DALTON STATE COLLEGE
DIVISION OF NURSING

2004 GRADUATE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Present age:
   - 32% 20 - 25
   - 26% 26 - 30
   - 32% 31 - 40
   - 10% 41-55
   - Over 55

2. Indicate month board results were passed.
   - January
   - February
   - March
   - April
   - May
   - June
   - July 28%
   - August 5%
   - September
   - October
   - November
   - December 15%

3. Highest level of educational experience achieved prior to entrance into the Dalton State College nursing program:
   - GED
   - 26% High school, graduated within two years of acceptance
   - 26% High school, graduated over two years prior to acceptance
   - 38% College, 1-4 years (including certificate/technical)
   - 10% College graduate

4. Did you have any health related work experience prior to entering the program?
   - Yes 42%
   - No 58%

5. Current working status:
   - Full-time in nursing 89%
   - Part-time in nursing 11%
   - Employment in another field
   - Not employed at this time

6. Indicate month job began:
   - January
   - February
   - March 5%
   - April 22%
   - May 44%
   - June
   - July 1%
   - August
   - September 1%
   - October
   - November 1%
   - December

1 - already employed
7. If you are not working full-time in nursing, please specify your reasons:
   ____ 5%  Seeking higher degree
   ____    Dissatisfaction with nursing
   ____    Scheduling
   ____    Family obligations
   ____    Other

8. If you are working in nursing, please specify which area:
   ____ 95%  Hospital
   ____  5%  Public health/home health
   ____    Industry
   ____    Physician's office/clinic
   ____    Nursing home

9. If you are employed in hospital nursing, please specify which area:
   ____ 47%  General duty
   ____ 16%  Specialty care unit, (i.e. ICU, CCU, L & D, NICU)
   ____ 16%  Emergency
   ____    Operating room
   ____ 21%  Other

10. If you are employed in general duty nursing, please specify which area:
    ____ 47%  Medical-surgical
    ____ 10%  Postpartum, newborn, GN
    ____ 43%  Other
    ____    Pediatric

11. Your primary position is:
    ____ 69%  Staff nurse
    ____  5%  Team leader
    ____ 26%  Charge nurse
    ____    Head nurse/supervisor
    ____    Other

12. Shift worked:
    ____ 42%  Days
    ____  6%  Rotating shifts
    ____ 37%  Evenings
    ____  6%  Other
    ____ 52%  Nights

13. Present hourly salary including any shift differential:
    ____ Below $13       With benefits       Without benefits
    ____ $13.01-$16.00   ________            ________
    ____ $16.01-$19.00   ________            ________
    ____ $19.01-$21.00   ________            ________
    ____  Above $21.00   ________            ________

1 no response
14. In which of the following professional growth activities, have you participated?
   - 79% The regular reading of nursing literature
   - 79% Attendance at workshops/seminars/inservices
   - 26% Participation in a professional organization
   - 21% Continuation of formal education
   __________ Other

15-18. During the nursing program, were you given the information as to:

15. Employment opportunities
   - 100% Yes
   __________ No

16. Working conditions
   - 84% Yes
   - 16% No

17. Salary expectations
   - 95% Yes
   - 5% No

18. Job requirements
   - 95% Yes
   - 5% No

19-26. Please evaluate your educational program as to:

19. Academic advising
   - 42% Excellent
   - 48% Good
   __________ 5% Fair
   __________ 5% Poor

20. Guidance and counseling
   - 47% Excellent
   - 37% Good
   __________ 16% Fair
   __________ 5% Poor

21. Nursing courses
   - 47% Excellent
   - 47% Good
   __________ 6% Fair
   __________ 5% Poor

22. Non-nursing requirements (i.e. psychology, sociology)
   - 26% Excellent
   - 64% Good
   __________ 10% Fair
   __________ 5% Poor
23. **Equipment/facilities**
   - **42%** Excellent
   - **58%** Good

24. **Student services**
   - **26%** Excellent
   - **74%** Good

25. **Career preparation**
   - **83%** Excellent
   - **17%** Good

26. **Nursing trends/opportunities data**
   - **32%** Excellent
   - **58%** Good

27-32. **To what extent do you think your nursing curriculum prepared you for nursing care at the ADN entry level in the following area?**

27. **Gerontological**
   - **22%** Excellent
   - **66%** Good

28. **Medical**
   - **17%** Excellent
   - **61%** Good

29. **Surgical (Pre and Post-Op)**
   - **72%** Excellent

30. **Obstetrical**
   - **17%** Excellent
   - **61%** Good

31. **Pediatric**
   - **5%** Excellent
   - **61%** Good

32. **Psychiatric**
   - **11%** Excellent
   - **78%** Good

*1 - no response*
33. After graduation, what was your primary source of preparation for the NCLEX-RN?

- 74% Independent review
- 10% Computer review
- 37% Formal review classes
- Other

(34-35). Please evaluate the following:

34. College catalog/admission publications

- 32% Excellent
- 42% Good
- 16% Fair
- Poor

35. Accuracy of nursing information received before enrolling

- 42% Excellent
- 58% Good
- Fair
- Poor