



SENATE RESOLUTION #2974

TITLE: Reading Week

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1. WHEREAS, the purpose of the Associated Students of the University of Wyoming
2. (ASUW) is to serve our fellow students in the best manner possible; and,
3. WHEREAS, UW Regulation 2-100 Academic Class Management, Section V. Final
4. Examinations outlines the requirements for Reading Week (see Addendum A); and,
5. WHEREAS, many students feel either very stressed (51%) or extremely stressed (28%)
6. during the week before finals week as expressed in Addendum B; and,
7. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree with the following statement:
8. "The amount of non-review material I get during reading week makes it hard to focus on
9. studying for my tests"; and,
10. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree "some professors
11. administer examinations or graded exercises during the last week of classes, contrary to
12. the Reading Week policy"; and,
13. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree that "inconsistency exists
14. among professors in adhering to the Reading Week policy regarding the administration
15. of examinations or graded exercises"; and,
16. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree that "there seems to be a lack

17. of knowledge of the Reading Week policy” among both students and teachers; and,
18. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree that “there seems to be a lack
19. of enforcement of the Reading Week policy by university authorities, leading to
20. professors not following the guidelines”; and,
21. WHEREAS, many students either strongly agree or agree that “students would benefit
22. from stricter measures being created to ensure professors comply with the Reading Week
23. policy”.
24. THEREFORE, be it resolved that the official recommendation from the ASUW be that
25. the University communicate UW Regulation 2-100 as well as the concerns of students to
26. all University faculty; and,
26. THEREFORE, be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution and official
27. recommendation be sent to the University of Wyoming Board of Trustees, Faculty
28. Senate, Dean of Students Office, of the Provost, Calendar Committee, Office of the
29. Registrar within 24 hours upon this Bills passage.

Referred to: AD&P and HOPE

Date of Passage: April 9th, 2024

Signed: _____

(ASUW Chairperson)

“Being enacted on April 9th, 2024, I do hereby sign my name hereto and approve this

Senate action.” _____

Kameron Mufatto

ASUW President

Addendum A

V. FINAL EXAMINATIONS

A. Authorization for Scheduling

The Registrar is authorized to schedule final examinations. With only the exceptions outlined below, exams will be given at the designated times. The examination schedule shall be published at least one month before the first day of final examinations.

Exceptions for which no examination time will be shown in the final examination schedule are: (1) all classes listed entirely as TBA; (2) classes blocked to the first half of semester; (3) classes meeting off campus; (4) extension classes; (5) student teaching; and (6) labs, discussions and recitations.

B. Group Examinations

In classes in which the same material is taught in more than one section and a common examination is deemed desirable, a group examination will be scheduled by the Registrar if such can be arranged within the limits of the examination period and without creating serious conflicts.

C. Student Scheduling Exceptions

No student shall be required to take more than two final examinations in any one day. Along with the specific final examination schedule, the Registrar shall publish a system of priorities that will determine which class is expected to offer an examination at a different time for a student who is scheduled for more than two final examinations in one day or more than one at the same hour.

D. Final Examination Preparation Day

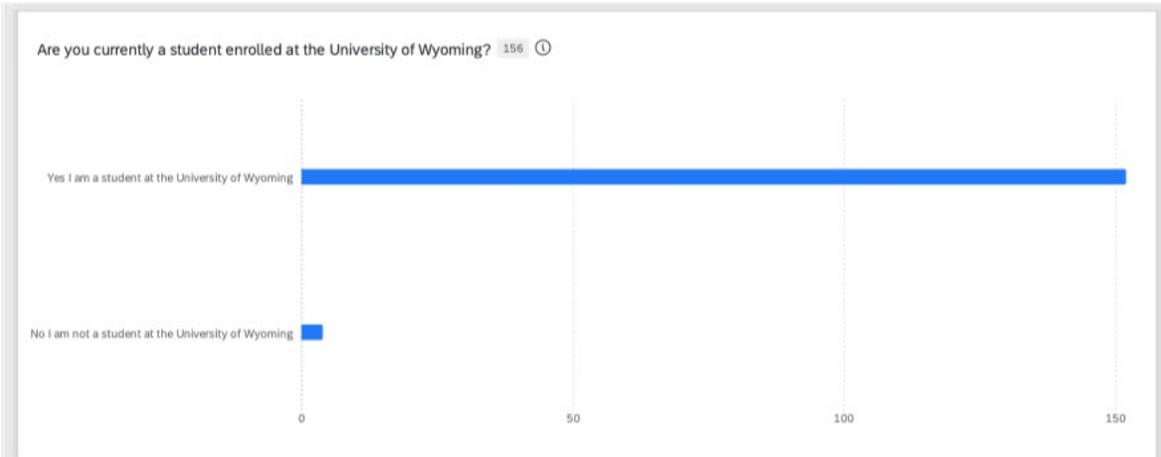
At least one final examination preparation day shall separate the last day of classes and the first day of final examinations.

E. Reading Week

To avoid excessive pressure on students during the week before final examinations, no examination or graded exercise should be given in the last week of classes unless it is essential for the effective functioning of the class, it is a makeup test or examination, or it is a regularly scheduled weekly exercise. If an examination or graded exercise in the last week of classes is deemed essential, the instructor must notify the students of it in a class syllabus distributed at the beginning of the class. Examinations or graded exercises given during the last week of classes are appropriate in the following circumstances:

1. Laboratory examinations in those classes that do not have a separately scheduled final examination for the laboratory portion of that class.
2. Evaluations in classes that require individualized performances that cannot be incorporated into a scheduled final examination, such as recitations and musical performances.

Addendum B



Are you currently a student enrolled at the University of Wyoming? 156 ⓘ

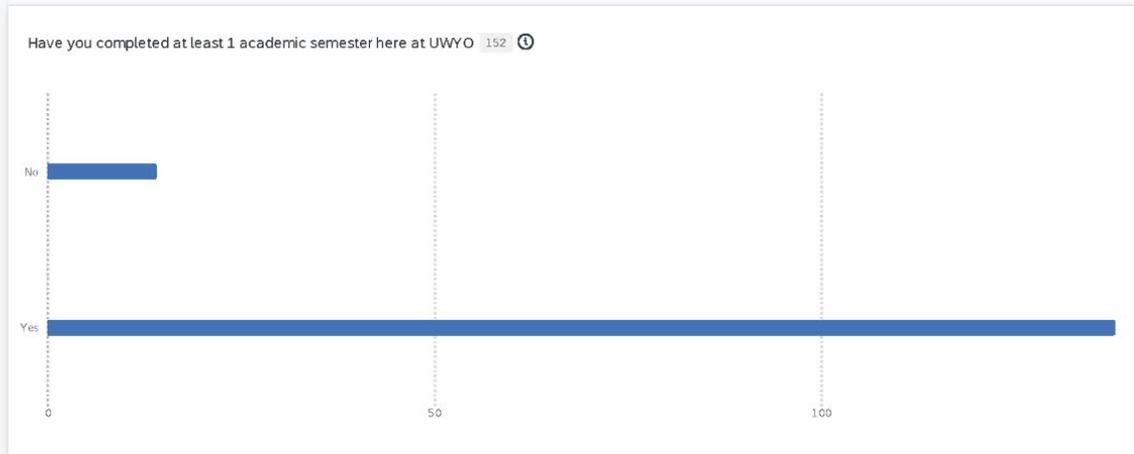
Q1 - Are you currently a student enrolled at the University of Wyoming?	Percentage	Count
Yes I am a student at the University of Wyoming	97%	152
No I am not a student at the University of Wyoming	3%	4

Are you currently a student enrolled at the University of Wyoming? 156 ⓘ

Are you currently a student enrolled at the University of Wyoming?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Yes I am a student at the University of Wyoming	1.00	1.00	1.00	152

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Are you currently a student enrolled at the University of Wyoming?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
No I am not a student at the University of Wyoming	2.00	2.00	2.00	4

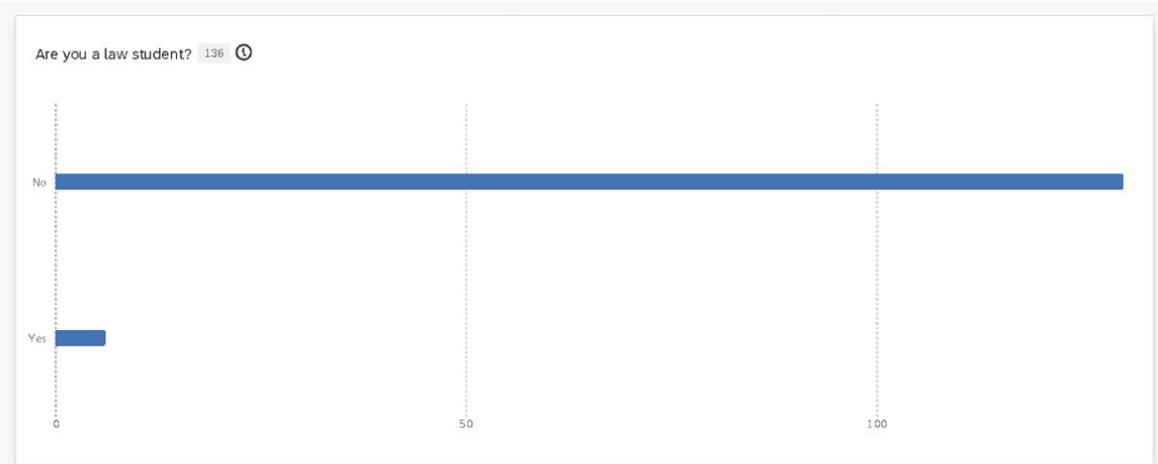


Have you completed at least 1 academic semester here at UWYO 152 ⓘ

Q27 - Have you completed at least 1 academic semester here at UWYO	Percentage	Count
No	9%	14
Yes	91%	138

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Have you completed at least 1 academic semester here at UWYO	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
No	1.00	1.00	1.00	14
Yes	2.00	2.00	2.00	138

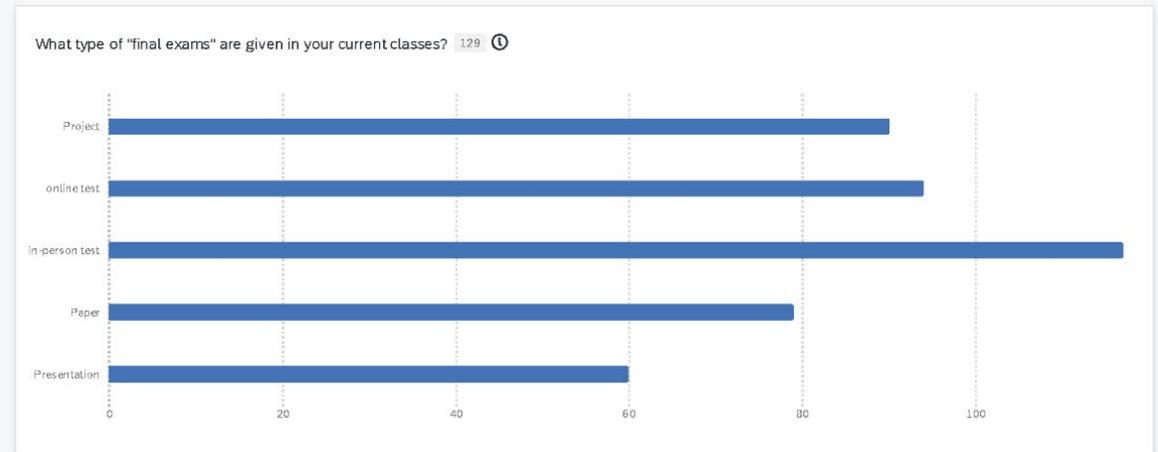


Are you a law student? 136

Q28 - Are you a law student?	Percentage	Count
No	96%	130
Yes	4%	6

Are you a law student? 136

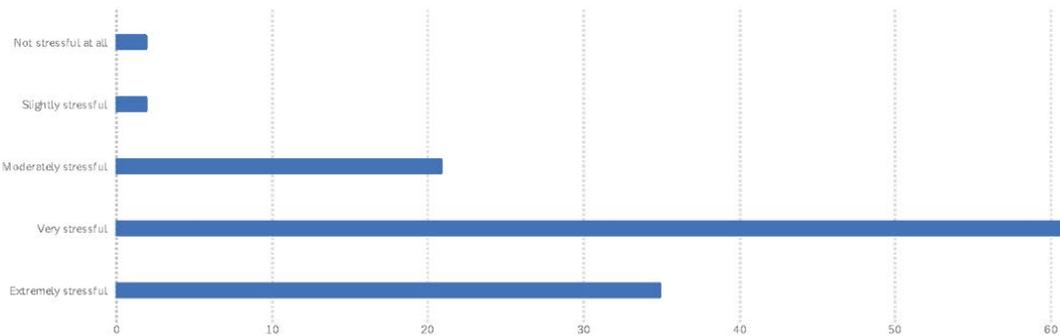
Are you a law student?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
No	1.00	1.00	1.00	130
Yes	2.00	2.00	2.00	6



What type of "final exams" are given in your current classes? 129 ⓘ

Q2 - What type of "final exams" are given in your current classes?	Percentage	Count
Project	70%	90
online test	73%	94
in-person test	91%	117
Paper	61%	79
Presentation	47%	60

how would you rate the level of stress you experience the week before finals week? 123 ⓘ



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Q39 - how would you rate the level of stress you experience the week before finals week?	Percentage	Count
Not stressful at all	2%	2
Slightly stressful	2%	2
Moderately stressful	17%	21
Very stressful	51%	63
Extremely stressful	28%	35

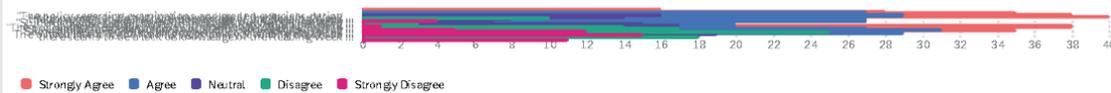
how would you rate the level of stress you experience the week before finals week? 123 ⓘ

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Not stressful at all	1.00	1.00	1.00	2
Slightly stressful	2.00	2.00	2.00	2

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how would you rate the level of stress you experience the week before final...	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Moderately stressful	3.00	3.00	3.00	21
Very stressful	4.00	4.00	4.00	63
Extremely stressful	5.00	5.00	5.00	35

Please read the following clause from the university of Wyoming's "Academic Class Management" policies and compare it to your past reading week experiences while attending The University of Wyoming. Academic Class Management section VI, clause E: Reading Week clause To avoid excessive pressure on students during the week before final examinations, no examination or graded exercise should be given in the last week of classes unless it is essential for the effective functioning of the class, it is a makeup test or examination, or it is a regularly scheduled weekly exercise. If an examination or graded exercise in the last week of classes is deemed essential, the instructor must notify the students of it in a class syllabus distributed at the beginning of the class. Examinations or graded exercises given during the last week of classes are appropriate in the following circumstances: 1. Laboratory examinations in those classes that do not have a separately scheduled final examination for the laboratory portion of that class. 2. Evaluations in classes that require individualized performances that cannot be incorporated into a scheduled final examination, such as recitations and musical performances. Now please answer the following questions while thinking of your past experiences while attending The University of Wyoming 73 ⓘ



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Please read the following clause from the university of Wyoming's "Academic...	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
"The policy regarding examinations and graded exercises during the last wee...	16	27	16	10	4
"there seems to be a lack of knowledge of the Reading Week policy among my...	28	29	14	2	0
"there seems to be a lack of enforcement of the Reading Week policy by univ...	35	29	8	1	0
"The amount of non review material i get during reading week makes it hard...	38	24	7	3	1

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Please read the following clause from the university of Wyoming's "Academic...	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
"Students would benefit from stricter measures being created to ensure prof...	40	27	6	0	0
"The exceptions outlined in the policy for administering examinations or gr...	12	27	15	14	5
"Students feel adequately informed about their rights and responsibilities...	12	15	17	17	12
"The policy regarding examinations or graded exercises during the last week...	14	20	15	14	10
"Students believe instructors consistently adhere to the policy regarding e...	11	7	15	25	15
"Some professors administer examinations or graded exercises during the las...	38	27	4	4	0
"Inconsistency exists among professors in adhering to the Reading Week poli...	38	31	3	1	0
The overall intent of the reading week policy (avoiding excessive pressure...	11	14	19	18	11
"there seems to be a lack of knowledge of the Reading Week policy among fel...	35	29	7	2	0

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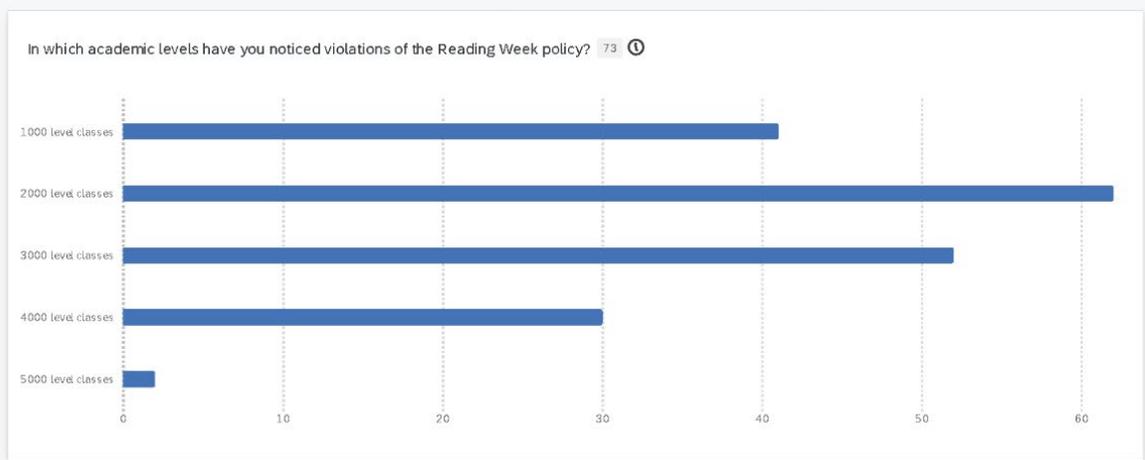
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Please read the following clause from the university of Wyoming's "Academic...	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
"The policy regarding examinations and graded exercises during the last wee...	2.44	1.00	5.00	73
"there seems to be a lack of knowledge of the Reading Week policy among my...	1.86	1.00	4.00	73
"there seems to be a lack of enforcement of the Reading Week policy by univ...	1.66	1.00	4.00	73
"The amount of non review material i get during reading week makes it hard...	1.70	1.00	5.00	73
"Students would benefit from stricter measures being created to ensure prof...	1.53	1.00	3.00	73
"The exceptions outlined in the policy for administering examinations or g...	2.63	1.00	5.00	73
"Students feel adequately informed about their rights and responsibilities...	3.03	1.00	5.00	73
"The policy regarding examinations or graded exercises during the last week...	2.81	1.00	5.00	73
"Students believe instructors consistently adhere to the policy regarding e...	3.36	1.00	5.00	73
"Some professors administer examinations or graded exercises during the las...	1.64	1.00	4.00	73
"Inconsistency exists among professors in adhering to the Reading Week poti...	1.55	1.00	4.00	73
The overall intent of the reading week policy (avoiding excessive pressure...	3.05	1.00	5.00	73
"there seems to be a lack of knowledge of the Reading Week policy among fet...	1.67	1.00	4.00	73

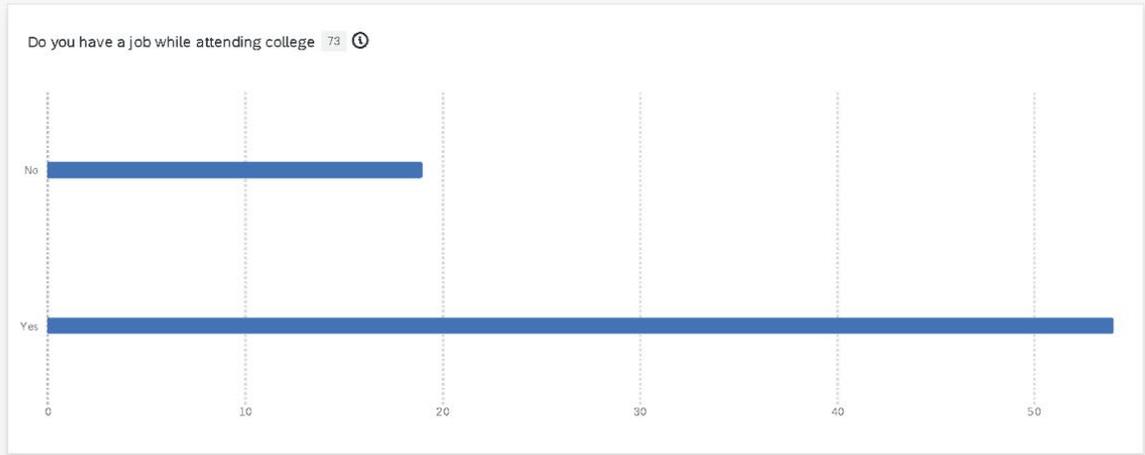
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In which academic levels have you noticed violations of the Reading Week policy? 73 ⓘ

Q38 - In which academic levels have you noticed violations of the Reading Week policy?

	Percentage	Count
1000 level classes	56%	41
2000 level classes	85%	62
3000 level classes	71%	52
4000 level classes	41%	30
5000 level classes	3%	2



Do you have a job while attending college 73 ⓘ

Q15 - Do you have a job while attending college

	Percentage	Count
No	26%	19
Yes	74%	54

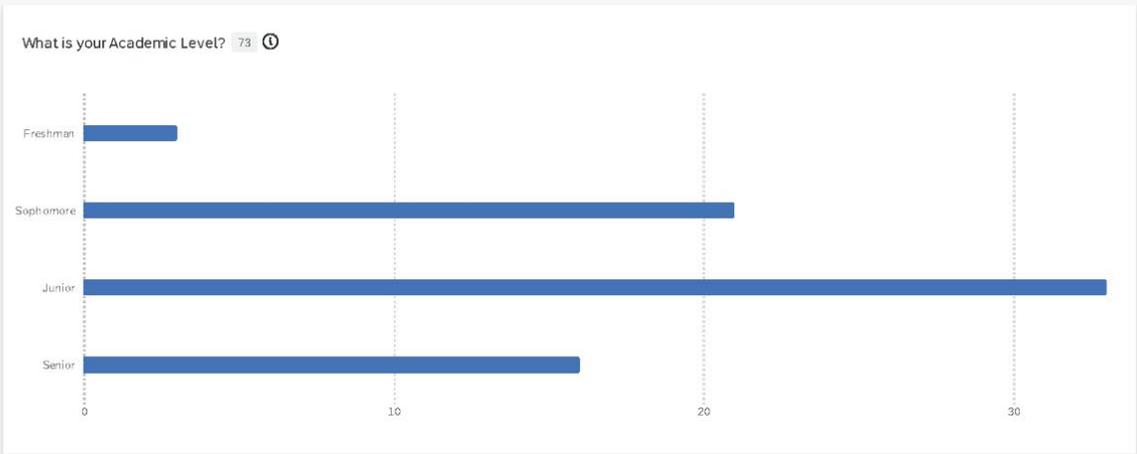
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Do you have a job while attending college 73 ⓘ

Do you have a job while attending college	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
No	1.00	1.00	1.00	19
Yes	2.00	2.00	2.00	54

What's your current overall gpa? 75 ⓘ

What's your current overall gpa?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
GPA	3.23	0.00	4.00	75



What is your Academic Level? 73 ⓘ

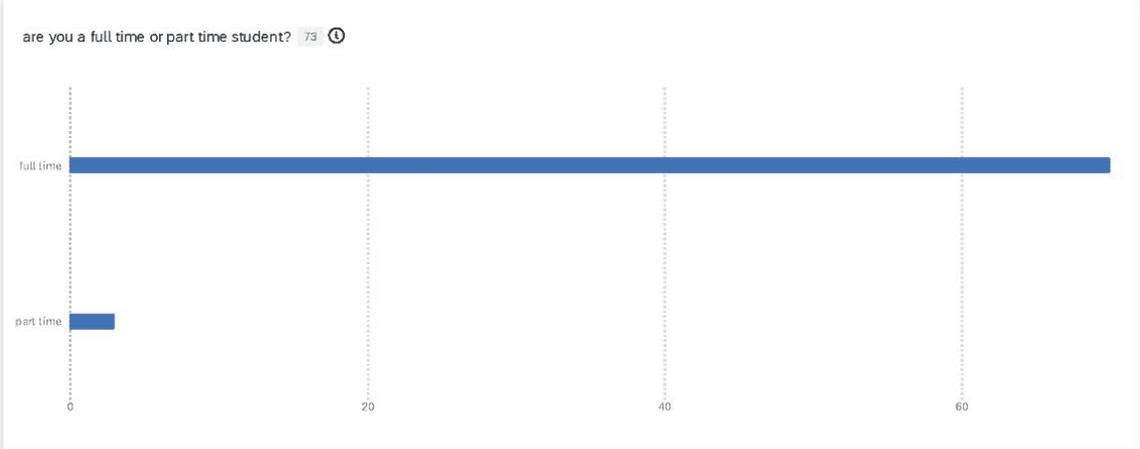
Q17 - What is your Academic Level?	Percentage	Count
Freshman	4%	3
Sophomore	29%	21
Junior	45%	33
Senior	22%	16

What is your Academic Level? 73 ⓘ

What is your Academic Level?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Freshman	1.00	1.00	1.00	3
Sophomore	2.00	2.00	2.00	21

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What is your Academic Level?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Junior	3.00	3.00	3.00	33
Senior	4.00	4.00	4.00	16



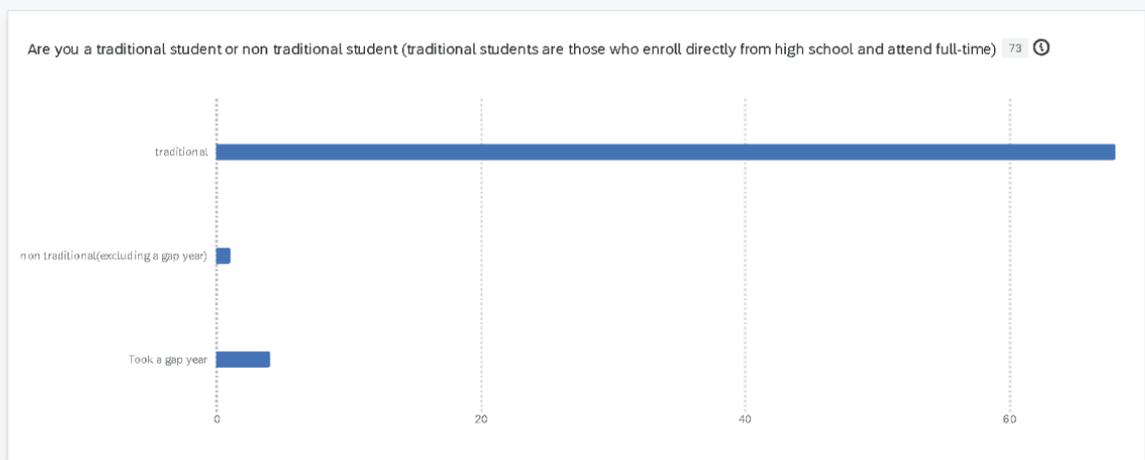
are you a full time or part time student? 73 ⓘ

Q30 - are you a full time or part time student?	Percentage	Count
full time	96%	70
part time	4%	3

are you a full time or part time student? 73 ⓘ

are you a full time or part time student?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
full time	1.00	1.00	1.00	70
part time	2.00	2.00	2.00	3

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Are you a traditional student or non traditional student (traditional students are those who enroll directly from high school and attend full-time) 73 ⓘ

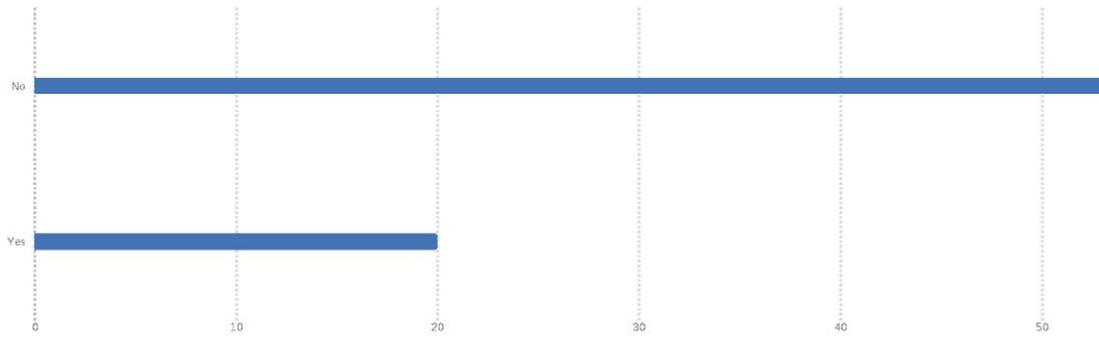
Q33 - Are you a traditional student or non traditional student (traditional students are those who enroll directly from high school and attend full-time)

	Percentage	Count
traditional	93%	68
non traditional(excluding a gap year)	1%	1
Took a gap year	5%	4

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traditional	1.00	1.00	1.00	68
non traditional(excluding a gap year)	2.00	2.00	2.00	1
Took a gap year	3.00	3.00	3.00	4

Are you a first generation student 73 ⓘ

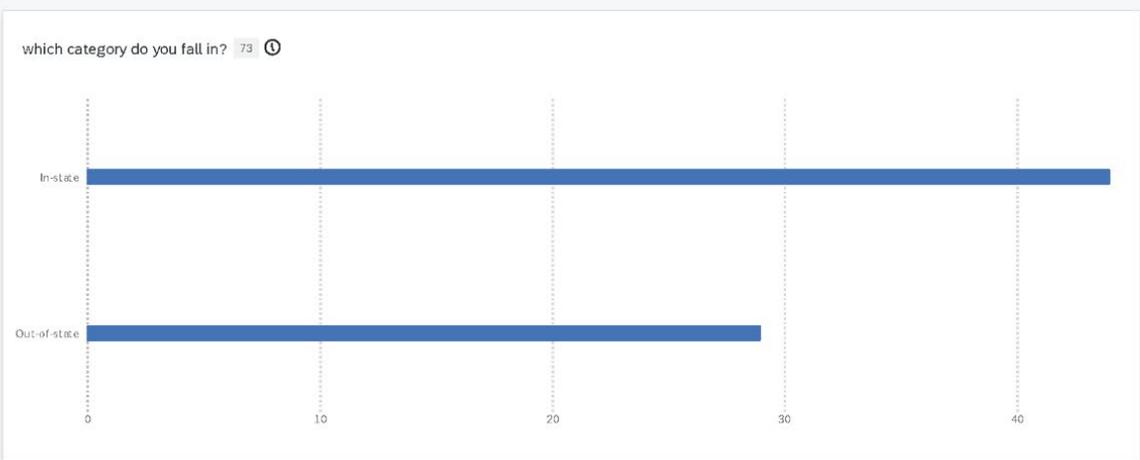


Are you a first generation student 73 ⓘ

Q31 - Are you a first generation student	Percentage	Count
No	73%	53
Yes	27%	20

Are you a first generation student 73 ⓘ

Are you a first generation student	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
No	1.00	1.00	1.00	53
Yes	2.00	2.00	2.00	20

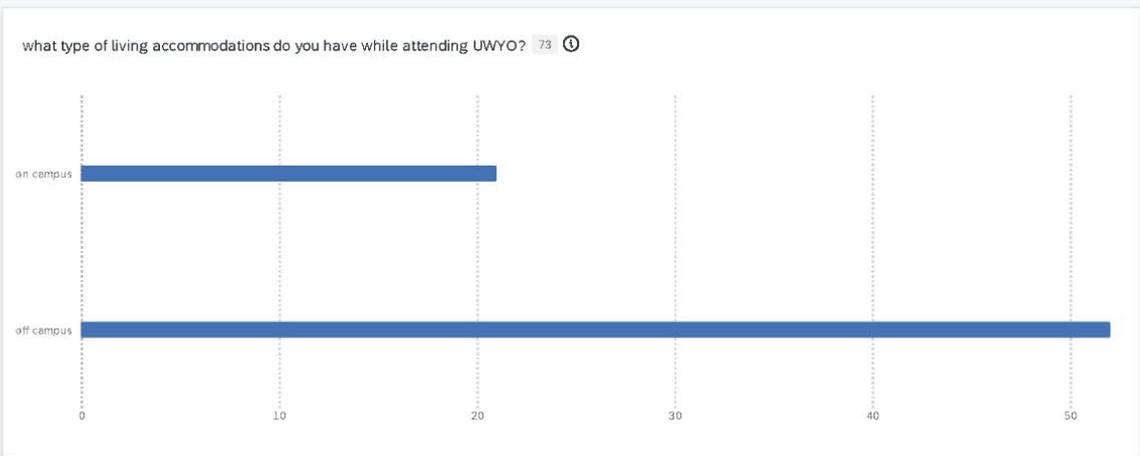


which category do you fall in? 73 ⓘ

Q34 - which category do you fall in?	Percentage	Count
In-state	60%	44
Out-of-state	40%	29

which category do you fall in? 73 ⓘ

which category do you fall in?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
In-state	1.00	1.00	1.00	44
Out-of-state	2.00	2.00	2.00	29



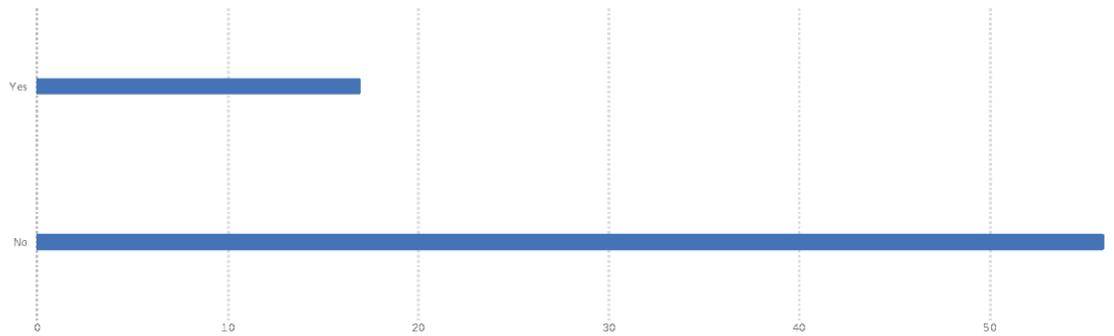
what type of living accommodations do you have while attending UWYO? 73 ⓘ

Q35 - what type of living accommodations do you have while attending UWYO?	Percentage	Count
on campus	29%	21
off campus	71%	52

what type of living accommodations do you have while attending UWYO? 73 ⓘ

what type of living accommodations do you have while attending UWYO?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
on campus	1.00	1.00	1.00	21
off campus	2.00	2.00	2.00	52

Do you or have you ever had academic accommodations for a learning disability (including any type of Attention deficit/ hyperactivity disorder) 73 ⓘ

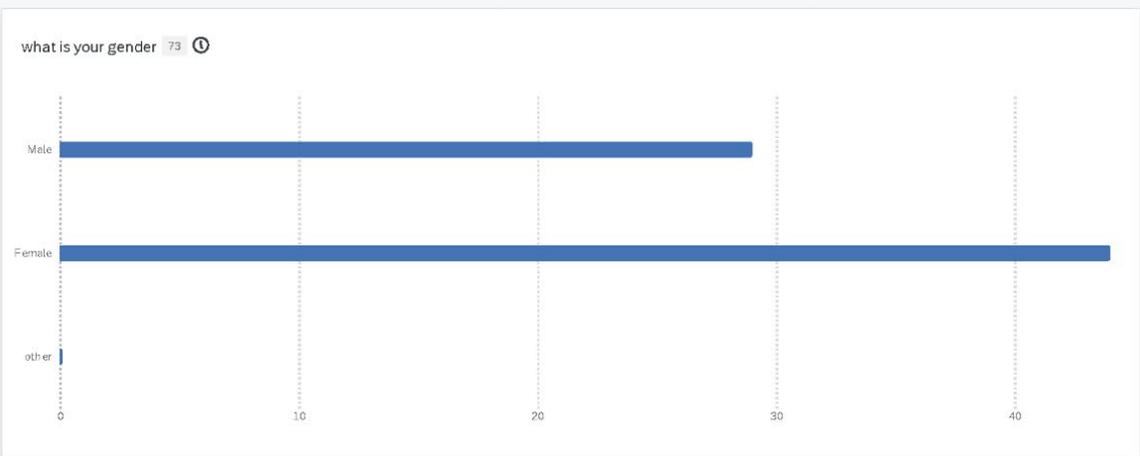


Do you or have you ever had academic accommodations for a learning disability (including any type of Attention deficit/ hyperactivity disorder) 73 ⓘ

Q32 - Do you or have you ever had academic accommodations for a learning disability (including any type of Attention deficit/ hyperactivity disorder)	Percentage	Count
Yes	23%	17
No	77%	56

Do you or have you ever had academic accommodations for a learning disability (including any type of Attention deficit/ hyperactivity disorder) 73 ⓘ

Do you or have you ever had academic accommodations for a learning disability...	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Yes	1.00	1.00	1.00	17
No	2.00	2.00	2.00	56



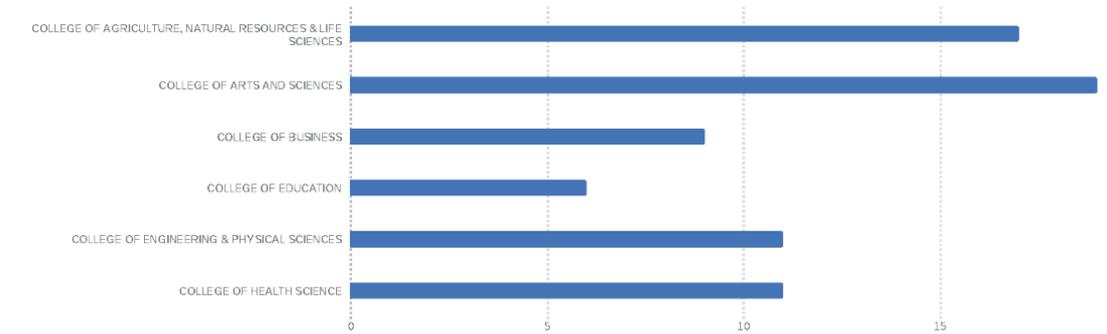
what is your gender 73 ⓘ

Q36 - what is your gender	Percentage	Count
Male	40%	29
Female	60%	44
other	0%	0

what is your gender 73 ⓘ

what is your gender	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
Male	1.00	1.00	1.00	29
Female	2.00	2.00	2.00	44
other	-	-	-	0

What college is your degree associated with? 73 ⓘ



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Q18 - What college is your degree associated with?	Percentage	Count
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES & LIFE SCIENCES	23%	17
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	26%	19
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS	12%	9
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION	8%	6
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & PHYSICAL SCIENCES	15%	11
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCE	15%	11

What college is your degree associated with? 73 ⓘ

What college is your degree associated with?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, NATURAL RESOURCES & LIFE SCIENCES	1.00	1.00	1.00	17
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	2.00	2.00	2.00	19
COLLEGE OF BUSINESS	3.00	3.00	3.00	9
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION	4.00	4.00	4.00	6

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What college is your degree associated with?	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Count
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING & PHYSICAL SCIENCES	5.00	5.00	5.00	11
COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCE	6.00	6.00	6.00	11