

**Harper College  
Survey of Transfer Graduates  
Comparison of Multiple Years, FY04 to FY08**

*Prepared by the Office of Research  
Teaming to meet research needs of the College  
July 8, 2009*

The tables that follow track the results of the surveys of Transfer Graduates for FY04 through FY08. These tables will eventually show five-year trends when sufficient data is available. This version of the survey was first administered to FY04 graduates.

**Table 1: Response Rates for Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08**

	<b>Total N</b>	<b>N Responding</b>	<b>Response Rate (%)</b>
FY04	663	282	42.5%
FY05	711	372	52.3%
FY06	817	478	58.5%
FY07	809	469	58.0%
FY08	818	497	60.8%

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>1. What was your main objective in attending Harper College?</b>						
Obtain skills needed for entry into new or different job	n	15	17	26	9	19
	%	5.3%	4.6%	5.5%	1.9%	3.8%
Improve skills needed in present job	n	7	3	4	4	12
	%	2.5%	0.8%	0.8%	0.9%	2.4%
Explore courses to decide on a career	n	22	38	35	9	20
	%	7.8%	10.3%	7.3%	1.9%	4.0%
Take coursework for transfer to another college	n	222	302	381	437	425
	%	79.0%	81.6%	79.9%	94.6%	85.5%
Personal interest or self-improvement	n	15	10	31	3	21
	%	5.3%	2.7%	6.5%	0.6%	4.2%
Number Responding	N	281	370	477	462	497
<b>2. To what extent were you successful in achieving your educational objective?</b>						
Very successful	n	198	270	379	397	404
	%	70.5%	72.8%	79.5%	85.4%	81.3%
Successful	n	71	74	71	57	60
	%	25.3%	19.9%	14.9%	12.3%	12.1%
Somewhat successful	n	10	24	25	9	6
	%	3.6%	6.5%	5.2%	1.9%	1.2%
Not at all successful	n	2	3	2	2	5
	%	0.7%	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	1.0%
Number Responding	N	281	371	477	465	497
<b>3. Please rate how your education at Harper College helped you in each of the following areas:</b>						
Ability to verbally communicate effectively						
Extremely helpful	n	136	191	275	251	252
	%	48.7%	51.5%	57.9%	53.6%	51.9%
Helpful	n	133	171	170	187	205
	%	47.7%	46.1%	35.8%	40.0%	42.2%
Not very helpful	n	9	8	22	27	19
	%	3.2%	2.2%	4.6%	5.8%	3.9%
Not helpful at all	n	1	1	8	3	10
	%	0.4%	0.3%	1.7%	0.6%	2.1%
Number responding	N	279	371	475	468	486
Ability to communicate in writing effectively						
Extremely helpful	n	129	189	263	241	248
	%	46.4%	50.9%	55.4%	51.5%	51.6%
Helpful	n	135	163	175	184	198
	%	48.6%	43.9%	36.8%	39.3%	41.2%
Not very helpful	n	11	15	33	38	23
	%	4.0%	4.0%	6.9%	8.1%	4.8%
Not helpful at all	n	3	4	4	5	12
	%	1.1%	1.1%	0.8%	1.1%	2.5%
Number responding	N	278	371	475	468	481

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>3. Please rate how your education at Harper College helped you in each of the following areas:</b>						
Ability to understand scientific concepts						
Extremely helpful	n	94	151	223	182	205
	%	34.6%	40.9%	47.4%	39.2%	44.8%
Helpful	n	141	165	169	200	194
	%	51.8%	44.7%	36.0%	43.1%	42.4%
Not very helpful	n	28	45	68	61	41
	%	10.3%	12.2%	14.5%	13.1%	9.0%
Not helpful at all	n	9	8	10	21	18
	%	3.3%	2.2%	2.1%	4.5%	3.9%
Number responding	N	272	369	470	464	458
Ability to explain and apply the scientific method						
Extremely helpful	n	97	147	189	184	193
	%	36.1%	39.9%	40.1%	39.8%	42.3%
Helpful	n	130	166	194	190	191
	%	48.3%	45.1%	41.2%	41.1%	41.9%
Not very helpful	n	29	45	73	63	53
	%	10.8%	12.2%	15.5%	13.6%	11.6%
Not helpful at all	n	13	10	15	25	19
	%	4.8%	2.7%	3.2%	5.4%	4.2%
Number responding	N	269	368	471	462	456
Ability to appreciate other points of view						
Extremely helpful	n	158	225	330	311	320
	%	56.8%	60.8%	69.0%	66.5%	65.7%
Helpful	n	108	127	121	129	141
	%	38.8%	34.3%	25.3%	27.6%	29.0%
Not very helpful	n	9	14	24	22	17
	%	3.2%	3.8%	5.0%	4.7%	3.5%
Not helpful at all	n	3	4	3	6	9
	%	1.1%	1.1%	0.6%	1.3%	1.8%
Number responding	N	278	370	478	468	487
Ability to appreciate diversity and other cultures						
Extremely helpful	n	161	238	319	305	314
	%	57.9%	64.5%	67.0%	65.3%	64.6%
Helpful	n	95	113	116	117	132
	%	34.2%	30.6%	24.4%	25.1%	27.2%
Not very helpful	n	14	15	33	37	31
	%	5.0%	4.1%	6.9%	7.9%	6.4%
Not helpful at all	n	8	3	8	8	9
	%	2.9%	0.8%	1.7%	1.7%	1.9%
Number responding	N	278	369	476	467	486

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>3. Please rate how your education at Harper College helped you in each of the following areas:</b>						
Ability to identify, develop, and solve quantitative problems						
Extremely helpful	n	99	154	218	197	213
	%	36.0%	41.7%	46.4%	42.5%	44.3%
Helpful	n	147	177	192	216	217
	%	53.5%	48.0%	40.9%	46.6%	45.1%
Not very helpful	n	20	32	50	44	40
	%	7.3%	8.7%	10.6%	9.5%	8.3%
Not helpful at all	n	9	6	10	7	11
	%	3.3%	1.6%	2.1%	1.5%	2.3%
Number responding	N	275	369	470	464	481
Ability to use computers and technology						
Extremely helpful	n	105	170	241	221	219
	%	40.1%	46.6%	51.3%	47.9%	48.1%
Helpful	n	116	135	141	145	152
	%	44.3%	37.0%	30.0%	31.5%	33.4%
Not very helpful	n	28	49	61	62	60
	%	10.7%	13.4%	13.0%	13.4%	13.2%
Not helpful at all	n	13	11	27	33	24
	%	5.0%	3.0%	5.7%	7.2%	5.3%
Number responding	N	262	365	470	461	455
<b>4. Please rate the instruction at Harper College in each of the following:</b>						
Class size						
Excellent	n	164	218	291	333	306
	%	58.6%	58.9%	61.4%	71.0%	61.9%
Good	n	92	124	153	110	147
	%	32.9%	33.5%	32.3%	23.5%	29.8%
Average	n	24	25	29	25	36
	%	8.6%	6.8%	6.1%	5.3%	7.3%
Poor	n	0	3	1	1	5
	%	0.0%	0.8%	0.2%	0.2%	1.0%
Number responding	N	280	370	474	469	494
Quality of instruction						
Excellent	n	169	187	246	268	280
	%	59.9%	50.4%	51.8%	57.1%	56.6%
Good	n	98	149	194	167	177
	%	34.8%	40.2%	40.8%	35.6%	35.8%
Average	n	14	33	33	32	34
	%	5.0%	8.9%	6.9%	6.8%	6.9%
Poor	n	1	2	2	2	4
	%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	0.8%
Number responding	N	282	371	475	469	495

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>4. Please rate the instruction at Harper College in each of the following:</b>						
Course content						
Excellent	n	145	177	239	256	255
	%	51.4%	47.7%	50.1%	54.6%	51.3%
Good	n	123	158	213	186	199
	%	43.6%	42.6%	44.7%	39.7%	40.0%
Average	n	13	36	24	24	38
	%	4.6%	9.7%	5.0%	5.1%	7.6%
Poor	n	1	0	1	3	5
	%	0.4%	0.0%	0.2%	0.6%	1.0%
Number responding	N	282	371	477	469	497
Fairness of grading						
Excellent	n	163	200	268	298	279
	%	57.8%	54.2%	56.2%	63.5%	56.1%
Good	n	97	137	177	150	180
	%	34.4%	37.1%	37.1%	32.0%	36.2%
Average	n	20	31	30	19	34
	%	7.1%	8.4%	6.3%	4.1%	6.8%
Poor	n	2	1	2	2	4
	%	0.7%	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.8%
Number responding	N	282	369	477	469	497
Faculty teaching ability						
Excellent	n	170	197	252	279	279
	%	60.3%	53.1%	53.1%	59.6%	56.3%
Good	n	90	141	198	158	185
	%	33.7%	38.0%	41.7%	33.8%	37.3%
Average	n	20	30	24	28	27
	%	7.1%	8.1%	5.1%	6.0%	5.4%
Poor	n	4	3	1	3	5
	%	1.4%	0.8%	0.2%	0.6%	1.0%
Number responding	N	2882	371	475	468	496
Faculty concern for students						
Excellent	n	167	200	254	269	266
	%	59.4%	54.1%	53.4%	57.5%	54.1%
Good	n	90	128	183	150	175
	%	32.0%	34.6%	38.4%	32.1%	35.6%
Average	n	20	40	36	41	50
	%	7.1%	10.8%	7.6%	8.8%	10.2%
Poor	n	4	2	3	8	1
	%	1.4%	0.5%	0.6%	1.7%	0.2%
Number responding	N	281	370	476	468	492

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>4. Please rate the instruction at Harper College in each of the following:</b>						
Faculty availability						
Excellent	n	172	207	255	286	291
	%	61.6%	56.3%	53.9%	61.6%	59.8%
Good	n	85	118	166	148	159
	%	30.5%	32.1%	35.1%	31.9%	32.6%
Average	n	21	39	51	25	33
	%	7.5%	10.6%	10.8%	5.4%	6.8%
Poor	n	1	4	1	5	4
	%	0.4%	1.1%	0.2%	1.1%	0.8%
Number responding	N	279	368	473	464	487
<b>5. Please rate your satisfaction with each office or service listed:</b>						
Financial Aid services						
Very satisfied	n	53	70	99	91	86
	%	60.9%	46.7%	61.5%	56.9%	61.9%
Somewhat satisfied	n	21	60	39	43	38
	%	24.1%	40.0%	24.2%	26.9%	27.3%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	10	12	15	16	7
	%	11.5%	8.0%	9.3%	10.0%	5.0%
Very dissatisfied	n	3	8	8	10	8
	%	3.4%	5.3%	5.0%	6.3%	5.8%
Did not use	n	195	221	315	308	358
Number responding	N	87	150	161	160	139
Academic advising						
Very satisfied	n	133	144	253	221	247
	%	55.6%	43.5%	60.0%	55.5%	59.7%
Somewhat satisfied	n	69	124	114	114	105
	%	28.9%	37.5%	27.0%	28.6%	25.4%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	26	39	41	42	37
	%	10.9%	11.8%	9.7%	10.6%	8.9%
Very dissatisfied	n	11	24	14	21	25
	%	4.6%	7.3%	3.3%	5.3%	6.0%
Did not use	n	42	40	54	70	81
Number responding	N	239	331	422	398	414

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>5. Please rate your satisfaction with each office or service listed:</b>						
Career planning						
Very satisfied	n	60	82	86	105	102
	%	41.4%	39.2%	40.4%	48.4%	47.0%
Somewhat satisfied	n	59	95	79	68	76
	%	40.7%	45.5%	37.1%	31.3%	35.0%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	20	23	41	38	24
	%	13.8%	11.0%	19.2%	17.5%	11.1%
Very dissatisfied	n	6	9	7	6	15
	%	4.1%	4.3%	3.3%	2.8%	6.9%
Did not use	n	137	163	263	249	275
Number responding	N	145	209	213	217	217
College transfer planning						
Very satisfied	n	106	112	170	172	181
	%	53.8%	42.6%	51.8%	54.1%	57.5%
Somewhat satisfied	n	69	109	110	103	86
	%	35.0%	41.4%	33.5%	32.4%	27.3%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	12	25	40	28	32
	%	6.1%	9.5%	12.2%	8.8%	10.2%
Very dissatisfied	n	10	17	8	15	16
	%	5.1%	6.5%	2.4%	4.7%	5.1%
Did not use	n	85	109	150	149	181
Number responding	N	197	263	328	318	315
Counseling						
Very satisfied	n	83	106	163	155	134
	%	48.3%	45.3%	53.6%	58.3%	54.5%
Somewhat satisfied	n	63	99	101	77	86
	%	36.6%	42.3%	33.2%	28.9%	35.0%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	21	16	32	26	18
	%	12.2%	6.8%	10.5%	9.8%	7.3%
Very dissatisfied	n	5	13	8	8	8
	%	2.9%	5.6%	2.6%	3.0%	3.3%
Did not use	n	110	137	173	202	250
Number responding	N	172	234	304	266	246
Tutoring						
Very satisfied	n	77	103	146	126	135
	%	58.8%	53.4%	62.7%	57.8%	62.2%
Somewhat satisfied	n	49	67	69	73	65
	%	37.4%	34.7%	29.6%	33.5%	30.0%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	4	19	11	15	15
	%	3.1%	9.8%	4.7%	6.9%	6.9%
Very dissatisfied	n	1	4	7	4	2
	%	0.8%	2.1%	3.0%	1.8%	0.9%
Did not use	n	150	179	244	250	279
Number responding	N	131	193	233	218	217



**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>5. Please rate your satisfaction with each office or service listed:</b>						
Library/audio visual services						
Very satisfied	n	151	165	267	267	271
	%	68.9%	55.7%	65.9%	66.4%	66.9%
Somewhat satisfied	n	57	119	124	118	121
	%	26.0%	40.2%	30.6%	29.4%	29.9%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	6	10	13	12	13
	%	2.7%	3.4%	3.2%	3.0%	3.2%
Very dissatisfied	n	5	2	1	5	0
	%	2.3%	0.7%	0.2%	1.2%	0.0%
Did not use	n	63	76	71	64	92
Number responding	N	219	296	405	402	405
Student activities						
Very satisfied	n	65	73	113	111	113
	%	50.8%	42.4%	53.3%	54.4%	57.9%
Somewhat satisfied	n	51	86	79	69	70
	%	39.8%	50.0%	37.3%	33.8%	35.9%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	7	10	16	19	9
	%	5.5%	5.8%	7.5%	9.3%	4.6%
Very dissatisfied	n	5	3	4	5	3
	%	3.9%	1.7%	1.9%	2.5%	1.5%
Did not use	n	154	200	265	260	299
Number responding	N	128	172	212	204	195
Registration procedures						
Very satisfied	n	167	196	284	295	309
	%	60.5%	52.8%	60.7%	64.4%	63.2%
Somewhat satisfied	n	85	144	148	131	143
	%	30.8%	38.8%	31.6%	28.6%	29.2%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	19	23	32	24	25
	%	6.9%	6.2%	6.8%	5.2%	5.1%
Very dissatisfied	n	5	8	4	8	12
	%	1.8%	2.2%	0.9%	1.7%	2.5%
Did not use	n	4	1	9	6	7
Number responding	N	276	371	468	458	489
Access for disabled on campus						
Very satisfied	n	49	69	94	80	69
	%	57.0%	54.3%	67.1%	71.4%	67.0%
Somewhat satisfied	n	35	51	39	28	29
	%	40.7%	40.2%	27.9%	25.0%	28.2%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	1	4	5	1	3
	%	1.2%	3.1%	3.6%	0.9%	2.9%
Very dissatisfied	n	1	3	2	3	2
	%	1.2%	2.4%	1.4%	2.7%	1.9%
Did not use	n	196	241	336	353	390
Number responding	N	86	127	140	112	103

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>5. Please rate your satisfaction with each office or service listed:</b>						
Availability of computers for out-of-class use						
Very satisfied	n	152	198	293	292	305
	%	66.7%	65.6%	71.5%	74.7%	72.4%
Somewhat satisfied	n	68	84	90	70	89
	%	29.8%	27.8%	22.0%	17.9%	21.1%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	5	16	23	21	22
	%	2.2%	5.3%	5.6%	5.4%	5.2%
Very dissatisfied	n	3	4	4	8	5
	%	1.3%	1.3%	1.0%	2.0%	1.2%
Did not use	n	53	70	67	76	75
Number responding	N	228	302	410	391	421
Career Center						
Very satisfied	n	76	102	144	132	136
	%	56.3%	51.0%	65.8%	66.0%	59.6%
Somewhat satisfied	n	49	85	68	52	75
	%	36.3%	42.5%	31.1%	26.0%	32.9%
Somewhat dissatisfied	n	7	12	7	13	12
	%	5.2%	6.0%	3.2%	6.5%	5.3%
Very dissatisfied	n	3	1	0	3	5
	%	2.2%	0.5%	0.0%	1.5%	2.2%
Did not use	n	147	172	258	267	268
Number responding	N	135	200	219	200	228
<b>6. Please rate the location of the courses taken in terms of convenience:</b>						
Harper main campus in Palatine						
Very convenient	n	192	274	380	405	417
	%	68.1%	73.9%	79.7%	86.7%	84.8%
Convenient	n	83	93	92	56	69
	%	29.4%	25.1%	19.3%	12.0%	14.0%
Not convenient	n	7	4	5	6	6
	%	2.5%	1.1%	1.0%	1.3%	1.2%
Number responding	N	282	371	477	467	492
Northeast Center in Wheeling						
Very convenient	n	15	22	43	40	53
	%	41.7%	45.8%	44.8%	46.5%	56.4%
Convenient	n	15	11	31	29	27
	%	41.7%	22.9%	32.3%	33.7%	28.7%
Not convenient	n	6	15	22	17	14
	%	16.7%	31.3%	22.9%	19.8%	14.9%
Number responding	N	36	48	96	86	94

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>6. Please rate the location of the courses taken in terms of convenience:</b>						
WEB or Internet based from home or office						
Very convenient	n	28	64	115	146	182
	%	62.2%	69.6%	62.2%	77.7%	72.5%
Convenient	n	15	25	60	34	60
	%	33.3%	27.2%	32.4%	18.1%	23.9%
Not convenient	n	2	3	10	8	9
	%	4.4%	3.3%	5.4%	4.3%	3.6%
Number responding	N	45	92	185	188	251
Harper Professional Center in Schaumburg						
Very convenient	n	2	11	16	14	16
	%	33.3%	55.0%	40.0%	58.3%	72.7%
Convenient	n	4	9	19	6	5
	%	66.7%	45.0%	47.5%	25.0%	22.7%
Not convenient	n	0	0	5	4	1
	%	0.0%	0.0%	12.5%	16.7%	4.5%
Number responding	N	6	20	40	24	22
Other						
Very convenient	n	4	1	2	2	1
	%	50.0%	50.0%	100.0%	100.0%	50.0%
Convenient	n	0	0	0	0	1
	%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	50.0%
Not convenient	n	4	1	0	0	0
	%	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Number responding	N	8	2	2	2	2
<b>7. Which of the following best describes your current educational status?</b>						
Full-time student, 12 credit hours or more	n	177	238	309	306	319
	%	62.8%	64.2%	64.6%	65.2%	64.2%
Part-time student	n	32	55	53	48	38
	%	11.3%	14.8%	11.1%	10.2%	7.6%
Not currently enrolled – plan to enroll at a later date	n	52	51	80	71	96
	%	18.4%	13.7%	16.7%	15.1%	19.3%
Not currently enrolled – no plans to enroll	n	21	27	36	44	44
	%	7.4%	7.3%	7.5%	9.4%	8.9%
Number responding	N	282	371	478	469	497

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>8. Which institution do you currently attend?</b>						
Columbia College in Chicago	n	2	8	13	9	12
	%	1.0%	2.7%	3.6%	2.5%	3.4%
DePaul University	n	14	19	20	26	27
	%	6.8%	6.5%	5.5%	7.3%	7.6%
Elmhurst College	n	12	6	12	16	5
	%	5.8%	2.1%	3.3%	4.5%	1.4%
Illinois State University	n	12	24	25	23	26
	%	5.8%	8.2%	6.9%	6.5%	7.3%
Northeastern Illinois University	n	21	28	34	46	34
	%	10.2%	9.6%	9.4%	12.9%	9.5%
Northern Illinois University	n	42	37	56	50	44
	%	20.4%	12.7%	15.5%	14.0%	12.3%
Roosevelt University	n	24	32	38	45	48
	%	11.7%	11.0%	10.5%	12.6%	13.4%
University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana	n	4	9	11	8	4
	%	1.9%	3.1%	3.0%	2.2%	1.1%
University of Illinois at Chicago	n	10	15	31	28	21
	%	4.9%	5.2%	8.6%	7.9%	5.9%
Harper College	n	22	37	27	32	27
	%	10.7%	12.7%	7.5%	9.0%	7.6%
Other	n	42	76	95	73	109
	%	20.4%	26.1%	26.2%	20.5%	30.5%
Number responding	N	205	291	362	356	357
<b>9. What is your current major/course of study?</b>						
(open-ended question; see Appendices of individual reports)		n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>10. How would you describe your current major?</b>						
Same as my Harper major	n	59	93	91	82	81
	%	29.2%	31.8%	25.3%	23.2%	23.4%
Related to my Harper major	n	86	111	169	180	168
	%	42.6%	38.0%	47.1%	50.8%	48.6%
Entirely new area	n	57	88	99	92	97
	%	28.2%	30.1%	27.6%	26.0%	28.0%
Number responding	N	202	292	359	354	346
<b>11. Did all of your Harper credits transfer to your current institution?</b>						
Yes	n	151	193	249	268	263
	%	79.1%	74.2%	72.8%	78.1%	77.6%
No	n	40	67	93	75	76
	%	20.9%	25.8%	27.2%	21.9%	22.4%
Number responding	N	191	260	342	343	339

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>12. What was the main reason why some credits did not transfer?</b>						
Some credits would transfer as elective only	n %	20 50.0%	22 32.8%	27 28.4%	23 31.9%	14 18.9%
Entirely new field of study at transfer institution	n %	2 5.0%	14 20.9%	12 12.6%	10 13.9%	10 13.5%
Grades were not high enough to earn transfer credits	n %	1 2.5%	3 4.5%	2 2.1%	4 5.6%	1 1.4%
Other	n %	17 42.5%	28 41.8%	54 56.8%	35 48.6%	49 66.2%
Number responding	N	40	67	95	72	74
<b>13. What is the highest degree you plan to earn?</b>						
Bachelor's Degree	n %	108 43.0%	127 37.6%	198 46.4%	198 48.4%	201 45.4%
Master's Degree	n %	121 48.2%	155 45.9%	187 43.8%	170 41.6%	198 44.7%
Doctorate Degree	n %	19 7.6%	41 12.1%	29 6.8%	24 5.9%	27 6.1%
Professional Degree	n %	3 1.2%	15 4.4%	13 3.0%	17 4.2%	17 3.8%
Number responding	N	251	338	427	409	443
<b>14. Have you taken additional courses at Harper since receiving your degree or certificate?</b>						
Yes	n %	52 18.6%	93 25.1%	100 21.1%	85 18.2%	98 19.9%
No	n %	227 81.4%	278 74.9%	374 78.9%	381 81.8%	394 80.1%
Number responding	N	279	371	474	466	492
<b>15. What type of courses have you taken?</b>						
Credit courses	n %	47 94.0%	90 92.8%	99 99.0%	70 84.3%	92 91.1%
Continuing Education courses (non-credit)	n %	3 6.0%	7 7.2%	7 7.0%	13 15.7%	9 8.9%
Number responding	N	50	97	100	83	101
<b>16. How would you rate your Harper education in terms of how well it prepared you for continuing your education?</b>						
Excellent	n %	174 63.5%	206 55.5%	256 54.0%	297 63.5%	274 55.6%
Good	n %	82 29.9%	126 34.0%	177 37.3%	136 29.1%	174 35.3%
Average	n %	17 6.2%	35 9.4%	37 7.8%	33 7.1%	40 8.1%
Poor	n %	0 0.0%	3 0.8%	4 0.8%	2 0.4%	2 0.4%
Very poor	n %	1 0.4%	1 0.3%	0 0.0%	0 0.0%	3 0.6%
Number responding	N	274	371	474	468	493

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>17. What is your present employment status?</b>						
Employed full-time – 30 or more hours per week	n	113	126	173	158	151
	%	40.2%	34.0%	37.4%	34.6%	30.8%
Employed part-time – less than 30 hours per week	n	105	148	176	193	197
	%	37.4%	39.9%	38.0%	42.3%	40.1%
Full-time military service	n	0	1	0	2	2
	%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.4%
Unemployed, seeking employment	n	21	18	32	28	41
	%	7.5%	4.9%	6.9%	6.1%	8.4%
Unemployed, not seeking employment		42	78	82	75	100
		14.9%	21.0%	17.7%	16.4%	20.4%
Number responding	N	281	371	463	456	491
<b>17e. If unemployed and not seeking employment, mark one reason below.</b>						
Full-time student	n	32	73	96	85	90
	%	78.0%	84.9%	93.2%	85.9%	85.7%
Full-time homemaker	n	4	3	1	2	2
	%	9.8%	3.5%	1.0%	2.0%	1.9%
Health disability	n	1	1	1	2	1
	%	2.4%	1.2%	1.0%	2.0%	1.0%
Family responsibilities	n	1	3	0	3	1
	%	2.4%	3.5%	0.0%	3.0%	1.0%
Other	n	3	6	5	7	11
	%	7.3%	7.0%	4.9%	7.1%	10.5%
Number responding	N	41	86	103	99	105
<b>18. As a result of my experiences at Harper, I have a better appreciation for diversity and different cultures and values.<sup>a</sup></b>						
Definitely yes	n			190	133	151
	%	n/a	n/a	39.9%	28.4%	30.8%
Yes	n			233	286	298
	%	n/a	n/a	48.9%	61.0%	60.7%
No	n			48	47	40
	%	n/a	n/a	10.1%	10.0%	8.1%
Definitely no	n			5	3	2
	%	n/a	n/a	1.1%	0.6%	0.4%
Number responding	N	n/a	n/a	476	469	491
<b>19. Would you recommend Harper to your friends and family?</b>						
Definitely yes	n	248	314	407	320	259
	%	87.9%	84.4%	85.1%	68.5%	52.3%
Yes	n	30	54	69	143	228
	%	10.6%	14.5%	14.4%	30.6%	46.1%
No	n	2	2	2	4	5
	%	0.7%	0.5%	0.4%	0.9%	1.0%
Definitely no	n	2	2	0	0	3
	%	0.7%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.6%
Number responding	N	282	372	478	467	495

<sup>a</sup> This question was added to the survey beginning with FY06 graduates.

**Table 2: Responses to Survey of Transfer Graduates, FY04 to FY08, continued**

Question Text		FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08
<b>20. Would you return to Harper for educational enrichment courses in the near future?</b>						
Definitely yes	n	206	259	293	176	184
	%	74.1%	70.0%	61.4%	37.6%	37.3%
Yes	n	55	79	132	255	265
	%	19.8%	21.4%	27.7%	54.5%	53.8%
No	n	11	23	43	33	38
	%	4.0%	6.2%	9.0%	7.1%	7.7%
Definitely no	n	6	9	9	4	6
	%	2.2%	2.4%	1.9%	0.9%	1.2%
Number responding	N	278	370	477	468	493