# Senior Exit Survey Results by College

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2020 Annual Results

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The Senior Exit Survey (SES) is administered on an ongoing basis to undergraduate students just prior to completing their application for graduation. Completion of the SES is listed as one of the steps on the Registrar’s Graduation Checklist for undergraduate applicants.

The data are collected throughout the calendar year (January 1st – December 31st) and are analyzed annually in the spring semester. The Senior Exit Survey instrument covers 6 dimensions and is intended to explore students’ academic and co-curricular experiences at San Francisco State University.

The Survey

The number of responses to the Senior Exit Survey varied by College.
Overall San Francisco State Experience

Graduate in the Time Expected

Item: Will you have graduated in the time expected?

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Will not Graduate in Time Expected

Item: If you will not have graduated in the time expected, what is the main reason why not?

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The top themes that emerged from the 'Other' open-ended responses were topics around: Advising, Short of expected units, Difficulty in courses, Articulation/Transfer issues, and Physical/Mental health issues.
SF State Experience

Item: If changes were made, what would have improved your overall SF State experience the most?

Recommend SF State

Item: Would you recommend SF State to your friends?

Mentor

Item: Is there at least one member of the SF State faculty or staff that you consider your mentor?
Satisfaction with the Major Program

Quality of Teaching
Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the quality of teaching in your major.

Accessibility of Faculty
Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the accessibility of faculty in your major.
Faculty Interest

Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the faculty interest in your academic success.

Academic Rigor

Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the academic rigor of classes in your major.
Quality of Advising

Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the quality of academic advising in your major.

Online Courses

Item: Did you take any online courses in your major?
Satisfaction with Online Courses

Item: Indicate the level of satisfaction with the online courses in your major.

Online Dissatisfaction

Students who indicated that they were dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with their online courses were asked the following item: What was the main reason you were dissatisfied with online coursework in your major?
Involvement in Academic, Campus, & Community Activities

Community Service/Volunteer Work

Item: What was your level of involvement in community service/volunteer work?

Research with a Faculty Member

Item: What was your level of involvement in research with a faculty member?
### Student Organizations

**Item:** What was your level of involvement in student organizations?

### Athletic/Physical Recreation

**Item:** What was your level of involvement in extracurricular athletic/physical recreation activities?
Internship/Field Experience
Item: Did you participate in an internship/field experience?

Study Abroad
Item: Did you participate in study abroad?
Culminating Senior Experience

Item: Did you participate in a *culminating senior experience*?

Improvement in Intellectual Abilities

**Critical Thinking**

Item: To what extent did your abilities improve in *critical thinking*?
Information Literacy

Item: To what extent did your abilities improve in information literacy?

Oral Communication

Item: To what extent did your abilities improve in oral communication?
Writing

Item: To what extent did your abilities improve in writing?

Quantitative Reasoning

Item: To what extent did your abilities improve in quantitative reasoning?
Personal and Social Development

Learning Effectively

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to learning effectively on your own?

Ethical Implications

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to the awareness of the ethical implications of your own and others’ actions?
Exposure to Cultures/Groups

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to the exposure to cultures or groups other than your own?

General Education

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to acquiring a broad general education?
Leadership Skills

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to the development of leadership skills?

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Social Justice

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Civic Engagement

Item: To what extent did your experience at San Francisco State contribute to your commitment to civic engagement?

Post-Graduation Plans

Top Plans Following Graduation

Item: What is most likely to be your principle activity upon graduation?
Prepared for Graduate Study

Students who selected **Graduate Study** as their top plan following graduation were asked the following item: From your perspective, SF State has **prepared you for graduate study**.

- **Strongly agree**: 31%
- **Agree**: 36%
- **Neither agree nor disagree**: 26%
- **Disagree**: 6%
- **Strongly disagree**: 1%

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Degree/Certificate

Students who selected **Graduate Study** as their top plan following graduation were asked the following item: What degree/certificate are you planning to earn?

- **Business**: 81%
- **Education**: 41%
- **Ethnic Studies**: 64%
- **Health and Social Sci**: 64%
- **Liberal and Creative Arts**: 73%
- **Science and Engineering**: 63%
- **Other**: 4%

**Note:** This item was added to the instrument in July 2019.
## Prepared for the Job Market

Students who selected **Employment** as their top plan following graduation were asked the following item: From your perspective, SF State has **prepared you for the job market**.

![Survey Results](chart.png)

**Note:** This item was added to the instrument in July 2019.

## Secured a job

Students who selected **Employment** as their top plan following graduation were asked the following item: Have you secured a job in your field of study?

![Survey Results](chart.png)

**Note:** This item was added to the instrument in July 2019.
Employer

Students who indicated that they secured a job in their field of study, were asked the following item: Please provide the name of your employer:

Business
- A Monique Affair
- ADP
- BDO
- City and county of San Francisco
- Cushman & Wakefield
- Deloitte
- ERA Carlile Realty Group
- Golden State Warriors
- Heather blake
- Hotel Del Sol
- Jay E Ventures
- JP Morgan
- LG Electronics
- Moss Adams
- Norris & Stevens, Inc.
- PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)
- Rustic House Oyster Bar and Grill
- Saks Fifth Avenue
- Sf State
- Skyline College
- TechCXO
- Trinity SF

Education
- N/A

Ethnic Studies
- 826 Valencia
- Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy
- University of California, Berkeley (Athletic Study Center)
Health and Social Sci

- Concrete Collaborative
- Golden Gate National Park Conservancy
- Heritage on the Marina
- HUG Preschool
- JOINN Biologics US Inc.
- LEARNING ARTS INC
- Polka dot preschool
- Rebuilding Together San Francisco
- Sacred Heart Community Service
- San Francisco Rec & Parks
- San Francisco State University (Children’s Campus)
- San Mateo Court House
- San Mateo Superior Court
- Select Physical Therapy
- Stanford Department of Public Safety
- UCSF

Liberal and Creative Arts

- 826 Valencia
- ALS Association Golden West Chapter
- Aquatic AV
- Beacon Hill staffing
- Blueprint studio
- Dandelion Chocolate
- Illumeably
- Lenmar
- Lex Alemania
- Los Altos Stage Company
- Millbrae Community Television
- Nion Swift
- Pied Piper Players
- Ruby Ribbon
- The Personnel Perspective
- The State Bar of California

Science and Engineering

- AbilityPath
- ACES (Comprehensive Educational Services, Inc.)
- ACES-ABA Therapy
- Adventist Health
- Amazon
- American Civil Constructors West Coast
- American Civil Constructors, IEA
- ATUM Bio
- Banfield Hospital
- Boys and Girls Club of San Francisco
- CAFEX
- CVS Pharmacy
- FreeWire, but not committed
- Gene
- Genentech
- Herrero Builders
• Lockheed Martin
• Marin dental implant center
• McDonald’s
• Nisum
• Pankow Builders
• UCSF
• United States Navy
• WHOLEFOODS

Note: This item was added to the instrument in July 2019.