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AXIO SURVEY

2010 One-Year Alumni Survey

Survey Description

Thank you for sharing your ideas with us and becoming part of building a better university. Your thoughtful responses will help the University to improve the educational experience for future students and will affirm the work of those who provide excellent services. This survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

Opening Instructions

Your identity will remain anonymous in any reports that are produced from this survey. Your responses will be combined with those of other graduates in your major and your college to create summary reports that will be used by faculty and administrators to improve Kansas State University.

For completing this survey, you will be eligible to enter to win one of several prizes donated by Varney's Student Union Bookstore. At the end of the survey, click the link to give us some additional information and your name will be entered. Your identity will still remain anonymous; we will not be able to match your entry into the drawing with any of your survey responses. Thanks again for your participation.

<i>uired</i> ** (primary) undergraduate major?(If you graduated with more than one baccalaureate
answer related questions regarding your selected major)
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te with an undergraduate certificate or minor(s)?
page only if you answered:
n question 2. Did you graduate with an undergr onpage 1.
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cate or minor(s) give you an advantage when applying for a job?
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Question 5 ** required **	
Are you a U.S. citizen?	
O Yes	
No No	
Question 6 ** required **	
Present Residence:	
Question 7 ** required **	
Ethnicity/Race	
American Indian/Alaskan Native	
Asian or Pacific Islander	
Black, Non-Hispanic	
Hispanic/Spanish/Latin American	
Mexican/Mexican American	
White/Non-Hispanic	
Multiracial	
Other	
I prefer not to respond	
Question 8 ** required **	
What is your age?	
O under 24	
<u>24</u>	
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<u>26-30</u>	
over 30	
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Question 9 ** required **	
Did you transfer credit to K-State from another college or university?	
O Yes	
◎ No	
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Fill out this page only if you answered:	
 Yeson question9. Did you transfer credit to K-Staonpage 4. 	
Question 10	17.5:
Indicate the type of transfer institution and the number of semester credit hours applied to you Program.	ır K-State
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	1 to 20	21 to 30	31 to 40	41 to 60	61+
10.1 A two year college	0		0	0	0
10.2 Another Kansas 4 year public university	0	0	0	0	0
10.3 An out-of-state 4 year public university	0	0	0	0	0
10.4 A private 4 year college or university	0	0	0	0	0
10.5 Other	0	0	0	0	0

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Question 11 ** required **
If you could start over, would you still choose to attend K-State?
O Definitely No
Probably No
Uncertain
Probably Yes
Definitely Yes
Question 12 ** required **
If you could start over, would you still choose to graduate with the same first major? Definitely No
Probably No
Uncertain
Probably Yes
Definitely Yes
Question 13 ** required **
If you could start over, would you still choose to graduate with the same second major? Definitely No
Probably No
O Uncertain
Probably Yes
O Definitely Yes
Does Not Apply
Question 14 ** required **
When you applied for admission to K-State, it was your:
First Choice
Second Choice
Third Choice
Not one of your top 3 choices
Question 15 ** required **
After having a year to reflect, how satisfied are you with the following features of advising provided to you at K-State:
1 - Very Dissatisfied 2 - Dissatisfied 3 - Neutral

4 - Satisfied | 5 - Very Satisfied

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	1	2	3	4	5
15.1 Access to academic advising	0	0	0	0	0
15.2 Assistance in course selection/developing a program of study	0	0	0	0	0
15.3 Information provided about career/graduate school opportunities	0	0	0	0	0

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If you answered 'probably no', 'definitely no', or 'uncertain' to attending K-State ('if you could start over again...') please answer the following question.

If you could do it over, please describe the choice(s) you think might have been better and why.

Characters Remaining: 1000

Question 17

If you answered 'probably no', 'definitely no', or 'uncertain' to choosing the same major(s) ('if you could start over again...') please answer the following question.

If you could do it over, please describe the choice(s) you think might have been better and why.

Characters Remaining: 1000

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Question 18 ** required **

How much has your K-State college experience contributed to your growth in each of the following areas?

	None	Little	Somewhat	Very Much
18.1 Increasing knowledge and understanding in an academic field	0		0	0

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18.2 Gaining knowledge, technical skills and/or competence required for a job/career	0	0	0	0
18.3 Developing skills in leading or participating in groups or teams		0	0	0
18.4 Gaining knowledge that will enrich your daily life or make you a more complete person	0	0	0	0
18.5 Becoming independent, self-reliant, and responsible		0	0	0
18.6 Developing an understanding and awareness of yourself (interests, abilities, values, needs, etc.)	0	0	0	0
18.7 Becoming a more satisfied, responsible family member		0	0	0
18.8 Becoming more aware of world issues and pressing social, political, and economic problems	0	0	0	0
18.9 Thinking critically, problem-solving	0	0	0	0
18.10 Identifying a sense of values and priorities in life	0	0	0	0
18.11 Developing lasting friendships and personal ties	0	0	0	0
18.12 Handling personal/family finances and consumer issues	0	0	0	0
18.13 Increasing your intellectual curiosity		0	0	0
18.14 Caring for your mental/physical health		0	0	0
18.15 Organizing time effectively	0	0	0	0
18.16 Increasing a commitment to public services	0	0	0	0
18.17 Developing satisfying leisure time activities	0	0	0	0
18.18 Becoming more willing to consider opposing points of view	0	0	0	0
18.19 Interacting and working effectively with people from different racial/ethnic backgrounds	0	0	0	0
18.20 Locating and evaluating information sources		0	0	0

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Question 19 ** required **

Looking back on your college experience, do you believe (less, the same, or more) emphasis should have been placed on:

	Less	Same	More
19.1 Written communication skills	0	0	0
19.2 Oral communication skills	0	0	0
19.3 Mathematical skills	0	0	0
19.4 Computer skills	0	0	0
19.5 Problem-solving skills	0	0	0
19.6 Learning to think and reason	0	0	0
19.7 Understanding and relating to people	0	0	0
19.8 Background in natural science (e.g. chemistry, biology, physics)	0	0	0
19.9 Background in social science (e.g. economics, sociology, psychology)	0	0	0

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19.10 Background in humanities and fine arts (e.g. art, music, history)			
19.11 Theory courses related to my major(s)			0
19.12 Application courses related to my major(s)	0	0	0

Question 20 ** required **

How much has your overall quality of life been enhanced by your K-State undergraduate experience?	
None	
Little	
Somewhat	
O Very Much	

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Question 21 ** required **

Please fill in the one statement that best describes your current activities; then complete the survey as indicated.

- Not engaged in paid employment
- Enrolled in graduate or professional school
- Both employed (other than graduate assistant) and continuing my education
- Employed 35 hours per week or more
- Self-employed

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Fill out this page only if you answered:

• Not engaged in paid ...on question21. Please fill in the one statement...onpage 10 .

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Question 22 ** required **	
Indicate the primary reason you are not employed.	
I have chosen not to be employed	
I was laid off by my employer	
I quit a job to seek other employment	
I chose to confine my job search to a specific city or region	
My job search was limited due to a need to find career opportunities in the same geograph	nic region with someone else
I have not limited my job search in any way, but have been unable to find a satisfactory jo	b since graduation.
Having/Expecting a child changed my employment plans	
Other:	
Question 23 ** required **	
Have you sought job placement assistance from K-State's Office of Career an	d Employment Services?
Yes, it has been helpful	
Yes, but it has not been helpful	
No, I didn't register with the office	
No, I registered with the office, but didn't seek further assistance	

Do you plan to seek paid employment?

Question 24 ** required **

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Yes, within 12 months	
Yes, in 1 to 5 years	
Yes, in more than 5 years	
○ No	
uestion 25 ** required **	
How would you describe your current status of not being employed?	
Serious Problem	
Minor Problem	
No Problem, My Choice	
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uestion 26 ** required ** What degree are you currently pursuing?	
M.A./M.S.	
M.B.A.	
M.D.	
Ph.D.	
© Ed.D.	
D.V.M.	
Other:	
Curci.	
uestion 27 ** required **	
What is the highest degree you are planning to complete?	
M.A./M.S.	
M.B.A.	
M.D.	
Ph.D.	
Ed.D.	
D.V.M.	
Other:	
uestion 28	
How closely was your undergraduate major related to your graduate major?	
1 - Not Related 2 - Somewhat Related 3 - Directly Related	
	1 2
28.1 Major 1	0 0
28.2 Major 2 (If you did not have a second major, leave your answer blank)	
uestion 29 ** required **	

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	ly to my first choice
	cepted by my first choice
	nd because I needed to match my plans with someone else's
Other:	
uestion 30 ** requ	uired **
	financial assistance have supported your graduate study? (select all that apply)
	aduate assistance
Institutional fellow	wship/scholarship
	fellowship/scholarship
Full-time employi	
Part-time employ	rment
Loan(s)	
Other:	
uestion 31 ** req เ	uired **
How would you ra	ate the quality of your K-State undergraduate preparation for graduate/professional
education?	
Inadequate	
Fair	
Good	
Excellent	
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Military
Non-profit
Professional Services
Public relations
Real estate
Recreation/Fitness
Religion
Retail/Sales
Scientific
Social Services
Technology
Transportation
Other:
Question 33 ** required **
Does your job require: (mark all that apply)
A computer
Conducting Research
Extensive Training
Math skills
Problem Solving/Analytic Reasoning
Speaking to a group
use of specialized machinery
use of specialized software
Working with a diverse group of people
Writing reports, memos, papers, publications, etc.
Question 34 ** required **
Is this your first job after graduation?
O Yes
○ No
Question 35 ** required **
How did you learn of this job?
Job lead from professor or advisor
Job lead from relative or friend
Job lead from college internship
Government employment listing
Employment agency
Job listing on the internet
Newspaper
Worked previously for employer
Applied for job without knowledge of opening
K-State's Career and Employment Services
Other:

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Question 36 How closely is your job related to your undergraduate field of study? 1 - Not Related | 2 - Somewhat Related | 3 - Directly Related 2 3 1 **36.1** Major 1 **36.2** Major 2 (If you did not have a second major, leave your answer blank) **Question 37** If you indicated that your job is not related or only somewhat related to your major, what is the principle reason? I looked, but could not find a job closely related to my major My major had no direct connection with specific employment opportunities I confined my job search to a specific city or region My job search was limited due to a need to match my career interests with someone else's I developed new career interests after leaving college The jobs in my field did not pay well The jobs in my field did not offer opportunities for advancement I found an exceptional opportunity in an unrelated field Other: Question 38 ** required ** When did you initiate your job search for a career position? More than one year prior to graduation Nine months to one year prior to graduation Six to eight months prior to graduation Three to five months prior to graduation One to two months prior to graduation At graduation time One month after graduation More than one month after graduation Question 39 ** required ** How long did it take you to obtain your current full-time job after graduation? Had job at graduation Less than 1 month 1 to 3 months 4 to 6 months 7 or more months Question 40 ** required ** How difficult was it for you to find employment? Very Difficult Fairly Difficult Fairly Easy Very Easy Question 41 ** required **

Approximately how many job interviews did you have before accepting your current position?

0-1 **2-5** 6-9 **10-14 15-19** 20+ Question 42 ** required ** How close is your job to the type of job you desired prior to graduation? Very Close Fairly Close Not Very Close Had no clear expectation Question 43 ** required ** How do you feel that K-State prepared you for your present job? Inadequately Fairly Well Well Excellently Question 44 ** required ** Compared to new employees from other colleges/universities, do you feel that your K-State academic preparation gave you an: Advantage Disadvantage Neither **Question 45** What is your current annual salary, before taxes? (optional) Less than \$20,000 \$20,000 to \$29,999 \$30,000 to \$39,999 \$40,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$59,999 \$60,000 to \$69,999 \$70,000 to \$79,999 \$80,000 to \$89,999 \$90,000 to \$99,999 \$100,000 or more Question 46 ** required ** Which statement best describes your current postition? Employment with definite long-term potential Employment with possible long-term potential Employment primarily to earn money with little or no other satisfaction or disadvantages Temporary employment while I look for something more suitable Temporary position that will last only for a limited time

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Indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your present postition:

Question 47 ** required **

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1 - Very Dissatisfied | 2 - Dissatisfied | 3 - Neutral 4 - Satisfied | 5 - Very Satisfied

	1	2	3	4	5
47.1 Salary/benefits	0		0	0	0
47.2 Location	0	0	0	0	0
47.3 Opportunity to use your qualifications	0	0	0	0	0
47.4 Opportunity to advance	0	0	0	0	0
47.5 Prestige/recognition	0	0	0	0	0
47.6 Interest/challenge of work	0	0	0	0	0
47.7 Working conditions	0	0	0	0	0
47.8 Opportunity to learn	0	0	0	0	0

Question	48	**	rec	ui	red	**
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Is your	position	challenging?
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- Yes
- No

Question 49 ** required **

Is a B.A./B.S. degree required for your current position?

- Yes
- No, but helpful
- No, irrelevant

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Please use the following to comment, in more detail, on your colleges experiences at K-State.

Question 50

Influences

We are compiling a list of important influences on students during their college days. These could include individuals (faculty, staff, students, administrators), classes, or out-of-class experiences (organizations, clubs, etc.). If there were important influences on you, describe them below. (It's fine to name names!)

Characters Remaining: 1000

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Page 15 Question 51 ** required ** Did poor advising require you to enroll for an additional semester (or longer) at K-State? If yes, please explain. Yes No Further comments about your response: Question 52 ** required ** Upon completion of your B.A./B.S. degree, what was the total amount of student loan debt (Stafford, etc.) you had accumulated? None less than \$10,000 @ \$10,000 to \$19,999 \$20,000 to \$29,999 \$30,000 to \$39,999 \$40,000 or more Page 16 Fill out this page only if you answered: • Enrolled in graduate... OR Both employed (other...on question21. Please fill in the one statement...onpage 10. Question 53 ** required ** What institution are you attending? **Characters Remaining: 30** Question 54 ** required ** In what department or professional school are you enrolled? **Characters Remaining: 30** Question 55 ** required ** What is your area of emphasis? **Characters Remaining: 60** Page 17

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uestion 57 ** required **			

Closing Message

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Thank you for completing the survey. If you would like to enter a drawing to win one of many<u>FABULOUS PRIZES</u>, click <u>here</u> to enter your contact information. The contact information you enter will not be traceable to any of your survey responses.

- End of Survey -

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