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Directions: *Use the Scantron answer sheet provided to mark your answers to the following questions. Fill in the bubbles completely using a pencil, blue or black ink pen.*

Section A: GENERAL

1. What is the highest degree you plan to complete at USI? (N = 815)

1.3%	1 – None
0.2%	2 – Vocational Certificate
2.6%	3 – Associate (A.A. or equivalent)
80.8%	4 – Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S. etc.)
15.0%	5 – Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)

Section B: Core Curriculum

*Questions #2 – 14. On a scale of 1 to 7 with **1** indicating that you **do not feel confident at all**, and **7** indicating that you feel **very confident** in your ability, rate your **ability to**:*

Not at all Confident						Very Confident
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

2. . . write well (N = 806)
Mean = 5.58

3. . . speak in front of a group of people (N = 813)
Mean = 5.13

4. . . make ethical judgments (N = 809)
Mean = 6.18

5. . . use college-level algebra to solve problems (N = 809)
Mean = 5.52

6. . . interpret works of art (N = 815)
Mean = 4.48

7. . . interpret literature (N = 810)
Mean = 4.81

8. . . adopt a healthy lifestyle (N = 808)
Mean = 5.91

9. . . analyze a contemporary problem from the differing perspectives of all three major fields of study: social science, physical science, and the humanities (literature, philosophy, and art) (N = 809)
Mean = 5.17

10. . . critically evaluate information (N = 807)
Mean = 5.73

11. . . use electronic data bases to locate information (N = 805)
Mean = 6.05

12. . . conduct scientific experiments (N = 808)
Mean = 4.95

13. . . analyze survey data (N = 808)
Mean = 5.33

14. . . conduct field research (N = 812)
Mean = 5.06

Section C: ADVISING

*Questions #15 – 22. On a scale from 1 to 7 with **1** indicating that you **strongly disagree** and **7** indicating that you **strongly agree**, rate the extent to which you agree/disagree with the following statements:*

Strongly Disagree						Strongly Agree
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Questions 15 through 22 include responses only for those who have met with their advisor.

My advisor . . .

15. Helps monitor my academic progress (N = 803)
Mean = 5.01

16. Provides me with accurate information about requirements, pre-requisites, etc. (N = 812)
Mean = 5.36

17. Keeps me informed of changes in academic requirements (N = 810)
Mean = 5.00

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18. Refers me to resources on campus from which I can obtain assistance (N = 810)
    Mean = 5.11

19. Helps me identify challenges that I need to overcome to reach my educational and vocational goals (N = 811)
    Mean = 5.00

20. Encourages me to assume responsibility in planning my academic program (N = 812)
    Mean = 5.47

21. Allows enough time to talk about issues or problems (N = 810)
    Mean = 5.41

22. Provides recommendations on how I can improve my study skills and habits (N = 811)
    Mean = 4.75

23. During the current semester, how often have you met with your advisor? (N = 813)
    38.3%   1 - Once
    18.8%   2 - Twice
    11.6%   3 - Three times
    5.3%   4 - Four or five times
    3.8%   5 - More than five times
    22.3%   6 - Never

24. How much time do you usually spend in each meeting with your advisor? (N = 813)
    9.5%   1 - I have not met my advisor
    7.5%   2 - Less than 5 minutes
    47.0%   3 - 5 to 15 minutes
    30.5%   4 - 16 to 30 minutes
    5.5%   5 - More than 30 minutes

Section D: PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITES AT USI

25. How many weekends on average per month do you spend on campus or in the Evansville area? (N = 814)
    5.8%   1 – One
    8.1%   2 – Two
    20.6%   3 – Three
    55.5%   4 – Four or more
    10.0%   5 – Zero/None

26. What is the best night during the week for programs and activities to be offered at USI? (N = 811)
    6.3%   1 – Sunday
    9.1%   2 – Monday
    16.2%   3 – Tuesday
    25.9%   4 – Wednesday
    23.8%   5 – Thursday
    14.4%   6 – Friday
    4.3%   7 – Saturday

27. What is the best time for programs and activities to occur during the week (Sunday – Thursday)? (N = 812)
    3.9%   1 – Noon – 2 p.m.
    4.4%   2 – 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
    13.7%   3 – 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
    37.9%   4 – 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
    33.4%   5 – 8 p.m. – 10 p.m.
    6.3%   6 – 10 p.m. – Midnight
    0.4%   7 – After midnight

28. What is the best time for programs and activities to occur on the weekend (Friday and Saturday)? (N = 807)
    17.6%   1 – Noon – 2 p.m.
    17.0%   2 – 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.
    13.1%   3 – 4 p.m. – 6 p.m.
    19.6%   4 – 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
    21.7%   5 – 8 p.m. – 10 p.m.
    9.2%   6 – 10 p.m. – Midnight
    1.9%   7 – After midnight

29. Of the following, which program or activity would you most like to see offered at USI? (N = 811)
    3.2%   1 – Academic/Educational Programs (Lectures)
    4.9%   2 – Featured Speakers
    47.2%   3 – Concerts
    11.2%   4 – Athletic tournaments for students
    11.3%   5 – Movie previews
    6.4%   6 – Dances
    7.6%   7 – Carnivals/Festivals
    4.7%   8 – Plays/Theater productions
    3.3%   9 – Multicultural or international events

30. Would you be supportive of paying any additional fees or money to obtain more programs/activities on campus? (N = 806)

15.8%	1 – Yes
26.4%	2 – No
19.2%	3 – Not Sure
38.6%	4 – Depends on how much extra money

31. How much additional money would you be willing to pay per semester for programs and activities on campus? (N = 814)

16.3%	1 – $1 - $5
17.6%	2 – $6 - $10
13.8%	3 – $11 - $15
11.7%	4 – $16 - $20
12.7%	5 – $21 - $25
8.0%	6 – More than $25
20.0%	7 – Not willing to pay any additional money

32. How often, on average, do you participate in USI activities and programs? (N = 814)

28.9%	1 – I don't participate in programs and activities at USI
38.7%	2 – One to two times per month
15.4%	3 – Three to four times per month
6.9%	4 – Five to six times per month
3.8%	5 – Seven to eight times per month
1.5%	6 – Nine to ten times per month
4.8%	7 – More than 10 times per month

33. What is the biggest reason you do not attend a scheduled program or activity on USI's campus? (N = 804)

37.4%	1 – The time of the activity conflicts with my work schedule
14.7%	2 – The time of the activity conflicts with my class schedule
9.3%	3 – The time of the activity conflicts with my designated study time
25.0%	4 – The type of program doesn't interest me
2.9%	5 – The program is in an inconvenient location
8.0%	6 – I do not have any friends or fellow students that want to go with me to the program
2.0%	7 – The time of the activity is too late in the evening for me
0.7%	8 – The time of the activity is too early in the day for me

Questions #34 – 41

If available, how likely do you think you will use each of the following services available through the USI Career Center when seeking employment for after you graduate?

1 = Very Likely   2 = Somewhat Likely   3 = Not at all Likely

34. Individual mock interviews (N = 807)
1 = 18.5%; 2 = 43.2%; 3 = 38.3%

35. Resume and cover letter reviews (N = 808)
1 = 48.9%; 2 = 38.0%; 3 = 13.1%

36. Graduate school application process assistance (N = 813)
1 = 37.8%; 2 = 33.2%; 3 = 29.0%

37. Internship and cooperative education opportunities (N = 811)
1 = 50.4%; 2 = 35.1%; 3 = 14.4%

38. Panel discussions with employers (N = 814)
1 = 24.0%; 2 = 49.4%; 3 = 26.7%

39. Programs on professional etiquette (N = 811)
1 = 23.6%; 2 = 43.8%; 3 = 32.7%

40. Programs on careers in specific fields/industries (N = 811)
1 = 37.9%; 2 = 44.9%; 3 = 17.3%

41. Programs on professional use of social networking site (N = 810)
1 = 23.2%; 2 = 42.3%; 3 = 34.4%

Section E: SOCIAL BEHAVIOR

*For these questions, **one (1) drink = 12 ounces of beer** OR **4 – 5 ounces of wine** OR **1 ounce of liquor**.*

42. How many alcoholic drinks do you typically consume on one occasion when you are hanging out with friends? (N = 811)

8.8%	1 – One drink
15.9%	2 – Two drinks
14.4%	3 – Three drinks
10.2%	4 – Four drinks
5.3%	5 – Five drinks
9.7%	6 – Six drinks or more
35.6%	7 – Typically don't drink

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43. How many alcoholic drinks do you typically consume on one occasion when you are going out to party? (N = 814)
   5.8%   1 – One drink
   13.0%   2 – Two drinks
   12.4%   3 – Three drinks
   11.3%   4 – Four drinks
   9.8%   5 – Five drinks
   21.9%   6 – Six drinks or more
   25.8%   7 – Typically don't drink

44. When going out with or hanging out with friends, I prefer to be around people who… (N = 814)
   20.6%   1 – Don't drink
   75.2%   2 – Drink moderately and stay in control
   4.2%   3 – Drink heavily and get out of control

45. When going out on a date, I prefer to be with someone who… (N = 807)
   38.2%   1 – Doesn't drink
   59.1%   2 – Drinks moderately and stays in control
   2.7%   3 – Drinks heavily and gets out of control

46. How do you feel about the following statement: "Alcohol is very important to the social life of this campus." (N = 815)
   23.7%   1 – Strongly Disagree
   22.1%   2 – Disagree
   30.7%   3 – Neutral
   16.7%   4 – Agree
   6.9%   5 – Strongly Agree

47. "Most USI students think alcohol is very important to the social life of this campus." (N = 811)
   9.0%   1 – Strongly Disagree
   15.8%   2 – Disagree
   28.6%   3 – Neutral
   34.2%   4 – Agree
   12.5%   5 – Strongly Agree

48. When hanging out with friends, the majority of USI students have…
   (N = 812)
   7.3%   1 – One drink
   24.0%   2 – Two drinks
   22.9%   3 – Three drinks
   15.8%   4 – Four drinks
   7.0%   5 – Five drinks
   12.7%   6 – Six drinks or more
   10.3%   7 – Typically don't drink

49. When going out to party, the majority of USI students have… (N = 807)
   2.9%   1 – One drink
   9.9%   2 – Two drinks
   17.3%   3 – Three drinks
   20.4%   4 – Four drinks
   12.3%   5 – Five drinks
   33.2%   6 – Six drinks or more
   4.0%   7 – Typically don't drink

50. During the past 30 days, how many times have you driven within one hour after you have consumed two or more alcoholic beverages? (N = 807)
   13.8%   1 – Once
   8.9%   2 – Two or three times
   3.6%   3 – Four or more times
   58.5%   4 – Never
   15.2%   5 – I do not drink alcohol

51. The last time you found yourself in the position of considering whether to ride in a car with a driver who had been drinking alcohol, what did you do? (N = 811)
   3.9%   1 – Walked
   10.2%   2 – Went ahead and rode with the drinking driver
   5.8%   3 – Took a taxi or other public transportation
   23.9%   4 – Asked a non-drinking designated driver to give you a ride
   21.2%   5 – Called someone to pick you up
   5.2%   6 – Asked around for a non-drinking driver
   8.0%   7 – Selected a person who you thought had the least amount to drink and rode with them.
   21.7%   8 – Never been in this situation

52. How do you feel about the following statement, "USI should be a smoke-free campus"? (N = 809)
   15.0%   1 – Strongly Disagree
   9.4%   2 – Disagree
   22.7%   3 – Neutral
   12.4%   4 – Agree
   40.5%   5 – Strongly Agree

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For questions #53 – 63, indicate about how much time you spent during a typical week this semester doing each of the following activities.

None	Less than 1 hr	1 to 5 hrs	6 to 10 hrs	11 to 15 hrs	More than 15 hrs a week
1	2	3	4	5	6

53. Studying or doing homework (N = 814)
1 = 1.1%; 2 = 2.7%; 3 = 39.3%; 4 = 29.9%; 5 = 14.4%; 6 = 12.7%

54. Attending classes/labs (N = 812)
1 = 0.6%; 2 = 1.0%; 3 = 7.6%; 4 = 14.9%; 5 = 42.5%; 6 = 33.4%

55. Socializing with friends (N = 810)
1 = 1.6%; 2 = 6.3%; 3 = 31.9%; 4 =30.4%; 5 =13.2%; 6 = 16.7%

56. Talking with faculty during office hours (N = 810)
1 = 37.8%; 2 = 44.0%; 3 = 15.6%; 4 =1.4%; 5 = 0.9%; 6 = 0.5%

57. Talking with faculty outside of class or office hours (N = 808)
1 = 44.3%; 2 = 39.0%; 3 =12.6%; 4 = 2.7%; 5 = 0.5%; 6 = 0.9%

58. Exercising and/or playing sports (N = 811)
1 = 14.5%; 2 = 23.1%; 3 = 38.3%; 4 = 14.4%; 5 = 5.4%; 6 = 4.2%

59. Partying (N = 814)
1 = 30.8%; 2 = 19.8%; 3 = 31.3%; 4 = 11.4%; 5 = 3.9%; 6 = 2.7%

60. Working for pay on campus (N = 810)
1 = 76.8%; 2 = 2.3%; 3 = 3.7%; 4 = 6.5%; 5 = 5.9%; 6 = 4.7%

61. Working for pay off campus (N = 807)
1 = 31.0%; 2 = 3.6%; 3 = 7.6%; 4 = 7.3%; 5 = 11.3%; 6 = 39.3%

62. Participating in student clubs/groups (N = 810)
1 = 48.3%; 2 = 19.8%; 3 = 18.6%; 4 = 6.8%; 5 =3.6%; 6 = 3.0%

63. Commuting (N = 813)
1 = 25.0%; 2 = 24.6%; 3 = 33.8%; 4 = 10.7%; 5 = 2.8%; 6 = 3.1%

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64. Do you plan on staying in Indiana after graduation? (N = 810)
44.3%	1 – Yes
19.1%	2 – No
36.5%	3 – Not sure

65. If you had to start your college education over, would you still choose to go to USI? (N = 802)
32.4%	1 – Definitely yes
39.4%	2 – Probably yes
12.6%	3 – Probably no
4.2%	4 – Definitely no
11.3%	5 – Don't know/Not sure

Section E: Service Learning

A service learning course is one that includes a community project that helps students learn and also helps the community, such as an applied research, design of publicity, or data base construction for a local group, either nonprofit or for profit.

66. How many service learning courses have you taken at USI? (N = 732)
16.9%	1 – 1 course	0.3%	6 – 6 courses
9.3%	2 – 2 courses	0.1%	7 – 7 courses
8.3%	3 – 3 courses	0.0%	8 – 8 courses
2.3%	4 – 4 courses	0.4%	9 – 9 or more courses
2.5%	5 – 5 courses	59.8%	10 – NONE

Questions 67 through 76 include responses only for those who taking at least one service learning course.

Did the community project experience(s) in the service learning course(s) help you…

67. Understand how to effectively discuss and address important community issues? (N = 246)
1 = 84.1%; 2 = 15.9%

68. Know how to communicate in a "real world" setting? (N = 250)
1 = 84.8%; 2 = 15.2%

69. Develop your problem-solving skills? (N = 253)
1 = 81.0%; 2 = 19.0%

70. Learn the content of the course more fully? (N = 249)
1 = 81.5%; 2 = 18.5%; %

71. Know better how to work with diverse groups and environments? (N = 249)
1 = 97.6%; 2 = 12.4%

72.   Broaden your awareness of the community? (N = 252)
1 = 83.3%; 2 = 16.7%

73.   Broaden your awareness to different approaches to community issues?
(N = 249)
1 = 83.9%; 2 = 16.1%

74.   Prepare for your future career? (N = 250)
1 = 78.0%; 2 = 22.0%

75.   Decide what you wanted to major in? (N = 249)
1 = 61.8%; 2 = 38.2%

76.   Feel more connected to the university as a community? (N = 247)
1 = 64.0%; 2 = 36.0%

Section F: Co-Curricular Service Learning

Co-Curricular activities, often done by campus organizations and student clubs, are designed to help students learn community skills that also help the community.

77. How many co-curricular service learning activities have you participated in at USI? (N = 769)

10.9%	1 – 1 activity	0.7%	6 – 6 activities
11.4%	2 – 2 activities	0.1%	7 – 7 activities
13.3%	3 – 3 activities	0.7%	8 – 8 activities
3.1%	4 – 4 activities	1.6%	9 – 9 or more activities
2.3%	5 – 5 activities	55.9%	10 – NONE

Questions 78 through 87 include responses only for those who participated in at least one co-curricular service learning activity.

Did the co-curricular activity experience(s) help you…

78.   Understand how to effectively discuss and address important community issues? (N = 271)
1 = 63.6%; 2 = 17.3%

79.   Know how to communicate in a "real world" setting? (N = 269)
1 = 66.2%; 2 = 13.6%

80.   Develop your problem-solving skills? (N = 270)
1 = 64.0%; 2 = 16.4%

81.   Learn more about civic involvement? (N = 270)
1 = 61.7%; 2 = 18.4%

82.   Know better how to work with diverse groups and environments?
(N = 273)
1 = 65.4%; 2 = 15.4%

83.   Broaden your awareness of the community? (N = 274)
1 = 67.8%; 2 = 13.3%

84.   Broaden your awareness to different approaches to community issues?
(N = 272)
1 = 64.2%; 2 = 16.3%

85.   Prepare for your future career? (N = 273)
1 = 63.2%; 2 = 17.8%

86.   Decide what you wanted to major in? (N = 272)
1 = 51.3%; 2 = 29.4%

87.   Feel more connected to the university as a community? (N = 273)
1 = 63.8%; 2 = 17.2%

Questions 88 – 89: Answer 1 – Yes 2 – No

88. I think USI should offer more service learning courses. (N = 681)
1 = 60.5%; 2 = 39.5%

89. I think USI should organize more co-curricular service learning activities.
(N = 672)
1 = 63.8%; 2 = 36.2%