NWACC International Programs

Student Survey

Spring 2012
About the Survey:

- Launched 3/26/12; closed 4/19/12
- 31 Respondents
- 53% male; 47% female
QUESTION: WHAT IS YOUR ETHNICITY?

- Caucasian: 26%
- Black of African American: 16%
- Hispanic or Latino: 6%
- Asian: 48%
- 2 or more races: 3%
- Other, please specify: 0%
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN IN THE US?

- Less than six months: 6%
- Between six months and one year: 26%
- Between one year and two years: 39%
- Between two and three years: 16%
- More than three years: 13%
WHICH BEST DESCRIBES YOUR SITUATION WHEN YOU FIRST ARRIVED IN THE US?

- I came to the US by myself: 65%
- I came to the US with a sibling: 6%
- I came to the US with a friend: 6%
- I came to the US with a relative other than a sibling: 16%
- Other, please specify: 6%
WHAT OBSTACLES DID YOU FACE IN COMING TO THE US?

- VISA issues (paperwork, deadlines, etc.): 40%
- Language barrier: 60%
- Difficulties with the NWACC application/admissions process: 12%
- Financial difficulties: 28%
If you faced obstacles with the NWACC application/admissions process, what could we have done to simplify the process?

- “I studied in English and had to take the TOEFL and when I got to NWACC I still had to do the English placement test. This is an obstacle faced by many of us. If we would take the English placement test, then the TOEFL scores limit should be brought down because it has blocked a lot of students trying”

- “The obstacles are most of them in our country”

- “I want to suggest that the pre-nursing students should be informed a little bit earlier so that they know what they have to do”

- “Send a copy to confirm the information”
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WHY DID YOU SELECT NWACC?

- NWACC offers degree program(s) I want/need: 55%
- Encouragement of family/relatives: 23%
- NWACC's reputation: 23%
- NWACC's location: 32%
- NWACC's cost: 74%
- Other, please specify: 6%
HOW DID YOU FIRST HEAR ABOUT NWACC?

- Personal referral: 74%
- College website: 13%
- Teacher/Instructor in my home country: 6%
- Teacher/Instructor at NWACC: 3%
- Other, please specify: 16%
WHAT IS YOUR PLAN AFTER YOU FINISH CLASSES AT NWACC?

- Transfer to a four year institution: 83%
- Go home: 3%
- Seek employment in the US: 3%
- Unsure at this time: 10%
The transition to NWACC has gone smoothly for me.
I experienced "culture shock" upon first arriving at NWACC.
I am successfully balancing academics and a social life.
I feel like I am accepted by my classmates at NWACC.
I feel like I am accepted by my instructors at NWACC.
The NWACC International Programs Office has assisted me with my concerns.
I feel homesick.

I am comfortable with the level of difficulty in my courses.

- Disagree or Strongly Disagree
- Undecided
- Agree or Strongly Agree
DID YOU ATTEND ANY COLLEGE-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES DESIGNED TO ASSIST YOU WITH ADAPTING TO THIS CULTURE?
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By providing workshops: 34%
By offering small group gatherings and events: 48%
By offering more individual follow ups: 41%
Other, please specify: 10%

HOW CAN THE NWACC INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE SUPPORT YOU WHILE YOU ARE ENROLLED AT NWACC?
Please share one thing the International Programs staff can improve upon

- Job opportunities (3 mentions)
- Workshop for classes like accounting, excel, etc.
- It’s all perfect (2 mentions)
- They are good
- Nothing is wrong with the staff just need a bigger team
- Follow ups
- Creating more activities about sports
- Honestly everyone has been fantastic in helping me out
- I like the way they deal with us
- Get more information about transfer such as in-state tuition
- It’s great
- More cookies
HAVE YOU PARTICIPATED IN ANY STUDENT CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS AT NWACC?

- Yes: 58%
- No: 42%
HAVE YOU UTILIZED ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES?

- Academic Support Center: 30%
- Advising Center: 57%
- Career Center: 7%
- Writing Center: 63%
- Transfer Center: 23%
- Other, please specify: 7%
HOW WOULD YOU RATE YOUR OVERALL LEVEL OF SATISFACTION WITH YOUR EXPERIENCE AT NWACC?

- Excellent: 42%
- Good: 55%
- Fair: 3%
- Poor: 0%
WOULD YOU RECOMMEND NWACC TO A FRIEND?

- **Yes**: 100%
- **No**: 0%