Graduating Student Survey - Alpine

Spring 2018 - ALP Graduating Student Survey

What type of degree are you graduating from

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Undergraduate degree	61%	89
2	Graduate degree	39%	57
	Total	100%	146

College you are graduating from:

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Arts & Sciences	70%	62	17%	9
2	Agricultural & Natural Resources	14%	12	15%	8
3	Ed & Professional Studies	16%	14	69%	37
	Total	Total	88	Total	54

What Arts & Sciences Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Undergraduate degree	
22	Other, please specify	28%	17
21	BS Mathematics	0%	0
20	BS Geology	5%	3
17	BS Biology	25%	15
10	BA Social Science	2%	1
9	BA Psychology	10%	6
4	BA History	5%	3
2	BA English	2%	1
1	BA Communication	5%	3
	Total	Total	60

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Mass Communication & History (double)

Kinesiology

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Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice

Criminal justice

BS Kinesiology

BS Industrial Technology

BS Homeland Security

BS Computer Science

BS Computer Science

BAB

BA science

BA Computer Science

BA Business Administration

B.S Kinesiology

What Arts & Sciences Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Graduate degree	
10	Other, please specify	50%	4
9	MS Geology	0%	0
8	MS Biology	0%	0
7	MA Public Administration	0%	0
4	MA Liberal Arts	38%	3
3	MA History	0%	0
2	MA English	13%	1
1	MA Art	0%	0
	Total	Total	8

Other, please specify - Graduate degree

Other, please specify - Text
Criminal Justice
MA Criminal Justice
Criminal Justice
MS Criminal Justice

What Agricultural and Natural Resources Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Undergraduate degree	
1	BS Agriculture Business	0%	0
2	BS Animal Science	67%	8
3	BS Natural Resource Management	33%	4
	Total	Total	12

What Agricultural and Natural Resources Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Graduate degree	
3	MS Animal Science	25%	2
2	MAGR Range Wildlife Management	38%	3
	Total	Total	8

What Ed & Professional Studies Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
13	BS Kinesiology and Sports Science	8%	1	0%	0
11	BS Industrial Technology	0%	0	0%	0
9	BS Criminal Justice	8%	1	0%	0
5	BBA Business Administration	0%	0	0%	0
2	BA Interdisciplinary Studies	54%	7	0%	0
	Total	Total	13	Total	0

What Ed & Professional Studies Program are you graduating from

#	Question	Graduate degree	
1	MBA Business Administration	8%	3
4	MED Art	0%	0
5	MED Counselor Education	30%	11
7	MED Educational Diagnostician	14%	5
6	MED Educational Leadership	24%	9
9	MS Criminal Justice	3%	1
10	MS health & Human Performance	5%	2
13	Other, please specify	8%	3
	Total	Total	37

Other, please specify - Graduate degree

Other, please specify - Text
MED general masters
Masters in Education
MED General

My father's highest level of education is

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	No high school	12%	10	21%	12
2	Some high school	2%	2	9%	5
3	High school diploma/GED	24%	21	21%	12
4	Some college	19%	16	21%	12
5	Associate's degree	7%	6	2%	1
6	Bachelor's degree	14%	12	5%	3
7	Graduate/Professional degree	15%	13	16%	9
8	Unknown	7%	6	4%	2
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

My mother's highest level of education is

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	No high school	9%	8	20%	11
2	Some high school	8%	7	7%	4
3	High school diploma/GED	22%	19	25%	14
4	Some college	20%	17	27%	15
5	Associate's degree	12%	10	4%	2
6	Bachelor's degree	17%	15	4%	2
7	Graduate/Professional degree	9%	8	13%	7
8	Unknown	2%	2	2%	1
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

If you could start college over, would you choose to attend SRSU?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Definitely yes	40%	34	62%	34
2	Probably yes	40%	34	27%	15
3	Might or might not	15%	13	7%	4
4	Probably not	2%	2	2%	1
5	Definitely not	3%	3	2%	1
	Total	Total	86	Total	55

If you could start college over, would you choose to graduate with the same major?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Definitely yes	65%	56	55%	31
2	Probably yes	14%	12	20%	11
3	Might or might not	10%	9	13%	7
4	Probably not	7%	6	11%	6
5	Definitely not	3%	3	2%	1
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

How would you compare the quality of education provided at SRSU with that of other colleges/universities?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Did not attend another college/university	37%	32	23%	13
2	Better	37%	32	30%	17
3	About the same	17%	15	41%	23
4	Worse	8%	7	5%	3
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

What are your current employment plans?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	I plan to continue working in the same job I had prior to completing my current degree	10%	9	46%	26
2	I plan to work in a job I recently obtained	19%	16	13%	7
3	I am currently looking for a job	53%	46	32%	18
4	I do not plan to work outside the home	0%	0	0%	0
5	I have not yet formulated my employment plans	17%	15	9%	5
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

If you currently have or will be starting a new job, to what extent is it related to your major or area of study at SRSU?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Directly related	54%	44	85%	46
2	Somewhat related	30%	24	11%	6
3	Not related at all	16%	13	4%	2
	Total	Total	81	Total	54

What plans do you have at this time for further formal education?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	I do not plan any further education	11%	9	43%	24
2	I plan to pursue a Master's degree	65%	55	9%	5
3	I plan to pursue a degree beyond the Master's	16%	14	32%	18
4	I plan to pursue additional Education Certification(s)	8%	7	16%	9
	Total	Total	85	Total	56

If you plan to pursue further formal education, how soon do you plan to pursue this additional education?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
3	Not yet determined	35%	29	72%	34
2	Within the next year	29%	24	17%	8
1	Next semester	36%	30	11%	5
	Total	Total	83	Total	47

If you plan to pursue further formal education, where are you most likely to enroll?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Sul Ross	41%	33	44%	20
2	Other university in Texas	44%	36	40%	18
3	University outside of Texas	15%	12	16%	7
	Total	Total	81	Total	45

How long have you been a student at SRSU?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	One year or less	1%	1	7%	4
2	Two years	17%	15	50%	28
3	Three years	22%	19	11%	6
4	Four years	49%	42	11%	6
5	Five years or more	10%	9	21%	12
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

For the program you are now completing, were any of the courses completed at another college/university? Did you transfer any major credits to SRSU?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Yes	63%	54	7%	4
2	No	37%	32	93%	52
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

On the average, how many hours per week did you study for each course you took?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	3 or less	29%	25	16%	9
2	4 to 5	33%	28	29%	16
3	6 to 7	28%	24	7%	4
4	8 to 9	6%	5	23%	13
5	10 or more	5%	4	25%	14
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

Please include how often you used the computer lab

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	Daily	19%	16	9%	5
2	Several times a week	28%	24	13%	7
3	Once a week	26%	22	0%	0
4	Once a month	10%	9	7%	4
5	Never	17%	15	71%	40
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

How many hours per month were you involved in a community or public service?

#	Question	Undergraduate degree		Graduate degree	
1	0	26%	22	36%	20
2	1 - 5	52%	45	36%	20
3	6 - 10	17%	15	4%	2
4	11 - 15	0%	0	0%	0
5	More than 15	5%	4	25%	14
	Total	Total	86	Total	56

How much did your education at SRSU contribute to your personal growth in each of the following areas?

Undergraduate degree

#	Question	Very much		Somewhat		Very little		Total
1	Writing effectively	60%	52	36%	31	3%	3	86
2	Speaking effectively	64%	55	33%	28	3%	3	86
3	Understanding written information	66%	57	28%	24	6%	5	86
5	Working cooperatively in a group	62%	53	34%	29	5%	4	86
6	Organizing your time effectively	67%	58	28%	24	5%	4	86
7	Recognizing your rights, responsibilities and privileges as a citizen	53%	46	34%	29	13%	11	86
8	Planning and carrying out projects	67%	58	30%	26	2%	2	86
9	Understanding and applying mathematics in your daily life	31%	27	49%	42	20%	17	86
10	Understanding different philosophies and cultures	60%	52	30%	26	9%	8	86
11	Persisting at difficult taks	73%	63	26%	22	1%	1	86
12	Defining and solving problems	73%	63	24%	21	2%	2	86
13	Recognizing assumptions and making logical inferences and reaching correct conclusions	60%	51	34%	29	6%	5	85
14	Understanding and appreciating the arts	52%	45	36%	31	12%	10	86
15	Understanding and applying scientific principles and methods	63%	54	27%	23	10%	9	86
16	Using technology effectively	59%	51	35%	30	6%	5	86

Rate the following maintenance and housekeeping operations at the Sul Ross State University Campus

Undergraduate degree

#	Question	Excellent		Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory		Service available but not used		Total
9	Student health care	26%	22	42%	36	5%	4	27%	23	85
10	Academic advising by your major advisor	47%	40	42%	36	11%	9	0%	0	85
11	Personal counseling	28%	24	29%	25	5%	4	38%	32	85
12	Job and career services	31%	26	32%	27	11%	9	27%	23	85
13	Student activities	36%	31	44%	37	5%	4	15%	13	85
14	Financial assistance	39%	33	38%	32	11%	9	13%	11	85
15	New student orientation	31%	26	45%	38	2%	2	22%	19	85
16	Student organizations	35%	30	44%	37	4%	3	18%	15	85
20	Recreational sports	39%	33	21%	18	5%	4	35%	30	85
21	Intercollegiate sports	39%	33	15%	13	2%	2	44%	37	85
22	Student Government Association	20%	17	33%	28	12%	10	35%	30	85
23	Student publications (Skyline, Sage, Student Handbook)	49%	41	27%	23	2%	2	21%	18	84
24	Student employment on campus	46%	39	27%	23	7%	6	20%	17	85
27	Registration process	42%	36	46%	39	11%	9	1%	1	85
30	Website	53%	45	36%	31	11%	9	0%	0	85
31	Tutorial study assistance	31%	26	29%	25	4%	3	36%	31	85

Undergraduate degree

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11	Personal counseling	28%	24	29%	25	5%	4	38%	32	85
12	Job and career services	31%	26	32%	27	11%	9	27%	23	85
13	Student activities	36%	31	44%	37	5%	4	15%	13	85
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27	Registration process	42%	36	46%	39	11%	9	1%	1	85
30	Website	53%	45	36%	31	11%	9	0%	0	85
31	Tutorial study assistance	31%	26	29%	25	4%	3	36%	31	85

Rate the following student programs or services at Sul Ross University Campus

Graduate degree

#	Question	Excellent		Satisfactory		Unsatisfactory		Service available but not used		Total
1	Student health care	16%	9	7%	4	4%	2	73%	41	56
2	Academics advising by your major advisor	59%	33	25%	14	0%	0	16%	9	56
3	Job and career services	21%	12	18%	10	5%	3	55%	31	56
4	Financial Assistance	30%	17	38%	21	4%	2	29%	16	56
5	New graduate student orientation	21%	12	18%	10	4%	2	57%	32	56
11	Registration process	57%	32	32%	18	2%	1	9%	5	56
14	Website	64%	36	34%	19	2%	1	0%	0	56

Please provide any additional comments you may have about Sul Ross State University

Undergraduate degree

Sul Ross was an awesome experience for developing my education as well as developing the person I am today!

The website has pages that have not been updated in years in seems and there are also broken links or blank pages with no information. It is easy to search for items with the search bar but otherwise the Sul Ross website can use some work. Though tutoring is offered, there aren't very many subjects that were offered minus the basic. The only other thing would be the core classes offered and a lack other language classes.

If at all possible, having more than one computer science professor and digital art professor would be very beneficial to the students enrolled in those respective majors. Students need certain class that one professor will be more experienced and specialized in than the other. Like one professor with a better understanding of object oriented programming vs one with a better understanding of operating systems programming, it helps the student to learn that specific subject from the professor who has the more specialized experience. It would also open up a lot more classes for students to take instead of having to wait two years for each advanced class that's in the respective major.

Sul Ross has truly provided the greatest education, and I truly enjoy the university.

Updating the science building and other buildings around campus would be of great help to students in the future. Some of the equipment is outdated.

I loved going to Sul Ross and being apart of the volleyball team all four years. It was close to home and beautiful since the day I got here. It gave me many many great memories!

Loved my time at Sul Ross. It provided me with excellent field experience. Would definitely consider returning for grad school.

It was great here while I was attending, but I'm ready for this next step in my life. Thank you for everything.

I loved it and I do recommend it to other new students! The classes are small so professors get to know you better and you learn more having a small class.

N/A

I went to Baylor after getting my associates. The professors I had there were uncaring and unhelpful. I only spent a semester there and then look at Sul Ross where a good amount of my family is an alumni. The stuff and professors at Sul Ross did everything they could to help me finish my degree. The Student Success Services helped me with studying and figuring out my time commitments. The biology club got me involved in school and the community. The biology and psychology professors taught really well and cared about their students.The counseling services were amazing. They really care and made sure I felt comfortable. I love Sul Ross and I am glad Baylor did not work out.

Awesome experience at SRSU

Stop funding the sports programs. We are trash at football and the athletes mostly suck at their education. They are infamous for leaving group projects because baseball trips, football trips, who knows what trips and then drop out of class because they miss too much. Fund your degrees and projects that actually matter. Computer Science is an absolute joke here compared to any other state university, the same can be said about most degrees here. Teachers are supposed to have peers but most here have none. Don't force the teachers to know many skills but master none, because that is pretty much how most degrees are run. The way this school is going, I don't see it standing for very long. If your QEP doesn't vastly improve the grades at this school then it will surely tank by 2023 and everyone will know Sul Ross is a scam blow-off school. Most kids in Comp Sci will leave as undergrads with none of the skills employers require for entry level position because you got one guy teaching an entire subject. The only reason anyone comes here is money or they were trash in high school and no other institution lets them in. Y'all should really be looking to change that.

major improvements that would help future students would be better equipment in the rec facility.

Throughout my career as an undergraduate student at SRSU I have learned a lot about my self and others. Here at SRSU 95% of the time you are not just a random face or number. There are educators here on campus that genuinely care about their students. Not only about their students education but also their well being outside of the school environment. Oddly enough, my very last semester I had to deal with a male professor that has really challenged not only myself, but also my peers. I do not feel that enough is done in protecting the students from retaliation from the faculty and staff here at SRSU. I understand that not all students are the easiest to deal with but when it is one professor constantly picking at students and making comments such as " Now lets let our peers grade our papers so we can see which one of our peers is smart or stupid" or "Plan to fail, fail to plan". (both comments coming from the same professor). I do not feel that an educator should be putting down their students. But I do not want to end this on a bad note. I really truly do love SRSU. It has taught me so much about myself and helped me find myself. I have also developed great friendships with the people I have met in my time here at SRSU. I feel that SRSU is pretty culturally diverse for being such a small campus/community and that we students are able to intermingle with one another and really learn about others and their cultures. Overall SRSU is an excellent place to get an education and I would recommend it.

I truly enjoyed my experience at Sul Ross State University and I would recommend this university to others.

In MY opinion Sul Ross is strong in physical sciences and criminal justice; mathematics and history is par; and quite frankly certain other degrees such kinesiology needs a lot of work on both student body and faculty. I believe some students may thrive in this environment but Sul Ross is too concerned about quantity over quality. I understand that our location is in a less desirable location to most college students and that we are currently facing a large financial deficit so it is difficult to lower our acceptance rate. I believe that in order to preserve Sul Ross as a creditable university we must leverage our unique location to hands on in-the-field-studies.

I am thankful for my time here at Sul Ross State University, and look forward to continuing my further education.

SRSU has a quality education system, and it was the right choice to come here for my undergraduate degree. This University enhance my opinion of my surroundings and I gained many different and diverse opportunities.

I really enjoyed my experience at SRSU, but I feel that the music program needs to improve on resources, ensembles, and recruitment.

Loved it here! Proud to be a Lobo!

Overall good experience!Go Lobos!

I am definitely going to miss Sul Ross. I very much enjoyed the small classes and being able to really connect and know my professors.

I have enjoyed my experience here, thank you Sul Ross State.

My time at Sul Ross has been one I would not repeat if given the chance. In fact, I would say I'm disappointed I wasted two years of my life here if it weren't for the few people I met that I now count as friends and future colleagues.   I felt that I was tricked into coming to Sul Ross with the promise of a "one of a kind" digital art and computer science program with "state of the art computer labs" and courses. I had high hopes and the only thing that made the lack of learning and weak courses worth it were the professors in computer science and digital art. Not only did I take a full course load with 18 hours or more a semester, but I enrolled in inexpensive private classes online that had no professors or feedback, and I learned more from those classes in two weeks than I did at Sul Ross in two years. While my main professor is definitely a teacher at heart, he has his hands tied with what he can do, due to the lack of industry standard programs and computer issues, as well as the dean of the art department being insufferable half of the time. I know there are "budget constraints" but if you want good, positive recognition for a program, you need to make sure it's actually worth paying for. Not only are students limited in networking for programs like computer science and digital art due to Sul Ross' physical location, but they have the added limitations of programs and hardware that limit what quality of work they can produce. This is a complete disservice to the students that pay to come here to learn who most likely can't afford their own computer or hardware. They rely on Sul Ross and I feel that Sul Ross could care less.   Additionally, more art professors are desperately needed. Just this semester several students learned that they would have to delay their graduation an entire semester due to a course in the summer not being available, and potentially another that won't be offered until next Fall. It's frustrating for the students and for the professors who have to juggle their classes. I feel that with at least one professor added to the digital art courses, the quality of the courses would boost tremendously, allowing both professors to effectively teach their courses, and allowing students and professors to work together to create independent study courses when necessary so as not to waste an entire semester in one class when that time could be spent actually in their career field. This being said, another issue is that there is basically no communication within the art department until something has gone wrong and the dean is upset with someone. It's like pulling teeth in any area of Sul Ross to get people to effectively communicate with anyone, especially administrative staff to students. I feel this needs to be addressed, as it hasn't improved at all in the two years I've been here, taking classes every semester, including summer I and II courses. I realise these comments were overwhelmingly negative, but the one thing Sul Ross has that I think would be hard to find anywhere else in Texas, are the people. Sul Ross doesn't seem like the university to come to in order to earn a large salary or network with the big businesses of the world. There are a few professors who seem genuine in their interest of teaching, and it's an irreplaceable experience to have been a name and not a number in courses. The individual attention that is available to students in computer science and digital art is something I think Sul Ross excels in due to the smaller class sizes. Without the distractions and hustle and bustle of large cities to distract students, it's a much more relaxing and peaceful atmosphere that I've yet to find at any other university I've visited.   To summarize, I think at least one more digital art professor, better programs and updated technology, and better communication are vital to the success of this program. I hope that in the future the digital art program can evolve into something better, something worth paying for, and something that students won't say "I regret ever coming here" about. It's possible, but the way things are looking at the unviersity now, I don't think it will happen any time soon.

It's a place that you can have that one-on-one with professors unlike a big university. Your professors know who you are and genuinely care about you and your well being. If you need help, it's there you just have to ask! Sul Ross is so centered on you succeeding and that's one of the reasons I decided to come here.

Graduate degree

I wished I attended classes in person rather than online.

Professors were the best part of this program. I loved all of my professors, especially Dr. Schlosser. They are available all the time and they take the time to know my name and my current progress in their class. It feels like they genuinely care.

I first attended Sul Ross State University to play basketball and then I fall in love with the school's academics. The teachers are very understanding and will help anyone who is willing to accept their them. I was able to graduate with honors due to the help of my teachers and coaches.

It was a wonderful time. This school may want to think about advertising in East Texas more.

Great place to come and get a degree and it helps you pursue anything you want to do in your future.

I'm finally obtaining my first masters degree!! Yay!!!!

This was a great distance education experience! Thank you!

N/A

I love Sul Ross, and am thankful for this university. Though it has its quirks, I am proud to be an alumnus.

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Great university! Happy I attended!

I enjoyed it

Very racist toward white people, unless they are white people. Bunch of Want-to-Be Cowboys! Town needs to get its head out of its butt. Need to get more black people into the school. School needs to pay for car damaged by deer, because its their doing, Range and Wildlife Management brought them back into town, bring back my brand new finder then. Invest in professional Football Clock and Scoreboard keepers Recycle!!!! Recycle!!!! Recycle!!!! Celebrate NRM and Criminal Justice Department. More than Half of your undergradute student body are potheads and druggies. Bookstore is Garbage. Put a greenhouse on campus

I was very pleased with completing my program at Sul Ross State University.

It was a dream to obtain my master's degree to become a school counselor alongside my baby sister. She earned her bachelor's degree in education from NMSU and I earned mine from UTEP. We always talked about working on our master's degree together... at Sul Ross. Unfortunately my baby sister was killed in 2008 and when I finally felt ready to continue my education, I decided to fulfill OUR dream at Sul Ross. I have never regretted my decision and I am very grateful for the professors that I have had during my years at Sul Ross. Dr. Tucker and Professor Glenn Short are among my favorite people at the campus. They have taught me so much and have guided me through some rough patches along my way.   Sul Ross is just the right size and I am glad that I stuck to the plan that my sister and I had made all those years ago.   <3

I've enjoyed me time here!!

Sul Ross has its quirks, but I've very much enjoyed attending this school, and am proud to have attained my Bachelor's and Master's degrees here. Sul Ross has opened up doors for me - such as pursuing a doctoral degree. I hope to one day come back and be a teacher here. Long live Sully.

I am grateful for the opportunity Sul Ross University has given me. I believe everything was very well organized and the professors were always willing to help me. I feel the communication between the staff at Sul Ross University was quick and reliable.

Overall great experience.

Sul Ross is the first University I have attended in Texas. I obtained all my degrees online, I home-schooled myself in High school, so when I chose a university in Texas, I wanted a University that felt like home and one that could grant me the opportunity to walk the stage for the first time in my lifetime as an adult.

This was a great online MBA experience!