

SurviveLaw

Australian Law Student Satisfaction Survey

2013

La Trobe University

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Demographics

Number of responses: 63

Question 2: What degree program are you enrolled in?

Table 1.2: Survey responses by Degree Program

Degree Program	%	Responses
LLB	30.2%	19
LLB/Double Degree	63.5%	40
LLM	1.6%	1
JD	1.6%	1
Other	3.2%	2

Question 3: What is your gender?

Table 1.3: Survey responses by Gender

Gender	%	Responses
Female	77.8%	49
Male	20.6%	13
Other	1.6%	1

Question 4: Current year level of study in your law degree

Table 1.4: Survey responses by Year Level of Study

Year Level of Study	%	Responses
First	25.4%	16
Second	15.9%	10
Third	19.1%	12
Fourth	23.8%	15
Fifth	12.7%	8
Sixth or higher	3.2%	2

Question 5: Current study mode

Table 1.5: Survey responses by Current Study Mode

Study Mode	%	Responses
Full-Time	85.7%	54
Part-Time	14.3%	9

Question 6: Attendance mode

Table 1.6: Survey responses by Attendance Mode

Attendance Mode	%	Responses
On campus	93.7%	59
Off campus/distance	1.6%	1
Mix of on campus and off campus/distance	4.8%	3

Question 7: Are you a domestic or international student?

Table 1.7: Survey responses by Domestic or International Student

Domestic/International	%	Responses
Domestic	98.4%	62
International	1.6%	1

Question 8: Do you mainly study in a metropolitan, regional, remote or overseas area?

Table 1.8: Survey responses by Primary Study Location (metropolitan, regional, remote or overseas)

Study Location	%	Responses
Metropolitan	93.7%	59
Regional	6.4%	4
Remote	0%	0
Overseas	0%	0

Question 9: Are you working while studying?

Table 1.9: Survey responses by Employment Status

Working while studying?	%	Responses
Yes, on average more than 37 hours per week	9.5%	6
Yes, on average fewer than 37 hours per week	79.4%	50
Yes, but only during university holidays	4.8%	3
No	6.4%	4

Question 10: Are you currently working in a law-related job?

Table 1.10: Survey responses by Law-Related Employment Status

Law-related job?	%	Responses
Yes	27.0%	17
No	73.0%	46

Question 11: Do you intend to work as a legal practitioner after you graduate?

Table: Survey responses by Intention to Work as a Legal Practitioner

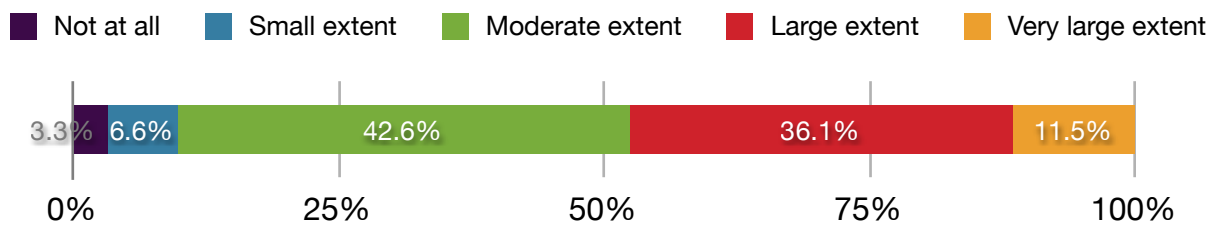
Do you intend to work as a legal practitioner?	%	Responses
Yes	65.1%	41
No	4.8%	3
Unsure	30.2%	19

Part 2: Teaching

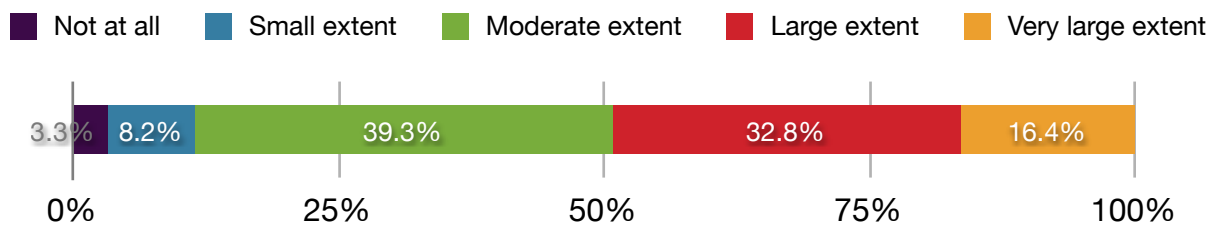
Question 12: To what extent have your lecturers and tutors:

Responses: 61

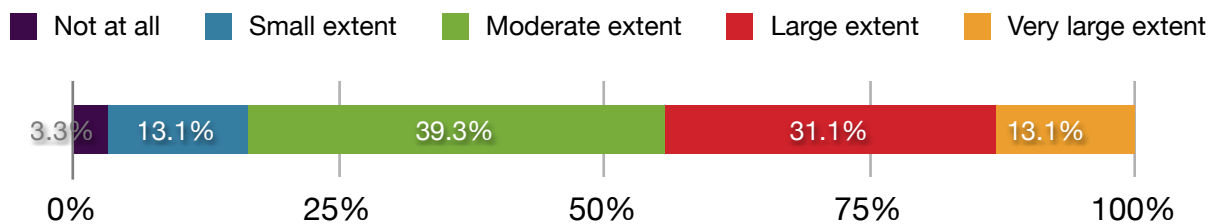
a) Shown that they care about your learning outcomes?



b) Been helpful and approachable?



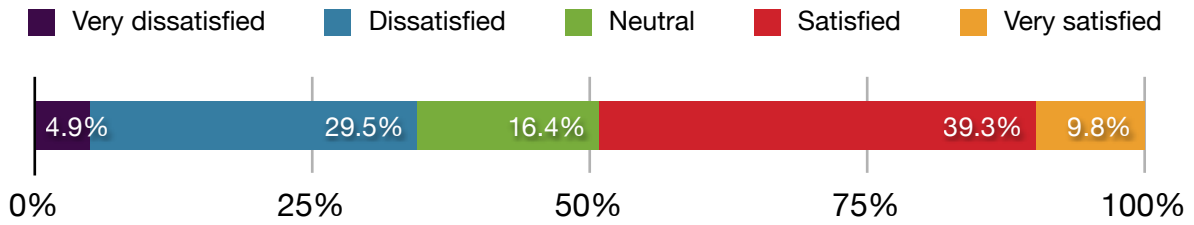
c) Created an engaging learning environment?



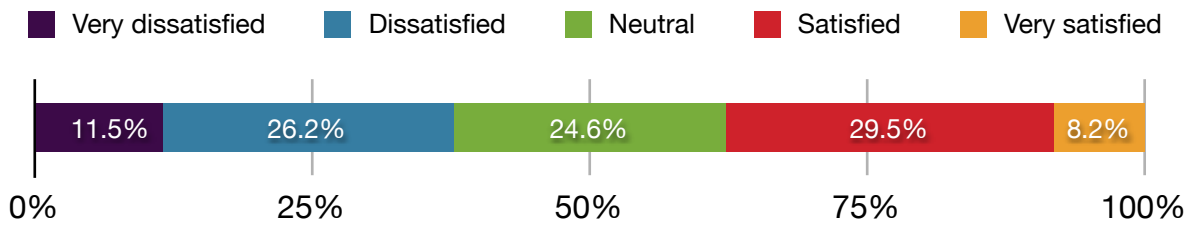
Question 13: How satisfied are you with:

Responses: 61

a) The quality of the feedback that you receive on assessments?

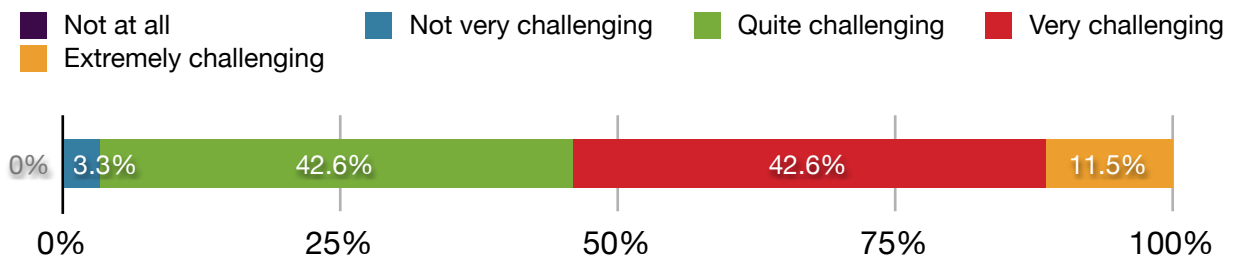


b) the timeliness of the feedback that you receive on assessments?



Question 14: How challenging have you found your assessments?

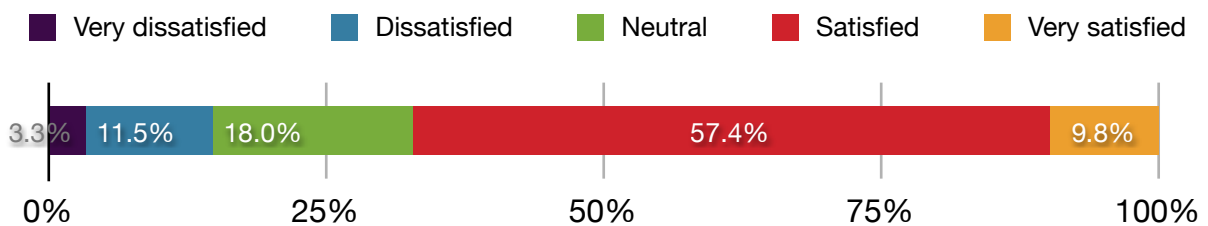
Responses: 61



Satisfaction Rating: Teaching

Question 15: Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of teaching at your law school?

Responses: 61



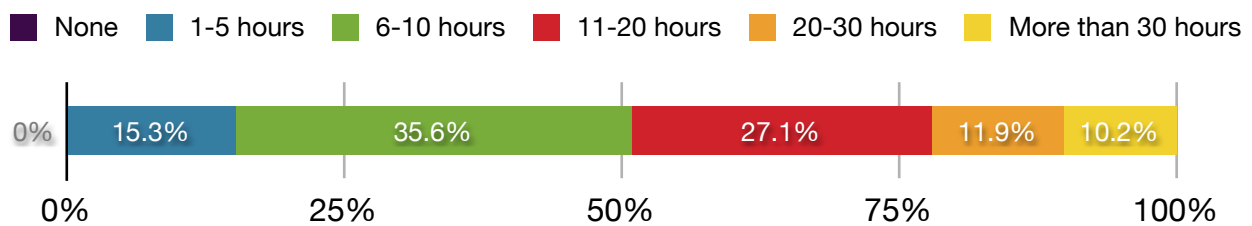
Responses

Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
2	7	11	35	6

Part 3: Study

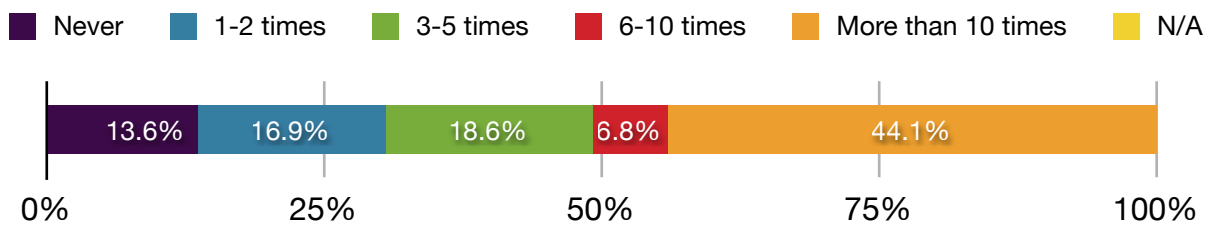
Question 16: During semester, how many hours do you spend studying (including preparing for class) each week?

Responses: 59



Question 17: How often do you visit your law school/university library (as opposed to using online library resources) in a typical semester?

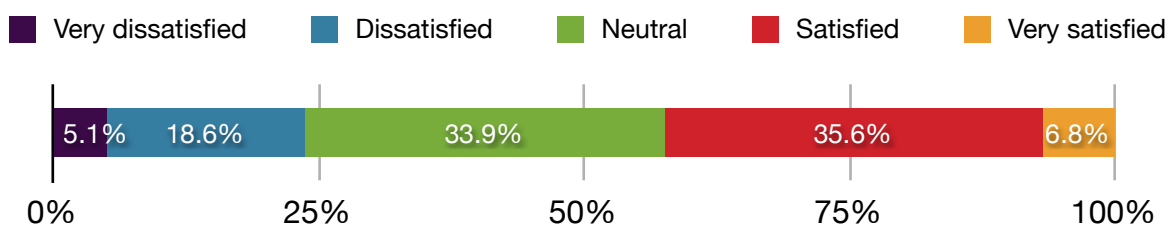
Responses: 59



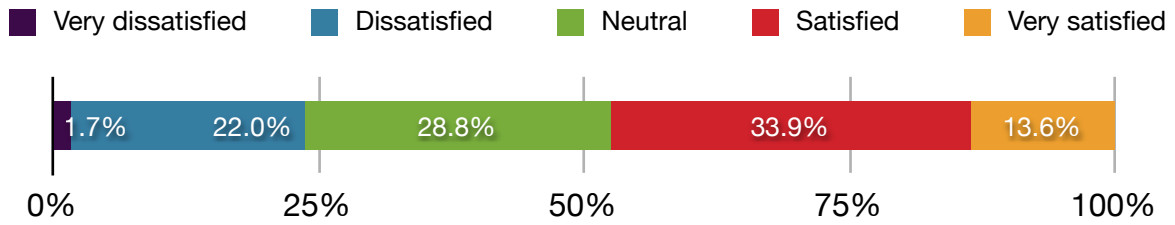
Question 18: How satisfied are you with:

Responses: 59

a) The range of elective subjects available?



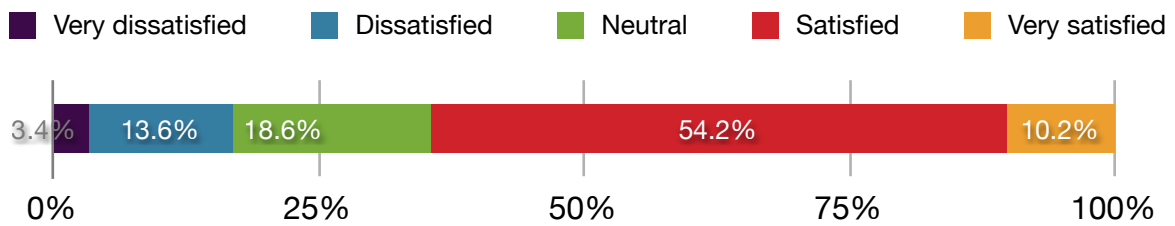
b) The online resources available to support your study, such as study forums?



Satisfaction Rating: Study

Question 19: Overall, how satisfied are you with the study experience at your law school?

Responses: 59



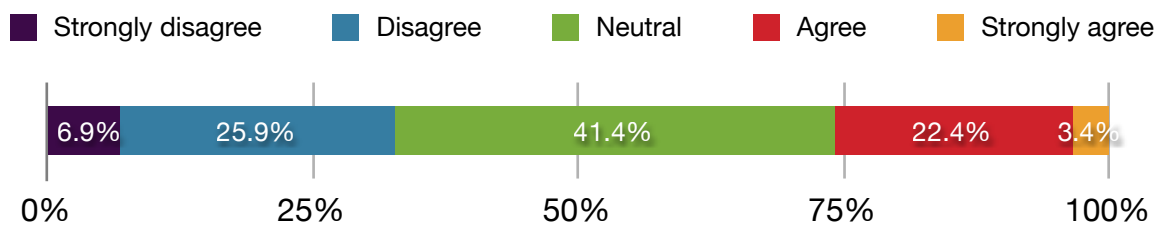
Responses

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2	8	11	32	6

Part 4: Careers

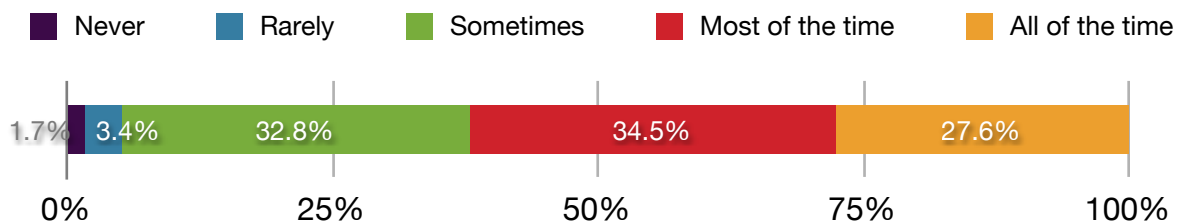
Question 20: I believe my law school is highly regarded by employers.

Responses: 58



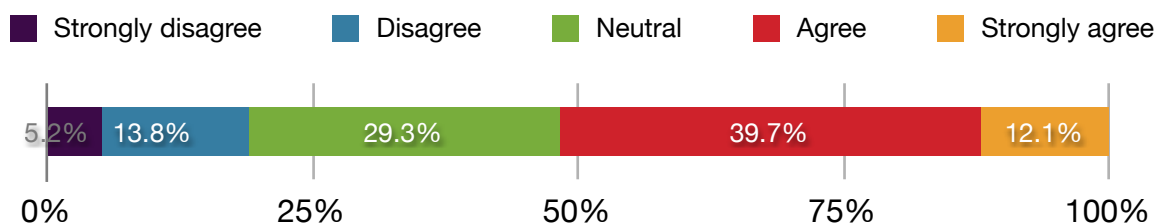
Question 21: How often do you feel stressed about finding a relevant job after you graduate?

Responses: 58



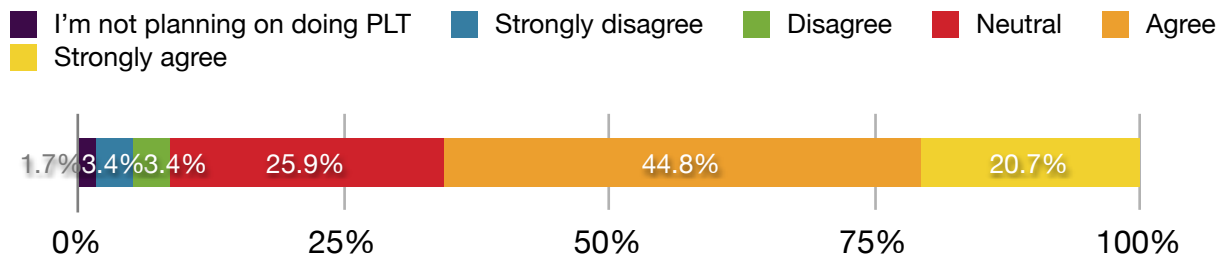
Question 22: My law school provides sufficient information about work experience/employment opportunities.

Responses: 58



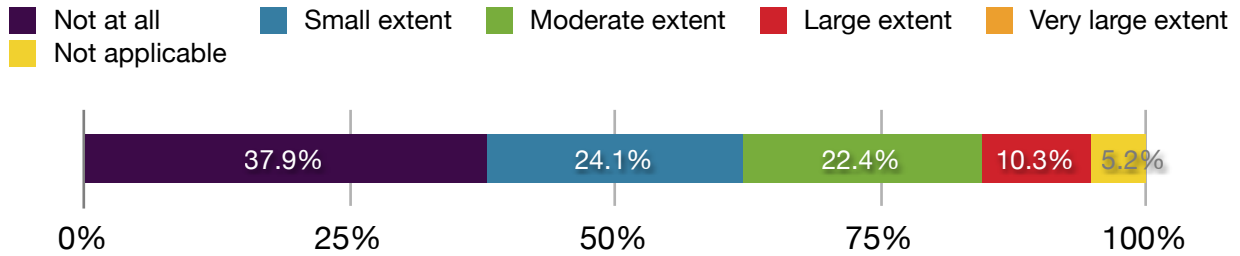
Question 23: I have access to sufficient information about my practical legal training (PLT) options for when I finish my degree.

Responses: 58



Question 24: To what extent have you used career support services at your university?

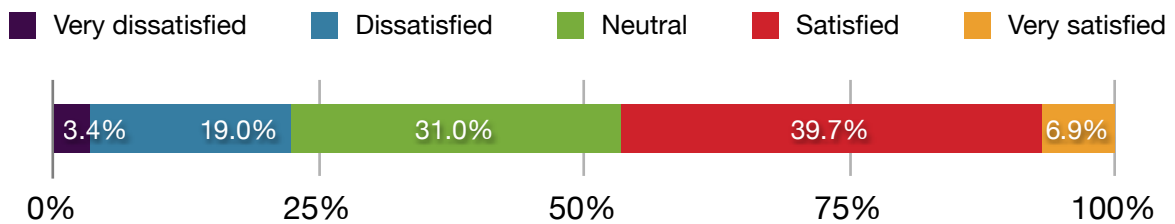
Responses: 58



Satisfaction Rating: Careers

Question 25: Overall, how satisfied are you with the level of career support provided at your law school?

Responses: 58



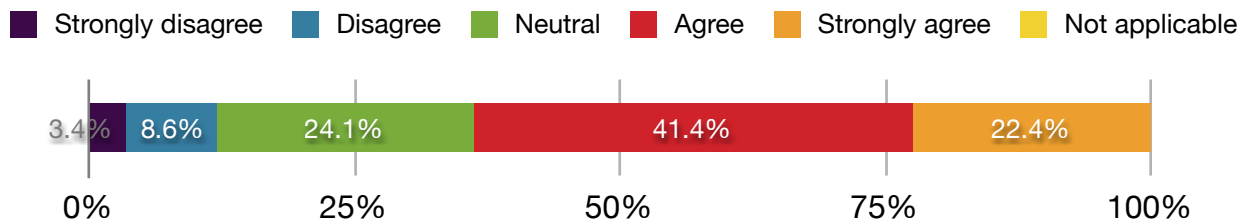
Responses

Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
2	11	18	23	4

Part 5: Campus Life

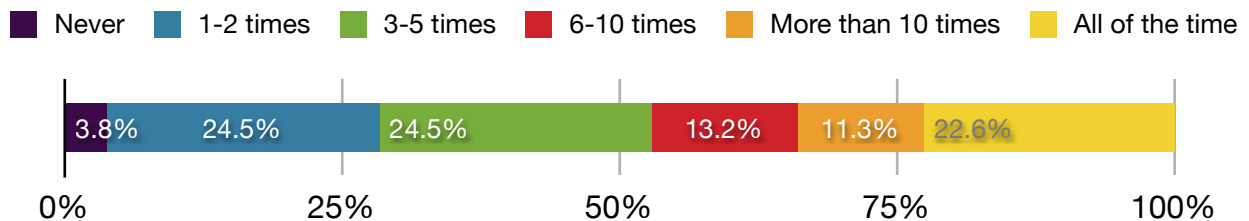
Question 26: I enjoy spending time on campus at my law school

Responses: 58



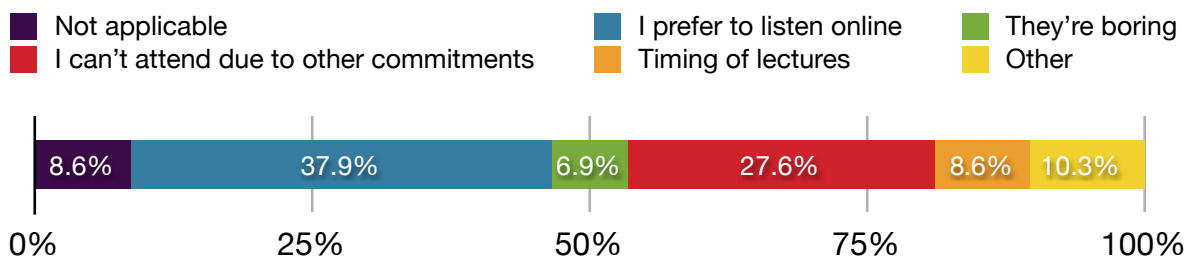
Question 27: How often do you skip lectures in a typical semester, other than as a result of illness?

Responses: 58



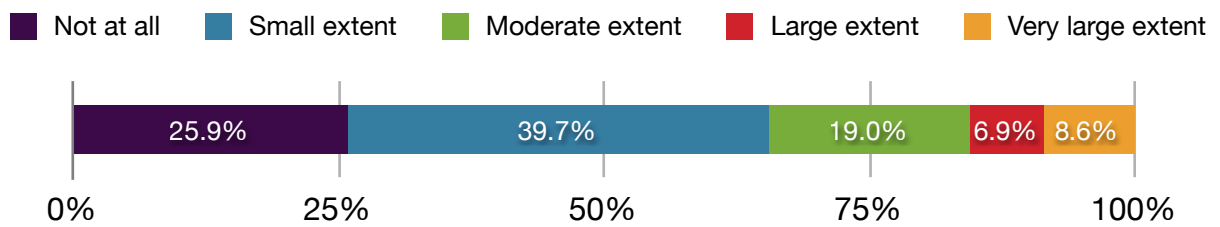
Question 28: What is your main reason for skipping lectures?

Responses: 58



Question 29: To what extent have you taken part in extra-curricular activities such as legal competitions, social events and clubs at your law school?

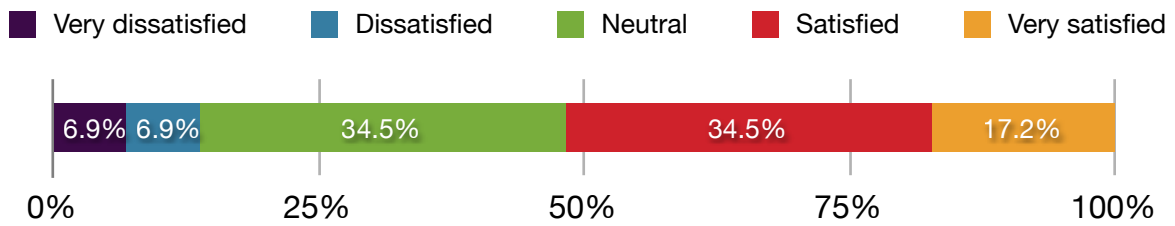
Responses: 58



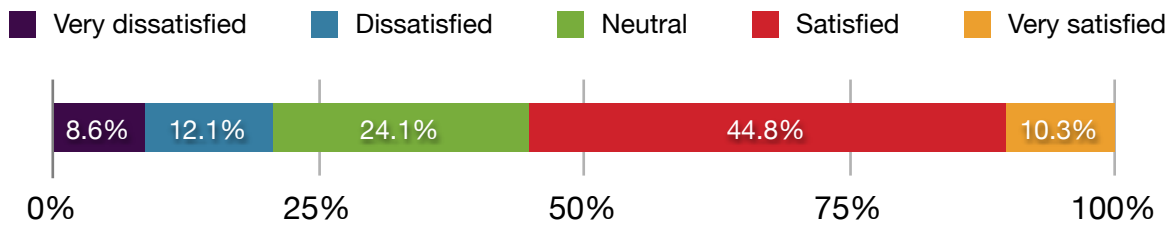
Question 30: How satisfied are you with:

Responses: 58

a) the range of extra-curricular activities available at your law school?



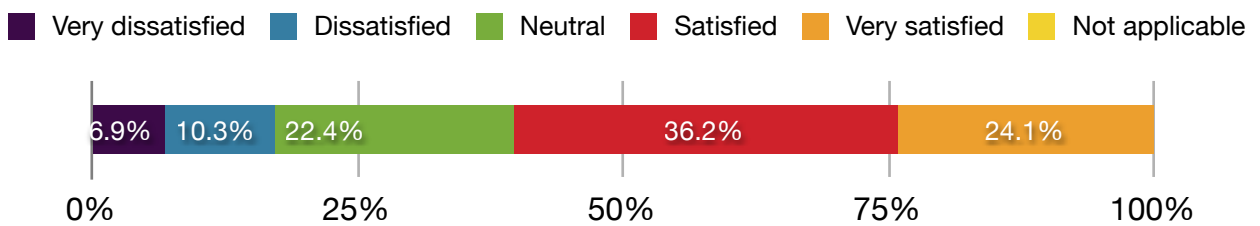
b) learning facilities at your law school, such as lecture halls and classrooms?



Satisfaction Rating: Campus Life

Question 31: Overall, how satisfied are you with campus life at your law school?

Responses: 91



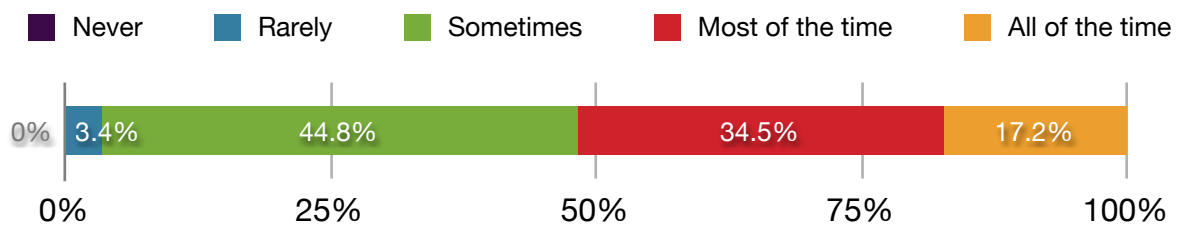
Responses

Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied	N/A
4	6	13	21	14	0

Part 6: Wellbeing

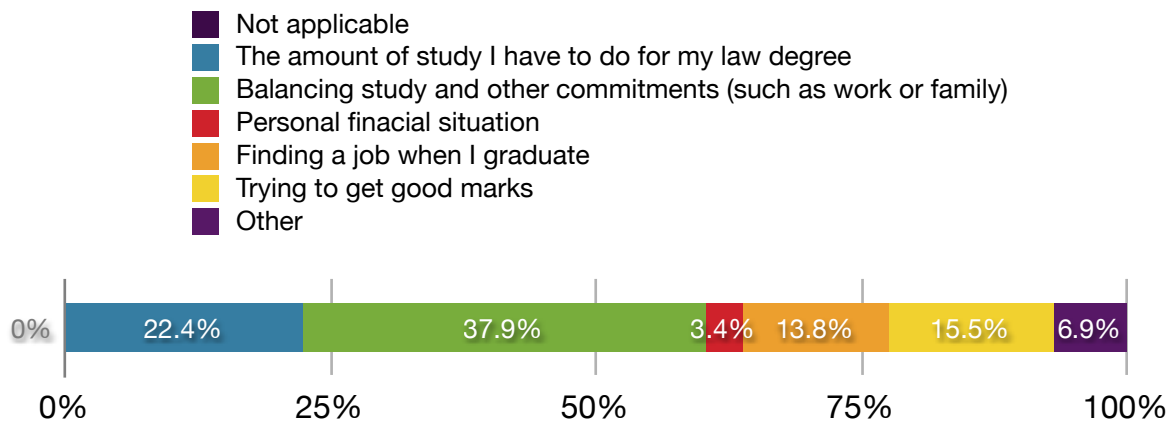
Question 32: How often do you feel stressed at law school?

Responses: 58



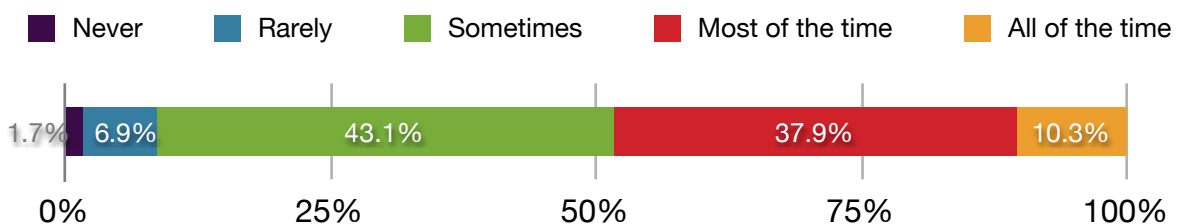
Question 33: Which of the following causes you the greatest amount of stress?

Responses: 58



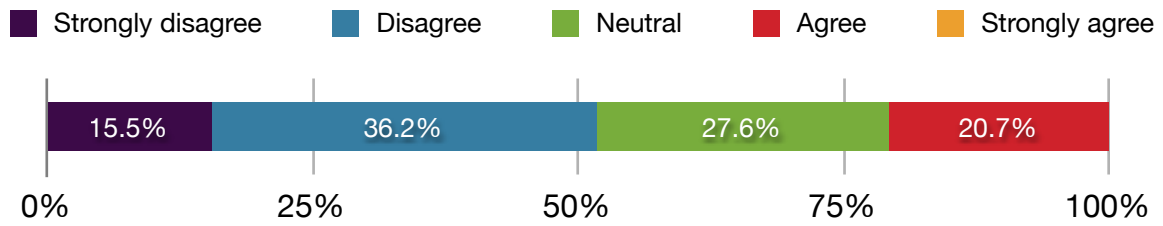
Question 34: How often do you feel overwhelmed by your workload at law school?

Responses: 58



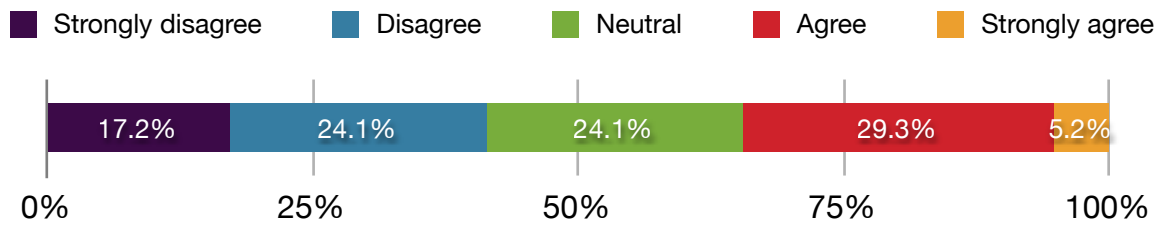
Question 35: I would feel comfortable seeking support from law school staff if I was anxious, depressed or struggling psychologically.

Responses: 58



Question 36: I would feel comfortable seeking support from other law students if I was anxious, depressed or struggling psychologically.

Responses: 58

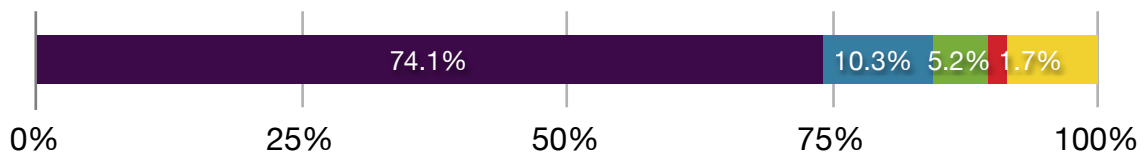


Question 37: To what extent have you used university provided:

Responses: 58

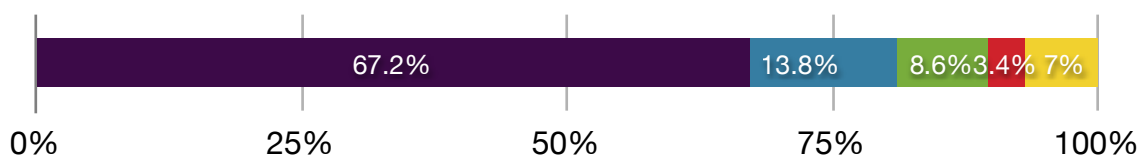
a) Counselling

■ Not at all
 ■ Small extent
 ■ Moderate extent
 ■ Large extent
 ■ Very large extent
 ■ Not applicable



b) Peer mentoring

■ Not at all
 ■ Small extent
 ■ Moderate extent
 ■ Large extent
 ■ Very large extent
 ■ Not applicable

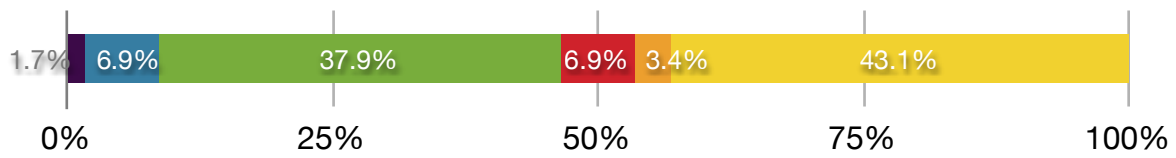


Question 38: How satisfied are you with the:

Responses: 58

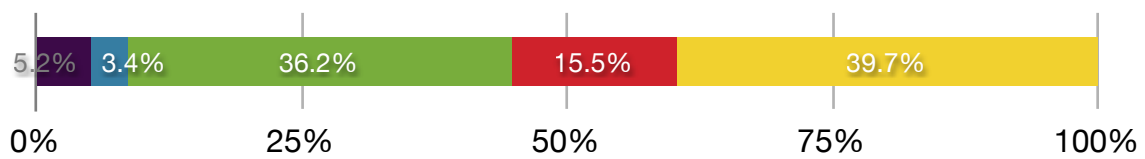
a) Counselling

Very dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very satisfied Not applicable



b) Peer mentoring

Very dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very satisfied Not applicable

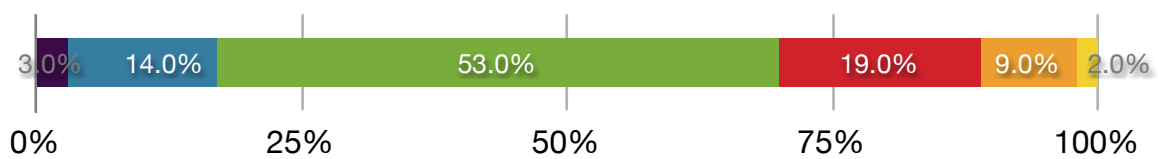


Satisfaction Rating: Wellbeing

Question 39: Overall, how satisfied are you with your law school's support for your wellbeing?

Responses: 58

Very dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neutral Satisfied Very satisfied Untitled 1



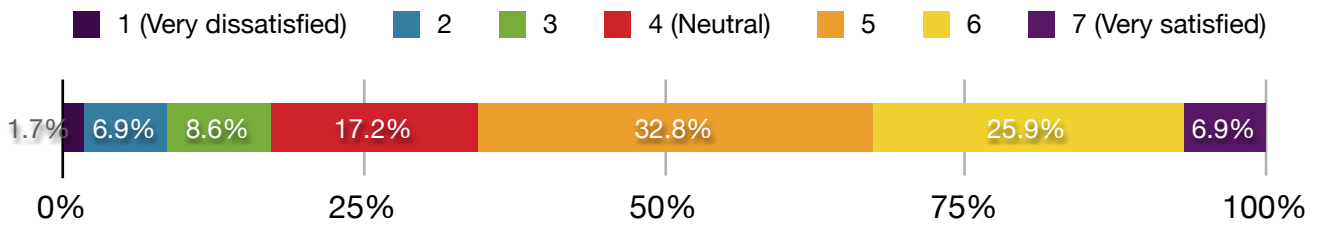
Responses

Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very satisfied
4	6	30	16	2

Part 7: Overall Satisfaction Rating

Question 40: How satisfied are you with your law school overall?

Responses: 58



Rating	%	Responses
1 (Very dissatisfied)	1.7%	1
2	6.9%	4
3	8.6%	5
4 (Neutral)	17.2%	10
5	32.8%	19
6	25.9%	15
7 (Very satisfied)	6.9%	4

Part 8: Open Responses

Overview

Part 8 of the ALSSS contained two non-compulsory questions giving students the opportunity to state in their own words what they liked best about their law school and what they would most like to see improved.

A selection of the responses received are included below. Email contact@survivelaw.com for more information.

Question 41: What do you like best about your law school and why?

- Campus life and study facilities provided are of high quality.
- Non-traditional subject structure - particular focus on public law, public policy, and critical analysis of legal education and legal career practice.
- Great list of electives. Not focused on business or corporate law. Some lecturers who are really passionate
- The lecturers/tutors are fantastic
- Being a part of the Law Students Association, as it provides a sense of community and support.

Question 42: What about your law school would you most like to see improved and why?

- Its reputation and the way it is viewed by future employers. I find myself often stressed regarding career prospects and don't see a way in which this could be changed or controlled.
- Reputation and standing of law school-accepting few applicants and contributing more resources to the law school.
- More professional recognition
- I would love to see subjects offered entirely on-line
- More focus on careers other than clerkships / top tier commercial law firms.