

DALTON STATE C O L L E G E

2004 MIS GRADUATING STUDENT SURVEY SUMMARY REPORT

Section I General Satisfaction

Overall, how would you rate your level of satisfaction with the MIS degree program received at DSC?

Very satisfied	4	66.7%
Satisfied	2	33.3%

Would you recommend the MIS degree program at DSC to others?

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Yes					6	100%

If you could do it all over again would you choose a different major for your business degree?

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Yes	1	16.7%
No	5	83.3%

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If you answered "Yes", what major would you choose?

Management	1	16.7%
No reply	5	83.3%

Why?

The degree would fit better to my needs and wasn't offered when I began	1	16.7%
No reply	5	83.3%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

How would you rate the quality of each of the following aspects of the Division of Business & Technology?

Good	2	33.3%
Excellent	4	66.7%

Academic advising by faculty

Good	2	33.3%
Excellent	4	66.7%

Clarity of program requirements

Good	4	66.7%
Excellent	2	33.3%

Availability of faculty advisor

Excellent	6	100%
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Career counseling and advising

Good	4	66.7%
Excellent	2	33.3%

Accessibility of faculty

Excellent	6	100%

Availability of needed courses

Poor	1	16.7%
Fair	2	33.3%
Good	3	50%

Range of courses from which to choose

Good	6	100%
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Information about course requirements

Good	5	83.3%
Excellent	1	16.7%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

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Good	3	50%
Excellent	3	50%

Class size

Excellent	6	100%

Computer facilities

Fair	1	16.7%
Good	1	16.7%
Excellent	4	66.7%

Availability of computer facilities

Fair	5	83.3%
Good	1	16.7%

Classroom and teaching facilities

Good	1	16.7%
Excellent	5	83.3%

Relevance of classes to career goals/objectives

Fair	1	16.7%
Good	1	16.7%
Excellent	4	66.7%

Library facilities

Excellent	6	100%

Availability of library facilities

Good	1	16.7%
Excellent	5	83.3%

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To determine if the student learning outcomes of the MIS program were met, please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements.

Now that I have completed the MIS degree program, I am able to

Know the current topics and issues in MIS

Agree	3	50%
Strongly agree	3	50%

Understand the pros and cons of major MIS topics and issues

Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly agree	4	66.7%

Am able to use all forms of personal productivity software applications, including word processing,

spreadsheets, database management, and presentation

Disagree	1	16.7%
Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly agree	4	66.7%

Am able to use on-line help topics and other resources to expand skill base

Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly agree	5	83.3%

Understand and use an extensive MIS vocabulary

Agree	4	66.7%
Strongly agree	2	33.3%

Recognize the advantages and disadvantages of data communications

Agree	4	66.7%
Strongly agree	2	33.3%

Know the major networking topologies and their advantages and disadvantages

Agre	ee	3	50%
Stro	ngly agree	3	50%

Am able to apply the three basic logic structures in their preparation of MIS applications software

Disagree	1	16.7%
Agree	5	83.3%

Understand the basic concepts of object-oriented programming

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Disagree	3	50%
Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly agree	1	16.7%

Am able to write simple and complex computer programs in several computer languages

Strongly disagree	1	16.7%
Agree	4	66.7%
Strongly agree	1	16.7%

Demonstrate proficiency in the design and analysis of typical business applications

Agree	3	50%
Strongly agree	3	50%

Understand current topics in information resources management

Disagree	1	16.7%
Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly agree	3	50%

Understand the design and implementation issues of web-based applications

Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly agree	4	66.7%

Am able to prepare simple and complex SQL queries for typical business application databases

Disagree	1	16.7%
Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly agree	3	50%

Am able to design and "normalize" a typical business application database

Agree	4	66.7%
Strongly agree	2	33.3%

I possess the necessary academic skills and competencies to be gainfully employed and be

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productive

Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly agree	5	83.3%

I leaned to think critically

Strongly Agree	6	100%
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I learned to analyze and interpret statistical data

Agree	3	50%
Strongly Agree	3	50%

I can perform basic mathematical operations

Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly Agree	5	83.3%

I can use computers and personal productivity application software to increase my effectiveness on the job

Agree	1	14.3%
Strongly Agree	5	71.4%
No reply	1	14.3%

I have good oral communication skills

Agree	4	66.7%
Strongly Agree	2	33.3%

I have good writing skills

Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly Agree	4	66.7%

I understand the importance of cultural diversity.

Agree	2	33.3%
Strongly Agree	4	66.7%

I know how globalization issues affect the business environment.

Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly Agree	5	83.3%

I have decision-making skills.

Agree	1	16.7%
Strongly Agree	5	83.3%

I understand the role of ethics in business.

Section IV Career and Educational Plans

Do you plan to obtain further education after you graduate from DSC?

Yes	5	83.3%
No	1	16.7%

Do you plan to work while obtaining further education?

Yes	5	83.3%
No reply	1	16.7%

Attend graduate/professional school

Yes	5	83.3%
No	0	0.0%
No reply	1	16.7%

Obtain another bachelor's degree

Yes	0	0.0%
No	0	0.0%

Take more college courses

Yes	0	0.0%
No	0	0.0%

Take professional development courses

Yes	0	0.0%
No	0	0.0%

Take certification review courses

Yes	0	0.0%
No	0	0.0%

Other

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Yes	0	0.0%
No	0	0.0%

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If you are going to attend graduate/professional school, please name the Institution.

Kennesaw	1	16.7%
Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	1	16.7%
Not decided	3	50%
No reply	1	16.7%

Degree/program of study:

Masters in MIS or MBA	1	16.7%
Masters in Divinity	1	16.7%
MBA	1	16.7%
Unsure	1	16.7%
No reply	2	33.3%

Full-time

Yes	1	16.7
No	2	33.3%
No reply	3	50%

When?

Fall 04	2	33.3%
Unsure	2	33.3%
No reply	2	33.3%

What is you level of agreement with the following statement: "DSC effectively prepared me to continue me education?

Strongly Disagree	4	66.7%
Disagree	1	16.7%
No reply	1	16.7%

What is the highest degree you plan to obtain?

Master's degree	2	33.3%
Doctoral degree	3	50%
No reply	1	16.7%

What is your current employment status?

Unemployed, not seeking or planning to work	1	16.7%
Unemployed, seeking employment	2	33.3%
Work full-time at the job I had before I graduated.	3	50%

If you are employed, part-time or full-time, what is your organization's primary business activity?

Banking	1	16.7%
Delivery/distribution	2	33.3%
Manufacturing (carpet, rugs, and hard-surface flooring)	2	33.3%
Retail	1	16.7%

Did you participate in DSC's employment placement services (i.e., job fair, resume preparation, mock employment interview, etc.)?

Yes	 1	16.7%
No	5	83.3%

How satisfied are you with DSC's employment placement services?

Very Satisfied	1	16.7%
No reply	5	83.3%

Did you participate in DSC'S Co-Op/internship program?

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Yes	1	16.7%
No	5	83.3%

How satisfied were you with your Co-Op/internship experience?

Satisfied	1	16.7%
Dissatisfied	2	33.3%
No reply	3	50%

Choose the one item from the list below which best describes your current employment or you immediate employment plans:

I plan to be promoted by my current employer because of my DSC degree	1	16.7%
I plan to seek employment with a new employer because of my DSC degree	3	50%
Other	1	16.7%
No reply	1	16.7%

If you have already been employed by a new employer because of your DSC degree, please indicate how you learned of the job.

Through a contact or referral	1	16.7%
No reply	5	83.3%

What is your starting salary?

\$25,000 or below	3	50%
\$25,001 - \$30,000	2	33.3%
\$40,001 - \$45,000	1	16.7%

Did you expect a salary increase immediately after graduation?

Yes	3	50%
No	3	50%

How closely related is your job to your degree major?

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Highly related	1	16.7%
Somewhat related	2	33.3%
Slightly related	1	16.7%
Not related	2	33.3%

How important do you feel your TM degree was in obtaining your position?

Very important	2	33.3%
Somewhat important	1	16.7%
Not important	2	33.3%
No reply	1	16.7%

In your opinion, how difficult was it to obtain a job in your degree major?

Very difficult	2	33.3%
Difficult	1	16.7%
Average	3	50%

What is you level of agreement with the following statement: "My experiences at DSC prepared me for my new job (or to seek a new job)?

Strongly Disagree	3	50%
Disagree	3	50%

Section V Demographics

What is you current age?

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Under 25	3	50%
25-29	3	50%

What is you gender?

Male	4	66.7%
Female	2	33.3%

What is you marital status?

Single, never married	3	50%
Married	3	50%

Does either of your parents hold a 4 year degree?

Yes, both parents	1	16.7%
Yes, one parent	1	16.7%
No, neither parent	4	66.7%

Section V Demographics

While working on you 4 year degree, have you been enrolled mainly as a:

Full-time student	5	83.3%
Part-time student	1	16.7%

How long has it taken you to complete you 4 year degree program (at all college attended)?

4 years	1	16.7%
5 years	1	16.7%
6 years	3	50%
7 years or more	1	16.7%

How many years have you attended DSC?

4 1/2 years	1	16.7%
5 years	1	16.7%
6 years	3	50%
7 years	1	16.7%