

2010 Student Affairs Graduate and Professional Student Survey

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

To what extent have the following factors affected your academic progress during the past year?

	Significantly slowed progress	%	Somewhat slowed progress	%	No impact on progress	%	Somewhat improved progress	%	Significantly improved progress	%
Work commitments/responsibilities	315	10.5	1,081	36.1	1,059	35.4	367	12.3	169	5.7
Availability of faculty	164	4.5	646	17.5	1,300	35.3	1,054	28.6	518	14.1
Graduate program/professional school structure or requirements	236	6.5	788	21.6	1,351	37.0	957	26.2	322	8.8
Other graduate/professional commitments that are not program requirements (e.g., conferences, conference proposal reviewer, publications, etc.)	59	1.9	470	14.7	1,695	53.2	763	23.9	201	6.3
Course scheduling/availability	197	5.7	849	24.6	1,594	46.2	621	18.0	188	5.5
Personal relationships (e.g., spouse, significant other, parents)	162	4.5	1,016	28.0	1,280	35.3	726	20.0	445	12.3
Family obligations/responsibilities	163	4.6	1,024	28.9	1,905	53.7	332	9.4	122	3.4
Financial commitments/concerns	360	9.8	1,203	32.9	1,791	48.9	211	5.8	97	2.6
Housing situation	180	4.9	690	18.9	2,148	58.9	461	12.6	166	4.6
Commuting/transportation	261	7.2	964	26.5	1,887	51.8	411	11.3	121	3.3
Others' attitudes towards your race/ethnicity/nationality	79	2.3	207	5.9	2,953	84.4	186	5.3	73	2.1
Others' attitudes towards your gender	59	1.7	204	5.8	3,021	85.9	170	4.8	62	1.8
Others' attitudes towards your religion	56	1.6	103	3.0	3,095	90.8	103	3.0	51	1.5
Others' attitudes towards your sexual orientation	49	1.4	71	2.1	3,115	91.5	104	3.1	64	1.9
Ethics related to authorship or collaboration	61	1.9	160	4.9	2,785	85.2	186	5.7	75	2.3
Feeling depressed, stress, or upset	335	9.5	1,442	41.1	1,544	44.0	139	4.0	49	1.4
Disability or chronic illness	142	5.0	312	10.9	2,296	80.3	73	2.6	35	1.2
Other	75	4.8	134	8.6	1,266	80.9	61	3.9	28	1.8

Which of the following statements best reflects how you feel about your academic progress in your graduate/professional program up to this point in time?

	N	%
Feel significantly ahead of schedule	143	3.8
Feel slightly ahead of schedule	456	12.2
Feel on schedule	1,830	48.8
Feel slightly behind schedule	1,078	28.7
Feel significantly behind schedule	246	6.6

How concerned are you about your current academic progress?

	N	%
Very unconcerned	342	9.1
Unconcerned	1,539	41.1
Concerned	1,413	37.7
Very concerned	455	12.1

I have seriously considered leaving my graduate/professional program before completing the degree.

	N	%
Strongly agree	345	9.2
Agree	702	18.8
Disagree	1,069	28.6
Strongly disagree	1,624	43.4

How likely is it that you will take an official leave of absence between now and the time that you finish your graduate/professional program at UCLA?

	N	%
Very unlikely	2,124	56.7
Unlikely	1,138	30.4
Likely	313	8.4
Very likely	170	4.5

How many years TOTAL do you expect it will take to obtain your degree, from the time you started your current graduate/professional program until you complete it?

	N	%
Less than 1 year	95	2.5
1 year	114	3.0
2 years	919	24.4
3 years	701	18.6
4 years	533	14.2
5 years	663	17.6
6 years	475	12.6
7 years	188	5.0
8 or more years	76	2.0

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