

Most New Students Believe Chowan Is Right Place

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 More than 80 percent of the new students responding to a college survey last fall believe Chowan is the place where they should be.

Of the 661 freshman and transfer students who enrolled at Chowan for the first time in August, 1981, 470 responded to a New Student Survey which showed how they view services available in the college and indicated the major areas of concern.

The survey is designed to point up areas which need more attention to be focused on plans for new students, Dean R. Clayton Lewis said.

"Many students had not been away from home before, and they had begun to adapt and adjust by mid-September, when we gave this survey," according to Lewis, dean of students.

Lewis added, "I've shared the results of the survey with members of the faculty and staff, with the idea that if they see the results, they can help us overcome the weaknesses in the system."

"We're rather pleased with the results, and I'm delighted with the amount of participation, 71 per cent of the new students participation," Lewis commented.

Sylvia Nicks, director of Counseling and Career Development also was pleased, "The students had a positive response to the resident directors and resident assistants."

Ms. Nicks suggested, however, that the survey should be given twice to the same group, so changes in opinion, could be registered.


Lewis added with interest, "If we study these results, we could definitely help freshman make the transition from home to school; that's what it's all about."

Breakdown of responses follows:

STATEMENTS	Yes	%	No	%	No Response	%
1. Before enrolling at Chowan College, I was aware of Chowan's policies on: alcoholic beverages and drugs, single-sex residence halls, class attendance, proration and assembly attendance.	361	77	108	23	1	0
2. I participated in a majority of the Welcome Week Activities.	227	48	234	50	9	2
3. My faculty advisor was helpful during registration.	404	86	62	13	4	1
4. I know how to compute my Quality Point Average.	275	59	190	40	5	1
5. I know the graduation requirements at Chowan College (the courses I must take, the minimum number of hours and quality points I must earn).	434	92	34	7	2	1
6. I am familiar with the regulations in the Student Handbook.	428	91	41	9	1	0
7. I was greeted by a Residence Director or Resident Assistant when I checked into the residence hall.	394	84	73	15	3	1
8. I think of my Residence Director and Resident Assistant as persons who are willing and capable of helping me to solve my problems.	427	91	38	8	5	1
9. I think of my Residence Director and Resident Assistant as friends as well as persons of authority.	446	95	22	4	2	1
10. I have a compatible roommate.	422	90	28	6	20	4
11. I have become acquainted with others in my residence hall and know the names, hometowns and programs of study for most of the residents on my hall or section.	213	45	252	54	5	1
12. My residence hall is conducive to study.	372	79	92	20	6	1
13. I do most of my studying in my room.	396	84	72	15	2	1
14. I have discussed with my roommate ways we can show consideration for each other.	298	63	146	31	26	6
15. I have found Chowan College to be people-centered.	401	85	62	13	7	2
16. I believe Chowan is the best college for me at this point in my education and personal growth and development.	390	83	71	15	9	2
17. I respect the purpose of Chowan as a church-related college that is owned and operated by the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.	417	89	45	9	8	2
18. I have wondered if college is for me.	301	64	155	33	14	3
19. I have wondered if I am in the program of study which is right for me.	291	62	165	35	14	3
20. I believe my professors want me to experience success at Chowan College.	421	90	33	7	16	3
21. I am pleased with the way I have been treated by members of the staff.	423	90	33	7	14	3
22. I feel I have been extended normal courtesies by secretaries in the offices of staff members.	395	84	64	12	21	4

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23. I am participating in college-sponsored clubs, intramural sports, and activities.	327	70	121	26	20	4
24. I have been to Penny Infirmary for medical reasons. (If your answer is yes, respond to the next statement.)	66	14	241	53	157	33
25. I have been pleased with the services I have received through Penny Infirmary.	121	26	31	8	312	66
26. I am pleased with the mail service at Chowan College.	334	71	121	26	15	3
27. Considering the cost of food and labor I am pleased with the quality and quantity of food I am served in Thomas Cafeteria.	225	48	227	48	18	4
28. I was able to purchase all my textbooks and supplies at the beginning of the semester from the Book Store.	355	76	101	21	14	3
29. My study skills are improving.	361	77	91	19	18	4
30. I study two hours outside of class for each hour in class.	111	24	341	72	18	4
31. I study one hour or less outside of class for each hour in class.	344	73	106	23	20	4
32. I study in Whitaker Library.	192	41	259	55	19	4
33. My room is conducive to study.	374	80	81	17	15	3
34. I am glad I decided to attend Chowan College.	370	79	72	15	28	6
35. I plan to graduate from Chowan College before transferring to a senior college or university.	317	67	121	26	32	7

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