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Canadian Graduate and Professional Student Survey | Enquête canadienne auprès des étudiants à la maîtrise et au doctorat

You are being invited to participate in a survey that asks graduate students about their activities and what they feel they are gaining from their university experiences overall. We hope that this study will result in providing improved educational opportunities for you and future students.

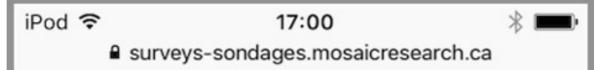
If you agree to participate we ask that you complete a web-based survey that will take about 20 minutes to complete (details below). Responses will be logged, such that reminder notices are not sent to those of you who have responded. Your answers will be kept confidential and once the data are returned to your school by the organization running the study, all identifying information such as your name and email address will be removed before any analyses are done.

Participation in this study is voluntary. You may refuse to participate, refuse to answer any questions or withdraw at any time. If you do not wish to respond to particular questions, please skip over them. If you do not wish to participate, and do not wish to receive a reminder, please respond to your email invitation with 'Do Not Wish to Participate' in the subject line. Completion of the survey indicates your consent to participate in this research. There are no known risks to participating in this research.

If you would like more information about the survey or how the data will be used, please contact <u>Luc.Simon@vrex.ulaval.ca</u>. If you need technical support, please contact <u>Support-CGPSS@mosaichosting.ca</u>.

This survey will be available for your input until April 11, 2016. The survey has multiple pages, and you do not have to complete the survey in one sitting.

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NOTICE ABOUT SCREEN SIZE:

We realize that because of this survey's comprehensive scope, you may prefer to complete it in more than one sitting. There is also evidence that students who use a device with a larger screen (tablet, desktop, laptop) may find it easier to complete the survey. Please note that you may switch at any time to a different device to complete the survey. To switch devices, simply click the "Save" button to save your responses and close the survey on one device, and then re-open the survey on another device.

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Is your program research-based, under the supervision of a research director/advisor, or is it more course-based without the same level of supervision?*

- Mostly research-based, and I already have a research director/advisor
- Mostly research-based, but I still do not have a research director/advisor
- Mainly course-based (may include an essay or internship)

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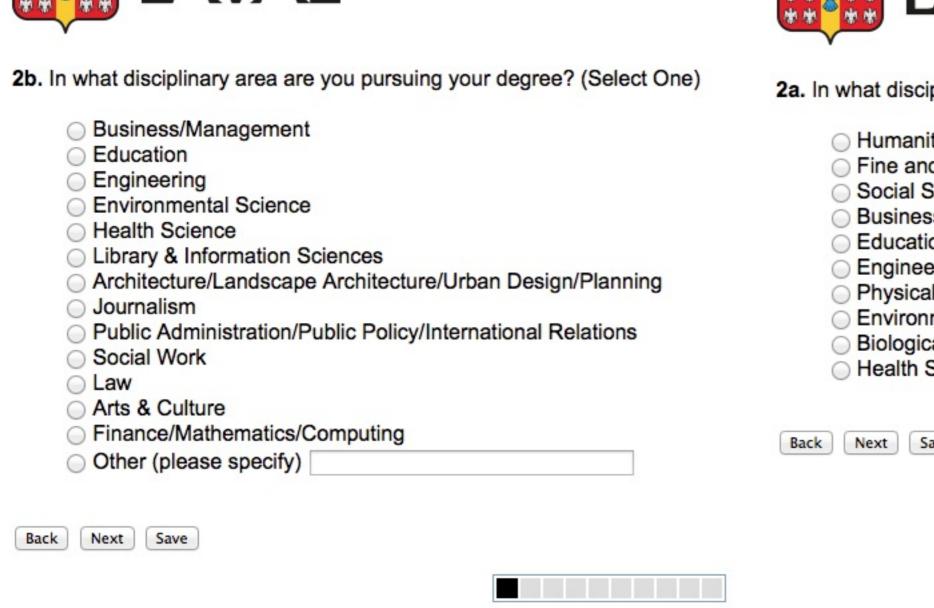


Section 1. Educational Status

- 1. At which degree level are you currently enrolled?
 - Master's
 - Doctoral

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2a. In what disciplinary area are you pursuing your degree?

- Humanities Fine and Applied Arts
- Social Sciences
- Business/Management
- Education
- Engineering
- Physical and Mathematical Sciences
- Environmental Science
- Biological Science
- Health Science

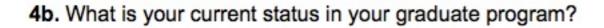
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- 3. What is your current year of study?
 - 1st year
 - 2nd year
 - 3rd year
 - 4th year
 - 5th year
 - 6th year or above

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- Still taking courses
- I have completed coursework



4a. What is your current status in your graduate program?

- Still taking courses
- I have completed coursework
- I have passed qualifying exams/paper
- I have my thesis/dissertation proposal accepted
- I have defended my thesis/dissertation/research paper





- 5. What was your primary reason for enrolling in your program?
 - To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career in academia
 - To equip me to start a career, or advance an existing career outside of academia
 - To satisfy my interest in the field, regardless of career prospects
 - Other (please specify):

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- 6. Do you expect to graduate by the end of the current academic year?
 - Yes
 - No

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Section 2. General Satisfaction

7. Please select your response to the following questions.

	Definitely	Probably	Maybe	Probably not	Definitely not
1. If you were to start your graduate/professional career again, would you select this same university?	0	0	0	0	0
2. If you were to start your graduate/professional career again, would you select the same field of study?	0	0	0	0	0
3. Would you recommend this university to someone considering your program?	0	0	0	0	0
4. Would you recommend this university to someone in another field?	0	0	0	0	0

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8. Please select your response to the following question.

	Definitely	Probably	Maybe	Probably not	Definitely not
5. If you were to start your graduate career again, would you select the same faculty supervisor?	0	0	0	0	0

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Section 3. Satisfaction with Program, Quality of Interactions, and Coursework

9. Please rate the following dimensions of your program.

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor
The intellectual quality of the faculty	0	0	0	0	0
2. The intellectual quality of my fellow students	0	0	0	0	0
3. The relationship between faculty and graduate students	0	0	0		0
4. Overall quality of graduate level teaching by faculty	0	0	0	0	0
5. Advice on the availability of financial support	0	0	0	0	0
6. Quality of academic advising and guidance	0	0	0	0	0
7. Helpfulness of staff members in my program	0	0	\circ	0	0
8. Availability of area courses I needed to complete my program	0	0	0	0	0
9. Quality of instruction in my courses	0	0	0	0	0
 Relationship of program content to my research/professional goals 	0	0	0	0	0
11. Opportunities for student collaboration or teamwork	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0
12. Opportunities to take coursework outside my own department	0	0	0	0	0
13. Opportunities to engage in interdisciplinary work	0	0	0	0	0
14. Amount of coursework	0	0	0	0	0

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Section 4. Professional Skills Development

10. How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
1. Courses, workshops, or orientation on teaching	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops on preparing for candidacy examinations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Feedback on your research	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops on the standards for academic writing in your field	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops on writing grant proposals	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0
6. Advice/workshops on publishing your work	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops on job searching (CV preparation, interview skills, etc.)	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0

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11. How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
Advice/workshops on career options within academia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops on career options outside academia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Advice/workshops about research positions	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops about research ethics in human subject research	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advice/workshops about research ethics in the use of animals	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
6. Advice on intellectual property issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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12. How would you rate the quality of the support and training you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
Advice/workshops on the standards for writing in your profession	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
2. Advice/workshops on career options	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Advice/workshops on professional ethics	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0
Advice/workshops on job preparation and professional practice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opportunities for internships, practicum, and experiential learning as part of the program	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0
Opportunities for contact (lectures, seminars, discussion) with practicing professionals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Section 5. Research Experience

13. How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
Conducting independent research since starting your graduate program	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
Training in research methods before beginning your own research	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Faculty guidance in formulating a research topic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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14. How would you rate the quality of the support and opportunities you received in these areas?

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
 Research collaboration with one or more faculty members 	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
5. Collaboration with faculty in writing a grant proposal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Section 6. Presentations and Publications

15. Please select if the following occurs in your department, and the number of times you were involved.

	Occurred?		Number of times you were involved				∍d
	Yes	No	0	1	2	3	4+
Seminars/colloquia at which students present their research	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0
Departmental funding for students to attend national or regional meetings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Attend national scholarly meetings	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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16. Please select if the following occurs in your department, and the number of times you were involved.

	Осс	urred?	Number of times you were involved				
	Yes	No	0	1	2	3	4+
Deliver any papers or present a poster at national scholarly meetings	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0
Co-authored in refereed journals with your program faculty	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Published as sole or first author in a refereed journal	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Section 7. Advisor and Thesis/Dissertation/Research Paper

17. Thesis/Dissertation advisors engage in a variety of mentoring activities. For each of the following statements, indicate the extent that it DESCRIBES THE BEHAVIOR of your advisor.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
1. My advisor was knowledgeable about formal degree requirements	0	0	0	0
2. My advisor served as my advocate when necessary	0	0	0	0
3. My advisor gave me constructive feedback on my work	0	0	0	0
My advisor returned my work promptly	0	0	0	0
5. My advisor promoted my professional development	0	0	0	\circ
6. My advisor overall, performed the role well	0	0	0	0
7. My advisor was available for regular meetings	0	0	0	0
8. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for written qualifying exams	0	0	0	0
9. My advisor was very helpful to me in preparing for the oral qualifying exam	0	0	0	0
10. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting a dissertation topic	0	0	0	0
 My advisor was very helpful to me in writing a dissertation prospectus or proposal 	0	0	0	\circ
12. My advisor was very helpful to me in writing the dissertation	0	0	0	0
13. My advisor was very helpful to me in selecting the dissertation committee	0	\circ	0	0
14. My advisor encouraged discussions about the current job market and various career prospects	0	0	0	0

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18. On average, how often per month do you meet or communicate with your dissertation advisor about:

	Four or more times (at least once a week)	One to three times (at least once a month)	
Your ongoing research and results	0	0	0
Your writing of the dissertation draft	0	0	0

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- 19. Do you have an advisory committee?
 - Yes
 - No

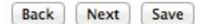
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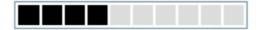




- 20. Please specify which statement(s) describe your situation (check all that apply).

 - I am expected to meet at least annually with my advisory committee
 - □ I have already interacted at least once with my advisory committee







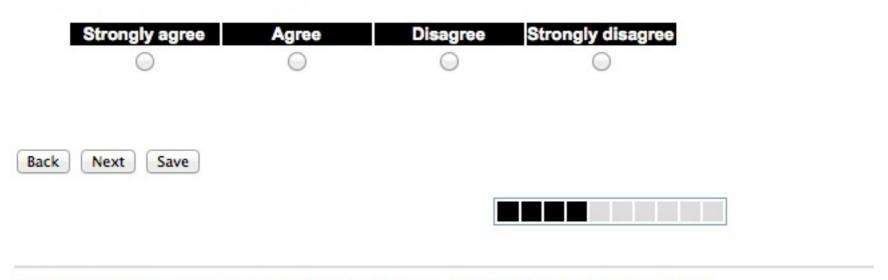
- 21. How have you interacted with your advisory committee?
 - In a formal meeting
 - Only through email or telephone contact (no formal meetings)

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22. Up to now, I have found my advisory committee's feedback constructive and useful.





Section 8. Financial Support

23. Please check all of the following forms of support you received while you have been enrolled in your program.

Federal Granting Council Scholarship/Fellowship
Provincial Government Scholarship/Fellowship
Support from a Foreign Government
External (to university) non-government fellowship
Provincial bursary (non-refundable)
University funded bursary
University funded fellowships
Full tuition scholarships or waivers
Partial tuition scholarships or waivers
Graduate research assistantship
Graduate teaching assistantship
Other part-time research employment
Other part-time teaching employment
Residence Donship
Other campus employment
Off campus employment
Employee benefit or employer funding

Loans, savings, or family assistance

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- 24. Please estimate the amount of undergraduate educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here.
 - **\$0**
 - \$1 \$9,999
 - \$10,000 \$19,999
 - \$20,000 \$29,999
 - \$30,000 \$39,999
 - \$40,000 \$49,999
 - \$50,000 \$59,999
 - \$60,000 \$69,999
 - \$70,000 \$79,999
 - \$80,000 or more

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25. Please estimate the amount of graduate educational debt, if any, you will have to repay when you have completed your graduate degree here.

- \$0
- \$1 \$9,999
- \$10,000 \$19,999
- \$20,000 \$29,999
- \$30,000 \$39,999
- \$40,000 \$49,999
- \$50,000 \$59,999
- \$60,000 \$69,999
- \$70,000 \$79,999
- \$80,000 or more

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Section 9. University Resources and Student Life

26. Please rate the following university resources based on the quality you have experienced while using them. Please answer regarding your most recent year's experience in the graduate school at this university.

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor	Did not participate	Not applicable
Library facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. Graduate student office space	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Research laboratories	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. Health care services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Child care services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Financial aid office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Career services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8. Student counseling & resource centre	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9. Athletic facilities	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Services to international students attending this university	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
 Services to students from this university studying abroad (or preparing to) 	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
12. Housing assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13. Ombudsperson's office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14. Public/Campus transportation service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15. Food services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16. University bookstore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17. Student government office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18. Registrarial processes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19. Information technology services	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
20. Disability / Access services office	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



In some universities, resources are offered in multiple locations. To distinguish between resources or services that are offered by a "local office", for example based in a school, department or faculty, as opposed to a "central office" location offering their services campus-wide, please indicate if your rating applies to services received from a "local office" or from a "central office", or applies to both.

27. Please answer regarding your most recent year's experience in the graduate school at this university.





Section 10. Social Life

28. How often do the following social activities occur on campus, and how often do you attend them?

	Frequency of occurrence of activities?				requency of your attendance?		
	Frequent	Occasionally	Never Frequent Occasional			Never	
Organized university-wide social activities	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2. Organized social activities within your department	0	0	0	0	0	0	
3. Organized social activities within your advisor/research group	0	0	0	0	0	0	
4. Organized social activities within your residence	0	0	0	0	0	0	

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- 29. In the current academic year, have you been physically present on campus (or affiliated institute) on a regular basis, or have you been away most of the time (out of town, out of the country, field work, distance program, working at a separate location, etc...)
 - Physically present
 - Away most of the time

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Section 11. General Assessment

30. Overall, how would you rate the quality of:

	Excellent	Very good	Good	Fair	Poor
Your academic experience at this university?	0	0	0	0	0
2. Your student life experience at this university?	0	0	0	0	0
3. Your graduate/professional program at this university?	0	0	0	0	0
4. Your overall experience at this university?	0	0	0	0	0

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31. Rate the extent to which the following factors are an obstacle to your academic progress.

	Not an obstacle	A minor obstacle	A major obstacle
Work/financial commitments	0	0	0
2. Family obligations	0	0	0
3. Availability of faculty	0	\bigcirc	0
4. Program structure or requirements	0	0	0
5. Course scheduling	0	\circ	0
6. Immigration laws or regulations	0	0	0
7. Other (Please specify):	0	\circ	0

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32. As it relates to your current program, how important is it to have the opportunity to ...

	Not important	Somewhat important	Very important	Not applicable
1. Study abroad	0	0	0	0
2. Collaborate on research internationally	0	0	0	0
3. Network with not for profit organizations	0	0	0	0
4. Network with businesses	0	0	0	0
5. Network with local/provincial/federal government	0	0	0	0

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33. To date, as it relates to your current program, have opportunities been available to ...

	No opportunity	Yes, to some extent	Yes, to a great extent	Not applicable
1. Study abroad	0	0	0	0
2. Collaborate on research internationally	0	0	0	0
3. Work/collaborate with not for profit organizations	0	0	0	0
4. Work/collaborate with businesses	0	0	0	0
5. Work/collaborate with local/provincial/federal government	0	0	0	0

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Section 13. Personal Demographics

34. Gender

- Male
- Female

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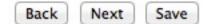
35. Age

- 20 or younger
- **21-25**
- **26-30**
- 31-35
- 36-40
- **41-45**
- over 45

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- 36. Which of the following housing situations best describes your CURRENT residence?
 - On-campus student housing (no resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)
 - On-campus student housing (with resident assistant/dorm responsibilities)
 - Off-campus housing owned by this university
 - Off-campus housing not owned by this university







37. What is your marital status?

- Not married
- Married
- Divorced
- Separated
- Widowed
- With domestic partner

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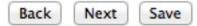
38. How many, if any, children do you have?

- None/Not applicable
- 1 child
- 2 children
- 3 children
- 4 or more

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- 39. What is your present citizenship status?
 - Canadian Citizen
 - Canadian Permanent Resident
 - Citizen of another country with a student visa or other non-immigrant visa
 - Please specify country:







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40. Please indicate whether you consider yourself to be a member of one or more of the following visible minority groups: (Choose all that apply)

Black (e.g. African, African American, African Canadian, Caribbean)
East Asian (e.g. Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Polynesian)
South Asian (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Bangladeshi)
Southeast Asian (e.g. Burmese, Cambodian, Filipino, Laotian, Malaysian, Thai, Vietnamese)
West Asian (e.g. Arabian, Armenian, Iranian, Israeli, Lebanese, Palestinian, Syrian, Turkish)
Latin American (e.g. Mexican, indigenous Central and South American)
Mixed origin (please specify):
None



- 41. Do you self-identify with, or have ancestry as an Aboriginal person (status or non-status Indian, Métis or Inuit)?
 - Yes
 - No

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42. Do you self-identify with any disability or impairment?

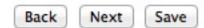
- Yes
- No
- I prefer not to respond

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Please specify which one(s) (select all that apply)	43.	Please	specify	which	one(s)	(select	all	that	apply	1)
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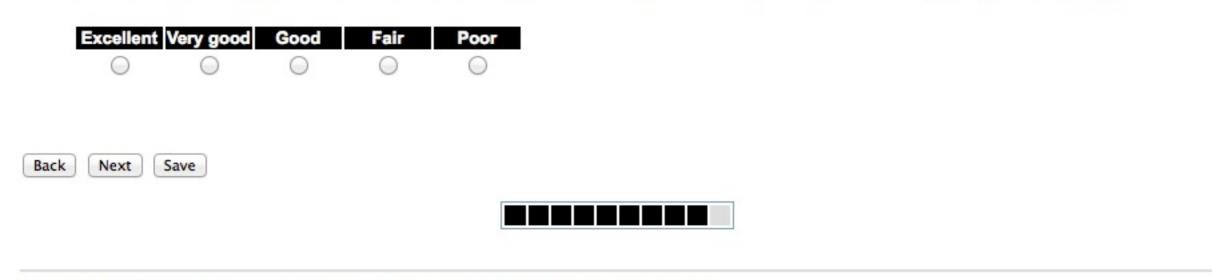
- Mobility
- Learning (e.g. ADHD, Dyslexia)
- Mental health (e.g. Depression, Bipolar)
- Autism spectrum (e.g. Autism, Asperger's)
- Chronic (e.g. Crohn's, Colitis, MS)
- A disability or impairment not listed above, please specify:
- Prefer not to respond







44. How would you rate your institution's efforts to accommodate your disability or impairment in your graduate program?





. Are there any additional comm	nts you would like to add about your graduate student experience at this univers
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Thank you for your participation in this important research.

All your answers will remain confidential, and any information that identifies you will not be shared with anyone. The responses you provide will be used to help improve your alma mater and the university sector overall, and when survey results are reported, your answers will be combined with the answers of others so that you cannot be identified.

Please click the "Survey completed, I submit my responses" button (below) to complete your survey.

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