



DALTON STATE
C O L L E G E

DIVISION OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
2005 GRADUATING STUDENT SURVEY
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS (MIS)
SUMMARY REPORT

Section I General Satisfaction

Overall, how would you rate your level of satisfaction with the MIS degree program received at DSC?

Very satisfied	1	20.0%
Satisfied	4	80.0%
Dissatisfied	0	0.0%
Very dissatisfied	0	0.0%

Would you recommend the MIS degree program at DSC to others?

Yes	5	100%
No	0	0.0%

If you could do it all over again would you choose a different major for your business degree?

Yes	2	40.0%
No	3	60.0%

If you answered "Yes", what major would you choose?

No reply	5	100%
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Why?

More interested in IOMG after taking classes	1	20.0%
Not going into MIS field for my career	1	20.0%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

How would you rate the quality of each of the following aspects of the Division of Business & Technology?

Instruction by faculty

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Academic advising by faculty

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	1	20.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Clarity of program requirements

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	1	20.0%
Good	3	60.0%
Excellent	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Availability of faculty advisor

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	2	40.0%
Excellent	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Career counseling and advising

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	3	60.0%
Good	0	0.0%
Excellent	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

Accessibility of faculty

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	2	40.0%
Excellent	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Availability of needed courses

Poor	1	20.0%
Fair	1	20.0%
Good	2	40.0%
Excellent	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Range of courses from which to choose

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	3	60.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Information about course requirements

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	3	60.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Testing/grading system

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	4	80.0%
Excellent	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

Class size

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	3	60.0%
Excellent	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Computer facilities

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Availability of computer facilities

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Classroom and teaching facilities

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	1	20.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Relevance of classes to career goals/objectives

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	3	60.0%
Excellent	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section II Quality of Instruction and Advising

Library facilities

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	1	20.0%
Excellent	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Availability of library facilities

Poor	0	0.0%
Fair	0	0.0%
Good	2	40.0%
Excellent	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section III Program Learning Outcomes

To determine if the student learning outcomes of the **MIS** program were met, please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements.

Now that I have completed the MIS degree program, I am able to

Know the current topics and issues in MIS

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	5	100%
Strongly agree	0	0.0%

Understand the pros and cons of major MIS topics and issues

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	3	60.0%
Strongly agree	1	20.0%

Section III Program Learning Outcomes

Am able to use all forms of personal productivity software, including word processing, spreadsheet, database management, and presentation

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	1	20.0%
Strongly agree	4	80.0%

Am able to use online Help and other resources to expand skill base

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly agree	3	60.0%

Understand and use an extensive MIS vocabulary

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	3	60.0%
Strongly agree	2	40.0%

Recognize the advantages and disadvantages of data communications

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	4	80.0%
Strongly agree	1	20.0%

Know the major networking topologies and their advantages and disadvantages

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	5	100%
Strongly agree	0	0.0%

Am able to apply the three basic logic structures in the preparation of MIS applications software

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	4	80.0%
Strongly agree	1	20.0%

Section III Program Learning Outcomes

Understand the basic concepts of object-oriented programming

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	4	80.0%
Strongly agree	0	0.0%

Am able to write computer programs in several computer languages

Strongly disagree	1	20.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly agree	1	20.0%

Demonstrate proficiency in the design and analysis of business applications

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	5	100%
Strongly agree	0	0.0%

Understand current topics in information resources management

Strongly disagree	1	20.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	4	80.0%
Strongly agree	0	0.0%

Understand the design and implementation issues of web-based applications

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	3	60.0%
Strongly agree	1	20.0%

Am able to prepare SQL queries for typical business application databases

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	3	60.0%
Strongly agree	2	40.0%

Section III Program Learning Outcomes

Am able to design and “normalize” a typical business application database

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly agree	2	40.0%

Section IV General Education Learning Outcomes

Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements.

As a result of my education at Dalton State College:

I possess the necessary academic skills and competencies to be gainfully employed and be productive.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly agree	3	60.0%

I learned to think critically.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Agree	1	20.0%
Strongly agree	3	60.0%

I leaned to analyze and interpret statistical data.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	1	20.0%
Strongly agree	4	80.0%

I can perform basic mathematical operations.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	0	0.0%
Strongly Agree	5	100%

Section IV General Education Learning Outcomes

I can use computers and personal productivity application software to increase my effectiveness on the job.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	0	0.0%
Strongly Agree	5	100%

I have good oral communication skills.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly Agree	3	60.0%

I have good writing skills.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly Agree	3	60.0%

I understand the importance of cultural diversity.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	1	20.0%
Strongly Agree	4	80.0%

I know how globalization issues affect the business environment.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly Agree	3	60.0%

I have decision-making skills.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly Agree	3	60.0%

Section IV General Education Learning Outcomes

I understand the role of ethics in business.

Strongly disagree	0	0.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Agree	2	40.0%
Strongly Agree	3	60.0%

Section V Educational Plans

Do you plan to obtain further education after you graduate from DSC?

Yes	4	80.0%
No	1	20.0%

Do you plan to work while obtaining further education?

Yes	4	80.0%
No	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Attend graduate/professional school

Yes	4	80.0%
No	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Obtain another bachelor's degree

Yes	0	0.0%
No	4	80.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Take more college courses

Yes	2	40.0%
No	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Take professional development courses

Yes	1	20.0%
No	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section V Educational Plans

Take certification review courses

Yes	1	20.0%
No	3	60.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Other

Yes	0	0.0%
No	4	80.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

If you plan to attend graduate/professional school, please name the Institution.

Kennesaw State	1	20.0%
UTC or Kennesaw	2	40.0%
UGA Berry	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Degree/program of study:

Education	1	20.0%
MBA	1	20.0%
MIS	1	20.0%
Masters in Information Systems	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Full-time

Yes	0	0.0%
No	4	80.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

When?

Fall 2005	1	20.0%
January 2006	1	20.0%
2007	2	40.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Section V Educational Plans

What is your level of agreement with the following statement: “DSC effectively prepared me to continue my education?”

Strongly agree	1	20.0%
Agree	4	80.0%
Disagree	0	0.0%
Strongly disagree	0	0.0%

What is the highest degree you plan to obtain?

Master’s degree	3	60.0%
Doctoral degree	1	20.0%
Professional degree (law, medicine, dentistry, etc.)	0	0.0%
Undecided	1	20.0%

Section VI Employment and Employment Plans

What is your current employment status?

Working part-time in a job related to my degree	1	20.0%
Working part-time in a job NOT related to my degree	0	0.0%
Working full-time in job related to my degree	3	60.0%
Working full-time in a job NOT related to my degree	0	0.0%
Enlisted in the military	0	0.0%
Unemployed, seeking employment	0	0.0%
Unemployed, NOT seeking employment	1	20.0%
Retired	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%

Section VI Employment and Employment Plans

If you are employed, part-time or full-time, what is your organization's primary business activity?

Banking	0	0.0%
Communications	0	0.0%
Computer equipment manufacturers	0	0.0%
Data processing services / Programming	0	0.0%
Delivery / Distribution	0	0.0%
Education	0	0.0%
Government	0	0.0%
Manufacturing (carpet, rugs, and hard-surface flooring)	3	60.0%
Manufacturing (not carpet, rugs, and hard-surface flooring)	0	0.0%
Marketing	0	0.0%
Medical / Healthcare	0	0.0%
Retail	0	0.0%
Transportation	0	0.0%
Utilities	0	0.0%
Wholesale	0	0.0%
Other	1	20.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

Did you participate in DSC's employment placement services (i.e., job fair, resume preparation, mock employment interview, etc.)?

Yes	1	20.0%
No	4	80.0%

How satisfied are you with DSC's employment placement services?

Very Satisfied	0	0.0%
Satisfied	1	20.0%
Dissatisfied	0	0.0%
No reply	4	80.0%

Did you participate in DSC'S Co-Op/internship program?

Yes	1	20.0%
No	4	80.0%

Section VI Employment and Employment Plans

How satisfied were you with your Co-Op/internship experience?

Very Satisfied	0	0.0%
Satisfied	1	20.0%
No reply	4	80.0%

Choose the one item from the list below which best describes your current employment or you immediate employment plans:

I plan to continue in the job I held prior to my DSC degree	1	20.0%
I plan to be promoted by my current employer because of my DSC degree	2	40.0%
I plan to seek employment with a new employer because of my DSC degree	0	0.0%
I have already been promoted by my current employer because of my degree	1	20.0%
I have already been employed by a new employer because of my DSC degree	0	0.0%
Other	1	20.0%

If you have already been employed by a new employer because of your DSC degree, please indicate how you learned of the job.

Through a contact or referral	0	0.0%
Through efforts of DSC Business Division faculty	0	0.0%
Through on-campus recruiting	0	0.0%
Through my internship/co-op experience	0	0.0%
Through volunteer activities	0	0.0%
Through a former employer	0	0.0%
Through direct application	0	0.0%
Through a want ad or other published job listing	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%
No reply	5	100%

What is your current salary range?

\$25,000 or below	2	40.0%
\$25,001 - \$30,000	0	0.0%
\$30,001 - \$35,000	1	20.0%
\$35,001 - \$40,000	0	0.0%
\$40,001 - \$45,000	1	20.0%
\$45,001 - \$50,000	0	0.0%
Over \$50,000	1	20.0%

Section VI Employment and Employment Plans

Did you expect a salary increase immediately after graduation?

Yes	3	60.0%
No	2	40.0%

How closely related is your job to your degree major?

Highly related	1	20.0%
Moderately related	1	20.0%
Somewhat related	1	20.0%
Slightly related	1	20.0%
Not related	0	0.0%
No reply	1	20.0%

How important do you feel your DSC degree was in obtaining your position?

Very important	4	80.0%
Somewhat important	0	0.0%
Not important	1	20.0%

In your opinion, how difficult was it to obtain a job in your degree major?

Very difficult	1	20.0%
Moderately difficult	2	40.0%
Somewhat difficult	1	20.0%
Difficult	1	20.0%
Not difficult / Easy	0	0.0%

What is your level of agreement with the following statement: "My experiences at DSC prepared me for my new job (or to seek a new job)?"

Strongly agree	1	20.0%
Agree	3	60.0%
Disagree	1	20.0%
Strongly disagree	0	0.0%

Section VII Demographics

What is your current age?

Under 25	1	20.0%
25 - 29	1	20.0%
30 - 39	1	20.0%
40 - 49	2	40.0%
50 or over	0	0.0%

What is your gender?

Male	2	40.0%
Female	3	60.0%

What is your marital status?

Single, never married	2	40.0%
Single, previously married	0	0.0%
Married	3	60.0%

Does either of your parents hold a 4 year degree?

Yes, both parents	2	40.0%
Yes, one parent	1	20.0%
No, neither parent	2	40.0%

While working on your 4 year degree, have you been enrolled mainly as a:

Full-time student	1	20.0%
Part-time student	4	80.0%

How long has it taken you to complete your 4 year degree program (at all college attended)?

5 years	1	20.0%
7 years or more	4	80.0%

How many years have you attended DSC?

5 years	2	40.0%
7 years	1	20.0%
8 years	1	20.0%
10 years	1	20.0%
No reply	1	12.5%