

Graduate Survey  
Truckee Meadows Community College  
2003 - 2004

**Profile of All Degrees Granted in Summer 03, Fall 03, Spring 04**

(n = 521)

Degree Type	N	%	Program Area	N	%
Associate of Arts	253	49%	Allied Health	81	16%
Associate of Science	24	5%	AIT	11	2%
Associate of Applied Science	164	31%	Architecture	6	1%
Associate of General Studies	49	9%	Business	31	6%
Certificate of Achievement	31	6%	Computer Technology	17	3%
Total	521	100%	Criminal Justice	10	2%
			Culinary Arts	5	1%
			Education	18	3%
			Fire Science	16	3%
			General Studies & Other	55	11%
			Graphic Communications&Drafting	15	3%
			Paralegal	3	1%
			Transfer	253	49%
			Total	521	100%

**Degree Profile of Survey Respondents**

(n = 167)

Degree Type	N	%	Program Area, Continued	N	%
Associate of Arts	86	51%	Fine Arts	6	4%
Associate of Science	19	11%	Fire Science	7	4%
Associate of Applied Science	36	22%	General Studies	16	10%
Associate of General Studies	13	8%	Golf Course Management	1	1%
Certificate of Achievement	8	5%	Grant Training	1	1%
No Response	5	3%	Graphic Communications	8	5%
Total	167	100%	HVAC/R	1	1%
			Journalism	2	1%
			Legal Office Professional	1	1%
			Mental Health Technician	1	1%
			Nursing	18	11%
			Paralegal	2	1%
			Physical Therapy	1	1%
			Political Science	1	1%
			Psychology	2	1%
			Radiologic Technology	5	3%
			Science	2	1%
			Social Work	2	1%
			Sociology	1	1%
			Theatre	1	1%
			Transfer	7	4%
			No Reponse	33	20%
			Total	167	100%
<b>Program Area</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>			
Accounting Technology	2	1%			
Administrative Assistant	1	1%			
Applied Anthropology	1	1%			
Architecture	2	1%			
Art History	2	1%			
Automotive Technician	1	1%			
Business	16	10%			
Computer Information Technology	2	1%			
Computer Programming	1	1%			
Construction Management	2	1%			
Criminal Justice	7	4%			
Education	10	6%			
Electrician Apprentice	1	1%			

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**General Education Skills**

**My studies at TMCC helped me to:**

	<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>	<b>Total</b>
write clearly, concisely and grammatically correct	58 35%	78 47%	22 13%	5 3%	1 1%	2 1%	1 1%	167 100%
communicate my ideas with confidence and clarity	57 34%	84 50%	21 13%	2 1%	0 0%	2 1%	1 1%	167 100%
reason mathematically	44 26%	58 35%	46 28%	6 4%	2 1%	10 6%	1 1%	167 100%
understand scientific research methods	51 31%	62 37%	36 22%	7 4%	1 1%	9 5%	1 1%	167 100%
critically analyze written and oral arguments	52 31%	76 46%	32 19%	3 2%	0 0%	4 2%	0 0%	167 100%
broaden my intellectual interests	84 50%	62 37%	16 10%	2 1%	1 1%	2 1%	0 0%	167 100%
acquire new computer skills	56 34%	61 37%	38 23%	3 2%	2 1%	7 4%	0 0%	167 100%
appreciate other cultures	63 38%	61 37%	31 19%	5 3%	0 0%	6 4%	1 1%	167 100%
cope with conflict	51 31%	44 26%	57 34%	3 2%	4 2%	6 4%	2 1%	167 100%
work cooperatively in a group	61 37%	58 35%	38 23%	4 2%	2 1%	3 2%	1 1%	167 100%
appreciate fine arts (e.g. music, drama, etc.)	52 31%	48 29%	48 29%	7 4%	1 1%	11 7%	0 0%	167 100%

**Learning Environment**

**Throughout my studies at TMCC:**

	<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>	<b>Total</b>
I was generally satisfied with the variety of courses offered.	61 37%	79 47%	15 9%	7 4%	3 2%	1 1%	1 1%	167 100%
In general, I found the courses to be intellectually stimulating.	64 38%	81 49%	13 8%	4 2%	2 1%	2 1%	1 1%	167 100%

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**Learning Environment, continued**

	<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>	<b>Total</b>
I could always sign up for the classes requiring my major.	55	68	21	16	5	1	1	167
	33%	41%	13%	10%	3%	1%	1%	100%
I had the opportunity to interact with faculty outside of class.	43	55	41	12	3	12	1	167
	26%	33%	25%	7%	2%	7%	1%	100%
I was generally satisfied with the quality of instruction in my classes.	58	74	22	7	4	1	1	167
	35%	44%	13%	4%	2%	1%	1%	100%

**Services**

**While attending TMCC:**

	<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>	<b>Total</b>
Orientation provided me with helpful information about the college.	25	34	43	6	1	55	3	167
	15%	20%	26%	4%	1%	33%	2%	100%
The advising that I received was reliable and helped me in achieving my educational goals.	41	56	37	15	8	9	1	167
	25%	34%	22%	9%	5%	5%	1%	100%
My financial aid questions were adequately addressed.	35	42	35	9	6	38	2	167
	21%	25%	21%	5%	4%	23%	1%	100%
I was satisfied with the overall service provided by Admissions and Records.	55	80	21	7	1	1	2	167
	33%	48%	13%	4%	1%	1%	1%	100%
I found the Tutoring Center to be helpful in my studies.	41	45	32	6	6	34	3	167
	25%	27%	19%	4%	4%	20%	2%	100%
I always had catalog and class schedules available to me.	92	63	9	1	0	1	1	167
	55%	38%	5%	1%	0%	1%	1%	100%
I found the computer lab facilities to be adequate.	72	59	15	2	3	15	1	167
	43%	35%	9%	1%	2%	9%	1%	100%
I was satisfied with library materials and services.	60	64	22	4	6	10	1	167
	36%	38%	13%	2%	4%	6%	1%	100%
I participated in campus socials and cultural activities.	18	24	42	27	12	42	2	167
	11%	14%	25%	16%	7%	25%	1%	100%
I was satisfied with campus food service.	21	34	36	13	23	39	1	167
	13%	20%	22%	8%	14%	23%	1%	100%

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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>	<b>Total</b>
TMCC has helped me meet the goals I expected to achieve.	85 51%	65 39%	10 6%	2 1%	4 2%	0 0%	1 1%	167 100%
My experiences here have equipped me to deal with possible career changes.	70 42%	62 37%	20 12%	9 5%	2 1%	3 2%	1 1%	167 100%
TMCC prepared me well to further my education.	78 47%	67 40%	18 11%	1 1%	1 1%	1 1%	1 1%	167 100%
TMCC prepared me well for a future career.	70 42%	66 40%	20 12%	6 4%	3 2%	1 1%	1 1%	167 100%
TMCC is equally supportive of men and women.	90 54%	54 32%	12 7%	2 1%	1 1%	7 4%	1 1%	167 100%
TMCC is equally supportive of all racial/ethnic groups.	83 50%	53 32%	15 9%	2 1%	1 1%	12 7%	1 1%	167 100%
TMCC welcomes and uses feedback for students to improve the college.	55 33%	47 28%	39 23%	7 4%	4 2%	13 8%	2 1%	167 100%
I am proud of my accomplishments at TMCC.	106 63%	49 29%	9 5%	1 1%	1 1%	0 0%	1 1%	167 100%
I feel safe on the TMCC campus.	98 59%	58 35%	7 4%	0 0%	1 1%	1 1%	2 1%	167 100%

**Demographics**

**Gender**

Male	44	26%
Female	122	73%
No Response	1	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Age**

Under 24	61	37%
25 - 34	46	28%
35 - 49	48	29%
50 or over	9	5%
No Response	3	2%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Racial/Ethnic Background**

Asian/Pacific Islander	21	13%
African American/Black	5	3%
Hispanic/Latino	11	7%
Native American	7	4%
White	112	67%
Other	1	1%
No Response	10	6%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**First Generation College Student**

Yes	70	42%
No	82	49%
Don't know	4	2%
No response	11	7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

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***Demographics, Continued***

**Employment Status While Attending TMCC**

Full-time	79	47%
Part-time	62	37%
Didn't work	24	14%
No Response	2	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Annual Income**

Under \$10,000	43	26%
\$10,000 - 19,000	33	20%
\$20,000 - 29,999	30	18%
\$30,000 - 39,999	22	13%
\$40,000 - 49,999	12	7%
\$50,000 or more	16	10%
No Response	11	7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Post-Graduation Employment**

Work full-time	85	51%
Work part-time	43	26%
Don't expect to work	9	5%
No response	30	18%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Years It Took to Complete Degree**

1 - 2 yrs	38	23%
3 - 4 yrs	83	50%
5 - 6 yrs	14	8%
6+ yrs	27	16%
No response	5	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>100%</b>

**New Survey Questions (Asked of only 132 respondents)**

**Post-Graduation Education Plans**

Will continue my education immediately	81	61%
May continue my education in the future	47	36%
Will not continue my education	3	2%
No response	1	1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>100%</b>

**After graduation I expect to:**

Work in a job related to my education	84	64%
Work in a job unrelated to my education	24	18%
Don't know	24	18%
No response	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>100%</b>

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**Do you have the same job as prior to starting TMCC?**

Yes	43	33%
No	47	36%
Not Employed	41	31%
No Response	1	1%
Total	132	100%

**Have you had a job promotion since starting TMCC?**

Yes	39	30%
No	51	39%
Not Employed	41	31%
No Response	1	1%
Total	132	100%

**Are you currently employed in your field of study?**

Yes	41	31%
No	49	37%
Not Employed	41	31%
No Response	1	1%
Total	132	100%

**If unemployed, are you currently seeking employment?**

Yes	16	12%
No	20	15%
Employed	91	69%
No Response	5	4%
Total	132	100%