

# Graduating Student Survey

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## Start of Block: Default Question Block

Q1.1

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.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Institutional Effectiveness at (251) 460-6447 or email us at [effectiveness@southalabama.edu](mailto:effectiveness@southalabama.edu).

Thank you for your input and we wish you the best in your future endeavors.

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Q1.2 We would like to keep up with all of the awesome things you do in the future. Please provide your permanent email address, phone number, and mailing address so that we can stay in touch.

Permanent Email Address (4)

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Phone Number (5)

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Mailing Address (Address, City, State, and Zip Code) (6)

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## End of Block: Default Question Block

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## Start of Block: Block 1

Q2.1 In this first section, please answer a few questions about yourself.

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Q2.5

How many hours a week do you work for pay (on & off campus)?

- 0 (1)
- 0 to 10 (2)
- 11 to 20 (3)
- 21 to 30 (4)
- More than 30 hours (5)







Strongly  
agree (1)

Agree (2)

Neither  
agree nor  
disagree (3)

Disagree (4)

Strongly  
disagree (5)

Because of the  
courses I took  
from the  
Department of  
Communication,  
I believe I am  
well prepared to  
enter the  
communication  
workforce. (1)







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Q4.5 In what city and state is your employer located?

City (4) \_\_\_\_\_

State (5) \_\_\_\_\_



Q4.6 Did your major or field of study prepare you for your current position?

Yes (1)

No (2)

Somewhat (3)



Q4.7 Please indicate your salary (before taxes) in the space provided.

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Q4.11 Did your major or field of study prepare you for your new position?

- Yes (1)
  - No (2)
  - Somewhat (3)
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Q4.14 Why not?

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Start of Block: Block 4

Q5.1 In this section, please answer a few questions related to your educational plans after graduation.

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Q5.2

After graduation, what are your plans in regards to continuing your education within the next year?

- I have been accepted to graduate or professional school. (1)
  - I have applied to graduate or professional school but haven't heard about my acceptance yet. (2)
  - I will be pursuing another undergraduate degree. (3)
  - I plan on continuing my education, but haven't applied yet. (4)
  - I don't plan on continuing my education. (5)
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Q5.3 Where did you apply?

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Q5.4 Where will you apply?

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Q6.2 Advising

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly disagree (4)	N/A (5)
The information my advisor provided about graduation requirements was accurate. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was satisfied with the quality of advising for career planning. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was satisfied with the quality of advising for planning for graduate/professional school. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The frequency with which I met with my advisor was sufficient. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I had adequate access to my advisor. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>



Q6.3 Did you encounter any of the following problems with your advisor (check all that apply)?:

(1) Incorrect information from my advisor regarding General Education requirements

Incorrect information from my advisor regarding Major requirements (2)

Incorrect information from my advisor regarding Minor requirements (3)

(4) Incorrect information from my advisor about University policies and procedures

Trouble with making or keeping an appointment with me (5)

Inadequate information regarding campus resources available to students (6)

Other (7)



Q6.4 If you selected "Other," please explain.

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Q6.5 Do you have any suggestions that would improve advising in your program?

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**End of Block: Block 5**

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**Start of Block: Block 6**

**Q7.1** In this section, please provide feedback related to Career Services experiences you had while a student at USA.

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Q7.2 What services available at USA Career Services did you use to search for or secure a job?  
(Select all that apply.)

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Q7.4

Have you visited the Office of Career Services in the past year?

Yes (1)

No (2)

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Q7.5 Career Services

Excellent (1)

Q7.7 Why didn't you visit the Office of Career Services in the past year?

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End of Block: Block 6

Start of Block: Block 7

Q8.1 This set of questions focuses on your academic resource experiences while a student at USA. If a statement does not apply to you, please mark N/A.

Q8.2 Academic Resources

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly disagree (4)	N/A (5)
Library resources were sufficient to meet my needs. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Labs, studios, and other academic spaces were sufficient to meet my needs. (2)					

Q8.3 Please add any comments you have regarding University facilities and computing resources in the space below.

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End of Block: Block 7

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Start of Block: Block 8

Q9.1 This set of questions focuses on course offerings.

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End of Block: Block 8

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Start of Block: Block 9

Q10.1 This set of questions focuses on your experiences with faculty and coursework while a student at USA. If a statement does not apply to you, please mark N/A.

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## Q10.2 Faculty and Course Work





I felt well prepared to take the licensure exam.  
(Respond only if a licensure exam is required for you to practice.) (7)

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Q10.3 Please add any comments you have regarding your experience with faculty and/or coursework in the space below

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End of Block: Block 9

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Start of Block: Block 10

Q11.1 This set of questions focuses on other educational opportunities you had while a student at USA. If a statement does not apply to you, please mark N/A.

Q11.2 Educational Opportunities

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly disagree (4)	N/A (5)
There was ample opportunity to apply what I was learning to real-world problems or jobs. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There was ample opportunity to take part in an internship or co-op. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There was ample opportunity to take part in service-learning. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There was ample opportunity to work with faculty on research outside of class. (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
There was ample opportunity to engage in independent research outside of class. (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Start of Block: Block 11

Q12.1

In this section, please provide feedback related to any Internships or Cooperative Education experiences you had while a student at USA.

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Q12.2 Have you participated in any of the following (**select all that apply**):

Internship (paid) (1)

Internship (unpaid) (2)

Cooperative Education program (3)

I have not participated (4)

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Q12.3 How did you find out about your internship?

- Faculty member (1)
- Family (2)
- Friends (3)
- Staff member (4)
- Other (5)


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Q12.4 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

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Q12.5 Did you receive academic credit for your internship?

- Yes (1)
- No (2)

End of Block: Block 11

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Start of Block: Block 12



Q13.1

In this section, please tell us about your experiences as a graduate student. If a statement **does**

**not** apply to you, please mark N/A.



Q13.2 Graduate Student Experience

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly disagree (4)	N/A (5)
My thesis/dissertation advisor encouraged my intellectual growth and curiosity. (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My thesis/dissertation advisor provided regular, constructive feedback to me regarding my progress. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was encouraged to develop my writing skills and submit work for publication. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The graduate program included instruction that emphasized the importance of writing skills and					



My interactions with the College Director of Graduate Studies Office were handled promptly and accurately (7)

My interactions with the USA Graduate School were handled promptly and accurately. (8)

End of Block: Block 12

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Start of Block: Block 13

Q14.1

In this section, we'd like to know about your experiences with student organizations.

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Q14.2 How many student organizations were you involved in while a student at USA? If none, answer "0."

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Q14.3 Student Organization

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly disagree (4)	N/A (5)
Being involved in a student organization added value to my experiences as a student at USA (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Q14.4


How many leadership positions did you hold in student organizations? If none, answer "0."

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Q15.3 In the space below, please explain your response.


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Q15.4 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.5 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.6 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.7 If you had it to do over again, would you attend USA?

- Definitely no (1)
- Probably no (2)
- Probably yes (3)
- Definitely yes (4)

Q15.8 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.9 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.10

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

- Definitely no (1)
- Probably no (2)
- Probably yes (3)
- Definitely yes (4)



Q15.11 In the space below, please explain your response.

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Q15.13

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

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Q15.14

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

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Q16.1 Finally, let us know how you would like to stay connected to the University after graduation.

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Q16.2 As an alumnus/a, what kinds of activities would you like to participate in (**select all that apply**)?

Tailgates at football games (1)

Concerts and exhibitions on campus at a discount (2)

Concerts and exhibits around town at a discount (3)

Mentoring current students (4)

Other (5)

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Q16.3 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

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Q16.4 As an alumnus/a, how would you like the University and your college/school to keep you informed about activities and events at USA (**select all that apply**)?

Email (1)

Postal Mail (2)

Facebook (3)

LinkedIn (4)

Twitter (5)

Other (6)



Q16.5 If you selected "Other" in the previous question, please specify in the space below.

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Q16.6 What's the best way for your college/school to keep in touch with you (select all that apply)?

Email (1)

Phone (2)

Address (3)

End of Block: Block 15

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