Class Climate	**University of South Alabama Graduating Student Survey**	SCANTRON

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Congratulations on completing your degree! Please take a few minutes to complete this survey regarding your experiences at the University of South Alabama. We will use your feedback to improve the academic and social experiences of our students.

Thank you for your input and good luck in your future endeavors.

1. In this first section, please answer a few questions about yourself.

1.1 I am graduating:
☐ On time. ☐ Earlier than I thought I would. ☐ Later than I thought I would.

1.2 Why aren't you graduating on time?

1.3 For this degree, what was your status when you entered USA?
☐ First-time college student ☐ Transfer student ☐ Returning USA student

1.4 While attending USA, how much did you work at a paid job, on average?
☐ Less than 10 hours per week ☐ Between 10 - 20 hours per week ☐ More than 20 but less than 40 hours per week
☐ 40 or more hours per week ☐ I did not work while attending USA.

1.5 While a student at USA, I worked at a paid job:
☐ Primarily on campus. ☐ Primarily off campus. ☐ Both on and off campus.

1.6 While attending USA, on average, were you a:
☐ Full-time undergraduate student - I took 12 or more hours per semester. ☐ Part-time undergraduate student - I took less than 12 hours per semester. ☐ Full-time graduate student - I took 6 or more hours per semester.
☐ Part-time graduate student - I took less than 6 hours per semester.

1.7 Did you change your major while attending USA?
☐ Yes ☐ No

1.8 About how many times did you change your major (format ##)?

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1. In this first section, please answer a few questions about yourself. [Continue]

1.9 In the space below, list other majors you pursued while a student at USA.

2. In this section, we'd like to know about your employment plans after graduation.

2.1 After graduation, which of the following will be your primary activity related to employment?

- ☐ Stay in my current job.
- ☐ Start a new job.
- ☐ Look for a job.
- ☐ Serve in the Armed Forces.
- ☐ Serve in an international or national volunteer organization.
- ☐ Do volunteer work.
- ☐ Other

2.2 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

2.3 What is your employer's name?

2.4 In what city and state is your employer located?

2.5 What is your job title?

2.6 Is your current position related to your major? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Somewhat

2. In this section, we'd like to know about your employment plans after graduation. [Continue]

2.7 From the categories listed below, please select the category which best represents your annual income::

- ☐ Less than $10,000
- ☐ $10,001-$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-$89,999
- ☐ $90,000-$99,999
- ☐ $100,000 or greater

2.8 Would you say you are:

- ☐ Not at all satisfied with my current position.
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied with my current position.
- ☐ Satisfied with my current position.
- ☐ Very satisfied with my current position.

2.9 Do you see yourself working here for the next 3-5 years?

- ☐ Definitely no
- ☐ Probably no
- ☐ Probably yes
- ☐ Definitely yes

2.10 What is your start date?

- ☐ Within the first month after graduation
- ☐ Two to three months after graduation
- ☐ Four to six months after graduation
- ☐ More than six months after graduation
- ☐ Other time frame

2.11 What is your employer's name?

2.12 What is your job title?

2.13 In what city and state is your employer located?

2.14 Is this position related to your major?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Somewhat

2.15 What type of position are you looking for?

2. In this section, we'd like to know about your employment plans after graduation. [Continue]

2.16 What type of industry/industries are you interested in? (Examples include: Education, Entertainment, Health care, Manufacturing)

2.17 Do you plan on working:

- ☐ In the state of Alabama
- ☐ In another state
- ☐ Other

2.18 From the categories listed below, please select the category which best represents your annual income::

- ☐ Less than $10,000
- ☐ $10,001-$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-$89,999
- ☐ $90,000-$99,999
- ☐ $100,000 or greater

2.19 Do you want to work in an area related to your major?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ It doesn't matter.

2.20 Why not?

3. In this section, please answer a few questions related to your educational plans after graduation.

3.1 What are your plans after graduation in regards to continuing your education?

- ☐ I have been accepted to graduate or professional school.
- ☐ I have applied to graduate or professional school but haven't heard about my acceptance yet.
- ☐ I will be pursuing another undergraduate degree.
- ☐ I plan on continuing my education in the next year but haven't applied yet.
- ☐ I don't plan on continuing my education within the next year.

3.2 Where did you apply?

3. In this section, please answer a few questions related to your educational plans after graduation. [Continue]

3.3 Where will you apply?

3.4 When do you plan to start?

- ☐ Within the first month after graduation
- ☐ Two to three months after graduation
- ☐ Four to six months after graduation
- ☐ More than six months after graduation
- ☐ Other time frame

3.5 If you selected "other time frame" in the previous question, please explain in the space below.

3.6 What school are you attending?

3.7 List the degree and name of the program you are pursuing.

3.8 Where else were you accepted? (List all institutions)

3.9 List the name of the degree and program you plan on pursuing.

3.10 What is the highest degree you plan to obtain?

- ☐ Bachelor's
- ☐ Master's
- ☐ Professional (J. D./M.D.)
- ☐ Ed.S.
- ☐ Ph.D. or doctoral level

4. Next, please answer a few questions about your experiences with advising at USA.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
4.1	The information my advisor provided about graduation requirements was accurate.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
4.2	I was satisfied with the quality of advising for career planning.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
4.3	I was satisfied with the quality of advising for planning for graduate/ professional school.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
4.4	The frequency with which I met with an advisor was sufficient.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
4.5	I had adequate access to my advisor.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

4.6 Did you encounter any of the following problems with your advisor (check all that apply)?:

- ☐ Incorrect information from my advisor regarding General Education requirements
- ☐ Incorrect information from my advisor regarding Major requirements
- ☐ Incorrect information from my advisor regarding Minor requirements
- ☐ Incorrect information from my advisor about University policies and procedures
- ☐ Trouble with making or keeping an appointment with me
- ☐ Inadequate information regarding campus resources available to students

4.7 Do you have any suggestions that would improve advising in your program?

5. In this section, please provide feedback related to Career Services and any internships or coop experiences you had while a student at USA.

5.1 Did you participate in the Cooperative Education program at USA?
☐ Yes ☐ No

5.2 Did you participate in an internship at USA?
☐ I participated in an internship arranged by USA Career Services Co-op/ Internship program.
☐ I particpated in an internship arranged by the college/school or department.
☐ I participated in an internship I found on my own.
☐ I didn't participate in an internship.

5.3 How did you find out about your internship?
☐ Faculty member ☐ Family ☐ Friends
☐ Staff member ☐ Other

5.4 My internship was:
☐ paid ☐ unpaid

5.5 Did you receive academic credit for your internship?
☐ Yes ☐ No

5. In this section, please provide feedback related to Career Services and any internships or coop experiences you had while a student at USA. [Continue]

5.6 What resources did you utilize to search for a job? Select all that apply.

- ☐ Career Fairs
- ☐ Contacting potential employers directly
- ☐ Employment/Staffing agency
- ☐ Newspaper classifieds
- ☐ Networking with current/former employer
- ☐ Networking with professors/ advisors
- ☐ Networking with family/friends
- ☐ Networking through other contacts
- ☐ Online job boards
- ☐ Social media
- ☐ USA Career Services
- ☐ Other

5.7 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

5.8 What services available at USA Career Services did you use to search for or secure a job?

- ☐ Attended career fairs
- ☐ Attended career related seminars/ events
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ Met with Career Advisor
- ☐ Participated in a mock interview
- ☐ Pinterest
- ☐ Received assistance with resume/ interview preparation
- ☐ Searched postings in the job binders
- ☐ Twitter
- ☐ Used the career resource library
- ☐ Used the Career Services website
- ☐ Other

5.9 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

6. This set of questions focuses on your academic experiences while a student at USA.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
6.1	Library resources were sufficient to meet my needs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.2	Computing resources (labs, machines, software) were sufficient to meet my needs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.3	Labs, studios, and other academic spaces were sufficient to meet my needs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.4	Available technology/instrumentation/ equipment were sufficient to meet my needs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

6. This set of questions focuses on your academic experiences while a student at USA. [Continue]

6.5 Please add any comments you have regarding Univiersity facilities and computing resources in the space below.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
6.6 Courses in my major were offered with sufficient frequency.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.7 I thought the variety of electives available to me in my major were sufficient.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

6.8 Please add any comments you have regarding course offerings in the space below.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
6.9 There was ample opportunity to apply what I was learning to real-world problems or jobs.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.10 There was ample opportunity to take part in an internship or co-op.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.11 There was ample opportunity to take part in service-learning.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.12 There was ample opportunity to take work with faculty on research outside of class.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.13 There was ample opportunity to engage in independent research outside of class.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

6.14 Please add any comments you have regarding learning experiences in the space below.

6. This set of questions focuses on your academic experiences while a student at USA. [Continue]

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
6.15	In general, faculty were interested in my academic success.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.16	Faculty were accessible outside of class.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.17	As an undergraduate, I felt that my general education courses at USA prepared me for the courses in my major.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.18	The coursework for my program was engaging.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.19	Overall, my coursework was challenging.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.20	The foundational courses in my program prepared me for the upper level courses.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
6.21	I felt well prepared to take the licensure exam. (Respond only if a licensure exam is required for you to practice.)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

6.22 Please add any comments you have regarding your coursework and experiences with faculty in the space below.

7. In this section, please tell us about your experiences as a graduate student.

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	NA
7.1	My thesis/dissertation advisor encouraged my intellectual growth and curiosity.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.2	My thesis/dissertation advisor provided regular, constructive feedback to me regarding my progress.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.3	I was encouraged to develop my writing skills and submit work for publication.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.4	The graduate program included instruction that emphasized the importance of research integrity and professional ethics.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

7. In this section, please tell us about your experiences as a graduate student. [Continue]

7.5	The graduate program included research projects and/or papers requiring individual effort and independent learning.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.6	My interactions with the Department Graduate Coordinator/Chair were handled promptly and accurately.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.7	My interactions with the College Director of Graduate Studies Office were handled promptly and accurately	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
7.8	My interactions with the USA Graduate School were handled promptly and accurately.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

8. This section focuses on your overall experiences as a student at USA.

8.1 If you had it to do over again, would you attend USA?

☐ Definitely no ☐ Probably no ☐ Probably yes ☐ Definitely yes

8.2 In the space below, please explain why you wouldn't attend USA if you had it to do over again.

8.3 In the space below, please explain your response.

8.4 If you had it to do over again, would you graduate with the same major?

☐ Definitely no ☐ Probably no ☐ Probably yes ☐ Definitely yes

8.5 In the space below, please explain why you wouldn't select the same major if you had it to do over again.

8.6 In the space below, please explain your response.

8. This section focuses on your overall experiences as a student at USA. [Continue]

8.7 If you had it to do over again, what one thing would you do differently?

8.8 If you had it to do over again, what one thing would you NOT change?

8.9 What opportunities outside of class do you wish you had taken advantage of? Select all that apply.

- ☐ Internships
- ☐ Campus events
- ☐ On campus employment
- ☐ Research
- ☐ Service learning
- ☐ Student organizations
- ☐ Study aboard
- ☐ Other

8.10 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

9. Finally, let us know how you would like to stay connected to the University after graduation.

9.1 As an alumnus/a, what kinds of activities would you like to participate in

- ☐ Tailgates at football games
- ☐ Concerts and exhibitions on campus at a discount
- ☐ Concerts and exhibits around town at a discount
- ☐ Mentoring current students
- ☐ Other

9.2 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

9.3 As an alumnus/a, how would you like to keep informed about activities and events at USA?

- ☐ Email
- ☐ Postal Mail
- ☐ Facebook
- ☐ LinkedIn
- ☐ Twitter
- ☐ Other

9.4 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

9.5 What's the best way for your college/school to keep in touch with you.

- ☐ Email
- ☐ Phone
- ☐ Address

9. Finally, let us know how you would like to stay connected to the University after graduation. [Continue]

9.6 I would love to connect with my college/school via:

☐ Facebook ☐ Twitter ☐ Linked-In

☐ Other

9.7 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey! And, again, best of luck to you in your future endeavors. Please click on the link below and "Like" the University of South Alabama's Facebook page!

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