

## University of Nebraska at Kearney

The final page of the NSSE Web version asked students to respond to the following question in an open text box:

"If you have any additional comments or feedback that you'd like to share on the quality of your educational experience, please type them below."

Student responses to this question appear on the following pages. Please note that these comments appear exactly as the students entered them and may not be suitable for immediate distribution. Faculty members, administrators, or other students may be mentioned by name, and comments were not edited for grammar, offensive language, excessive length, or otherwise questionable content. Comments are sorted by class. Gender, enrollment status, and UnitID (your institution's identification number) are included.

Student identifiers are not given in this report but are provided in a separate SPSS data file. For this reason, please use discretion when using, storing, and disseminating the SPSS file.

## Student Comments

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UnitID	Class	Gender	Enrollment	Additional Comments
181215	1	1	2	International Students in Mid-western part of U.S.A are facing with racism everyday.(Especially Eastern
				European, African and Asian students)
181215	1	1	2	THIS SURVEY IS WAY TOO FUCKING LONG!!!!!
181215	1	1	2	In truth, a standard system of grading is never without fault. No matter what, it will challenge some students more than they can handle while on the other side it will allow other students to be lazy. Grading should truthfully not exist, or at least only as objectives and not as a reward based system. A more efficient way would be to allow people to grow, assessing their growth, not a standard. One can grow to at least expectation and then beyond. If there is a cap, a standard, what is the benefit or reward for over achieving? One can do what is expected and later in life achieve more if need be, but with a grading system the tendency is to not waste time here. On top of that it is an assessment of assignments and opinions of others. There should be more exploration allowed for in a collegian setting. If we do things as they are, yes they are sufficient, but then were do we improve? Aren't we supposed to be a society always looking to better itself? If there are standards and a cap on rewards, what is the benefit seen in the general populous for growing above book driven lessons, where is the self thinking beyond the bias beliefs of others. Most people tend to fit in a mold, not necessarily due to being defined by that mold, but
181215	1	1	2	The educational experience has been noteworthy. However, the living arrangements, although satisfactory, have fallen drastically short of expectations.
181215	1	1	2	I am a transfer student from a community college and I have found thus far, though I have only taken generals, that the quality of teachers at UNK are terribly lower than that of the community college I previously attended.
181215	1	1	2	I don't think some professors would understand how much I'm learning; mild agoraphobia/anxiety.
181215	1	1	2	The courses need to be much more challenging.
181215	1	2	2	UNK is awesome. Enough said.
181215	1	2	2	I hope that some teachers can make more clearer details about some of the important questions.
181215	1	2	2	I am really enjoying UNK. I am learning a lot in my classes, and I am enjoying them.
181215	1	2	2	Some of the tests are very difficult. I go to class, but these tests include information that we did not discuss in class. I do not like this, because I do not have a lot of time to study things that I do not think are on the test.
181215	1	2	2	There are times when I wonder why certain courses are required, such as specific general education courses.
181215	1	2	2	I think UNK is a great institution, but it should promote the interaction among international students and local students, and provide more opportunities for students from other countries on campus (jobs, activities, events).



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181215	1	2	2	These General Studies classes are a waste of money. Most of the stuff covered is stuff you should know
				by the time you are in college. I've never been in such easy classes in my life.
181215	1	2	2	I love it here!
181215	1	2	2	I think the reason that I have done so well and like UNK is because I have made many friends and
				connections around campus. Coming here a week early for band really helped me become more adjusted to being away from home. It also helped because I knew people before classes started. Almost everyone that I meet is very nice, and I especially felt welcomed by Dr. Davis, no matter what I am doing. His positive attitude and approach to everything, made me that much more excited to do well and gave me more of an incentive to try harder.
181215	1	2	2	No
181215	<u>·</u> 1	2	2	No
181215	4	1	1	My educational experience was not satisfactory at UNK. They do very little to understand and help International students, Many have transfered to other colleges or universities. Poor administration, Poor academic advising, and mostly interested in students money. Many students have overpaied and graduated with degrees different than they stated with due to lack of funds and poor academic advising. Given the option i would never attend this university again and discourage other students from wasteing their money on this institution. University of Nebraska at Kearney sucks big time.
181215	4	1	2	The itec internship program is messed up. It should be looked at by the university because it is overbearing and unduly complicated.
181215	4	1	2	I don't think I will really know the quality of my education until I go to graduate school or get my first job
181215	4	1	2	The computer science program needs more course options, such as a minor in web based technologies or in computer graphics. These could be achieved by getting more faculty in the computer science department. For the most part most of the classes that could go into the web based technology minor is already there, just needs to actually be put together into a minor. Could use a few more courses, especially for the computer graphics minor i'm suggesting. There are few if any courses on computer graphics.
181215	4	1	2	The Sports Administration Advisors are terrible. Both of them. I kind of wish I would have picked a different major. Good school though. I like the class size and the athletic program.
181215	4	1	2	Most of the time I feel as if I am just a number that pays bills instead of a student.
181215	4	1	2	n/a
181215	4	1	2	no
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181215	4	1	2	I underwent extensive training in the military and since it is classified information and training I am not able to use it on a resume or transfer it to a degree. Thats why I am in college to get a degree for what I already know.
181215	4	2	1	I'm very satisfied with The University of Nebraska at Kearney. The Psychology Department is terrific.
181215	4	2	1	I have a young child with health problems. Some of my instructors have been more understanding than others about my need to check my phone for calls from my daycare provider. I do not use text messaging during class and sometimes feel that one instructor believes that I am no different than someone who texts constantly during class when I look at my phone.
181215	4	2	1	I am a nontraditional student who has returned to a university setting after many years of accumulated academic hours in adult education, CEU's as a (paraeducator and as a medical assistant), and hours accumulated at the local community college. Most of the hours I have earned do not apply to my major. My major is not listed in your survey, since it is fairly new (within the last few years) at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. I now have a General Studies major with a primary emphasis in fine arts and a secondary emphasis in humanities / ethnic studies. Most of my instructors have been great in working with me, though some are confused at times as to why I would be taking some of my classes at UNK at this time of my life.
181215	4	2	1	There is huge discrepancy in the quality of teaching at this institution. Some instructors are GA and some are PhDs but that doesn't mean that you will receive better instruction from the PhD. There is no standard for faculty to teach at a certain level. Some use outdated power points with misspelled words while others make use of current materials and new technology. UNK needs to week out the dead wood and hold faculty to a higher standard if they wish to see students perform at a higher leve.
181215	4	2	2	The campus computer site is absolutely rediculous and needs to be changed. After the update to the "MyBlue" I couldn't even log on because the information was bogus!
181215	4	2	2	I switched my major to Industrial Distribution as a Junior. I really did not enjoy the business school here because the advisors were not very helpful. Some teachers couldn't remember your name, and were hard to reach. I enjoy the program I am in now, because the advisors and teachers are extremely helpful. They are more like mentors to me than professors.
181215	4	2	2	This survey was WAY too long and monotonous



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181215	4	2	2	My endorsements in education are in Spanish 7-12 and ESL. Most of my classes that I have taken mainly (only) pertain to ESL or other endorsements. I am frustrated that not many of my classes pertain to Spanish Education and I have not been able to relate the knowledge I am learning to my own subject. Many teachers relate the knowledge we learn to basic subjectsEnglish, Math, Science, History, etc. I wish the teachers were able to put knowledge into a Foreign Language Education perspective more often.
181215	4	2	2	I have really enjoyed my undergraduate experience at UNK.
181215	4	2	2	great institution, could use some better instructors who are better TEACHERS.
181215	4	2	2	I couldn't have asked for better.
181215	4	2	2	I was amazed at the fact that the professors actually make an effort to try and learn your name. At the last college I went to, most professors would say that they weren't even going to try because there was no way they would be able to remember; which was true because of how many students they had in one classroom. I also loved how they show concern for you as a person. The other institute treats you as a number. There is one suggestion I would make, and that is to have at least one computer lab open 24 hours. If you live off campus and don't have the internet where you live, it is really hard to get things done if a computer lab is not open. Otherwise, love the school.