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ABSTRACT

In order to evaluate long-term benefits to students, William Rainey Harper College conducted five- and three-year followup studies of all 1970 and 1972 alumni. The population was defined as students who had accumulated 48 or more credit hours or had received a degree. In all, 385 1970 alumni, and 1,154 1972 alumni were surveyed by mail or telephone; 237 responses (61.6 percent) were received from 1970 alumni, and 815 (70.6 percent) from 1972 alumni. About 70 percent of this population had received a degree or certificate before leaving Harper. Career program alumni tended to remain in their fields, but transfer program alumni drifted away from the fields they had chosen at Harper. In general, the longer the alumni had been away from Harper, the more apt they were to be working at a higher skill and salary level, and to be working further away from Harper. Sixty-two percent of the 1970, and 37 percent of the 1972 transfer alumni had earned bachelor's degrees by 1975. Overall, about 80 percent of the transfer alumni had taken at least some other courses at another college since leaving Harper. In addition, Harper's programs, facilities, and faculty were rated as to their degree of relevance to the respondents' present lives and jobs, and compared to those at other schools. Responses are tabulated, and the survey instrument is appended. (Author/NHM)

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FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF 1970 AND 1972 ALUMNI

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To evaluate long-term benefits students receive from Harper, five and three year follow-up studies were made of 1970 and 1972 alumni. Alumni are defined as accumulating 48 credit hours or more at Harper or receiving a degree from Harper. Alumni were identified in both 1970 and 1972 and a questionnaire, shown in the appendix, with a stamped addressed return envelope was mailed to them. Three weeks later a postcard reminder was sent and finally, if no response was forthcoming in three weeks, these alumni were telephoned. The following table shows a breakdown of the target population and the response.

	1970 Alumni			1972 Alumni		
	Transfer	<u>Career</u>	Total	Transfer	Career	Total
Population			385	742	412	1154
Mail returns			142	264	201	462
Telephone responses			95	234	116	353
Total responses	162	75	237	498	317	815
Response rate			61.6	67.1	76.9	70.6

Of this target population about 70 percent received a degree or certificate while the other 30 percent left before receiving such a degree or certificate. The results of the survey can be summarized as follows:

- 1. Career alumni tend to remain in their field prepared for while over the years transfer alumni gradually drift away from their chosen field at Harper. Three and five years after leaving Harper, still close to half of the career alumni remain in the identical field they prepared for at Harper. This is at most down only a few percent from the survey conducted one year after they achieved alumni status. While this is a very stable situation for career alumni, this is not the case for transfer alumni. One year after achieving alumni status, only about 30 percent of these former students remained in an identical field. However, after three years only 21 percent remained in their same field and after five years only 13 percent remained in the field identical to their Harper preparation.
- 2. Five years after leaving Harper, 62 percent of the 1970 transfer alumni have achieved a bachelors degree while 85 percent have at least taken some courses at another college since leaving Harper. Even today almost a fourth of these alumni are still enrolled in a college. Three years after leaving Harper, 37 percent of the 1972 transfer alumni have achieved at least a bachelors degree while 80 percent have a least taken some courses since leaving Harper. At present 38 percent of these 1972 transfer alumni are enrolled in college.

When looking at Career alumni, about 16 percent of the 1970 class have achieved at least a bachelors degree after five years while 48 percent have enrolled in a least some courses at another college since leaving Harper. At present 19 percent of these alumni are enrolled in college.



- 3. In terms of mobility 28 percent of the 1972 alumni are still in the same situation as when they first left Harner. Only 15 percent of the 1970 alumni are in the same situation. The biggest proportion of situation changes among the 1970 alumni are leaving college for an employment opportunity (35 percent). Eighteen percent of this group have changed firms while nine percent are working for the same firm but at a different position. Among the 1972 alumni, 28 percent have changed firms, 14 percent have left college for a job opportunity and nine percent are working for the same firm but at a different position. This supports national trends which indicates more horizontal moves (between firms) than vertical promotions or position changes within firms.
- 4. These follow-up studies indicate as would be expected, that the longer the alumni have been away from Harper the more apt they are to be working at a higher skill and salary level and the more apt they are to be working further away from Harper.
- 5. Considering only those still remaining in college after three or five years, these students are earning a higher GPA now than their GPA at Harper.
- 6. In evaluating Harper in the years 970 to 1972, these alumni rated faculty and the LRC as the best attributes of Harper which is consistent with one year follow-up studies. However, when comparing Harper to cher colleges attended, food service and records and registration appear much more superior at Harper. Other colleges were rated much higher than Harper in the area of intercollegiate and intramural sports.
- 7. Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Supervisory and Administrative Management, Secretarial Science and Fashion Design were the courses rated as most beneficial to students while History, Physical Education and Sciences were rated as least beneficial to students. Again, this is rating courses during the 1970-1972 period. In general over the years the value of business and education courses seem to go up in the minds of former students while the value of liberal arts courses tend to go down.
- 8. About 78 percent of those alumni having jobs felt Harper's education was useful in their present situation. The biggest help was in providing specific job skills. General background and general business background were also often cited.
- 9. When asked which additional courses students wish they had taken while at Harper, most students responded they wish they had taken business courses as compared to any other course type. This is consistent with the 1975 Vo-Tech alumni study which showed alumni feel least prepared at Harper in the management area.
- 10. When asked what experience at Harper has helped them most since leaving, the most frequently mentioned experience was one of personal development. This might include general maturing, establishing friends or learning how to interact with people. The next most frequent experience mentioned was the impact or relationship with a particular faculty, counselor or staff at Harper. Next a particular course or program was mentioned. Next most frequently discussed was preparation for the future. In addition, over 50 alumni mentioned that work experiences while at Harper were their most helpful experience. Therefore, it can be seen that most of the experiences having major impact upon these former students were non-classroom experiences.

However, again it must be remembered these are alumni who have accumulated 48 or more hours and represent only ten percent of the total student population. It is quite probably that short term students would think of a different set of helpful experiences.



FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF 1970 and 1972 ALUMNI



SUMMARY OF RESULTS

	1974	Follow-Up 1975	1974	r Follow-Up
Present Status	1969 Class	1970 Class	<u>1971 Class</u>	1972 Class
Employed full-time - not enrolled				
in college	61.6	63.7	56.2	55.2
Employed full-time - enrolled part-	- /	10.0		10.2
time	7.4	12.2	6.6	10.3
Employed full-time - enrolled full- time in college	2.9	.8	2.5	.5
Enrolled in college full-time,	2.9	.0	2.5	• 3
employed part-time	4.1	5.1	11.3	8.5
Enrolled in college full-time but	,	•••		
not employed	4.7	3.4	12.8	9.7
Employed part-time and enrolled	_			
part-time	2.2	1.3	1.8	2.2
Employed part-time but not enrolled				
in college	4.4	5.9	3.7	4.5
Armed services	2.2	0	.1	.4
Unemployed but seeking employment	1.5	2.1	2.9	3.7
Housewife, not employed, not seeking employment, not enrolled	7.4	4.2	1.3	2.6
Not employed or enrolled in college	7.7	7.2	1.5	2.0
for some other reason	.7	0	.8	1.8
Enrolled part-time but not employed	0	1.3	0	. 6
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	136	237	598	815
Percent remaining in identical				
fields either in school or in job	21.6	24.4	30.0	28.8
Educational Goals				
			24	
Presently enrolled full-time in colleg		8.4	26.4	18.2
Presently enrolled part-time in colleg		14.3	8.4 10.5	12.5 10.6
Plan to return to college next year	9.6 20.6	14.8 17.3	18.6	18.6
Plan to return to college someday Presently enrolled in specific	20.0	17.5	10.0	10.0
training program	4.4	1.3	1.2	4.2
No plans to continue education	25.0	31.2	19.9	26.2
Educational plans unknown	19.8	12.7	5.0	9.7
				100%
Total	100%	100%	100%	
Number	136	237	598	815



	Five Year 1974	Follow-Up 1975	Three Year 1974	r Follow-Up 1975
Status Change Since Leaving Harper	<u>1969 Class</u>	<u>1970</u> <u>Class</u>	<u>1971 Class</u>	<u>1972 Class</u>
I was in college but am now employed full-time I am working for different company	42.9	35.0	21.2	14.4
or firm now I am working for the same company	16.5	18.0	20.0	27.7
or firm at the same job I am still at the same college with	8.3	12.0	15.4	14.0
same major I am working for the same company or	2.3	2.6	14.3	10.3
firm, but at a different job	4.5	9.0	7.8	9.4
I have changed colleges	2.3	6.0	5.2	4.2
I am still at the same college, but	_,_	• • •		
have changed major fields	3.7	.8	4.3	4.0
I was working but now I have returned		• -		• -
to college	3.0	3.0	3.3	4.4
I was unemployed and seeking employment but now I am working full-time		0	1.2	•7
I am still unemployed and not enrolled full-time in college but am not	d			
seeking employment	5.3	.8	1.2	1.7
I am still unemployed and not enrolle full-time in college and am seeking employment	0	0	1.1	1.5
I wasn't seeking employment at the ti of leaving Harper nor was I in coll	ege			
but now I am working full-time	0	1.5	1.1	. 2
Was in college, now employed I was in Armed Forces, I am now in	1.5	1.5	.9	2.0
college full-time	1.5	1.1	.5	.1
I wasn't seeking employment at the ti of 'eaving Harper nor was I in coll but now I am enrolled in college fu	ege ll-			
time	0	.8	.5	.7
Pas employed, now unemployed	1.5	3.7	.3	1.5
Total disability	0	0	. 2	0
I am still in Armed Services I was in Armed Forces, I am now worki	3.7 ng	0	.1	.4
full-time I was unemployed and seeking employment	0 nt	2.6	.1	.4
but now I am in college full-time	0	0	.1	. 2
Was working full-time, now part-time	1.5	.8	.7	. 2
Was in college, now working part-time	0	0	0	1.3
Other changes	0	0	0	1.3
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number		133		460



College Achievement Since	Five Year 1974	Foilow-Up 1575	Three Yea	r Follow-Up
Leaving Harper		1970 Class		1972 Class
I have taken no college courses since leaving Harper	21.4	25.4	29.9	34.4
I have taken some college courses but do not have a bachelors degree I have achieved a bachelors degree	26.5 31.6	27.5 29.7	40.0 25.7	38.3 20.1
I have achieved a bachelors degree plus some graduate courses I have achieved a masters degree	13.2 5.9	13.6 3.0	3.4 .7	6.4
I have achieved a professional degree I have achieved a doctorate	.7	.8 0	.3	.4
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	136	236	598	815
Percent achieving bachelors degree or higher	52.1	47.1	30.1	27.3
Degree Achievement at Harper				
More than one degree Associate in Applied Science	0 8.2	.4 14.8	0 16.6	1.1 16.8
Associate in Science Associate in Arts	19.8 32.3	18.6 31.6	18.7 25.7	19.4 28.9
Certificate No degree	2.9 36. <u>8</u>	3.8 30.8	6.2 32.8	4.8 29.0
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	136	237	598	815
Reasons for Not Receiving Degree				
Preferred transferring to another college Short credits	60.0 16.0	51.7 3.4	50.5 14.7	48.4 1.2
Had taken all courses originally wanted to take Saw no relationship between the	6.0	13.8	7.1	6.6
courses and personal, occupational		2.5	, 1	1 5
or educational goals Did not petition	2.0 0	3.5 0	4.1 4.1	1.5 3.9
Educational goals were not defined Harper offered no further courses	4.0	3.4	3.0	2.3
I wanted	6.0	6.9	3.0	2.7
Job demand	2.0 0	0 0	2.5 2.0	4.3 4.7
New job opportunity Personal problems	0	0	1.5	1.2



	Five Year	Follow-Up	Three Yea	r Follow-Up
Reasons for Not Receiving	1974	د 197	1974	1975
Degree (continued)	1969 Class	1970 Class	1971 Class	1972 Class
Lost interest - not challenged	0	0	1.5	1.6
Still enrolled at Harper	0	0	1.5	3.1
Family responsibility	0	0	1.0	1.5
Marriage	2.0	0	1.0	4.7
Low grade point	0	o	1.0	.8
Problem in financing further education	n 0)	1.0	.4
Teachers were ineffective	0	Э	. 5	.4
Moved	0	3.5	0	1.2
Personal financial problems	0	0	0	1.6
Illness	0	0	0	.8
Entering military	0	13.8	0	.8
Can't get in desired program at Harpe	r 0	0	0	.8
Didn't know I could get degree	0	0	0	.8
Other	0	0	0	4.7
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number		29		128
EMPLOY	MENT INFORM	ATION		
Classification of Present Occupation				
Occupational Field				
Business or finance	25.9	17.8	17.2	20.8
Medical field	10.3	15.4	18.6	17.2
Sales	3.4	9.0	9.3	11.3
Office of clerical	12.2	6.9	10.2	9.8
Educational	22.4	13.8	8.4	7.9
Trades	6.9	12.0	8.9	7.7
Engineering or related technology	5.1	8.1	10.7	7.7
Legal or governmental	6.9	3.2	6.1	7.5
Factory semi-skilled	1.7	4.6	2.3	2.9
Food service or hotel mgmt.	0	0	0	1.8
Social or religious	1.7	1.6	2,8	1.5
Scientific	1.7	0	1.4	1.3
Arts or humanities	0	3.7	1.8	.8
Conservation and agriculture	0	0	0	.3
Own or manage small business	0	Ō	0	. 2
Other (not specified)	0	3.9	2.3	1.3



Total

Number of responses

100%

98

100%

217

100%

390

100%

611

			Five Year	Follow-Up 1975	Three Yea	r Follow-Up
Level of	Employment			1970 Class		1972 Class
Status						
Rating	Status Description					
1	Unskilled labor		1.9	6.0	5.3	4.1
2	Semi-skilled labor		9.3	12.5	11.9	12.3
3	Technician-skilled I	labor	11.0	7.9	12.2	16.4
4	Beginning profession	nal	38.9	34.2	13.3 43.3	16.4 37.1
5	Experienced professi		30.7	3 7 . 2	73.3	37.1
_	second line superv	visor	31.5	35.2	22.4	27.3
6 7	Researcher or middle			3.7	2.4	1.6
	Vice-president level	l or highe		5	1.4	1.2
Total			100%	100%	100%	100%
Number			98	216	390	611
Average	e status		4.11	3.93	3.78	3.81
Annual Sa	alary					
Up to \$5,	,000		3.6	.6	8.6	3.0
\$ 5,000 -			9.3	5.0	18.6	11.2
\$ 7,000 -			12.9	13.7	28.7	19.9
\$ 9,000 -			25.9	13.7	15.0	14.6
\$10,000 -			27.8	27.3	14.0	21.2
\$12,000 -	· · · · · · ·		9.3	25.5	9.1	19.5
\$15,000 - \$20,000 -			9.3	8.1	4.0	7.8
Over \$25,			0 1.9	4.3 1.8	1.0	1.5
Total	,000				1.0	1.3
Number			100%	100%	100%	100%
	•		98	161	390	472
Mean Sa	•		\$10,648	\$12,102	\$9,089	\$10,793
Median	Salary		\$ 9,934	\$11,273	\$8,589	\$10,130
7-1-7		istance				
Job Locat	_	Index				
Downtown	_	2	9.3	9.2	4.5	7.9
	nges of Chicago	1	22.2	6.9	6.9	7.4
Northwest		0	27.8	44.1	42.6	45.6
	cago suburbs	1 3	11.0	21.4	28.2	22.2
	miles from Chicago more than 100 miles	3	9.3	5.6	6.9	4.5
away	more than too miles	4	0	2.1	1.0	1.5
Outside I	llinois	5	20.4	10.7	9.9	10.9
Total			100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	of responses		98	196	390	603
	distance index		1.82	1.25	1.18	1.19



		Five Year	Follow-Up	<u>Three</u> Year	r Follow-Up /
Relatedness of Job	Index of	1974	1975	1974	1975
To Major Field at Harper I	Relatedness	<u>1969 Class</u>	1970 Class	1971 Class	1972 Class
They are identical	3	26.7	25.4	34.4	30.9
They are closely related	2	15.4	21.0	14.0	18.8
They are somewhat related	1	15.4	22.4	14.0	16.5
They are not related	0	42.5	31.2	<u>37.6</u>	<u>33.8</u>
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of responses		98	205	390	618
Mean degree of relatedne	ess	1.26	1.40	1.45	1.47

How Harper's Education Didn't Help Me on Present Job	Number
The education was not related to my present job.	115
Harper turned me backwards	3
The accounting courses taken have not helped me in present secretarial job.	1
Nursing coordinator at that time was not helpful.	1
Prepared less than I thought, needed more clinical experience.	1

EDUCATION INFORMATION

College or University Enrolled In				
Northern Illinois	18.2	14.3	28.9	17.0
University of Illinois - Circle	9.1	14.3	9.3	11.3
Southern Illinois	9.1	0	9.3	4.4
Western Illinois	0	9.5	4.1	4.4
Illinois State	0	0	3.1	4.4
Northeastern Illinois	0	4.8	3.1	6.9
DePaul	0	4.8	3.1	1.9
University of Illinois - Champaign	0	4.7	2.1	6.0
Elmhurst	0	0	2.1	.6
Harper	0	0	2.0	3.1
Loyola	0	9.5	2.0	2.8
University of Wisconsin-Madison	0	0	1.1	.6
Eastern Illinois	0	0	1.0	1.9
Illinois Medical School	0	0	1.0	0
Valparaiso	0	0	1.0	0
Chicago Institute of Art	0	0	1.0	1.9
Northwestern	0	4.8	1.0	1.9
North Dakota State	. 0	0	0	1.9
University of Wisconsin - Stout	0	0	0	1.9
Other .	<u>63.6</u>	<u>33.3</u>	24.8	<u>27.1</u>
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	11	21	97	159



Five Year Follow-Up - Other Colleges Attended by One Harper Alumni

Metro State (Denver)
John Marshall
University of New Orleans
College of Pediatric Medicine
Texas A & M
Montana State
Arizona State

Three Year Follc s-Up - Other Colleges Attended by One Harper Alumni

University of Southern California Cincinnati Palmer College - Chiropractic University of Wyoming Florida State Michael Reese School of Medical Technology Baylor Augustana College - Rock Isalnd Midland Lutheran College - Nebraska Midwestern School of Law - St. Paul University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh Portland State Columbia Arizona State Youngstown State Trinity College Quincy College Florida Atlantic U. Central Michigan Midwest College - Lombard, Illinois University of Wisconsin - LaCrosse University of Chicago Colorado State University of Texas Devry Institute of Technology

Three Year Follow-Up - Other colleges attended by Two Harper Alumni

Bradley
University of Minnesota
George Williams College
University of North Dakota
Winona State
University of Arizona
University of California



	,	Five Year 1974	Fol Low-Up 1975	Three Year	Follow-Up
Present Major		1969 Class		1971 Class	
Biological &	Health Sciences	18.1	38.1	11.3	18.3
Business		18.1	19.0	13.	16.7
Social Scienc	es	9.1	4.8	14.9	16.3
Education		9.1	9.5	14.9	11.4
Humanities		0	9.5	5.6	10.6
Architecture		0	0	4.5	6.5
_	erature - Speech	9.1	0	3.4	5.7
Engineering &	Technology	0	4.8	13.6	4.9
Law		27.4	9.5	3.4	3.2
Math or Physi		0	4.8	2.3	3.2
Agricuture &		9.1	0	3.4	2.0
Home Economic	S	0	0	2.3	.8
Journalism	1.61 - 1\	0	0	2.3	0
Other (unspec	ified)	0	0	4.5	0
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of r	esponses	11	21	88	123
to Major at H Degree of	f Present Major arper				
<u>Relatedness</u>					
3	Identical	27.3	33.3	31.6	32.8
2	Closely related	27.3	19.1	25.3	26.9
1	Somewhat related	27.3	33.3	27.4	22.7
0	Not related	18.1	14.3	15.7	17.6
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of r	esponses	11	21	88	119
Mean degree	of relatedness	1.64	1.71	1.73	1.75
nean degree	or retucedness	1.04	2.7.2	2.75	1.,5
	urses Taken at Were Transferred				
0 - 20 perce	nt	0	0	2.1	1.7
20 - 40 perce	nt	9.1	0	2.1	1.7
40 - 60 perce	nt	0	10	6.2	5.2
60 - 80 perce	nt	9.1	10	6.2	6.9
80 - 90 perce	nt	27.3	20	13.4	7.8
All but 2 or		27.3	20	6.1	14.7
All but 1 cou		9.1	5	13.4	8.6
Transferred a	ll courses	<u>18.1</u>	35	50.5	53.4
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of r	esponses	11	20	97	116
Mean percen	t of courses transferred	82.1	86.3	87.7	89.2



		<u>Five Year</u>	Follow-Up	Three Year Follow-Up		
Class St a nding	Class	1975		1975		
at Present College	<u>Index</u>	1970	Class	<u>1972 Class</u>		
Freshman	1		0		0	
Sophomore	2		0		2.5	
Junior	3	1	4.3		13.2	
Senior	4	4	2.8		58.7	
Graduate school	5	1	6.7		20.6	
Professional school	5	2	6.2		3.3	
Other	NI	-	0		1.7	
Total		1	00%	_	100%	
Number of responses			21		121	
Mean class index		4	. 29		4.06	
Grade Performance of Har	ner	Five Year	Follow-Up	Three Vos	r Follow-Up	
Alumni at Four Year Inst		1974	1975	1974	1975	
They Are Attending	200220115		1970 Class		1972 Class	
		1707 Class	1970 Class	19/1 Class	1972 Class	
Percent of students who						
a 3.0 cumulative GPA or		27.3	57.1	48.4	53.9	
Percent of students who						
below a 2.0 cumulative	GPA	0	0	2.1	1.7	
Me a n c umulative GPA		2.76	3.00	2.90	2.91	
Number of respondents		11	21	95	117	
Grade Performance of Harp Alumni While at Harper	per —					
Percent of students who e	earned					
a 3.0 cumulative GPA or	r better	18.2	19.1	29.3	34.3	
Percent of students who e	earned					
below a 2.0 cumulative	GPA	0	14.3	7.3	3.0	
Mean cumulative GPA		2.67	2.35	2.71	2.69	
Number of respondents		11	21	95	99	
Number of Tespondenes		11	21	73	77	
Cost of Present College To Family or Student						
Less than \$500		10.0	13.3	5.2	4.9	
\$ 500 - \$1,000		10.0	6.7	5.2	7.8	
\$1,000 - \$1,500		30.0	0	14.6	5.8	
\$1,500 - \$2,000		0	6.7	19.8	18.4	
\$2,000 - \$2,500		20.0	13.3	27.0	15.5	
\$2,500 - \$3,000		10.0	13.3	13.6	26.2	
Over \$3,000		20.0	46.7	14.6	21.4	
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Total		100%	100%	100%	100%	
Number of respondents		10	15	96	103	
Mean cost per year		\$1905	\$2507	\$2076	\$2286	



Courses by Rank Order of Their Net Benefit to the Alumni

		1970 Five Ye	ear Follow-Up	<u>.</u>		1972 Three Y	ear Follow-	Üр
	1969	Times Nominated As Most Beneficial	Times Nominated As Least Beneficial Course	1970 _a/b	1971 a/b	Times Nominated As Most Beneficial Course	Times Nominated As Least Beneficial Course	197 a/l
Courses	<u>a/b</u>	Course						38.0
Nursing	7.00	18	ĺ	18.0	33.00	38	1	30.0
Secretarial	- 0		^	6/0	13.00	26	2	13.0
Science	5.8	6	0	6/0	5.50	26 11	1	11.0
Fashion Design	-	0	0	- 0	3.00		2	9.0
Criminal Justice	-	0	1			16 25	3	8.3
Marketing	-	6	2	3.00	0 23	25 79	10	7.9
General Business	23.0	26	0 ·	26/0	8.33	79 7	10	7.0
Food Service	-	0	0		- 275		2	6.5
Electronics	1/0	4	0	4/0	3.75			
Accounting		22	7	3.14	-	61	16	3.8
Education	4.5	14	0	14/0	2.36	35	10	3.5
Journalism	-	2	1	2.00	-	14	4	3.5
Data Processing	5.0	8	3	2.67	1.81	40	12	3.3
Psychology	5.8	46	8	5.75	3.34	183	56	3.2
Architecture	2/0	4	1	4.00	2.00		4	3.2
Speech	5.25	34	4	8.50	5.26		35	3.0
Sociology	6.30	43	11	3.91	3.31	137	45	3.0
Chemistry	-	12	9	1.33	-	45	24	1.8
English	7.25	43	16	2.69	2.76	168	96	1.7
Math	1.29	30	11	2.73	2.11	110	70	1.5
Political	4 • - -	- -	-					
Science	1.50	12	13	.92	1.30	47	36	1.3
Biology	.61	20	15	1.33	1.91	89	78	1.1
Philosophy &	• • •	• •	- -	- • • •		-		ļ
rniiosopny ∝ Humanities	1.88	22	19	1.16	1.90	96	85	1.1
	2.20	10	7	1.43	1.03		48	1.0
Art Refrigeration &	2.20	10	•	1140	4	- -		1
Air Condition		0	0	•••	_	1	1	1.0
	.14	7	6	1.17	1.24		24	. 9
Physical Science		11	16	.69	.70		56	.8
Physical Education	n .42 .58	13	26	.50	.93		74	.6
History	. 30	13	20		• / -	7,	• •	
Supervisory &		3	0	3/0	_	41	0	41/
Adm. Mgmt.	-	3 10	0	10/0	6.00		0	30/
Dental Hygiene	0	10	U	10,0	0.00	50	•	,
Mechanical	1/0	2	0	2/0	3.38	7	0	7/
Engineering	1/0	2	0	2/0	3.30	3	0	3/
Fire Science	-	0	0	_	-	3 8	5	1.6
Other	-	0	1	0	•			
Total	2.24	428	178	2.40	2.27	1620	801	2.0





COMPARISON OF COURSE RATINGS NOW WITH RATINGS MADE SHORTLY AFTER LEAVING HARPER

Ratio of Times Nominated Most Beneficial to Times Nominated Least Beneficial

		1970	1970 Alumní				1972	1972 Alumni	
		Now		1970		;	Now		1972
Courses	ZI	Rating	zI	Rating	Courses	Z	Kating	z	Karıng
General Business	26	26/0	112	60.4	Supervisory & Administrative				
Education	14	14/0	16	.07	Management	41	41/0		
Dental Hygiene	10	10/0	15	15/0	Dental Hygiene	30	30/0	30	14.00
Secretarial Science	9	0/9			Mechanical Engineering	7	0//	76	25.00
Electronics	7	0/5			Nursing	39	38.00	87	11.00
Supervisory and Administrative					Secretarial Science	28	13.00		
Management	٣	3/0			Fashion Design	12	11.00		
Mechanical Engineering	7	2/0			Criminal Justice	20	00.6		
Nursing	19	18.00	28	28/0	Marketing	28	8.33		
Speech	38	8.50	109	35,33	General Business	89	7.90	173	76.4
Psychology	24	5.75	135	21.50	Food Service	∞	7.00		
Architecture	5	4.00			Electronics	15	6.50		
- Sociology	24	3.91	4	47.50	Accounting	77	3.81		,
- Accounting	29	3.14			Education	45	3.50	28	2.72
Marketing	œ	3.00			Journalism	18	3,50		
Math	41	2.73	108	1.84	Data Processing	52	3,33	89	1.19
English	59	2.69	167	2.27	Psychology	239	3.27	318	4.58
Data Processing	11	2.67	20	6.00	Architecture	17	3.25		
Journalism	٣	2.00			Speech	142	3.06	199	3.74
Art	17	1.43	40	4.71	Sociology	182	3.04	260	4.20
Biology	35	1.33	93	1.66	Chemistry	69	1.88		
Chemistry	21	1.33			English	797	1.75	327	2.48
Physical Science	13	1.17	77	21.00	Math	180	1.57	263	1.96
Philosophy & Humanities	41	1.16	57	.14	Political Science	83	1.31	147	1.37
Political Science	25	.92	79	1.03	Biology	167	1.14	212	1.65
Physical Education	27	69.	83	90°	Philosophy & Humanities	181	1.13	258	1.53
History	39	.50	96	88.	Art	96	1.00	134	. 84
Criminal Justice	7	0			Physical Science	47	96.	101	1.66
					Physical Education	106	68.	203	.92
•					History	121	79.	171	1.16
Total	909	2.40	1318	2.15		2421	2.02	3089	2.13
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Evaluation Areas of Harper Ranked by Its Rating by Students	1974	Follow-Up 1975 1970 Class	1974	Follow-Up 1975 1972 Class
l=excellent, 2=very good, 3=average, 4=of little value, 5=poor				
Area				
Learning Resources Center	2.81	2.26	2.30	2.02
Teaching Faculty	2.06	2.10	2.14	2.06
Financial Aids	2.54	2.44	2.54	2.29
Course Selection	2.77	2.45	2 .5 3	2.36
Learning Atmosphere	2.73	2.43	2.48	2.40
Admissions Program	2.35	2.48	2.53	2.44
Health Service	2.96	2.70	2.80	2.44
Student Activities	2.98	2.62	2.64	2.47
Records and Registration	2.44	2.35	2.52	2.49
Other Students	2.55	2.40	2.60	2.51
Food Service	3.17	2.73	2.73	2.69
Placement	2.81	2.85	2.96	2.70
Intercollegiate Athletics	3.05	3.08	3.14	2.83
Intramurals	2.80	2.96	2.94	2.87
Counseling	-	3.01	-	2.99
Comparison of Ratings Between				
Harper and College Transferred To				
Area				
Food Service	07	+.60	+.28	+.31
Records and Registration	+.49	+.36	+.17	+. 23
Learning Resources Center	59	+.10	23	+.15
Admissions Program	+.52	16	+, 24	+.04
Financial Aids	+.21	14	07	08
Teaching Faculty	09	29	08	09
Counseling	+.08	36	30	15
Student Activities	38	03	46	15
Learning Atmosphere	06	12	37	18
Health Service	40	70	37	22
Other students	+.13	28	43	 35
Placement	10	50	66	30
Course Selection	39	34	58	40
Intercollegiate Athletics	42	52	74	54
Intramurals	06	15	51	80

^{+ =} Harper ranked better



^{- =} Other colleges ranked better

Distribution of Students by Major Field

		Transfe	er Alumni	
	Fi ve Ye a r	Follow-Up	Three Year	Follow-Up
Major Field	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Humanities & Liberal Arts	34½	21.3	144	29.0
Business	37	22.9	94	18.9
Education	13½	8.3	41	8.3
Biological Sciences	8	4.9	35	7.0
Other Social Sciences	13	8.0	35	7.0
Psychology	5½	3.4	30	6.0
Physical Education	4	2.5	27	5.4
Art	7支	4.6	20	4.0
Engineering	- 6½	4.0	20	4.0
Architecture	7支	4.6	13	2.6
Math	9	5.6	13	2.6
Music	1	. 6	12	2.4
Physical Science	3	1.9	9	1.8
Communications	4	2.5	3	.6
No major	8	4.9	2	
	162	100%	498	100%
		Caree	r Alumni	
Nursing	25	33.4	72	22.7
Dental Hygiene	14	18.7	40	12.6
Criminal Justice	2	2.7	35	11.1
Electronics	3	4.0	25	7.9
Data Processing	13	17.3	24	7.6
Secretarial Science	3	4.0	22	6.9
Fashion Design	1	1.3	20	6.3
Accounting Aide	2	2.7	17	5.4
Marketing Mid Management	4	5.3	17	5.4
Architectural Technology	3	4.0	14	4.4
Journalism	1	1.3	12	3.8
Food Service Management	1	1.3	11	3.5
Mechanical Engineering Technology	3	4.0	3	. 9
Numerical Control	0	0	3	.9
Fire Science	0	0	2	6

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100%

317

100%



Summary of Transfer and Vo-Tech

	Five Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech	Three Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech
Employed full-time - not enrolled in college	6 5. 5	60.0	48.4	65.9
Employed full-time and enrolled part-time	13.0	10.7	10.2	10.4
Employed full-time and enrolled in college full-time	1.2	0	0	1.3
Enrolled in college full-time and employed part-time Enrolled in college full-time but	4.9	5.3	11.9	3.2
not employed	4.9	0	13.9	3.2
Employed part-time, enrolled part-time	e 1.2	1.3	2.4	1.9
Employed part-time but not enrolled		•		
in college	2.5	13.4	3.4	6.3
Armed Services	0	0	0	.9
Unemployed but seeking employment	2.5	1.3	4.6	2.2
Housewife, not employed, not seeking employment, not enrolled	3.7	5.3	1.4	.3
Not employed or enrolled in college for some other reason	0	0	2.8	4.4
Part-time student not employed	.6	2.7	0	0
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	162	75	498	317
Percent remaining in identical fiel either in school or in job	.ds 12.7	50.8	21.0	48.3
Educational Goals				
Presently enrolled full-time in college Presently enrolled part-time	9.9	5.3	24.9	7.6
in college	14.8	13.3	13.5	11.0
Plan to return to college next year	16.7	10.7	9.6	12.0
Plan to return to college someday Presently enrolled in specific	14.8	22.7	15.7	23.3
training program	.6	2.7	4.8	3.2
No plans to continue education	29.6	34.6	23.7	30.3
Educational plans unknown	<u>13.6</u>	<u>10.7</u>	<u>7.8</u>	<u>12.6</u>
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	162	75	498	317



	ive Year ransfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech	Three Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech
I was in college but am now employed				
full-time	46.8	7.5	20.0	6.7
I am working for different company				
or firm now	12.9	3 0.0	17.5	41.6
I am working for the same company or			2.45	
firm at the same job	5.4	27.5	8.8	21.0
I am still at the same college with		_,,,,	•••	,
same major	3.7	0	14.1	5.1
I am working for the same company or	3.,	· ·		
firm, but at a different job	4.3	20.0	8.4	10.8
I have changed colleges	7.5	2.5	6.6	1.0
I am still at the same college, but	. • •	,		_ •
have changed major fields	1.1	0	6.2	1.0
I was working but now I have returned	- • -	·	•••	
to college	2.1	5.0	6.4	1.5
I was unemployed and seeking employment		3.0	0. 4	
but now I am working full-time	. 0	0	.8	.5
I am still unemployed and not enrolled	Ü	v	.0	• •
full-time in college but am not				
seeking employment	1.1	0	2.3	1.0
I am still unemployed and not enrolled		v	2.3	2.0
full-time in college and am seeking				
employment	0	0	2.3	.5
I wasn't seeking employment at the time	•	v	3	• • •
of leaving Harper nor was I in colleg				
but now I am working full-time	0	2.5	.4	0
	2.1	0	2.3	1.5
Was in college, now unemployed I was in Armed Forces, I am now in	2.1	U	2.3	1.5
college full-time	1.6	0	0	.3
I wasn't seeking employment at the time		· ·	U	• •
- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
of leaving Harper nor was I in college but now I am enrolled in college full				
time	1.1	2.5	1.1	0
Was employed, now unemploy€d	5.4	0	.8	2.6
	_	0	^	0
Total disability I am still in Armed Services	0	0	0	1.0
	-	U	U	1.0
I was in Armed Forces, I am now working	2.7	2.5	.5	.3
full-time		2.5	•)	• 5
I was unemployed and seeking employment		0	/.	0
but now I am in college full-time	0 1.1	0 0	.4 0	.5
Was working full-time, now part-time				0
Was in college, now working part-time	1.1	0	1.1 0	3.1
Other changes				
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	93	40	265	195



College Achievement Since	Five Year	Follow-lin	Three Year	Follow-Up
Leaving Harper	Transfer	Vo-Tech	Transfer	Vo-Tech
I have taken no college courses since leaving Harper	14.9	48.0	20.5	5 6. 5
I have taken some college courses	14.9	40.0	20.5	30.3
but do not have a bachelors degree	23.6	36.0	42.6	31.5
I have achieved a bachelors degree	39.1	9.4	26.8	9.8
I have achieved a bachelors degree	37.1	7.4	2000	
plus some graduate courses	17.4	5.3	9.6	1.3
I have achieved a masters degree	3.7	1.3	.4	.3
I have achieved a professional degree	1.3	0	.1	.6
I have achieved a doctorate	0	0	0	0
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	161	75	498	317
		75	470	317
Percent achieving a bachelors degre				10.0
or higher	61.5	16.0	36.9	12.0
Degree Achievement at Harper				
More than one degree	.6	0	1.8	0
Associate in Applied Science	5.6	34.6	5.0	35.3
Associate in Science	16.7	22.7	17.1	23.0
Associate in Arts	39.5	14.7	39.6	12.3
Certificate	0	12.0	.4	11.7
No degree	<u>37.6</u>	16.0	<u>36.1</u>	<u>17.7</u>
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	162	75	498	317
Reasons for Not Receiving Degree				
Preferred transferring to another				
college	57.7	0	57.6	30.2
Short credits	3.8	0	1.7	0
Had taken all courses originally				
wanted to take	7.7	66.7	6.5	7.0
Saw no relationship between the				
courses and personal, occupational	2.0	•	1 0	
or educational goals	3.8	0	1.2	2.3
Did not petition	0 3.9	0 0	5.9 1.2	0 4.7
Educational goals were not defined Harper offered no further coures I	3.9	U	1, 2	4.7
wanted	7.7	0	4.1	0
Job demand	0	ő	4.1	4.7
New job opportunity	Ö	ő	1.2	11.6
Personal problems	Ö	Ö	1.7	0
Lost interest, wasn't challenged	0	0	1.2	2.3
Still enrolled at Harper	0	0	1.2	7.0
Family responsibility	0	0	1.2	2.3



Five Year Follow-Up Three Year Follow-Up Continued Transfer Vo-Tech Transfer Vo-Tech Transfer Vo-Tech					
(continued) Marriage 0 0 1.2 11.6 Low grade point 0 0 1.2 0 Problem in financing further education 0 .6 0 Teachers were ineffective 0 0 .6 0 Moved 3.8 0 1.7 0 Personal financial problems 0 0 2.3 0 Illness 0 0 1.2 0		Five Year	Follow-Up	Three Year	Follow-Up
Marriage 0 0 1.2 11.6 Low grade point 0 0 1.2 0 Problem in financing further education 0 .6 0 Teachers were ineffective 0 0 .6 0 Moved 3.8 0 1.7 0 Personal financial problems 0 0 2.3 0 Illness 0 0 1.2 0	_	Transfer	Vo-Tech	Transfer	Vo-Tech
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Teachers were ineffective 0 0 0 0 Moved 3.8 0 1.7 0 Personal financial problems 0 0 2.3 0 Illness 0 0 1.2 0		0	0		0
Moved 3.8 0 1.7 0 Personal financial problems 0 0 2.3° 0 Illness 0 0 1.2 0			•	-	-
Personal financial problems 0 0 2.3 0 Illness 0 0 1.2 0	Moved	3.8	0		0
1,2	Personal financial problems	0	0		0
Entering military 11.6 33.3 1.2 0	Illness	0	0	1.2	0
1.2 U	Entering military	11.6	33.3	1.2	0
Can't get in desired program at Harper 0 0 2.3	Can't get in desired program at Harper	0	0	0	2.3
Didn't know I could get degree 0 0 1.2 0	Didn't know I could get degree		0	1.2	0
0 0 0 0	Other	0	0	0	0
Total 100% 100% 100% 100%	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number 26 3 85 43	Number	26	3	85	43
			•	03	43
EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION	EMPLOYM	ENT INFORM	ATION		
Classification of Present Occupation	Classification of Present Occupation				
Occupational Field	Occupational Field				
Medical field 1.3 47.7 3.8 33.7	Medical field	1.3	47.7	3.8	33.7
Business or finance 19.9 12.9 25.5 15.0	Business or finance	19.9	12.9		
Engineering or related technology 6.9 10.6 6.2 9.6	Engineering or related technology	6.9	10.6	6.2	
Office or clerical 7.9 4.5 11.2 8.1	Office or clerical	7.9	4.5	11.2	8.1
Sales 10.6 3.5 15.1 6.6	Sales	10.6	3.5	15.1	6.6
Trades 14.6 6.1 9.8 5.1		14.6	6.1	9.8	5.1
Educational 18.9 2.3 1.24 2.2		18.9	2.3	1.24	2.2
Legal or governmental 4.0 1.5 5.8 9.7				5.8	9.7
Social or religious 2.0 .8 2.1 .7				2.1	.7
Factory semi-skilled 5.9 1.5 3.8 1.8	-	+ · · ·	1.5	3.8	1.8
Arts or humanities 4.0 3.0 1.2 .4		4.0	3.0	1.2	.4
Scientific 0 0 1.8 .7			_	1.8	.7
Food Service or Hotel/Motel 0 0 4.0		0	0	0	4.0
Conservation or agriculture 0 0 .7		-		0	.7
Own or manage small business 0 0 .4		0	J	0	.4
Other (not specified) 4.0 3.8 1.3	Other (not specified)	4.0	<u>3.8</u>	1.8	1.3
Total 100% 100% 100% 100%	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%



Number of responses

	Employment		Five Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech	Three Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech
Status Rating	Status Description					
			9 0	1 5	5.6	2.2
1 2	Unskilled labor Semi-skilled labor		8.0 16.0	1.5 4.6	15.4	8.4
3	Technician-skilled	labor	10.0	4.0	13.4	•
-	foreman		7.3	9.1	17.8	14.7
4	Beginning profession		37.3	27.3	39.0	34.8
5	Experienced profess: second line super	visor	26.0	56.0	19.5	37.0
6 7	Researcher or middle management Vice-president leve		4.7	1.5	1.5	1.8
,	higher	1 01 ,		0	1.2	1.1
Total			100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	of responses		150	66	338	273
	status		3.74	4.36	3.61	4.06
A 1 C.	.1					
Annual Sa			•	0	2.7	2.2
Up to \$5, \$ 5,000 -			.9 6.3	0 2.0	3.7 15.0	2.2 7.1
\$ 7,000 -			14.4	12.0	18.3	21.7
\$ 9,000 -			17.1	6.0	17.9	11.1
\$10,000 -			24.4	34.0	16.7	26.1
\$10,000 -			22.5	32.0	17.1	22.1
\$12,000 -			6.3	12.0	7.7	8.0
\$20,000 -			5.4	2.0	1.6	1.3
Over \$25,			2.7	0	2.0	.4
•	,000					
Total	_		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	of responses		111	50	246	226
Mean Sa	•		\$12,032	\$12,260	\$10,640	\$11,558 \$10,627
Median			\$10,963	\$11,824	\$ 9,739	\$10,027
7.1. 7 A		stance				
Job Locat	<u>1</u>	<u>ndex</u>				
Downt own	Chicago	2	8.5	10.6	7.7	8.1
Outer fri	nges of Chicago	1	5.8	9.1	8.0	6.6
Northwest	suburbs	0	47.3	37.9	46.4	44.6
Other Chi	cago suburbs	1	19.2	25.8	20.6	24.4
) miles from Chicago - more than 100	3	6.9	3.0	4.6	4.3
miles a		4	3.1	0	2.6	0
Outside 1	Illinois	5	9.2	13.6	10.1	12.0
Total			100%	100%	100%	100%
Number	of responses		130	66	345	∠58
Average	e distance index		1.21	1.33	1.19	1.20

Relatedness of Job To Degree of Major Field at Harper Relatedness	Five Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech	Three Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech
They are identical 3	11.5	54.5	13.2	53.5
They are closely related 2	23.0	16.7	17.7	20.7
They are somewhat related 1	28.1	10.6	22.5	9.8
They are not related 0	37.4	18.2	46.6	16.0
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of responses	139	66	333	275
Mean relatedness index	1.09	2.08	.98	2.12
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EDUCA	I IUNAL INFU	RMAII ON		
College or University Enrolled In				
Northern Illinois	11.7	25.0	19.8	3.6
University of Illinois - Circle	17.7	0	10.7	14.3
Southern Illinois	0	0	4.6	3.6
Western Illinois	11.7	0	4.6	3.6
Illinois State	0	0	5.3	0
Northeastern Illinois	5.9	0	7.6	3.6
DePaul	5.9	0	.8	7.1
University of Illinois - Champaign	5.9	0	6.5	3.6
Elmhurst	0	0	.8	0
Harper	0	0	2.3	7.1
Loyola	5.9	25.0	2.6	3.6
University of Wisconsin - Madison	0	0	.8	0
Eastern Illinois	0	0	2.3	0
Illinois Medical School	0	0	0	0
Valparaiso	0	0	0	0
Chicago Institute of Art	0	0	.8	7.1
Northwestern	0	25.0	2.3	0
North Dakota State	0	0	1.5	3.6
University of Wisconsin - Stout	0	0	0	10.7
Other	35.3	25.0	26.7	25.8
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Total	100%	100%	100%	100%



Number of responses

D	P!-1:	Five Year	•	Three Year	•
Present Major	rield	Transfer	<u>Vo-Tech</u>	Transfer	<u>Vo-Tech</u>
Social Scien	ces	5.9	0	10.9	32.2
Business		23.5	0	14.7	22.6
-	Health Sciences	35.3	50.0	16.8	22.6
Engineering (& Technology	0	25.0	4.4	6.5
Architecture		0	0	6.5	6.5
Education		11.7	0	14.1	3.2
•	& Conservation	0	0	1.6	3.2
Law		5.9	25.0	3.3	3.2
Journalism		0	0	0	0
Humanities		11.8	0	14.1	0
	terature - Speech	0	0	7.6	0
Math or Phys		5.9	0	4.4	0
Home Economi		0	0	1.1	0
Other (unspe	cified)	0	0	0	0
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of	responses	17	4	92	31
to Major at 1 Degree of	of Present Major Harper				
<u>Relatedness</u>					
3	Identical	29.4	50.0	35.9	22 .2
2	Closely related	23.5	0	25.0	33.4
1	Somewhat related	29.4	50.0	22.8	22 .2
0	Not related	17.7	0	16.3	22 .2
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of	responses				
Mean degre	e of relatedness	1.65	2.00	1.80	1.56
	ourses Taken a: Were Transferred				
0 - 20 perce	ent	0	0	0	8.0
20 - 40 perce	ent	0	0	1.1	4.0
40 - 60 perce		6.3	25.0	3.3	12.0
60 - 80 perce	ent	6.2	25.0	6.6	8.0
80 - 90 perce	ent	25.0	0	9.9	0
All but 2 or	3 courses	18.7	25.0	16.5	8.0
All but 1 cou	ırse	6.3	0	7.7	12.0
Transferred a	all courses	37.5	25.0	54.9	48.0
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of a	r es ponses	16	4	91	25
Mean percer	nt of courses transferred	88.6	76.9	91.7	80.0



Grade Performance of Harper Alumni at Four Year Institutions They Are Attending	Five Year Transfer	Follow-Up Vo-Tech	Three Year <u>Transfer</u>	Follow-Up Vo-Tech
Percent of students who earned a 3.0 cumulative GPA or better Percent of students who earned	58.8	50.0	57.5	39.1
below a 2.0 cumulative GPA Mean cumulative GPA	0 3.00	0 3.00	2.1 2.92	0 2.90
Number of respondents	17	4	94	23
Grade Performance of Harper Alumni While at Harper				
Percent of students who earned a 3.0 cumulative GPA or better Percent of students who earned	23.5	0	38.3	16.7
below a 2.0 cumulative GPA	5.9	50.0	2.5	5.6
Mean cumulative GPA	2.45	1.95	2.75	2.44
Number of respondents	17	4	81	18
Cost of Present College to Family o	r Student			
Less than \$ 500	18.2	0	1.2	18.2
\$ 500 - \$1,000	0	25.0	8.6	4.5
\$1,000 - \$1,500	0	0	7.4	0
\$1,500 - \$2,000	9.1	0	17.3	22.7
\$2,000 - \$2,500	9.1	25.0	14.8	18.2
\$2,500 - \$3,000	0	50.0	23.5	36.4
Over \$3,000	<u>63.6</u>	0	27.2	0
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%
Number of responses	11	4	81	2 2
Mean cost per year	\$2645	\$2125	\$2393	\$1895



How Education at Harper Helped Alumni on Their Present Job - Summary

Provided training in specific skill needed - 164 Education didn't help - 58 Provided me general background - 48 Provided background in accounting, management, marketing business - 46 Education not related to present job - 30 Provided pre professional background for present profession - 19 Improved my human relations skills - 17 Improved my communication skills - 7 Specific program areas provided useful background - 7 Harper interested and motivated me in present direction and broadened my horizons - 7 Nelped me only in non-job activities - 4 Improved my skill in field - 4 Helped me to mature - 3 I was in wrong field at Harper and have since changed vocational fields - 2 It is of no help to me now but will probably be of help in future - 2 Obtained present job through Harper contact and recommendation - 2 Raised my confidence level - 1

Total Summary

	Number	Percent
Harper education was helpful in present job	337	77.8
Harper education was not helpful in present job	<u>96</u>	22.2
	433	100.0%

How Harper's Education Helped Them on Job - Detailed Responses

General knowledge and background - 112 Provided me good general business background - 45 Accounting program was directly related to present job as accountant - 11 Motivated me to become an accountant - 1 Provided me basics in marketing - 6 Business and other classes helped me in sales - 3 Helped me improve my secretarial skills or helped me become a secretary - 4 Typing helped me in my present job as clerk in accounts payable - 3 Course in office machines is directly related to present job - 3 Data processing program prepared me for my present job as IO clerk and programmer with electronic data recorders - 4 Food Service Management program directly related to my present job - 1 Provided me a foundation for a bachelors degree - 49 The degree opened opportunities for me - 14 Nursing Program was directly related to my present job as a nurse - 37 Specialized nursing course presented by Ms. Hollerman especially helpful - 1 Nursing program helped me to prepare for state boards - 16 Nursing provided me good foundation for present field in medical psychology - $\mathbf{1}$ Nursing program provided me a background which helps me on present job as a hemo-dialysis nurse - a new fiel - 1 Dental Hygiene program was directly related to my present job as Dental Hygienist - 29 Prepared me to take National and State Dental Hygiene Boards - 2



How Harper's Fducation Helped Them on Job - (Continued)

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Psychology and interaction with students gave me a good background in working with
  people - 29
Helped me in communication skills and decision making and gave me confidence - 19
Made me more aware of environment around me - 4
Helped me to mature - 2
Political Science and history background helped me - 1
Psychology helped me in present job of dealing with emotionally distrubed children - 1
Changed my social philosophy - 1
Broadened my horizons - 1
Taught me to teach myself - 1
Criminal Justice program directly related to my present job helped dealing with
  dilenquent youth and helped me get job - 11
It will be of help in future job with FBI I am anticipating - 1
Math background helped - 5
Science program helped - 3
Art classes were great preparation for me as art instructor and in art display
  and design - 4
Encouraged me to develop my artistic skills - 1
Helped me prepare to be a music teacher - 1
Course in theater was enjoyed and helps in way I deal with certain people - 1
An introduction to architects outloook on construction situation very helpful - 1
Architecture tech courses helped in my job as village building inspector - 1
Prepared me to be a draftsman - 2
Engineering courses helped me - 1
Motivated an interest in mechanics - 1
My electronics program at Harper was directly related to my present job - 4
Provided ground work to become electrical engineer - 1
Helped me in instrument repairs and maintenance in my territory - 1
Biological sciences provided background and contacts for job - 4
Prepared me for pharmacy school - 1
Medical lab technology helped me in microbiology - 1
Pre-vet program got me into vet school and prepared me for present job as a vet - 1
Fashion design program closely related to my present job - 4
Fashion design helped me make my own clothes - 1
Physical education courses helped me - 1
Motivated me to become a physical education major - 1
Sports program helped me - 1
Major preparation was extra-curricular audio-visual work - 1
Courses at Harper directly related to my graduate assistant activities - 1
Internship helped me get job - 1
Motivated me to become a teacher - 1
Child care helped me in my teaching career for handicapped children - 1
H. lped me explore a number of career alternatives - 1
Helped me get good job - 1
Spanish helped me - 1
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Personal Development - 141

Provided maturing experience - gave confidence - motivated - 51
Learned how to interact and deal with different people - 44
Made friends - 21
Varied background of students in classroom - 7
Student interaction - 7
Learned to organize ones time and to discipline self - 4
Learned to appreciate value of education - 3
Motivated to succeed -1
Learned to take directions - 1
Meaningful religious experience - 1
Non-violent movement participation - 1

Faculty and Counselor Impact - 113

Some outstanding faculty stimulated and motivated me - 52
Genuine interest of faculty in students extra help received - 23
Interaction and relationship with faculty and staff - 19
Help from counseling was useful - 14
Private counseling helped me - 2
Outstanding counselors stimulated and motivated me - 2
Advice received from faculty - 1

Specific Courses or Programs

Good Experiences - 92

Psychology - 10 Nursing - 8 Philosophy and Humanities - 7 Political Science - 5 Electronics - 5 Sociology - 4 English - 4 Speech - 4 Secretarial Science - 4 History - 4 Chemistry - 3 Math - 3 Learning laboratory - 3 Music theory and history - 3 Business courses - 2 Food Service - 2 Physics - 2 Fashion Design - 2 Journalism - 2 Architectural Design - 2 Human anatomy and physiology - 1

Education courses - 1
Criminal Justice classes - 1
Art - 1
Dental Hygiene - 1
Physical Edcuation - 1
Child care - 1
Mechanical engineering - 1
Data Processing - 1
Marketing - 1
Business management - 1
Accounting - 1
Purchasing - 1

Bad Experiences or Needs - 2

Need business program for small businessman - 1 Didn't like electives in unrelated fields - 1



Preparation for the Future

Good Experience - 68

Opportunity to start college career and good preparation for transferring - 25 Was able to figure out future goals - 22 Harper motivated me to continue my education - 8 Professional job preparation - 5 Counseling services and contacts received motivated me to enter counseling field - 2 Job placement - 2 Helped me achieve my life long professional goal - 2 Knowing what a potential resource Harper could be for me in future - 1 Career guidance and testing was helpful - 1

Work Related and Volunteer Experiences While at Harper - 56

Work and clinical experience while attending Harper - 51 Volunteer work while attending Harper - 4 Contacts with professionals in field - 1

General Evaluation of Harper

Good Experiences - 44

Relaxed, open, independent, very motivating but controlled atmosphere - 19
The whole experience - 13
Getting the diploma - 6
Just having access to education - impossible without Harper - 6

Bad Expereinces - 6

Two years at Harper were a real disappointment - 6

General Academic Experiences - 35

Class room experiences - 30 LRC facilities - 3 Small classes - 1 Learned to do library research - 1

Student Activity Experiences - 22

Intercollegiate athletics - 8
Working on Harbinger - 4
Other student activities - 3
Speech Club -3
Student senate activities - 2
Professional clubs - pre med club - 1
Musical groups on campus - 1



Social Sciences - 61 Education - 19 More advanced education courses - 6 More education courses - 5 Child care courses - 3 Elementary education - 2 Educational psychology - 2 Educational tests and measurements - 1 Political Science and Public Administration - 12 Public administration - 6 More political science courses - 3 Business political science - 1 Political science history - 1 International relations - 1 Psychology - 7 More in depth psychology - 2 Abnormal psychology - 2 Business psychology - 1 Child psychology - 1 Counseling psychology - 1 Sociology - 5 More in depth sociology - 3 Group dynamics - 1 Sociology theory - 1 Criminal Justice - 5 Criminal law - 1 Better traffic law training - 1 Better juvenile law training - 1 Loss prevention program for personnel security - 1 Criminology - 1 Other More anthropology - 3 Geography - 1 Social Studies - 1 More history courses - 1

More fire science courses - 1



Biological and Health Sciences - 36 Nursing - 21 Comparative anatomy - 7 More clinical experience - 6 Microbiology -4 Biochemistry - 1 Curriculum which includes obstetrics and surgical - 1 Pharmacology - 1 Current trends in nursing - 1 Biology Related - 5 More biology - 2 Environmental biology - 1 Biology for education majors - 1 Zoology - 1 Dental Hygiene - 4 More dental hygiene related courses - 1 Root planning-periodontics in depth - 1 Dental hygiene specialities - 1 Expanded duties for dental hygiene - 1 Botany related - 3 Organic agriculture - 1 More specific botany courses (dendrology) - 1 More botany courses - 1 Other - 3 Nutrition - 1 Mental Health courses - 1 More medical career programs - 1 Art Fields - 31 Art - 7 Basic art and drawing - 3 More design courses - 1 Art appreciation - 1 Commercial art - 1 Color design - 1 Photography - 6 Fashion - 5 Fashion merchandising - 3 Textiles - 1 More extensive fashion design program - 1



Art Fields (cont.) Architecture - 3 Architecture at night - 1 Model building program for architects - 1 More in-dept arch design - 1 Craft - 3 Craft art - 2 Needlework - 1 Music - 3 Music appreciation - 2 Jazz and improvisation - 1 Interior Design More interior design - 1 History of interior design - 1 Drama - 2 Communications - 27 Journalism - 17 More specialized courses in journalism - 4 Advertising theory - 3 Public relations - 3 Broadcast journalism - 2 Broadcast law - 1 Copy writing - 1 Ad layout - 1 Journalism at night - 1 Visual communications - 1 **Other** - 10 Communication - 3 Public speaking - speech - 3 Business communications - 1 More stringent English writing course - 1 More selection of English courses - 1 Report and speech writing - 1



Math & Physical Sciences - 25 Math - 13 More advanced math - 8 More math - 2 Computer math science - 2 Practical math - 1 Chemistry - 5 More chemistry - 3 Quantitative analysis - 2 Other Sciences - 7 Physics - 2 Nuclear physics - 1 Separate science for nurses - 1 More science - 1 More geology - 1 Independent study in sceince - 1 Engineering and Technology - 18 Electronics - 5 Digital and logic circuit electronics - 3 Electric energy - 1 General electronics trouble shooting - 1 Construction - 5 Blue print analysis - 2 Building engineering - 1 Building codes and zoning - 1 Field construction program - 1 General Engineering - 3 Slide rule - 1 More engineering and stress fund - 1 More specialized courses in engineering - 1 Other - 5 Should have learned a trade - 1 Industrial education - 1 Plastic molding - 1 Basic shop courses - 1 Numerical control - 1



Liberal Arts - 13

Philosophy - 3
Foreign languages - 2
Foreign literature - 2
Spanish - 2
More specialized courses in literature - 2
Philosophy of western and non-western civilizations - 1
Humanities - 1

Physical Education - 4

More professional PE courses - 2
Fencing - 1
Intercollegiate sports for girls - 1

Other - 6

Reduce degree requirements - 3

Make Harper a four year college - 1

Other courses taught by different methods - 1

Offer basic home economics courses - 1



<u>A P P E N D I X</u>



HARPER COLLEGE FORMER STUDENT FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONNAIRE

Give a permane	nt address where you can always be reached.
Read the follo	wing items carefully and for each mark an () on the line beside
otherwise stat	priate alternative. Mark only one alternative per item unless ed.
I. Please ch	eck (🖊) major field while at Harper.
2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13.	Accounting Aide Architecture Architectural Technology Art Biological Sciences Business Communications Criminal Justice Data Processing Dental Hygiene Education Education Education Electronics Electronics Engineering Fashion Design Fire Science 17. Humanities and Liberal Arts 18. Journalism 19. Market Mid-Management 20. Mathematics 21. Mechanical Engineering Technolog 22. Music 23. Numerical Control 24. Nursing 25. Physical Education 26. Physical Sciences 27. Psychology 28. Secretarial Science 29. Other Social Sciences Fire Science
	our present status? Check one (). I am employed full-time but am not enrolled in college.
2. 3. 4. 5.	I am employed full-time and am enrolled in college part-time. I am employed full-time and am enrolled in college full-time. I am enrolled in college full-time and am employed part-time. I am enrolled in college full-time but am not employed.
7.	I am enrolled in college part-time and employed part-time. I am employed part-time but am not enrolled in college. I am in the Armed Forces. I am unemployed and not enrolled in college but am seeking employment.
10. 11.	I am a housewife not employed nor enrolled in college. I am not employed nor enrolled in college for some other reason such as illness or in transition, etc.



III.	What are your present educational goals? Check (1/2) one.
	1. I am presently enrolled full-time in a college or university. 2. I am presently enrolled part-time in a college or university. 3. I plan within the next year to return to college.
	4. I plan to return to college someday. 5. I am presently enrolled in a specific training program.
	6. I have no plans at present to continue my education.
	7. My educational plans are unknown at this point.
IV.	How has your status changed since leaving Harper? Compare the first four months after leaving Harper with your status at present. Check (\checkmark) one.
	1. I am working for the same company or firm at the same job. 2. I am working for the same company or firm, but at a different job.
	3. I am working for different company or firm now.
	4. I was working but now 1 have returned to college.
	5. I am still at the same college with same major. 6. I am still at the same college, but have changed major fields.
	7. I have changed colleges.
	8. I was in colleg but am now employed full-time.
	9. I am still in Acmed services.
	10. I was in Armed Forces, I am now in college full-time. 11. I was in Arme: Forces, I am now working full-time.
	12. I am still unemployed and not errolled full-time in college and
	am seeking employment.
	13. I was unemployed and seeking employment but now I am in college full-time.
	14. I was unemployed and seeking employment but now I am working full-time.
	15. I wasn't seeking employment at the time of leaving Harper nor was I in college but now I am enrolled in college full-time.
	16. I wasn't seeking employment at the time of leaving Harper nor was I
	in college but now I am working full-time. 17. I am still unemployed and not enrolled full-time in college but am
	not seeking employment.
	18. I have changed my status since leaving in a way that is not described above (specify)
v.	How far have you continued your education since leaving Harper? Check (🖊) one.
	1. I have taken no college courses since leaving Harper.
	2. I have taken some college courses but do not have a bachelors degree. 3. I have achieved a bachelors degree.
	4. I have achieved a bachelors degree plus some graduate courses.
	5. I have achieved a masters degree.
	6. I have achieved professional degree. 7. I have achieved the doctorate.
	7. I have achieved the doctorate.



v ī.	Did you gra	duate from Harper? Check ((V) one.		
		Yes, with AA degree. Yes, with AS degree. Yes, with AAS degree. Yes, with certificate.			
		Yes, with certificate. No.			
VII.	If you did the most ar	not receive a degree from lepropriate alternative.	larper, indi	cate w	hy you didn't. Check (🖊)
	1.	I have moved. Family responsibilities		13.	I had taken all courses I originally wanted to take.
	3.	Job demand New job opportunity		14.	
	5.	Personal problems		15.	
	6.	I saw no relationship between	منهجيم	16.	•
		the courses and my personal occupational or educational	-	17.	were not defined I wasn't challenged
	_	goals.			I preferred transferring
		Personal financial prob. ema Marriage	3		to another college or university
	9.	Teachers were ineffective		19.	
		Transportation problems Illness			
		Problem in financing further	er		
		education			
Emp]	loyment Item				
-	you are empl m XIV.	oyed, please answer the fol	lowing six i	tems;	otherwise skip to
VIII.	How would	you classify your present o	ccupation?		
	1.	Social or religious	8.	Medio	cal fields
		Educational			or humanities
	3.	Legal, governmental		Trade	es ory semi-skilied
	4.	or political Sales	——————————————————————————————————————		ce or clerical
		Business or finance			r (specify)
		Scientific			
	7.	Engineering or related technology			
IX.	Which of t	he following items best des	cribes your	employ	yment status?
	1.				
		Semi-skilled labor	_		
		Technician, skilled labor	or foreman		
		Beginning professional			amount and a sec
		Experienced professional of Creative scientist or rese			
		Vice-president level or hi		PET III.	idate management



		your major fi	eld and what you prepared
2. 3.	They are closely related They are somewhat related	l. ed.	
What is yo	our annual salary range:	(Answer.only	if employed full-time)
2. 3. 4.	\$ 5,000 - \$ 7,000 \$ 7,000 - \$ 9,000 \$ 9,000 - \$10,000	7.	\$12,000 - \$15,000 \$15,000 - \$20,000 \$20,000 - \$25,000 Over \$25,000
Where is	your job located?		
2. 3. Describe	Outer fringes of Chicago city limits Northwestern Suburban Area (Barrington, Hoffma Estates, Schaumburg, Palatine, Rolling Meadow Arlington Heights, Mt. Prospect, Prospect Heights, Wheeling, Buffa Grove, Elk Grove)	5 6. an 7. ws,	Other Chicago area suburbs Within 40 to 100 miles of Chicago In Illinois more than 100 miles from Chicago Outside of Illinois (specify)
1. 1 2. 1 3. 1 4. 1 5	owing seven questions. On ge or university are you of Northern Illinois University of Illinois - Circle University of Illinois - Champaign Western Illinois Gouthern Illinois	enrolled in?	directly to item XXI. Illinois State Loyola
	for at Har 1.	1. They are identical. 2. They are closely related. 3. They are somewhat related. 4. They are not related. What is your annual salary range: 1. Up to \$5,000 2. \$5,000 - \$7,000 3. \$7,000 - \$9,000 4. \$9,000 - \$10,000 5. \$10,000 - \$12,000 Where is your job located? 1. Downtown Chicago 2. Outer fringes of Chicago city limits 3. Northwestern Suburban Area (Barrington, Hoffma Estates, Schaumburg, Palatine, Rolling Meadow Arlington Heights, Mt. Prospect, Prospect Heights, Wheeling, Buffa Grove, Elk Grove) Describe briefly how your education job you are presently in. ion Items are presently enrolled in a college the following seven questions. On ich college or university are you expect to the college or university are you expect to the college or university of Illinois - Circle 3. University of Illinois - Champaign 4. Western Illinois 5. Jouthern Illinois	1. They are identical. 2. They are closely related. 3. They are somewhat related. 4. They are not related. What is your annual salary range: (Answer.only 1. Up to \$5,000 6. 2. \$5,000 - \$7,000 7. 3. \$7,000 8. 4. \$9,000 - \$10,000 9. 5. \$10,000 - \$12,000 Where is your job located? 1. Downtown Chicago 4. 2. Outer fringes of Chicago 5. city limits 3. Northwestern Suburban 6. Area (Barrington, Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg, 7. Palatine, Rolling Meadows, Arlington Heights, Mt. Prospect, Prospect Heights, Wheeling, Buffalo Grove, Elk Grove) Describe briefly how your education at Harper he job you are presently in. ion Items are presently enrolled in a college or university the following seven questions. Otherwise skip ich college or university are you enrolled in? 1. Northern Illinois 7. 2. University of Illinois - 8. Circle 9. 3. University of Illinois - 10. Champaign 11. 4. Western Illinois 12. 5. Jouthern Illinois 12.



	Which of the following best descr 1. Freshman 2. Sophomor 3. Junior 4. Senior	5. Graduate School 6. Professional School 7. Other (specify)
XVI.	What is your major field presently	·?
	1. Architecture 2. Biological and Health Science 3. Business 4. Education 5. Engineering 6. Home Economics 7. Humanities 8. Journalism	9. Law 10. Math or Physical Science 11. Social Science 12. English-Literature-Speec 13. Languages 14. Agriculture & Conservation 15. Other (Specify)
XVII.	How related is your present major	to your major at Harper?
	1. They are identical 2. They are closely related 3. They are somewhat relate 4. They are not related	d
XVIII.	What portion of the courses which to transfer? If you don t know fo	you took at Harper were you able r sure make the best guess you can.
	1. 0-20% 2. 20-40% 3. 40-60% 4. 60-80%	5. 80-90% 6. All but 20 or 3 courses 7. All but 1 course 8. Transferred all courses
XIX.	What is your approximate cumulative the college you now attend? Check	e grade point average on a 4.0 basis at
	"A"3.8	3.43.2
	3.02.8	2.62.42.2
	2.01.8	1.61.41.2
	1.0less than 1.0	
XX.	How much does it cost you or your present college? Include trition, personal expenses.	family per year to attend your books, room and board, and
	1. Less than \$ 500 2. \$ 500 - \$1,000 3. \$1,000 - \$1,500 4. \$1,500 - \$2,000	5. \$2,000 - \$2,500 6. \$2,500 - \$3,000 7. Over \$3,000



Evaluation Items

Please note the following aspects of college as you knew them while at Harper College. Place the appropriate number on the blank preceding the aspect. Rate Harper and the college you are now attending (if any) as follows:

College now attending

(if any)

- 1. Excellent
- 4. Borderline effectiveness
- 2. Very good
- 5. Poor or ineffective

3. Average

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*Please mark (\checkmark) if you have no basis for rating the aspect.

XXI.		Teaching Faculty .
XXII.		Course Selection
XXIII.		Counseling
XXIV.		Admissions Program
XXV.		Records and Registration
XXVI.		Student Activities (lectures,
VVAI.		concerts, clubs, social events,
		student government, student
		publications, game area)
XXVII.		
YVAII.		Learning Resources Center
		(library and AV center)
XXVIII.		Placement
XXIX.		Financial Aids
XXX.		Health Service
XXXI.		Intercollegiate Athletics
XXXII.		Food Service
XXXIII.		Intramurals
XXXIV.		Learning Atmosphere
xxxv.		Other Students
XXXVI.		The been of most benefit to you on the sity? Check () all those that apply. 17. Journalism 18. Marketing 19. Math 20. Mechanical Engineering 21. Numerical Control 22. Criminal Justice 23. Physical Science 24. Physical Education 25. Political Science 26. Nursing 27. Refrigeration & Air Conditionin 28. Sociology 29. Speech 30. Supervisory & Admin. Management
	15. General Business	31. Psychology
	16. History	32. Secretarial Science



XXXVII.		we been of least benefit to you on the unity? Check (/) all those that apply.			
VVVIIT T	1. Accounting 2. Architecture 3. Art 4. Biology 5. Chemistry 6. Criminal Justice 7. Data Processing 8. Dental Hygiene 9. Education 10. Electronics 11. English 12. Fashion Design 13. Fire Science 14. Food Service 15. General Business 16. History	17. Journalism 18. Marketing 19. Math 20. Mechanical Engineering 21. Numerical Control 22. Philosophy & Humanities 23. Physical Science 24. Physical Education 25. Political Science 26. Nursing 27. Refrigeration & Air Conditioning 28. Sociology 29. Speech 30. Supervisory & Admin Mgmt 31. Psychology 32. Secretarial Science			
XXXIII.	would have benefited you now on your job, in college, or in your community?				

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