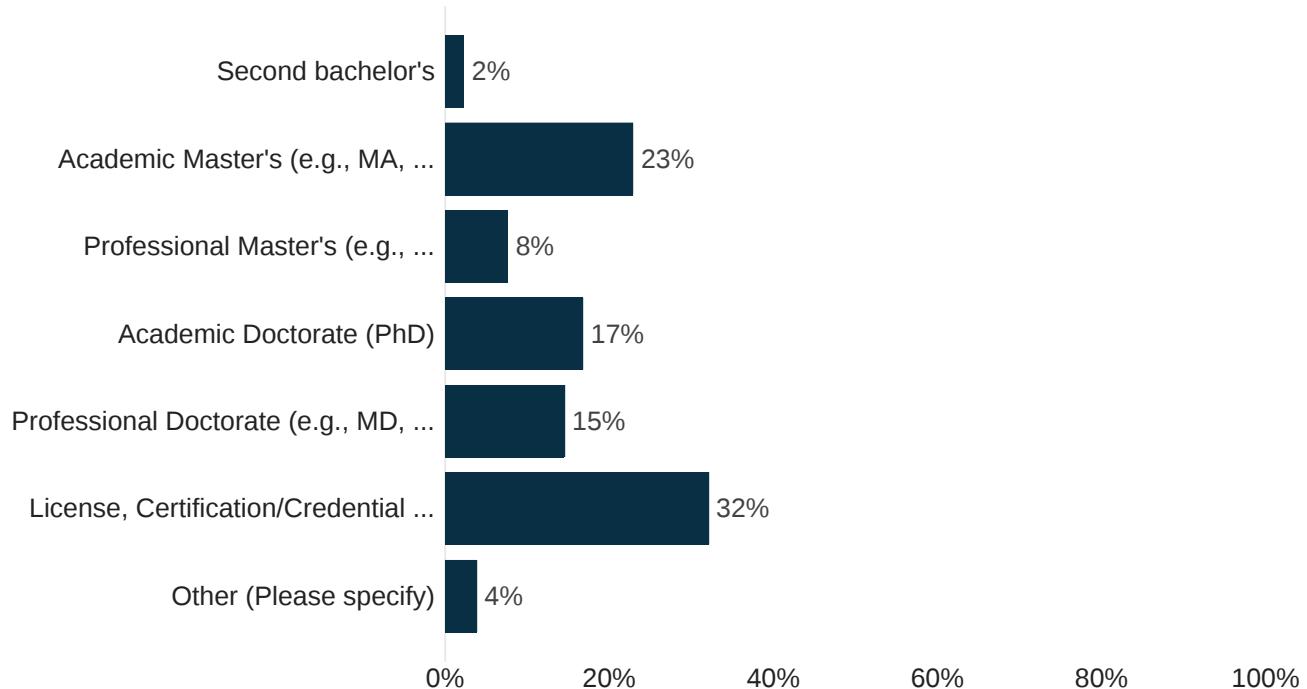


Field	Choice Count
California, U.S.	83% 99
Other U.S. State (not CA, please specify)	14% 17
Country (if not U.S., please specify)	3% 4
Total	120

You said you are currently continuing your education since obtaining your undergraduate degree from UC Merced. Please provide some information about this education below.

Degree pursuing:

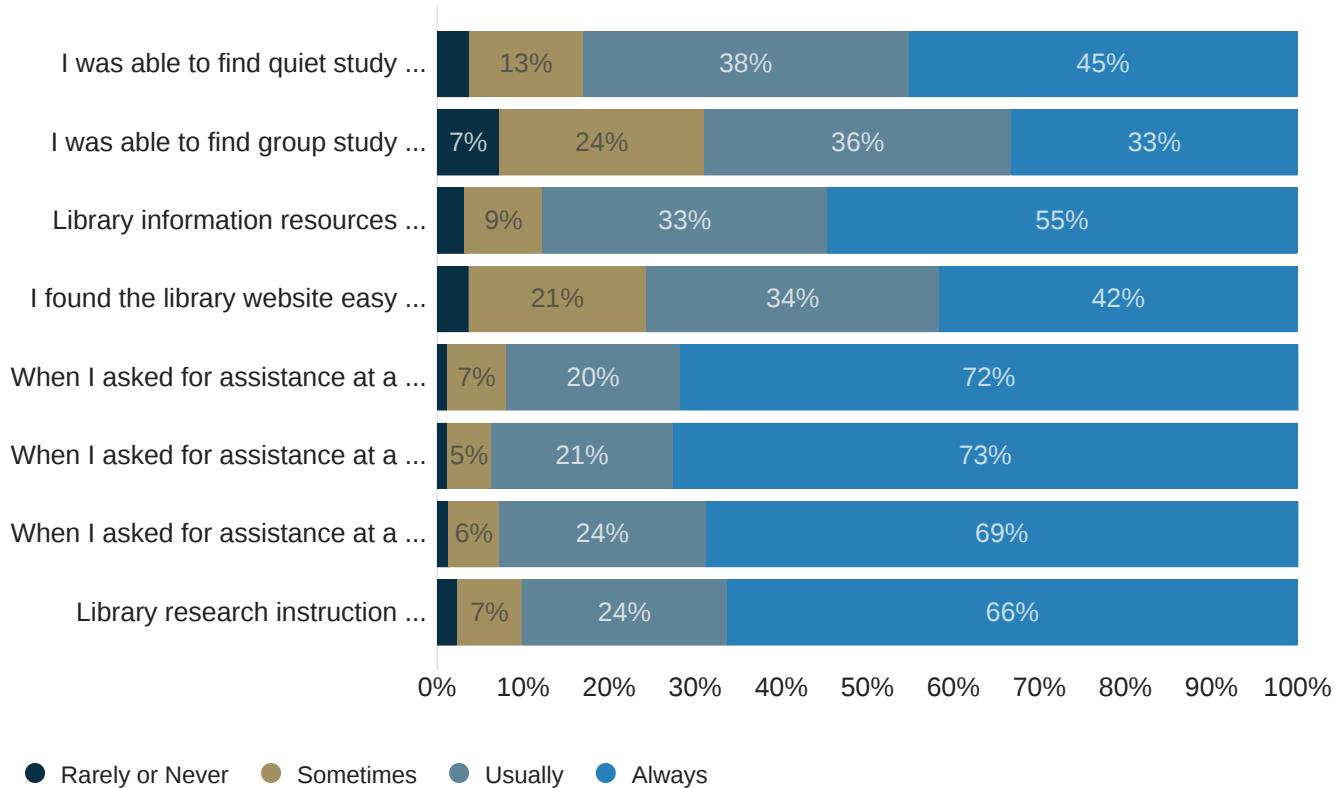
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Field	Choice Count
Second bachelor's	2% 3
Academic Master's (e.g., MA, MS, MFA)	23% 30
Professional Master's (e.g., MBA, MLS, MSW)	8% 10
Academic Doctorate (PhD)	17% 22
Professional Doctorate (e.g., MD, JD, EdD, PharmD, DVM, DDS, PsyD)	15% 19
License, Certification/Credential (please specify)	32% 42
Other (Please specify)	4% 5
Total	131

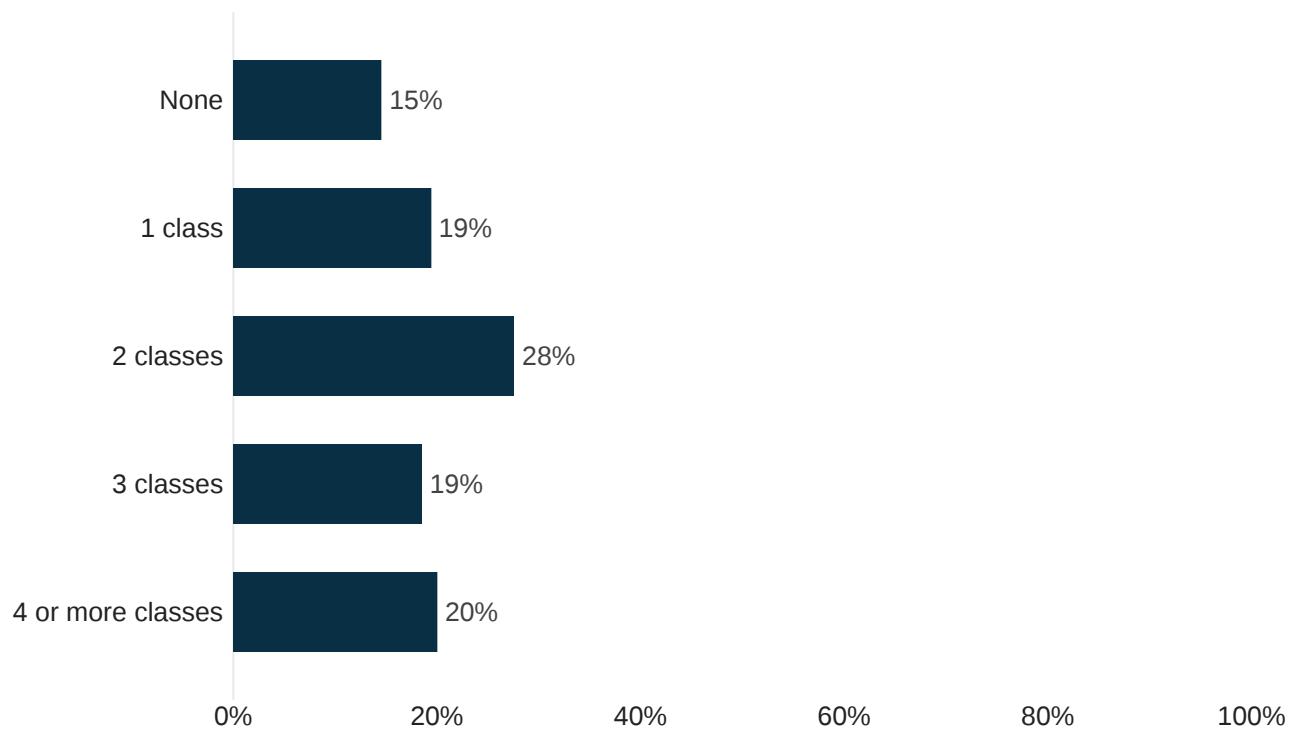
Please respond to the following statements about UC Merced's Library.

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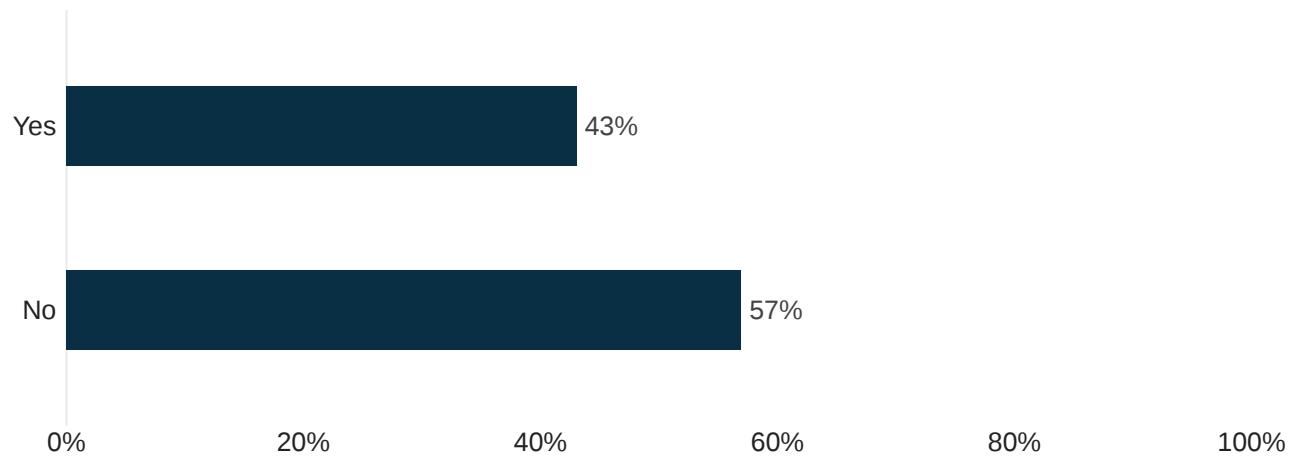
Field	Rarely or Never	Sometimes	Usually	Always	Total
I was able to find quiet study space in the Library.	4%	26	13%	92	697
I was able to find group study space in the Library.	7%	46	24%	152	637
Library information resources (books, journals, databases, etc.) met my learning and research needs.	3%	20	9%	57	627
I found the library website easy to use.	4%	24	21%	136	658
When I asked for assistance at a library service desk, library staff were approachable and welcoming.	1%	7	7%	41	598
When I asked for assistance at a library service desk, library staff gave adequate attention to my question or need.	1%	7	5%	30	591
When I asked for assistance at a library service desk, library staff were knowledgeable about how to help.	1%	8	6%	34	585
Library research instruction helped me find suitable information resources for my papers and projects.	2%	14	7%	44	590

In how many classes did you receive library research instruction from library staff during your time at UC Merced?



Field	Choice Count
None	15% 117
1 class	19% 156
2 classes	28% 222
3 classes	19% 149
4 or more classes	20% 161
Total	805

Did you participate in any research experiences as an undergraduate at UC Merced?

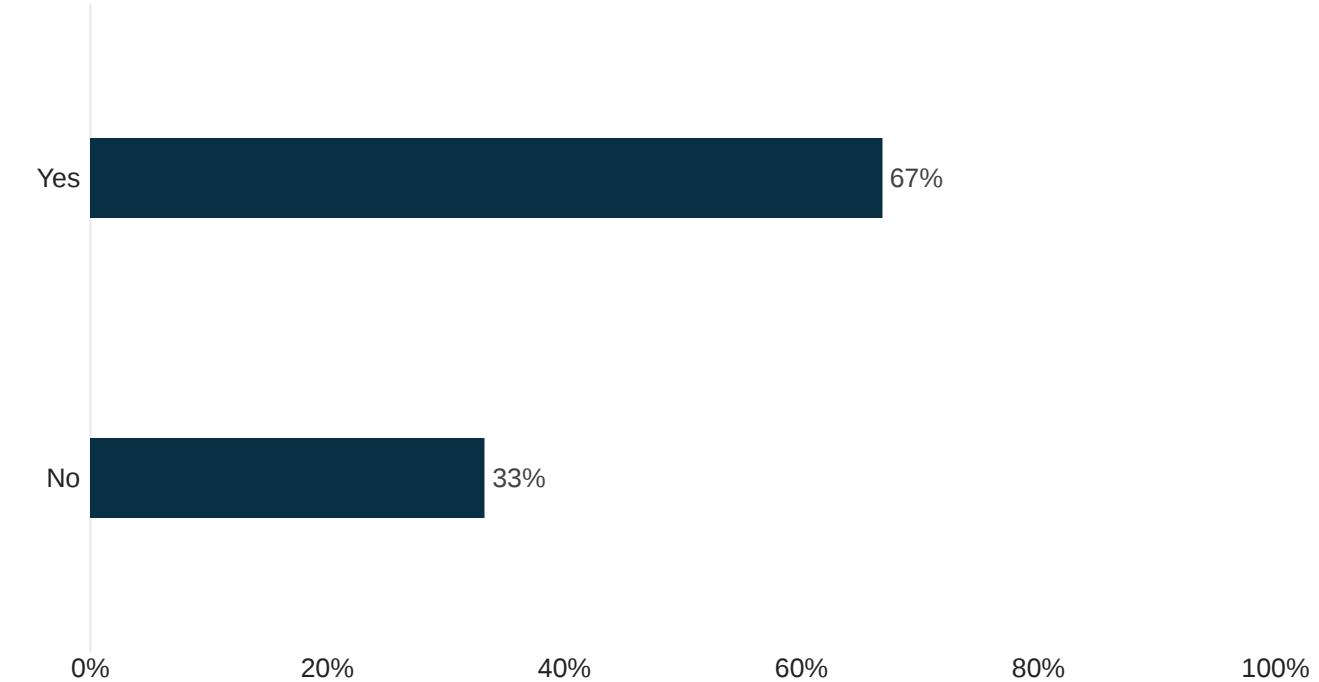


Q212 - Did you participate in any research experiences as an undergraduate at UC Merced?

Field	Choice Count
Yes	43% 347
No	57% 459
Total	806

Did you conduct research with a faculty member as an undergraduate at UC Merced? This is only for research or creative projects outside of regular course requirements during the academic year or summer. If you participated in more than one research effort, please consider the one you spent the most time on when completing this question.

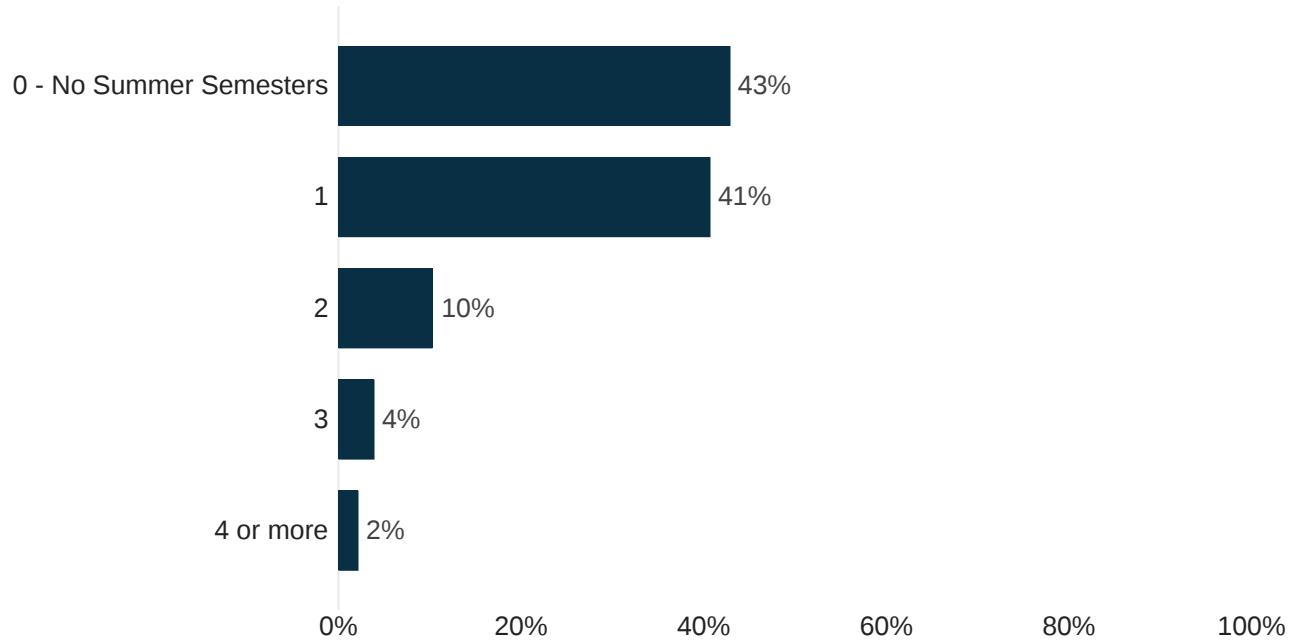
Note: Only those respondents who said they participated in any research experiences could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count
Yes	67% 231
No	33% 115
Total	346

Approximate number of summer semesters you were involved in this research:

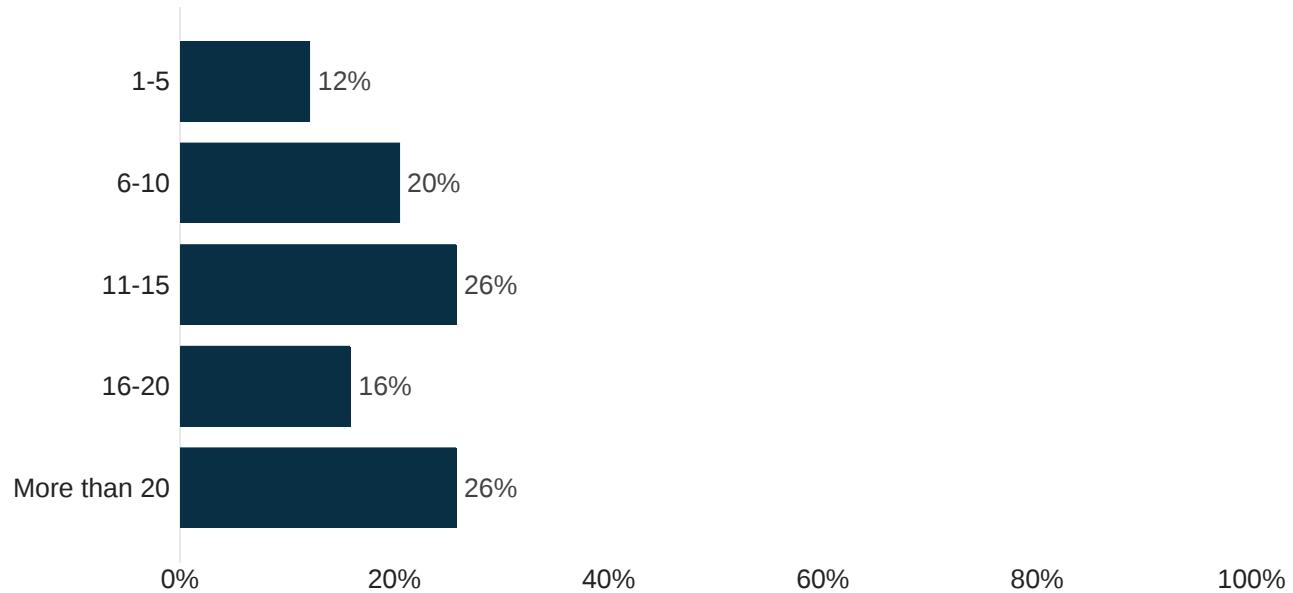
Note: Only respondents who said they conducted research with a faculty member could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count	Percentage
0 - No Summer Semesters	99	43%
1	94	41%
2	24	10%
3	9	4%
4 or more	5	2%
Total	231	

You said that you conducted research during a summer semester. Approximately how many hours per week were you involved in this research?

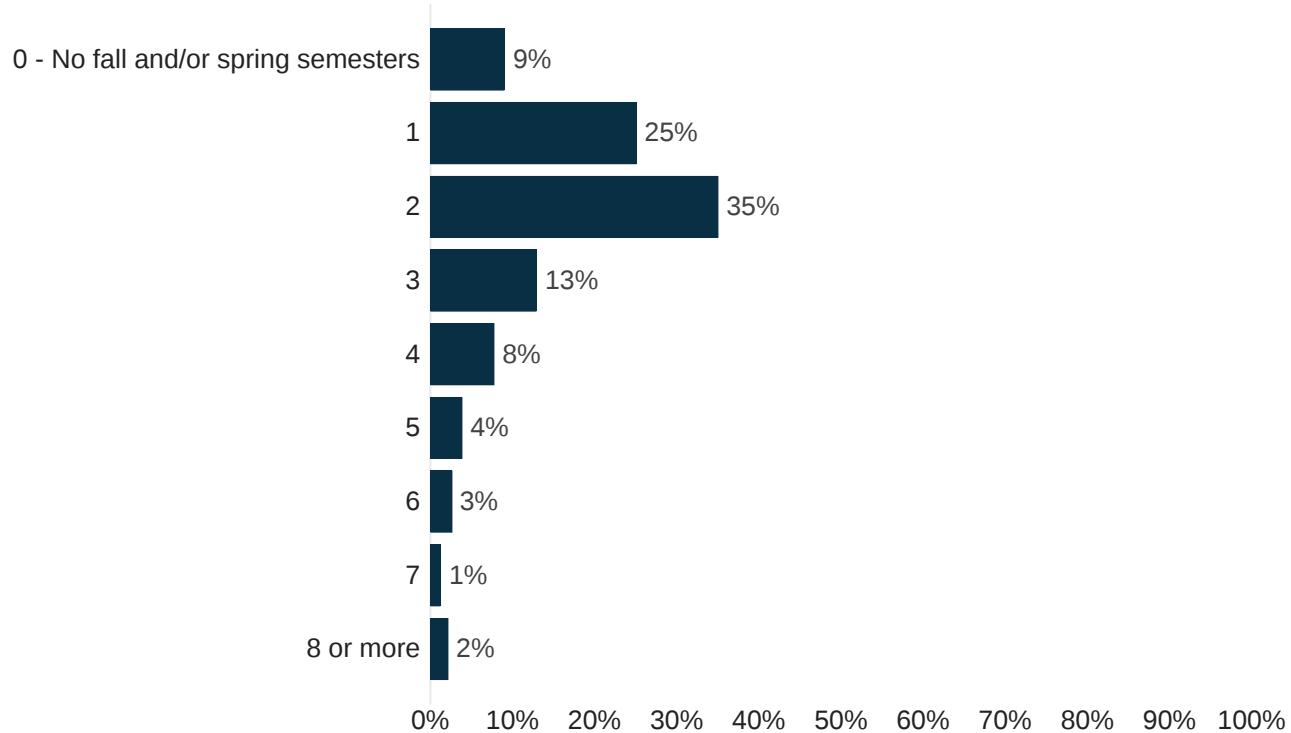
Note: Only respondents who said they conducted research with a faculty member during a summer session could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count	12%	16
1-5		12%	16
6-10		20%	27
11-15		26%	34
16-20		16%	21
More than 20		26%	34
Total			132

Approximate number of fall and/or spring semesters you were involved in this research:

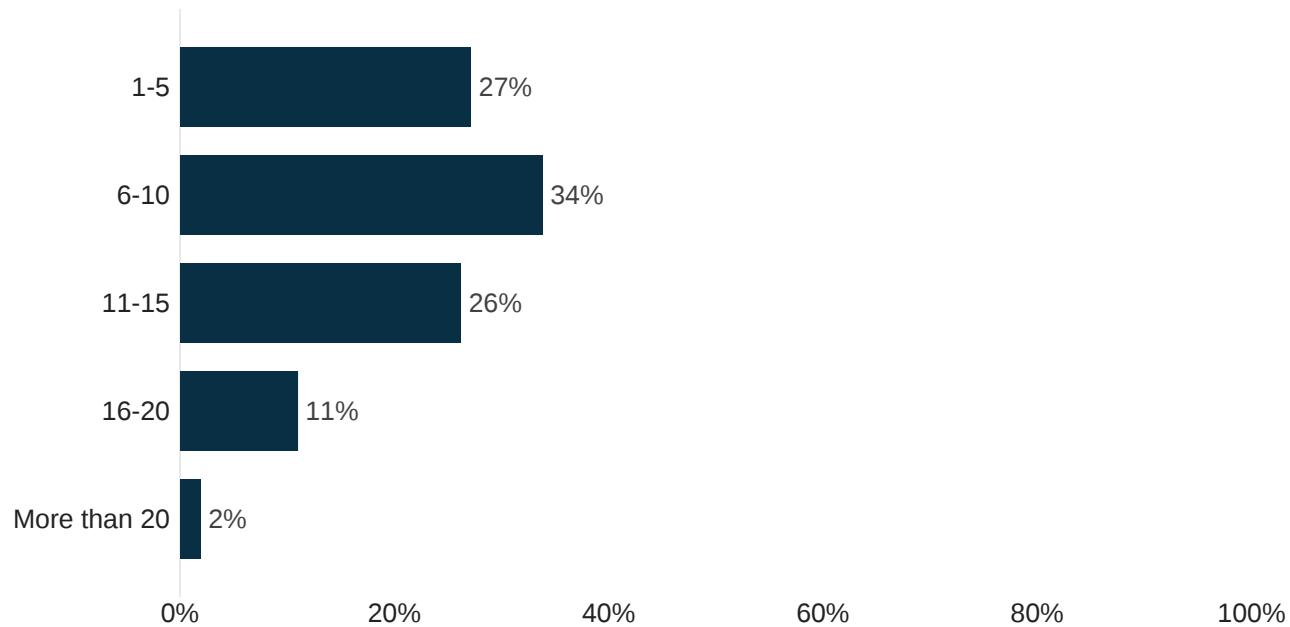
Note: Only respondents who said they conducted research with a faculty member could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count
0 - No fall and/or spring semesters	9% 21
1	25% 58
2	35% 81
3	13% 30
4	8% 18
5	4% 9
6	3% 6
7	1% 3
8 or more	2% 5
Total	231

You said you conducted research during a fall and/or spring semester. Approximately how many hours per week were you involved in this research?

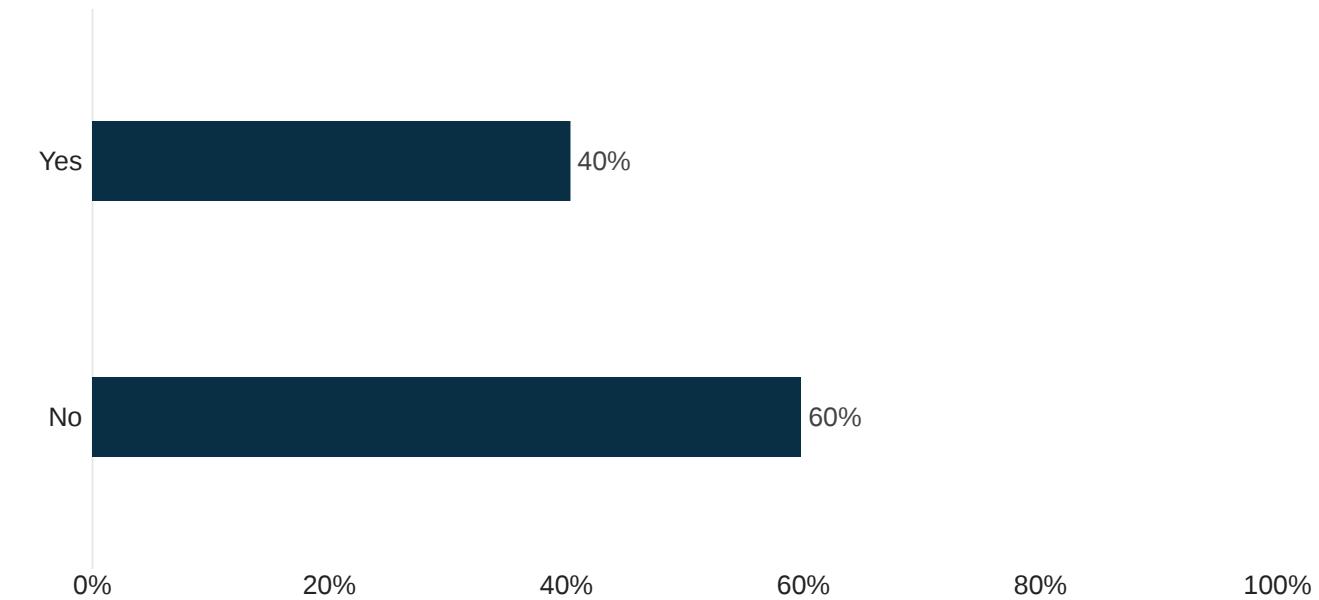
Note: Only respondents who said they conducted research with a faculty member during a fall and/or spring semester could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count
1-5	27% 57
6-10	34% 71
11-15	26% 55
16-20	11% 23
More than 20	2% 4
Total	210

Did you present results from your research outside the classroom at UC Merced or elsewhere? (e.g., at UC Merced Research Week, in publications, at conferences)

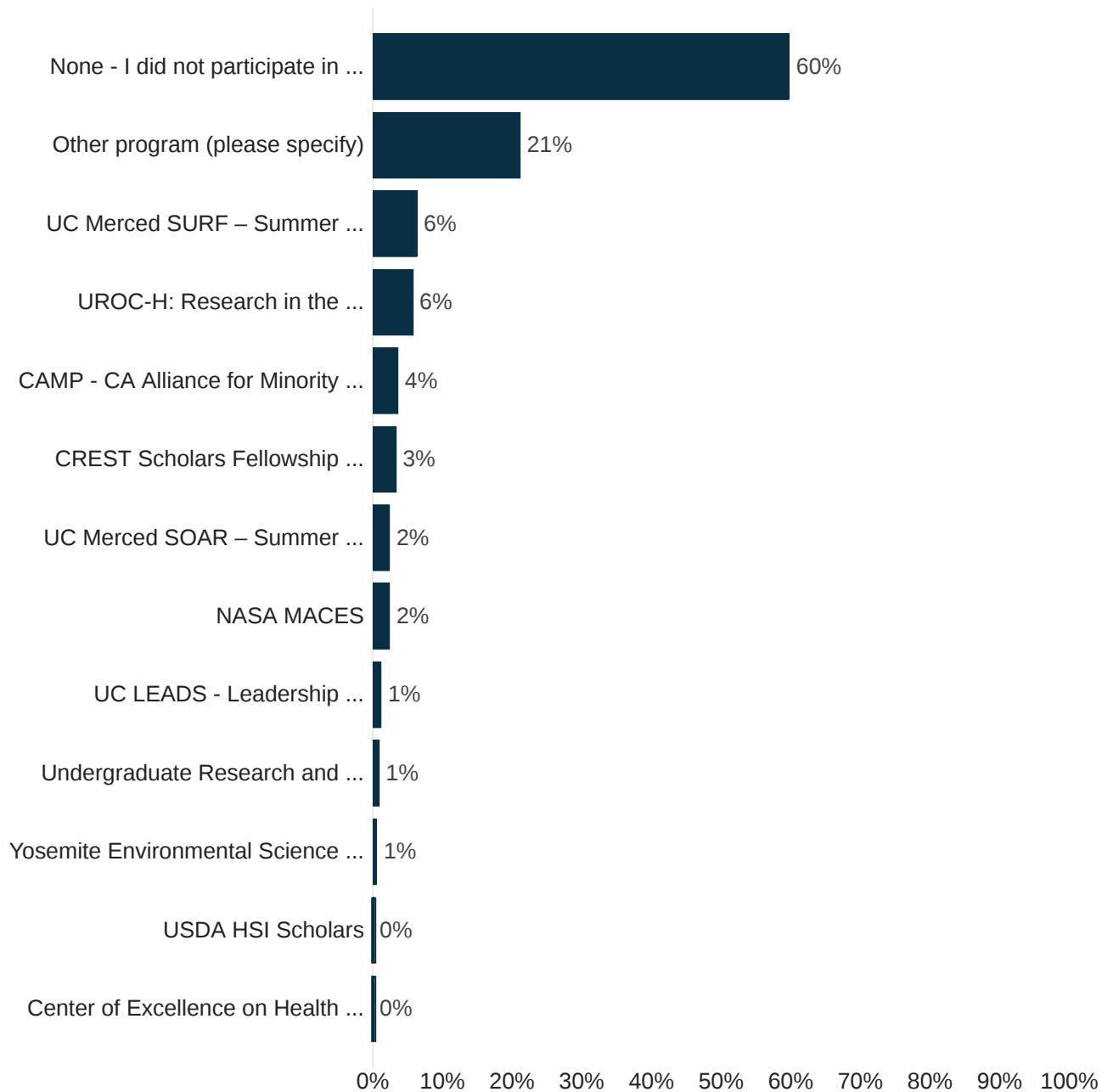
Note: Only respondents who said they conducted research with a faculty member could answer this question.



Field	Choice Count
Yes	40% 93
No	60% 138
Total	231

In which of the following formal undergraduate research or graduate preparation programs did you participate at UC Merced? (Please select all that apply.) Note that we are asking about formal programs such as those listed below, not research with faculty on a volunteer basis, for course credit, or for pay.

Note: Only those respondents who said they participated in any research experiences could answer this question. Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%. Question text in the figure is truncated, but full text is included in the table below.

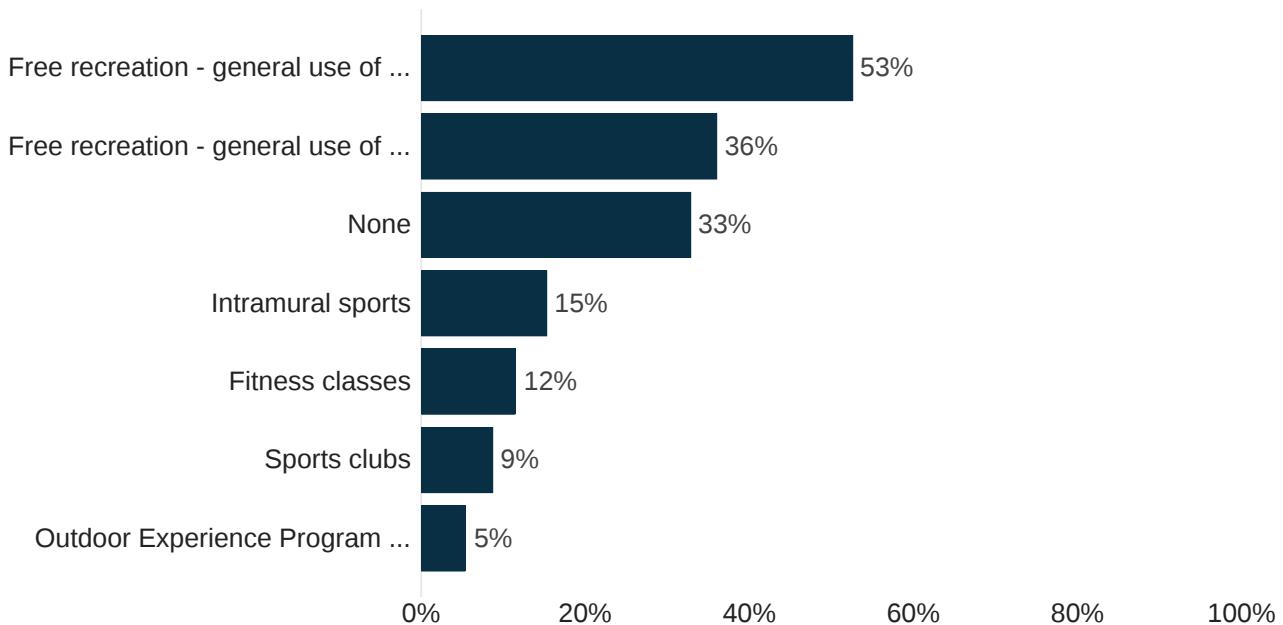


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Field	Choice Count
None - I did not participate in formal research or preparation programs at UC Merced	60% 198
Other program (please specify)	21% 70
UC Merced SURF – Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship	6% 21
UROC-H: Research in the Humanities	6% 19
CAMP - CA Alliance for Minority Participation in Science, Engineering and Mathematics	4% 12
CREST Scholars Fellowship Program	3% 11
UC Merced SOAR – Summer Opportunity for Advanced Research	2% 8
NASA MACES	2% 8
UC LEADS - Leadership Excellence through Advanced Degrees	1% 4
Undergraduate Research and Mentoring Program in Computational Biology	1% 3
Yosemite Environmental Science REU (Research Experience for Undergraduates)	1% 2
USDA HSI Scholars	0% 0
Center of Excellence on Health Disparities	0% 0
Total	331

In which Recreation and Athletics programs did you participate at any time during your undergraduate studies at UC Merced? (Please select all that apply.)

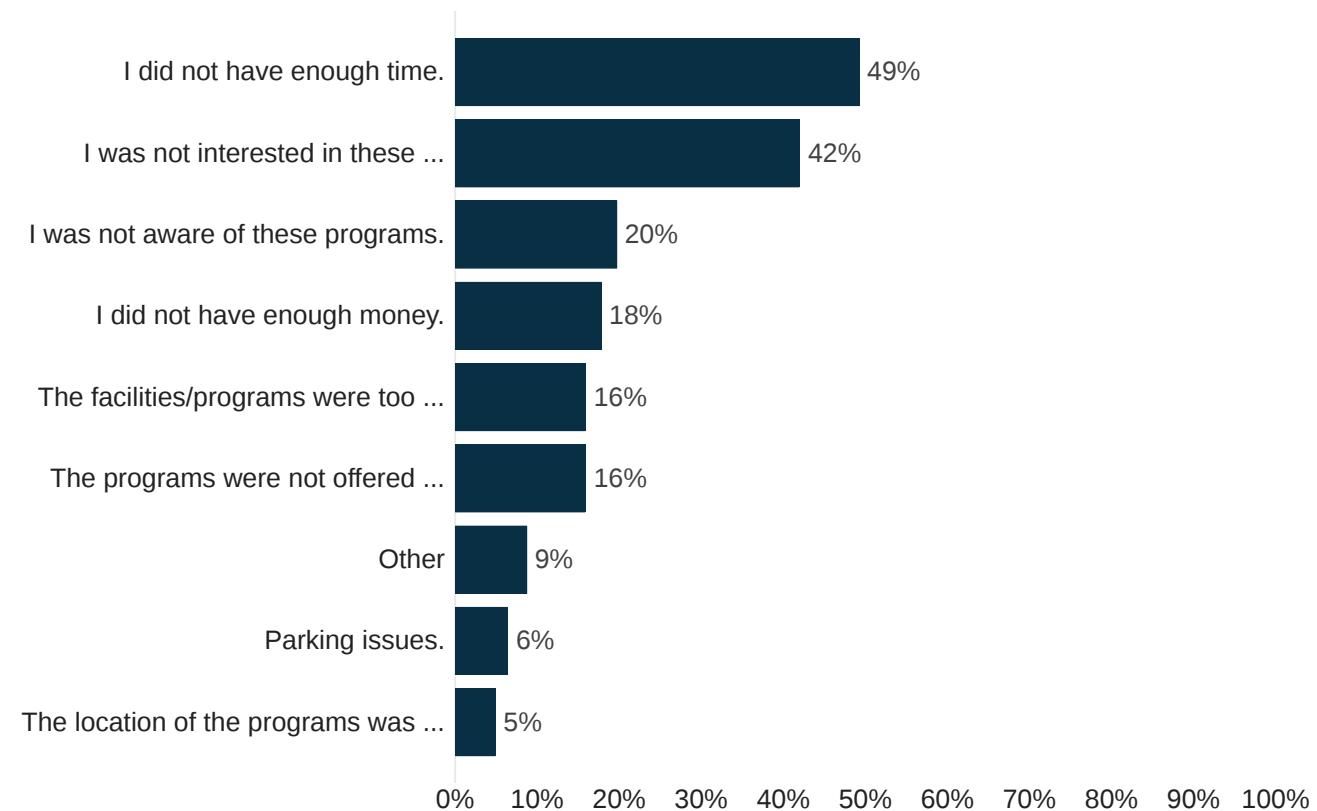
Note: Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%. Question text in the figure is truncated, but full text is included in the table below.



Field	Choice Count
Free recreation - general use of the Gallo Recreation Center	53% 423
Free recreation - general use of the SAAC Weight Room	36% 290
None	33% 264
Fitness classes	12% 93
Intramural sports	15% 123
Outdoor Experience Program (outdoor trips)	5% 44
Sports clubs	9% 70
Total	805

Why did you choose not to participate in any Recreation and Athletics programs? (please select all that apply)

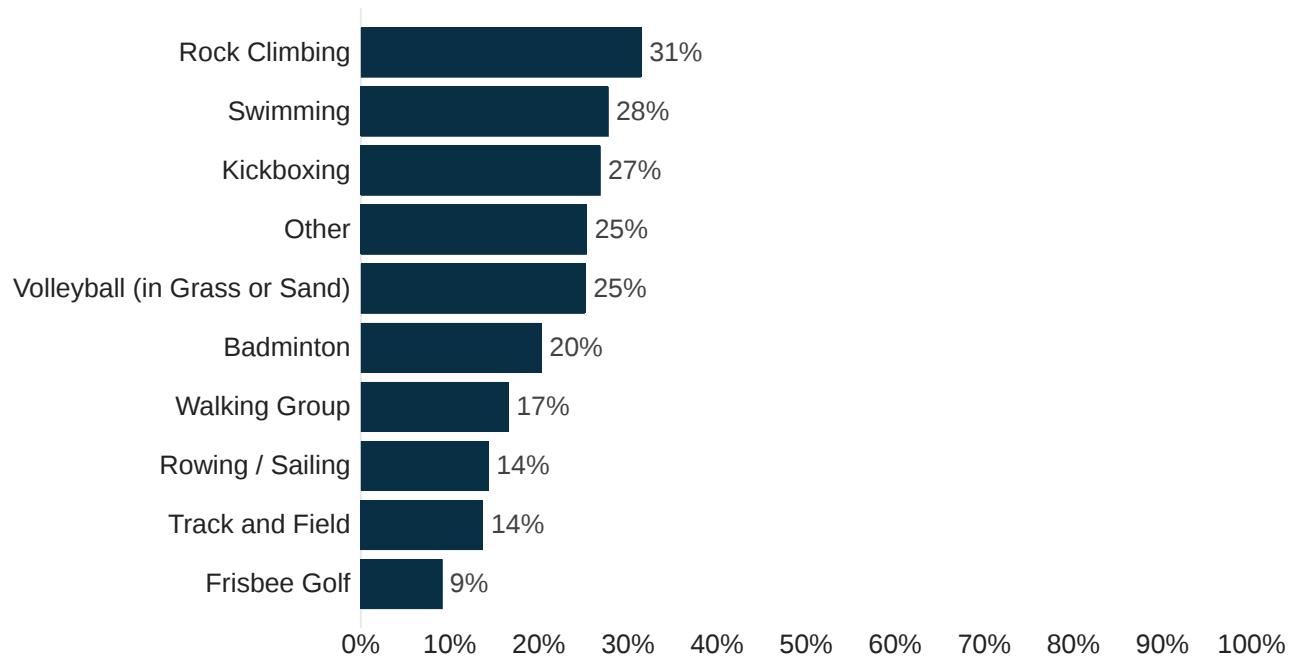
Note: Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%. Only respondents who indicated they didn't participate could answer this question. Question text in the figure is truncated, but full text is included in the table below.



Field	Choice Count
I did not have enough time.	49% 130
I was not interested in these programs.	42% 111
I was not aware of these programs.	20% 52
I did not have enough money.	18% 47
The facilities/programs were too crowded.	16% 42
The programs were not offered at times that fit my schedule.	16% 42
Other	9% 23
Parking issues.	6% 17
The location of the programs was not convenient.	5% 13
Total	264

What recreation and/or athletic programs would you have participated in had they been offered?

Note: Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%.



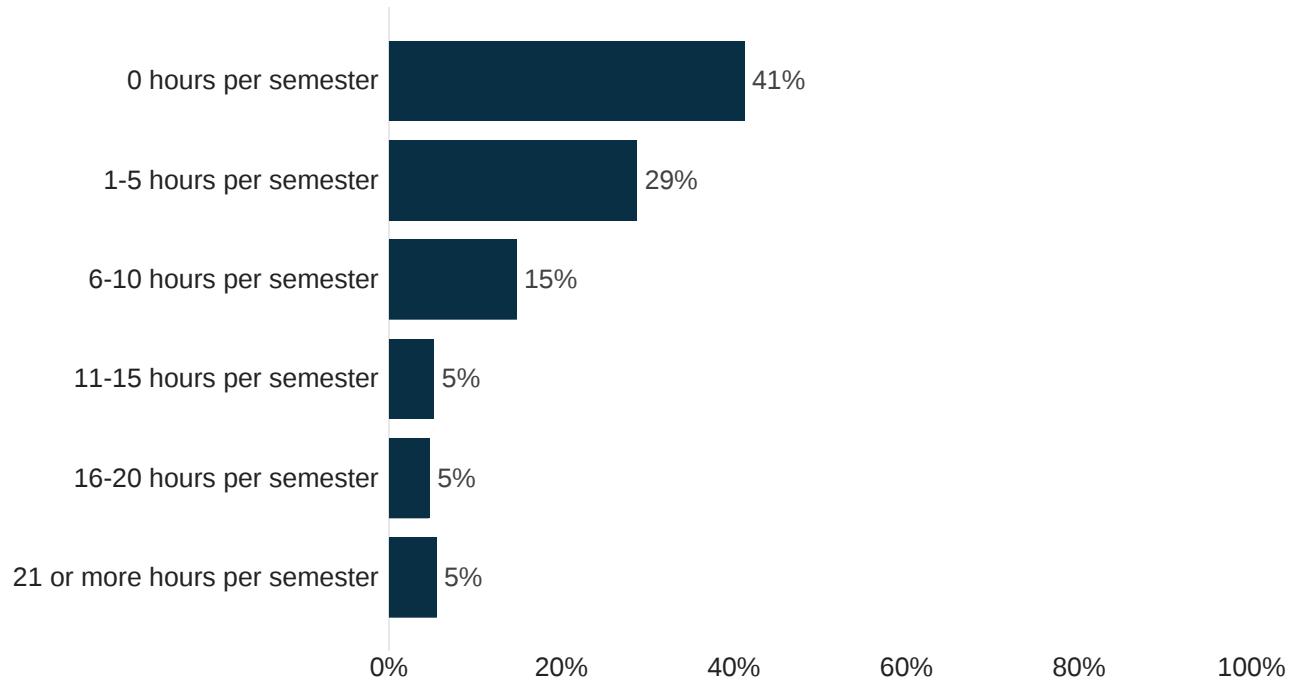
Field	Choice Count
Rock Climbing	31% 211
Swimming	28% 186
Kickboxing	27% 180
Other	25% 170
Volleyball (in Grass or Sand)	25% 169
Badminton	20% 136
Walking Group	17% 111
Rowing / Sailing	14% 96
Track and Field	14% 92
Frisbee Golf	9% 61
Total	670

What types of community service are you currently or have you participated in during your time as a student at UC Merced? (Select all that apply.)

Note: Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%.

Field	Currently participating	Have participated in the past	
Club/Org related service project	31%	148	52% 246
Self-directed independent service (i.e., project of your choice and making)	13%	60	25% 117
Community Engagement Center-related activities (e.g., MCP 10%, ICR, LWYL, AmeriCorps)	9%	42	28% 133
Course related service or Service Learning	8%	36	31% 144
One time service project through The Community Engagement Center	7%	34	26% 122
Campus wide initiatives (e.g., Meals for Families, Home for the Holiday, Giving Tuesday)	4%	21	24% 114
Other (please specify)	2%	11	4% 20
National Day of Service (e.g., MLK Day, September 11th)	2%	11	14% 65
Total		470	470

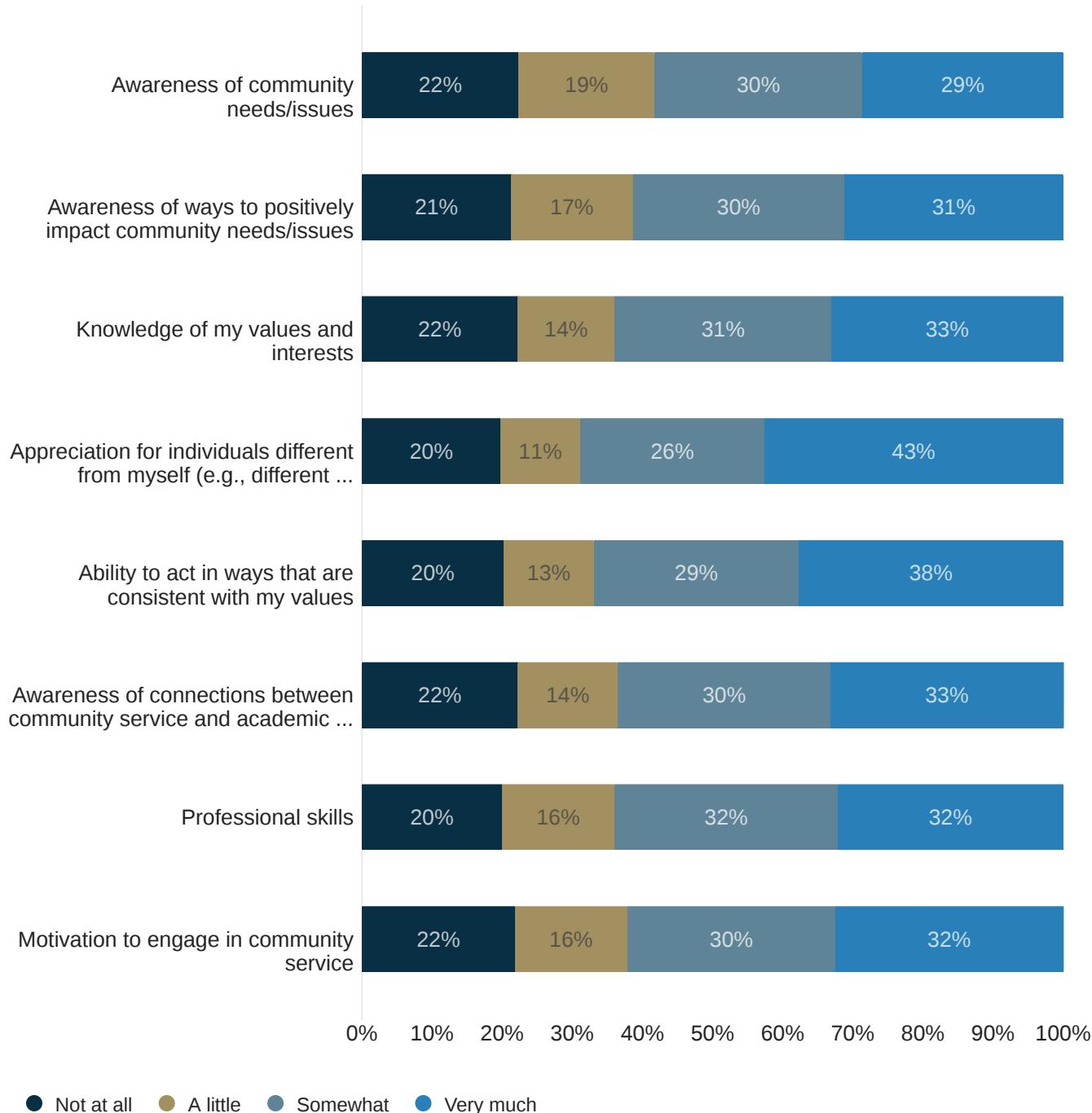
Considering only the community service you participated in during this past academic year, how many hours did you participate during a typical semester?



Field	Choice Count	
0 hours per semester	41%	324
1-5 hours per semester	29%	226
6-10 hours per semester	15%	116
11-15 hours per semester	5%	41
16-20 hours per semester	5%	37
21 or more hours per semester	5%	43
Total		787

How much has your community service experience at UC Merced contributed to...

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● Not at all ● A little ● Somewhat ● Very much

How much has your community service experience at UC Merced contributed to...

Field	Not at all	A little	Somewhat	Very much	Total
Awareness of community needs/issues	22% 157	19% 136	30% 208	29% 201	702
Awareness of ways to positively impact community needs/issues	21% 148	17% 121	30% 210	31% 217	696
Knowledge of my values and interests	22% 154	14% 96	31% 214	33% 229	693
Appreciation for individuals different from myself (e.g., different cultural background, socioeconomic status, etc.)	20% 138	11% 79	26% 183	43% 297	697
Ability to act in ways that are consistent with my values	20% 140	13% 89	29% 202	38% 261	692
Awareness of connections between community service and academic learning/coursework	22% 153	14% 98	30% 209	33% 228	688
Professional skills	20% 138	16% 111	32% 220	32% 222	691
Motivation to engage in community service	22% 150	16% 110	30% 204	32% 223	687

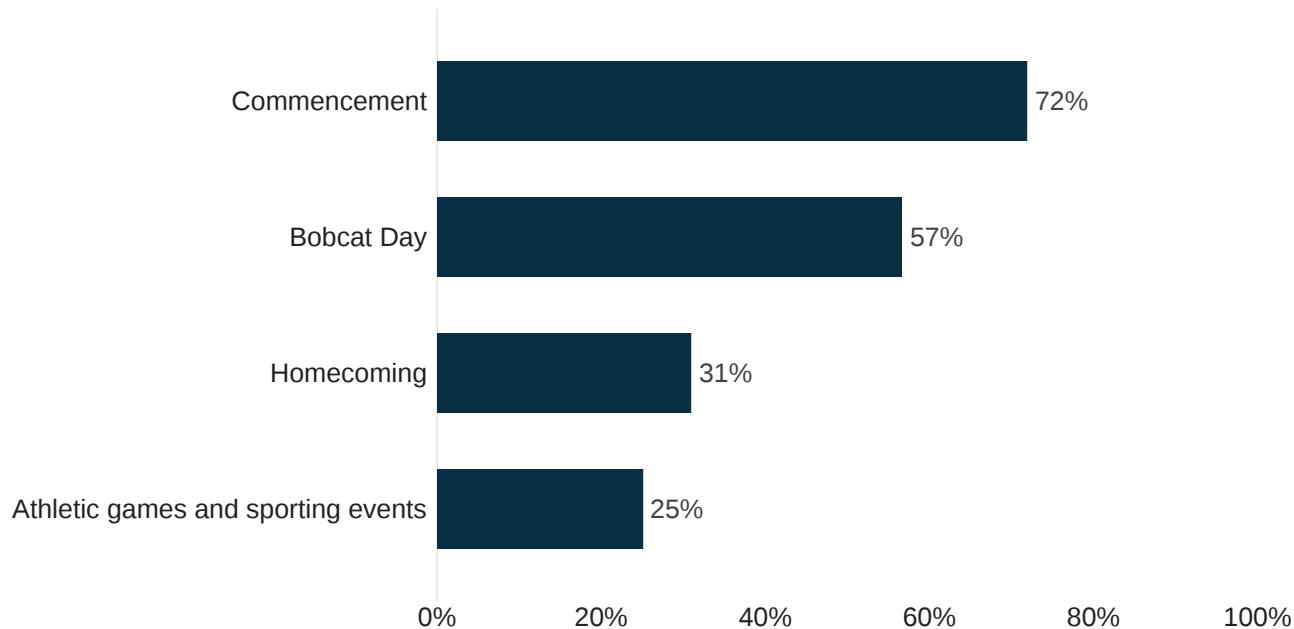
We would like to engage our alumni in activities that enrich the UC Merced student experience. Please select theh activities listed below in which you would be interested in participating as well as whether you would like to participate on campus or virtually. Staff from UC Merced will follow up with you. (Select all that interest you.)

Note: Because respondents could select all that applied, percentages will not add to 100%.

Field	On campus	Virtual
Alumni networking/social event	44% 256	56% 321
Job/career fair event	41% 235	50% 288
Panel discussion (e.g., career advice panel)	38% 220	56% 321
Opportunities to connect with UC Merced campus leadership (e.g., Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, Deans, etc.)	38% 218	44% 252
School/Academic Program event	34% 196	44% 256
Mentoring a current student or alumna/us	33% 188	60% 346
Campus performances/showcases	32% 184	35% 202
Serve on the Alumni Association Board	25% 143	35% 203
Other (please specify)	2% 9	3% 18
Total	578	578

Please select the on campus activities listed below in which you would be interested in participating and staff from UC Merced will follow up with you. (Select all that interest you.)

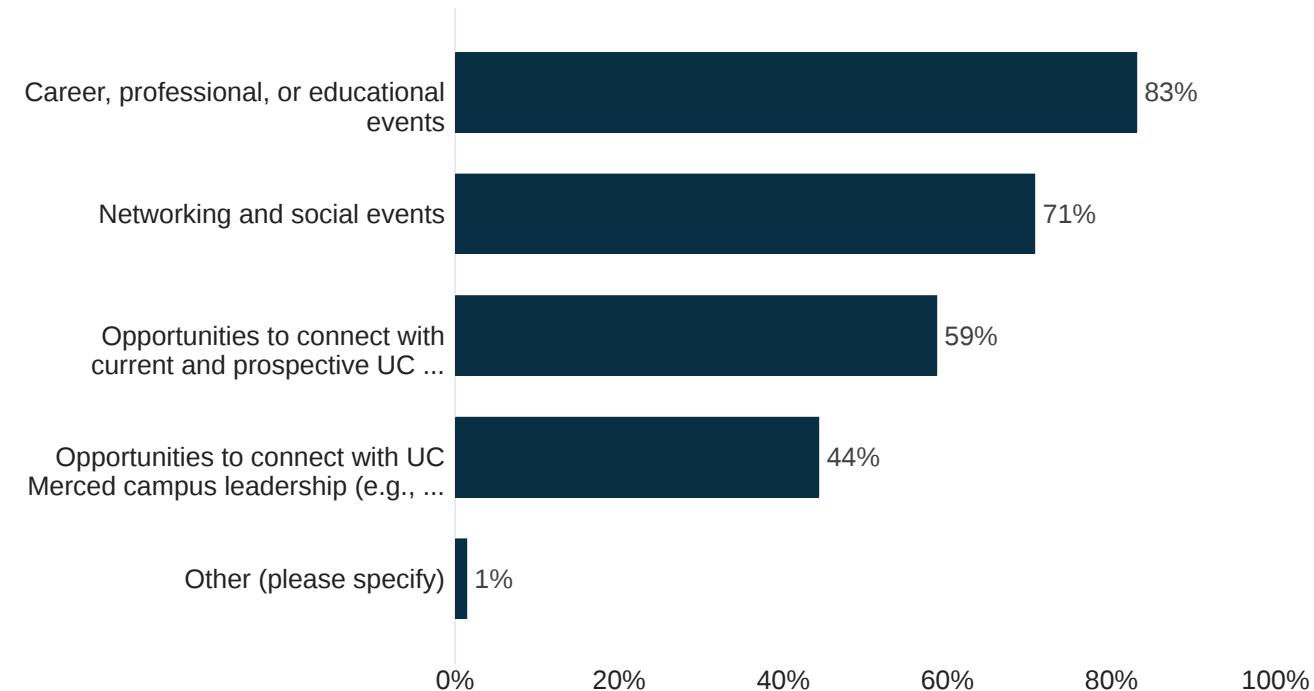
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Field	Choice Count
Commencement	72% 302
Bobcat Day	57% 238
Homecoming	31% 130
Athletic games and sporting events	25% 105
Total	420

Please select the regional activities in the area near where you live listed below in which you would be interested in participating. (Select all that interest you). UC Merced staff will follow up with you. (Select all that interest you.)

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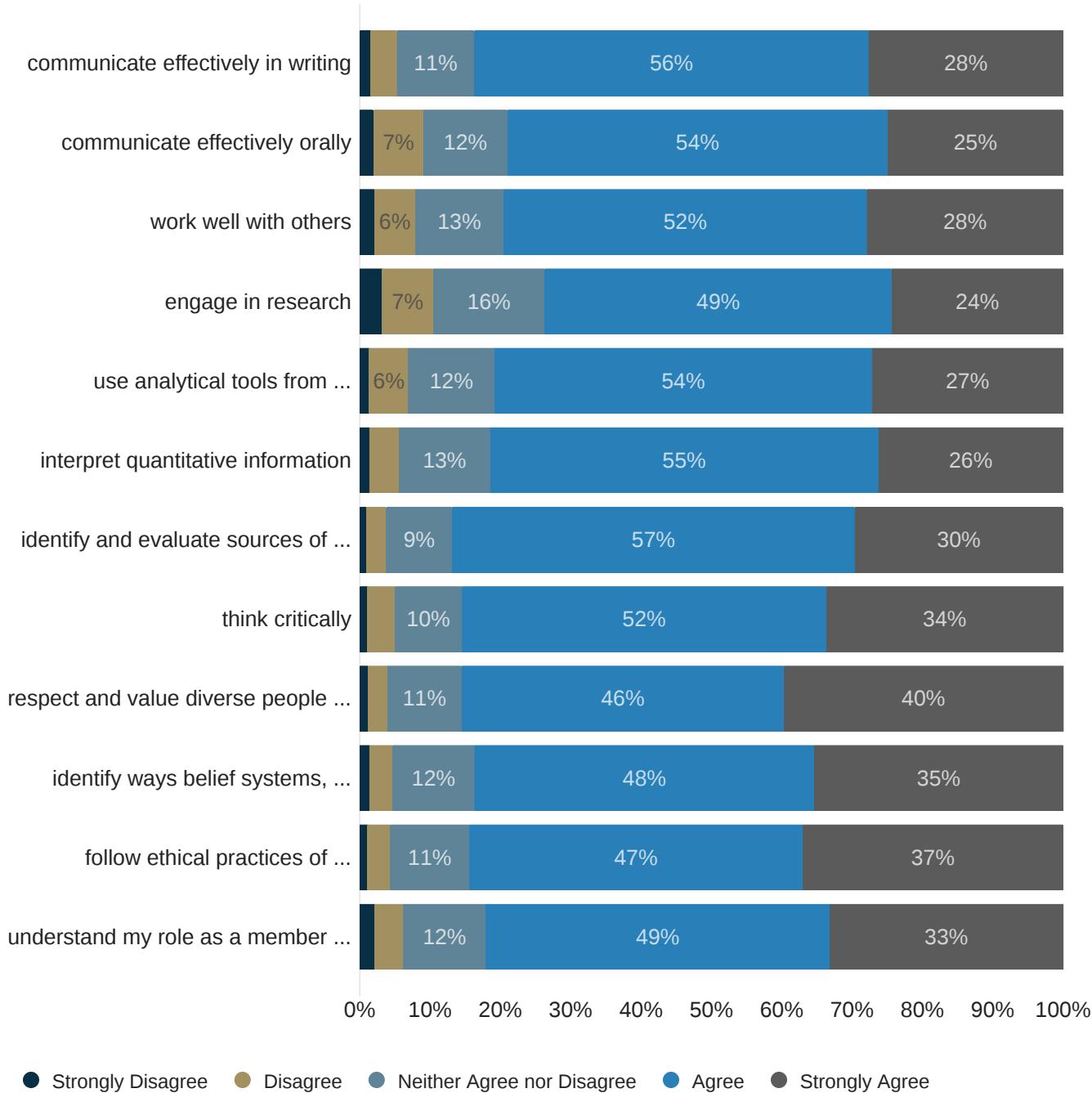


Field	Choice Count
Career, professional, or educational events	83% 416
Networking and social events	71% 354
Opportunities to connect with current and prospective UC Merced students	59% 294
Opportunities to connect with UC Merced campus leadership (e.g., Chancellor, Vice Chancellors, Deans, etc.)	44% 222
Other (please specify)	1% 7
Total	501

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following:

My general education courses made an important contribution to my ability to...

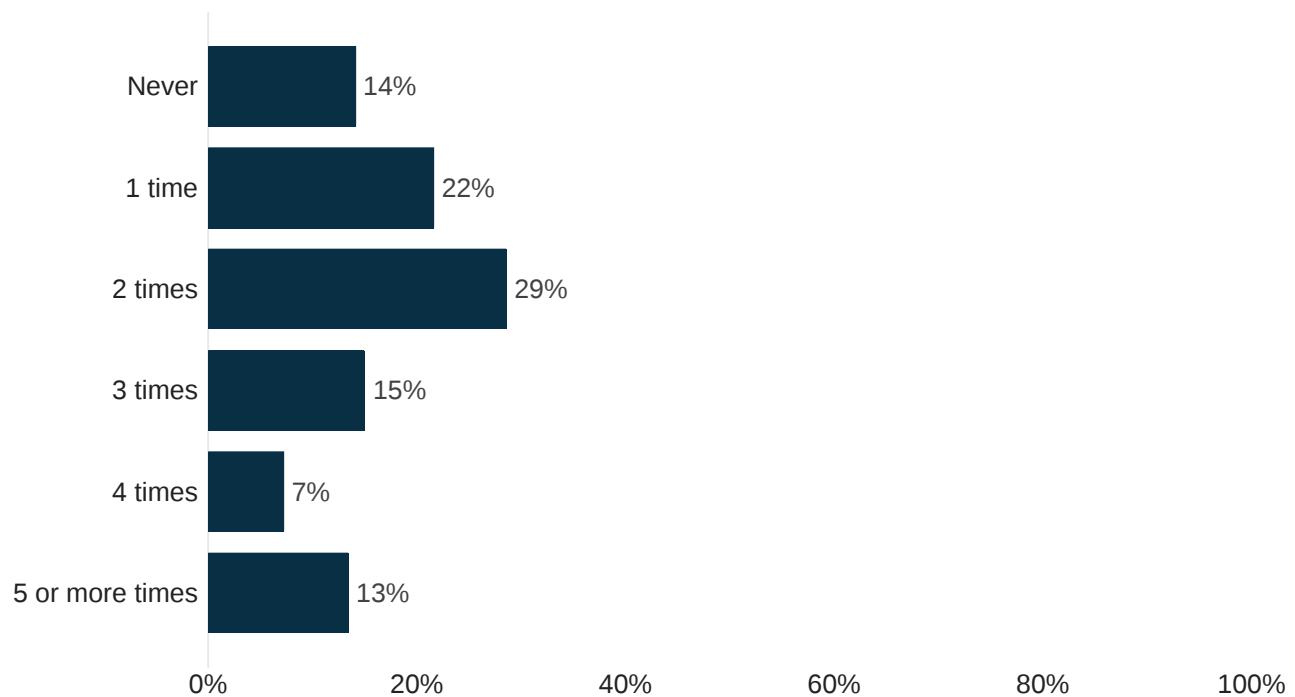
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Please indicate your level of agreement with the following: My General Education courses made an important contribution to my ability to ...

Field	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	Total
communicate effectively in writing	2%	10	4%	25	11% 73	56% 371 28% 183 662
communicate effectively orally	2%	13	7%	47	12% 79	54% 358 25% 165 662
work well with others	2%	14	6%	38	13% 83	52% 341 28% 184 660
engage in research	3%	21	7%	48	16% 105	49% 326 24% 161 661
use analytical tools from scientific, social scientific, and humanistic disciplines	1%	9	6%	37	12% 81	54% 356 27% 180 663
interpret quantitative information	1%	9	4%	28	13% 86	55% 366 26% 174 663
identify and evaluate sources of information	1%	6	3%	19	9% 62	57% 379 30% 196 662
think critically	1%	7	4%	26	10% 63	52% 342 34% 222 660
respect and value diverse people and perspectives	1%	8	3%	18	11% 70	46% 304 40% 263 663
identify ways belief systems, social structures, and ways of thinking interact	1%	9	3%	22	12% 77	48% 320 35% 234 662
follow ethical practices of community and profession	1%	7	3%	22	11% 74	47% 314 37% 245 662
understand my role as a member of an academic community	2%	14	4%	27	12% 78	49% 324 33% 220 663

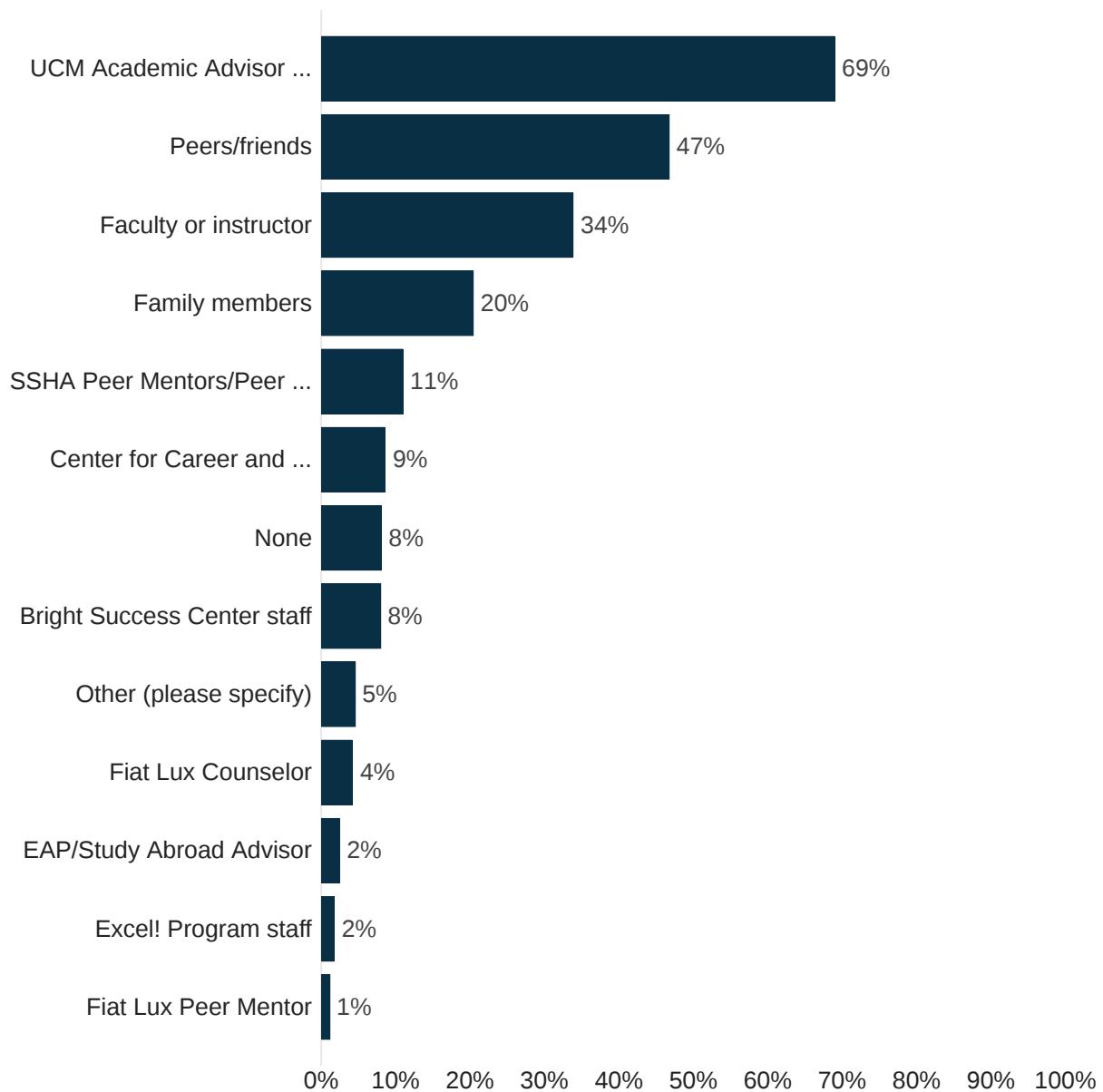
In the past year, how often did you visit a UC Merced academic advisor (a professional staff member in your School)?



Field	Choice Count
Never	14% 105
1 time	22% 161
2 times	29% 213
3 times	15% 112
4 times	7% 54
5 or more times	13% 100
Total	745

In the past year, from whom did you seek advice to plan your academic path to graduation, including your major and/or minor? (select all that apply)

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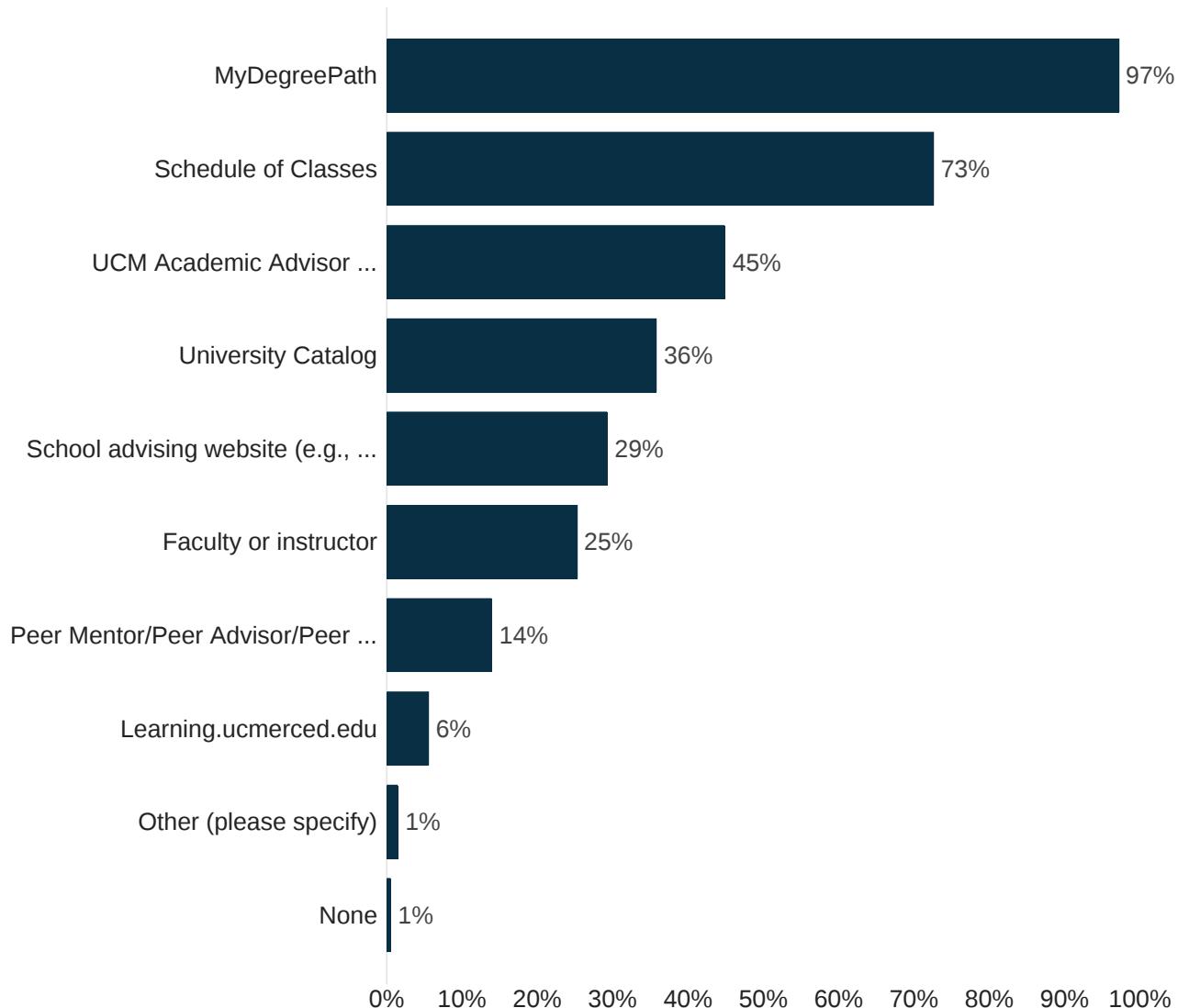
In the past year, from whom did you seek advice to plan your academic path to graduation, including your major and/or minor? (select all that apply)

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Field	Choice	Count
UCM Academic Advisor (professional staff member in your School)	69%	503
Peers/friends	47%	341
Faculty or instructor	34%	247
Family members	20%	149
SSHA Peer Mentors/Peer Navigators	11%	80
Center for Career and Professional Advancement staff	9%	63
None	8%	59
Bright Success Center staff	8%	58
Other (please specify)	5%	33
Fiat Lux Counselor	4%	31
EAP/Study Abroad Advisor	2%	18
Excel! Program staff	2%	13
Fiat Lux Peer Mentor	1%	8
Total		729

In the past year, which campus resources/tools did you use to assist you in your academic planning? (select all that apply)

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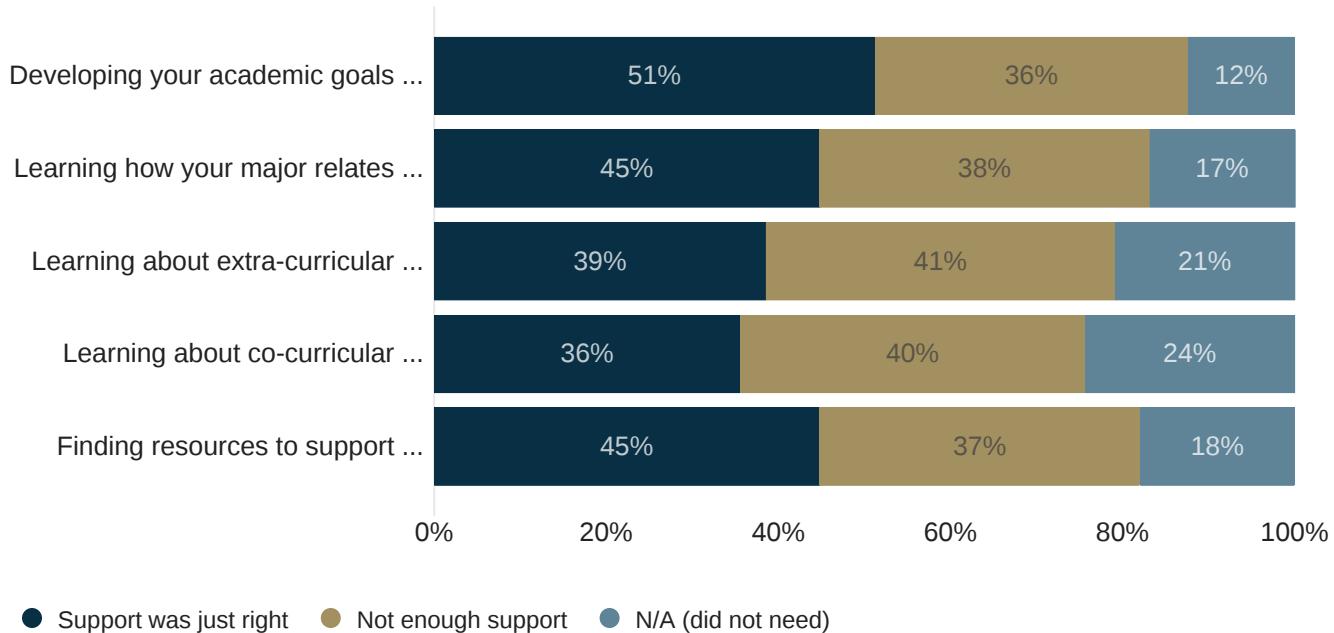
In the past year, which campus resources/tools did you use to assist you in your academic planning? (select all that apply)

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Field	Choice Count
MyDegreePath	97% 716
Schedule of Classes	73% 535
UCM Academic Advisor (professional staff member in your school)	45% 331
University Catalog	36% 264
School advising website (e.g., engr-advising.ucmerced.edu; ns-advising.ucmerced.edu; sshadvising.ucmerced.edu)	29% 216
Faculty or instructor	25% 186
Peer Mentor/Peer Advisor/Peer Navigator	14% 103
Learning.ucmerced.edu	6% 41
Other (please specify)	1% 11
None	1% 4
Total	737

Reflecting on the past year, did you receive the support you needed in the...

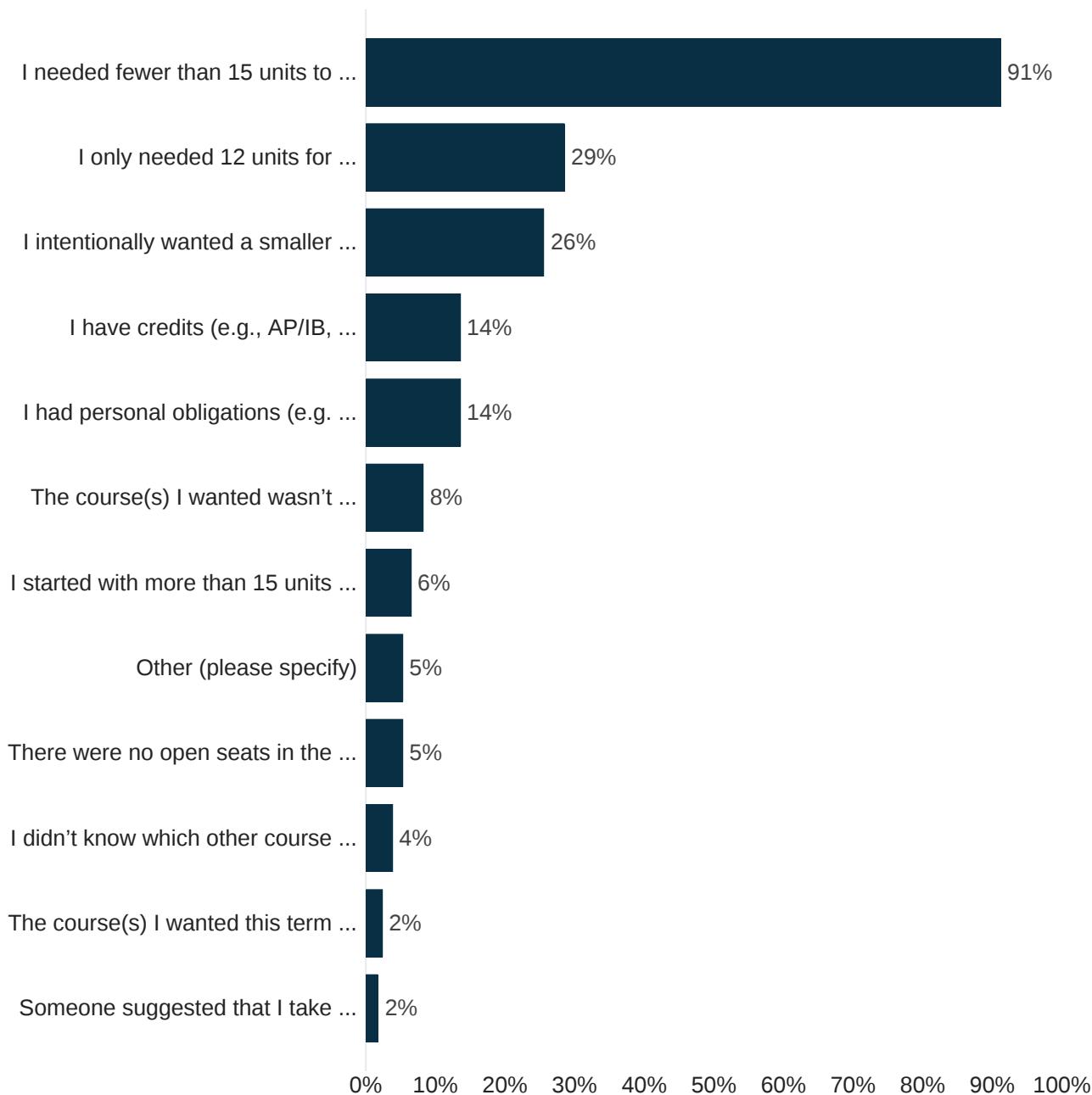
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Field	Support was just right	Not enough support	N/A (did not need)	Total
Developing your academic goals and future plans	51%	36%	12%	734
Learning how your major relates to your goals and future plans	45%	38%	17%	730
Learning about extra-curricular activities (e.g., study abroad, internship, service-learning, research)	39%	41%	21%	729
Learning about co-curricular activities (e.g., organizations or clubs, performing arts, sports)	36%	40%	24%	731
Finding resources to support your well-being (e.g., health, counseling, financial guidance)	45%	37%	18%	724

Our records indicate you are not enrolled in 15 units this term. Please let us know why by selecting from the reasons below (select all that apply).

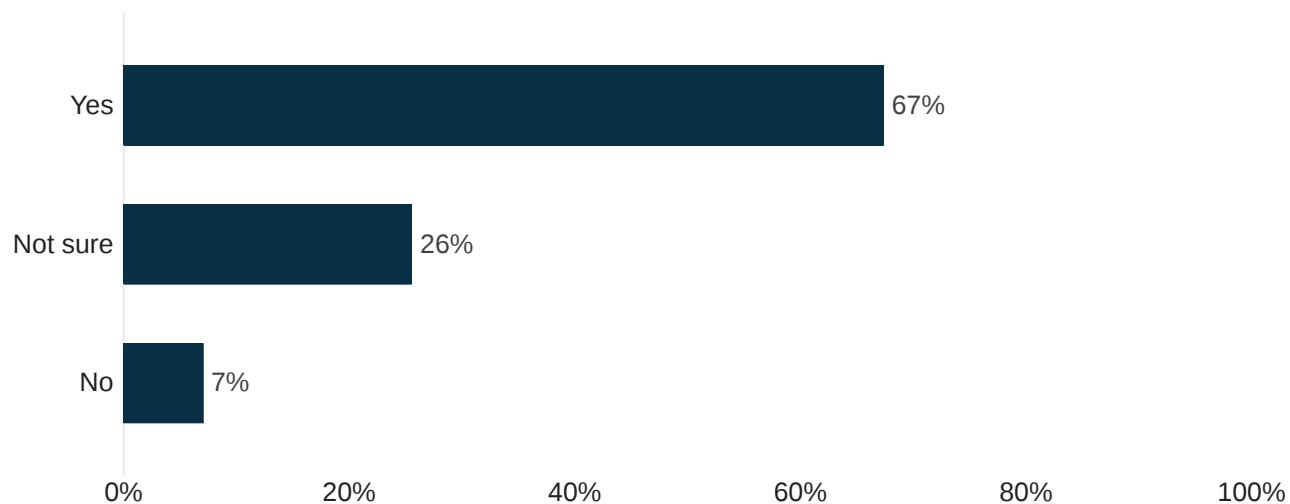
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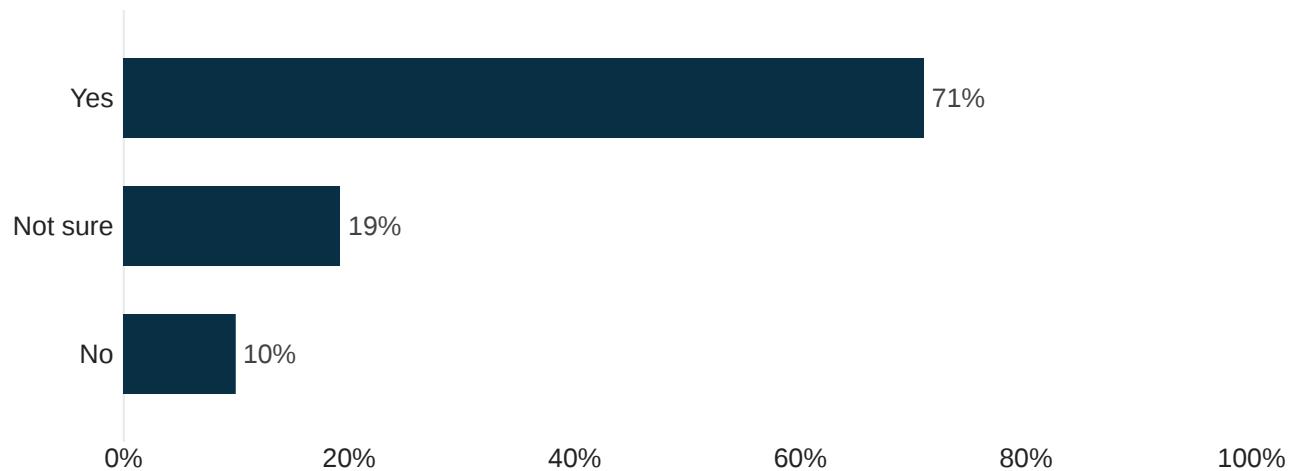
Field	Choice Count
I needed fewer than 15 units to complete my degree requirements in my final semester.	91% 310
I only needed 12 units for Financial Aid.	29% 97
I intentionally wanted a smaller course load.	26% 87
I have credits (e.g., AP/IB, community college, other 4-year institution etc.) transferring to my UC Merced record.	14% 46
I had personal obligations (e.g. work, family) and needed a smaller course load.	14% 46
The course(s) I wanted wasn't offered this term.	8% 28
Other (please specify)	5% 18
I didn't know which other course to take.	4% 13
There were no open seats in the section(s) I needed.	5% 18
I started with more than 15 units but had/decided to drop a class(es).	6% 22
Someone suggested that I take 12 units.	2% 6
The course(s) I wanted this term was cancelled.	2% 8
Total	340

Would you choose UC Merced again if you were starting college all over?



Field	Choice Count
Yes	67% 498
Not sure	26% 189
No	7% 52
Total	739

Would you chose the same major(s) if you were starting college all over again?



Field	Choice Count
Yes	71% 525
Not sure	19% 142
No	10% 73
Total	740