

**Graduate Survey**  
**Truckee Meadows Community College**  
**2001 – 2002**

**N=185**

1. What type of degree/certificate are you going to receive?

<b>Degree</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Associate of Arts	86	46%
Associate of Applied Science	15	8%
Associate of Science	51	28%
Associate of General Studies	18	10%
Certificate of Achievement	10	5%
No Response	5	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>100%</b>

What is your MAJOR area of STUDY?

<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>Area of Study</b>	<b>#</b>	<b>%</b>
Accounting	2	1%	General Education	1	1%
Anthropology	1	1%	General Studies	19	10%
Architectural Design	2	1%	Graphic Communications	6	3%
Biology	1	1%	Industrial Management	1	1%
Business	10	5%	Interior Design	1	1%
Computer Programming	2	1%	Journalism	1	1%
COT Admin. Assistant	1	1%	LAN Support & Administratio	3	2%
Criminal Justice	1	1%	Legal Assistant	1	1%
Criminal Justice - Law Enforce	1	1%	Liberal Arts	1	1%
Culinary Arts	1	1%	Marketing	3	2%
Dental Assisting	9	5%	Nursing	19	10%
Dental Hygiene	6	3%	Paralegal	1	1%
Early Childhood Education	2	1%	Psychology	1	1%
Electrical Engineering	1	1%	Radiologic Technology	1	1%
Elementary Education	2	1%	Science	2	1%
Engineering Drafting	1	1%	Secondary Education	3	2%
Engineering Drafting Tech	1	1%	Sports Medicine	1	1%
English	1	1%	Transfer	10	5%
Fine Arts	1	1%	Undecided	1	1%
Fire Science	5	3%	Welding	1	1%
General Business Emphasis	1	1%	No Response	56	31%

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**General Education Skills**

<i>My studies at TMCC helped me</i>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Evaluate</b>	<b>No Response</b>
Write clearly, concisely and grammatically correct	69 37%	89 48%	22 12%	1 1%	2 1%	0 0%	2 1%
Communicate my ideas with confidence and clarity	62 34%	102 55%	16 9%	1 1%	2 1%	0 0%	2 1%
Reason mathematically	47 25%	85 46%	41 22%	2 1%	4 2%	4 2%	2 1%
Understand scientific research methods	55 30%	86 46%	30 16%	7 4%	2 1%	4 2%	1 1%
Critically analyze written and oral arguments	67 36%	84 45%	28 15%	3 2%	1 1%	0 0%	2 1%
Broaden intellectual interests	85 46%	83 45%	11 6%	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 1%
Acquire new computer skills	73 39%	67 36%	31 17%	5 3%	3 2%	5 3%	1 1%
Appreciate other cultures	70 38%	79 43%	30 16%	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	1 1%
Cope with conflict	55 30%	76 41%	40 22%	4 2%	3 2%	4 2%	3 2%
Work cooperatively in a group	65 35%	90 49%	24 13%	1 1%	3 2%	0 0%	2 1%
Appreciate fine arts (e.g., music, drama, etc.)	61 33%	61 33%	43 23%	5 3%	5 3%	8 4%	2 1%

**Learning Environment**

*Throughout my studies at TMCC:*

I was generally satisfied with the variety of courses offered	77 42%	84 45%	17 9%	4 2%	1 1%	0 0%	2 1%
In general, I found the courses to be intellectually stimulating	69 37%	96 52%	18 10%	1 1%	0 0%	0 0%	1 1%
I could always sign up for classes required in my major	72 39%	72 39%	19 10%	15 8%	6 3%	0 0%	1 1%

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**Learning Environment (cont.)**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Evaluate</b>	<b>No Response</b>
<i>Throughout my studies at TMCC</i>							
I had the opportunity to interact with faculty outside of the classroom	60 32%	81 44%	29 16%	8 4%	2 1%	4 2%	1 1%
I was generally satisfied with the quality of instruction in my program	73 39%	87 47%	19 10%	2 1%	2 1%	0 0%	2 1%

**Services**

*While attending TMCC:*

Orientation provided me with helpful information about the college	46 25%	53 29%	44 24%	4 2%	1 1%	35 19%	2 1%
Advising that I received was reliable and helped me in achieving my educational goals	61 33%	85 46%	20 11%	10 5%	5 3%	2 1%	2 1%
My financial aid questions were adequately addressed	52 28%	59 32%	33 18%	5 3%	7 4%	27 15%	2 1%
I was satisfied with the overall service provided by Admissions and Records	69 37%	98 53%	15 8%	1 1%	1 1%	0 0%	1 1%
I found the Tutoring Center to be helpful in my studies	51 28%	56 30%	42 23%	5 3%	1 1%	29 16%	1 1%
I always had catalog and class schedule available to me	104 56%	73 39%	5 3%	2 1%	0 0%	0 0%	1 1%
I found computer lab facilities to be adequate	77 42%	71 38%	19 10%	3 2%	0 0%	14 8%	1 1%
I was satisfied with library materials (books, periodicals, professional journals, etc.) and services	74 40%	86 46%	16 9%	3 2%	0 0%	4 2%	2 1%
I participated in campus social and cultural activities	34 18%	34 18%	52 28%	23 12%	7 4%	34 18%	1 1%
I was satisfied with campus food service	49 26%	60 32%	39 21%	13 7%	3 2%	20 11%	1 1%

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**Overall Satisfaction**

	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Neutral</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Unable to Evaluate</b>	<b>No Response</b>
TMCC has helped me meet the goals I expected to achieve	89 48%	75 41%	12 6%	3 2%	2 1%	1 1%	3 2%
My experiences here have equipped me to deal with possible career changes	72 39%	79 43%	21 11%	5 3%	1 1%	4 2%	3 2%
TMCC prepared me well to further my education	84 45%	81 44%	11 6%	4 2%	1 1%	1 1%	3 2%
TMCC prepared me well for future career	79 43%	74 40%	21 11%	4 2%	0 0%	4 2%	3 2%
TMCC is equally supportive of men and women	78 42%	85 46%	13 7%	0 0%	2 1%	4 2%	3 2%
TMCC is equally supportive of all racial/ethnic groups	81 44%	71 38%	13 7%	4 2%	2 1%	10 5%	4 2%
TMCC welcomes and uses feedback from students to improve the college	64 35%	70 38%	21 11%	8 4%	6 3%	12 6%	4 2%
I am proud of my accomplishments at TMCC	108 58%	66 36%	7 4%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	4 2%
I feel safe on the TMCC campus	104 56%	65 35%	9 5%	1 1%	1 1%	0 0%	5 3%

**Demographics**

**Gender**

Male	1	34%
Female	1	66%

**Age**

Under 24	77	42%	25-34	64	34%
35-49	32	17%	50 or over	9	5%
No response	3	2%			

**Racial/Ethnic background**

Asian/Pacific Islander	35	19%
African American/Black	7	4%
Hispanic/Latino	13	7%
Native American	2	1%
White	124	67%
Other	2	1%
No response	2	1%

**First generation college student**

Yes	73	39%
No	106	57%
Don't know	4	2%
No response	2	1%

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**Demographics (cont.)**

**Employment status while attending TMCC**

Full-time	86	46%
Part-time	64	35%
Didn't work	35	19%

**Annual income**

Under \$10,000	60	32%	\$10,000-19,000	47	25%
\$20,000-29,000	32	17%	\$30,000-39,000	8	4%
\$40,000-49,000	12	6%	\$50,000 or more	21	11%
No response	5	3%			

**Employment status upon graduation**

Same job as prior to starting TMCC Job advancement since starting TMCC	55	30%
New job expected after graduation related to training	49	26%
Unemployed	39	21%
No response	38	21%
No response	4	2%

**Post-graduation plans**

Work full-time	132	71%
Work part-time	38	21%
Don't expect to work	14	8%
No response	1	1%

**Income after graduation**

Expect income to increase	99	54%
Don't expect income to increase	35	19%
Don't know	47	25%
No response	4	2%

**Years to degree completion**

1-2 yrs	63	34%
3-4 yrs	76	41%
5-6 yrs	15	8%
6+ yrs	31	17%