Using Student Voice to Improve the Quality of the Program

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Best practices for utilizing the 'student voice' as a meaningful indirect measure for data-driven continuous improvement.

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Goal of the Survey

Lack of
systematic
student feedback
in program
improvement
process

Meet accreditation requirements

Systematic student feedback to make curriculum and learning improvements

Develop quantitative metrics



Student Voice Survey Development Process

Initial survey
developed by a
subcommittee of
Strategic Planning
Accreditation
Committee

Gathered input from stakeholders

Finalized and administered survey in Spring 2019



The Implementation of the Student Survey

- Qualtrics survey
- Administered each term in the Capstone courses
- Continuous improvement for better data collection
- Survey completion rate is almost 100%
 - Survey is voluntary
 - Incentive for survey completion very small extra credit points



Questions about the Quality of the Program

stimulating and challenging

curriculum was rich and work-oriented

Would they recommend the College to others?

Would they stay connected with the College as an alumni?

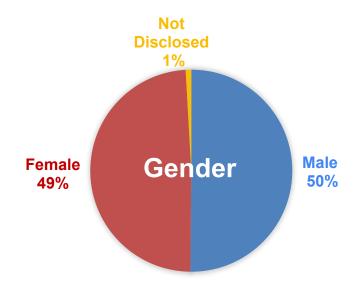
- Choice in the variety of courses
- Computing resources (labs, software, etc.)
 - Internship opportunities

- Career counseling and placement services

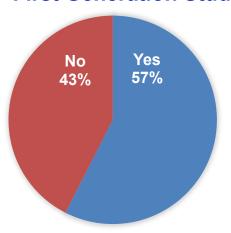
Scholarship/Fina ncial assistance opportunities

student satisfaction with educational experience at CoB

Student demographics

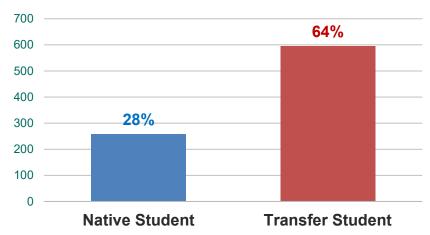


First Generation Students



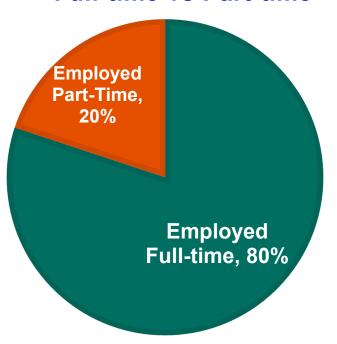
Transfer vs. Native Students

Age	
Median age	23
Max age	64
Min age	19





Employment at the time of graduation: Full-time vs Part-time



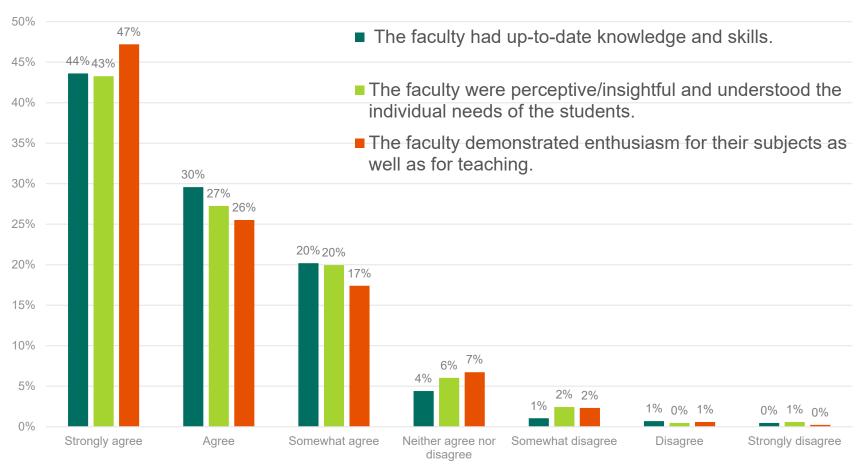
Full-employment analysis by

- gender
- first generation
- major, and
- concentration



Feedback on Faculty

Knowledge and enthusiasm





Additional Feedback Based on the **Open ended Question** to Help Improve the College Services

- Students liked
 - Small class size
 - Dedicated faculty and staff
- Improvements that students would like to see
 - Increase the number of guest speakers
 - Reduce the emphasis on group work
 - Increase hands-on activities
 - Provide timely feedback on assignments
 - Provide more rigorous curriculum



Closing-the-loop Actions

- Improved turnaround time for assignments feedback
- Implemented strategies to encourage student participation in college events and activities
- Initiated Accelerated Career Exploration and Student Success (ACCESS) program
- Recruiting students to participate in research projects with faculty mentors
- Designed and offered new courses
- Improving experiential pedagogy
- Improving design and assessment of group work in courses to make it fair across group members
- Offering resume writing workshops, Career fairs, graduate program workshops, internship opportunities, student club engagement, ...



Thank You!



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