

**Senior Survey 1992 - 2009
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University of Kansas Overall	Number of Survey Respondents	Response Rate
1992	1,104	47.6
1996	958	42.4
2000	955	42.0
2005	1,223	47.0
2009	783	29.0

I. Satisfaction with your KU Experience		Percentage of Question Respondents					# of Valid Question Responses				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
If I were to start over again, I would	Definitely attend KU	41.2	45.2	46.6	57.0	58.0	453	430	444	688	453
	Probably attend KU	45.7	41.6	40.0	35.0	32.4	502	396	381	422	253
	Probably not attend KU	10.6	10.6	10.7	6.3	7.6	117	101	102	76	59
	Definitely not attend KU	2.4	2.2	2.4	1.5	1.8	26	21	23	18	14
	Not attend college at all	0.1	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3	1	4	2	3	2
Total		100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,099	952	952	1,207	781

Rate your current level of attainment on the following goals of general education (5 = Outstanding Attainment -- 1 = Little or No Attainment)		Mean Ratings		Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5		# of Valid Question Responses	
		2005	2009	2005	2009	2005	2009
II. Goals of General Education	Enhance the skills and knowledge needed to research, organize, evaluate, and apply new information and develop a spirit of critical inquiry and intellectual integrity.	3.9	4.1	70.6	82.8	1,124	773
	Acquire knowledge in the fine arts, the humanities, and the social, natural, and mathematical sciences and be able to integrate that knowledge across disciplines.	3.6	3.9	56.2	67.7	1,124	768
	Improve the core skills of reading, writing, and numeracy, and enhance communication by clear, effective use of language.	3.8	4.0	67.5	71.5	1,125	769
	Understand and appreciate the development, culture, and diversity of the United States and of other societies and nations.	3.8	3.9	62.0	65.1	1,119	766
	Become aware of contemporary issues in society, technology, and the natural world, and appreciate their complexity of cause and consequences.	3.8	3.9	63.6	70.4	1,119	768
Practice an ethic of self-discipline, social responsibility, and citizenship on a local, national, and international level.	3.9	4.0	69.4	74.0	1,122	766	

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Rate the quality and availability of your courses, and the quality of your academic advising (5 = Very Satisfactory -- 1 = Very Unsatisfactory)		Mean Ratings					Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5					# of Valid Question Responses				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
III. Courses and Academic Advising	The number of courses offered in my major was	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.0	68.2	69.6	72.7	85.8	81.2	1,094	941	938	1,201	776
	The ease of obtaining courses offered in my major field of study was	3.6	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.0	57.2	67.9	70.5	78.3	78.8	1,101	945	942	1,201	774
	The intellectual challenge offered by the courses in my major field of study was	4.0	4.1	4.0	4.2	4.1	77.9	77.4	75.0	87.1	82.3	1,101	947	940	1,197	773
	The integration of courses (concepts introduced in one course and clarified in another, etc.) in my major field of study was	3.9	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.1	73.5	68.9	68.8	81.0	81.6	1,099	949	939	1,197	773
	The overall quality of instruction in my major field of study was	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.1	71.3	69.3	69.1	86.2	83.3	1,100	947	941	1,198	771
	The availability of personal interest courses outside my major field(s) was	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8	52.6	52.6	56.7	64.4	70.2	1,088	919	921	1,203	773
	The ease of obtaining courses to meet my general education requirements was	3.3	3.4	3.8	3.8	4.0	41.8	51.5	67.0	74.7	79.3	1,088	927	926	1,198	774
	The helpfulness of my freshman/sophomore advisor was				2.9	3.0				30.8	36.9				1,188	769
	The helpfulness of my upper division advisor was				3.7	3.9				62.2	67.3				1,199	768
	The ease of meeting with my instructors (other than my advisor) for conferences outside of class was	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.1	4.2	71.3	68.6	71.2	80.4	86.0	1,098	944	948	1,203	772
My overall education at this institution was	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.3	78.6	76.7	76.9	91.0	89.5	1,102	952	952	1,199	764	

During your undergraduate years at the University of Kansas, did you		Percent of Question Respondents		# of Valid Question Responses	
		2005	2009	2005	2009
IV. Additional Educational Experiences	Participate in research outside of a classroom assignment?	49.9	61.6	1,146	724
	Perform or exhibit work outside of a classroom assignment?	48.5	64.2	1,051	724
	Actively participate in a student organization or club?	71.1	74.2	1,147	724
	Serve in a leadership position in a student organization or club?	47.3	53.8	1,146	721
	Participate in any service learning/community service?	65.8	73.5	1,146	722
	Work with faculty members on activities other than course work (committees, orientation, student life activities, etc.)?	40.7	41.9	1,145	724
	Study abroad?	24.9	28.9	1,146	720
	Have a culminating senior experience (comprehensive exam, capstone course, thesis project, etc.)?	45.3	52.6	1,146	722
	Tutor or teach other students (paid or voluntary)?	41.1	40.4	1,142	725
Use the newspaper readership program?	53.1	44.8	1,146	724	

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Evaluate your progress on these college outcomes and rate the level of importance you place on each (5 = Considerable Progress / Very Important -- 1 = No Progress / Very Unimportant)		Level of progress I have made					Importance of progress on this college outcome				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
V. College Outcomes	Ability to understand and use concepts and principles from several broad areas of learning.	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.0	4.1	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.3	4.4
	Ability to understand and relate to other people and their views.	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.1	4.3	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.6
	Awareness and appreciation of literature, music, art, and drama/theatre.	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.9	3.8
	Understanding of a particular field of knowledge.	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.3	4.6	4.7	4.7	4.5	4.5
	Preparation for employment in a particular vocational or professional field.	3.9	4.0	4.0	3.7	3.8	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.4	4.6
	Ability to locate information relevant to my academic and/or personal interests and needs from a variety of sources.				3.9	4.1				4.2	4.3
	Development of my attitudes, values, particular philosophy of life, understanding of myself as a person, and my ability to be realistic and adaptable, as well as to make decisions about my own future.	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.6	4.6

Evaluate your progress on these college outcomes and rate the level of importance you place on each (5 = Considerable Progress / Very Important -- 1 = No Progress / Very Unimportant)		# of Valid Responses				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
V. College Outcomes	Ability to understand and use concepts and principles from several broad areas of learning.	1,100	945	943	1,132	713
	Ability to understand and relate to other people and their views.	1,097	939	942	1,131	713
	Awareness and appreciation of literature, music, art, and drama/theatre.	1,099	933	937	1,125	707
	Understanding of a particular field of knowledge.	1,096	938	940	1,126	701
	Preparation for employment in a particular vocational or professional field.	1,098	938	940	1,127	709
	Ability to locate information relevant to my academic and/or personal interests and needs from a variety of sources.				1,128	709
	Development of my attitudes, values, particular philosophy of life, understanding of myself as a person, and my ability to be realistic and adaptable, as well as to make decisions about my own future.	1,098	936	936	1,124	712

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Rate the adequacy of academic resources at KU (5 = Very Adequate / Very Helpful -- 1 = Very Inadequate / Very Unhelpful)		Mean Ratings					Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
VI. Academic Resources	For me, the information (both physical and electronic) provided in the library or through the Libraries website is	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.4	78.9	76.8	73.0	85.7	94.0
	For me, current hours of operation at Watson Library are					4.0					79.5
	For me, current hours of operation at Anschutz Library are					4.5					92.2
	For me, availability of technology to access and utilize library resources is				4.1	4.2				82.5	85.4
	For me, the overall usability of Watson Library for studying and learning activities are					4.2					84.4
	For me, the overall usability of Anschutz Library for studying and learning activities are					4.0					76.8
	I found the availability of wireless access on campus to be					4.2					83.0
	I found the availability of computer labs to be					3.8					72.0
	I found the resources in the computer labs to be					4.0					79.9
	I found the availability and offerings of the museums to be		4.3	4.2	4.1	4.2		86.1	81.9	80.7	81.1
	I found the assistance provided by library personnel in locating and using information to be				4.1	4.2				79.4	84.4
	I found the instruction provided through classes and workshops taught by library staff in how to locate, evaluate, and use information or technology for my research to be				3.9	4.0				69.0	72.9

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		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
VI. Academic Resources	For me, the information (both physical and electronic) provided in the library or through the Libraries website is	1,094	926	910	1,066	701
	For me, current hours of operation at Watson Library are					621
	For me, current hours of operation at Anschutz Library are					625
	For me, availability of technology to access and utilize library resources is				1,084	683
	For me, the overall usability of Watson Library for studying and learning activities are					620
	For me, the overall usability of Anschutz Library for studying and learning activities are					622
	I found the availability of wireless access on campus to be					646
	I found the availability of computer labs to be					686
	I found the resources in the computer labs to be					670
	I found the availability and offerings of the museums to be		698	685	787	523
	I found the assistance provided by library personnel in locating and using information to be				929	578
	I found the instruction provided through classes and workshops taught by library staff in how to locate, evaluate, and use information or technology for my research to be				722	524

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Rate the helpfulness of the services provided by the following offices (5 = Very Helpful -- 1 = Very Unhelpful)		Mean Ratings		Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5		# of Valid Question Responses	
		2005	2009	2005	2009	2005	2009
VII. Services	Academic Achievement and Access Center	3.5	3.7	41.1	56.9	192	188
	Disability Resources	3.4	3.3	29.5	29.8	173	121
	Counseling and Psychological Services	3.5	3.5	51.6	45.3	283	161
	Hilltop Child Development Center		3.4		32.1		106
	KU Info		4.0		75.0		420
	KU Writing Center	3.8	3.8	63.8	68.2	387	308
	Legal Services for Students	3.9	3.7	64.0	58.7	317	196
	New Student Orientation	3.7	3.6	62.7	63.3	972	603
	Office of Admissions and Scholarships	3.6	3.7	58.0	63.3	930	578
	Office of Multicultural Affairs	3.5	3.5	38.0	45.2	179	166
	Office of Student Financial Aid	3.7	3.6	62.4	60.6	796	485
	Office of Study Abroad		3.9		68.2		327
	Office of the University Registrar		3.7		65.0		605
	Student Involvement and Leadership Center		3.9		66.4		330
	University Advising Center	3.2	3.3	43.9	50.4	791	492
University Career Center	3.7	3.8	63.9	68.3	618	435	
Career services center in your school	3.3	3.8	39.7	67.9	295	430	

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Rate your level of satisfaction with the following facilities, services, and programs at KU (5 = Very Satisfied -- 1 = Very Unsatisfied)		Mean Ratings					Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5					# of Valid Question Responses				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
VIII. Facilities, Services, and Programs	Student Health Services				3.7	3.7				66.6	68.9				1,001	621
	Campus recreational facilities and equipment	4.1	3.5	3.0	4.3	4.3	79.7	55.5	37.4	87.8	91.7	857	715	697	933	625
	Campus recreational/intramural programs	4.1	3.9	3.5	4.1	4.1	79.1	68.9	54.8	82.2	80.2	512	383	434	635	439
	University residence hall/scholarship hall facilities	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.7	3.7	47.7	44.6	50.9	66.7	65.6	692	538	556	762	506
	Programs sponsored by university residence hall/scholarship halls	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.6	3.6	41.7	36.4	43.6	54.1	54.8	533	423	420	603	425
	Food services provided by university residence halls/scholarship halls	2.6	2.9	3.2	3.6	3.5	22.0	30.0	44.0	64.4	57.8	714	537	579	796	519
	The KU Memorial Unions food services (The Underground, Hawk Food Stops, and Pulse)	3.8	3.7	3.6	4.0	4.0	68.1	65.5	59.1	77.8	79.9	939	730	714	925	672
	The Student Union Activities (SUA) programs	4.1	4.1	3.9	4.0	4.0	78.5	78.2	71.5	78.2	78.0	814	648	596	777	537
	Services offered by KU bookstores (in the KU Unions)	3.8	3.9	3.7	3.8	3.8	66.7	66.9	62.2	72.2	71.1	888	777	749	930	616
	Online enrollment system/Enroll and Pay				4.1	4.2				82.0	86.1				1,135	710
Kyou Portal					4.2					84.3					695	

IX. Education Related Debt		2009	
		Percent of Question Respondents	# of Valid Question Responses
At the time you graduate, approximately what will be the total amount borrowed to finance your undergraduate education that you are personally responsible for repaying?	\$0 debt	41.2	292
	\$1 to 9,999	12.0	85
	\$10,000 to \$19,999	15.5	110
	\$20,000 to \$29,999	11.0	78
	\$30,000 to \$39,999	6.4	45
	\$40,000 to \$49,999	3.4	24
	\$50,000 or more	6.6	47
	Unable to estimate	3.8	27
Total	100.0	708	

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IX. Education Related Debt		2009	
		Percent of Question Respondents	# of Valid Question Responses
The benefits of attending KU were worth the financial costs to you and your family.	Strongly Agree	50.6	351
	Somewhat Agree	30.3	210
	Neutral	8.8	61
	Somewhat Disagree	7.6	53
	Strongly Disagree	2.7	19
Total		100.0	694

X. Future Plans		2009	
		Percent of Question Respondents	# of Valid Question Responses
What is MOST LIKELY to be your PRINCIPAL activity upon graduation?	Employment, full-time paid	52.5	366
	Employment, part-time paid	4.0	28
	Graduate or Professional school, full-time	35.9	250
	Graduate or Professional school, part-time	2.3	16
	Additional undergraduate coursework	1.7	12
	Military Service	0.6	4
	Volunteer activity (e.g., Peace Corp)	2.6	18
	Starting or raising a family	0.4	3
Total		100.0	697

Rate the value of this survey as a means to express your views about your experiences at KU (5 = Very Adequate -- 1 = Very Inadequate)		Mean Ratings					Percent of Question Respondents Rating Item 4 or 5					# of Valid Question Responses				
		1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009	1992	1996	2000	2005	2009
XII. Value of this Survey	In terms of providing a means for me to express my views about my experiences at KU, this survey was:	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.7	4.0	55.2	55.3	55.1	70.0	81.7	1,043	907	889	1,096	699