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## 2019 Undergraduate Senior Survey Main Campus

SUMMARY REPORT May 2019

**Mission:** Lincoln University, the nation's first degree-granting Historically Black College & University (HBCU), educates and empowers students to lead their communities and change the world.

## **Undergraduate Senior Survey**

- Developed by the Office of Institutional Effectiveness, Research, and Planning (OIERP) in collaboration with the Alumni Relations and Career Development offices
- Objective: to collect, analyze and disseminate data regarding graduating senior students' experiences at the main campus of Lincoln University.

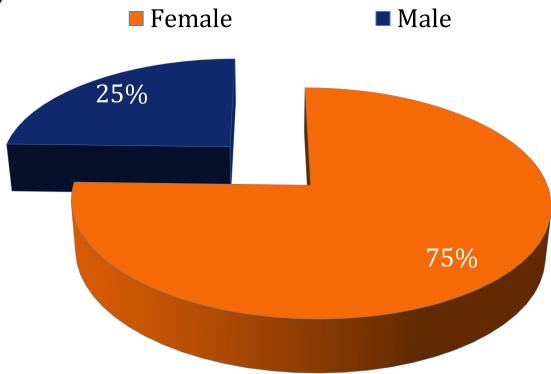
#### The survey questions are categorized into:

- Student Experiences
- Plans beyond Graduation
- General Assessment of Learning
- Open Ended Questions

### **Response Rate**

- 338 invited to participate
- 224 responses received
- 66% overall response rate
  - 2018: 66% response rate

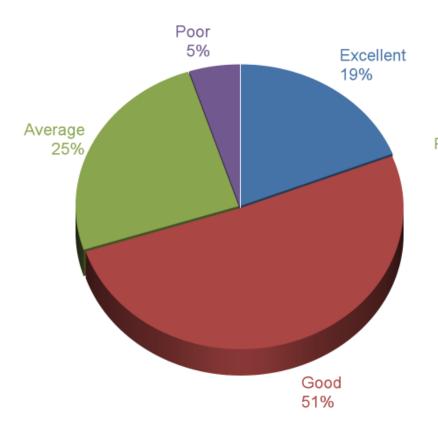
Response by Gender:



### Lincoln Experience

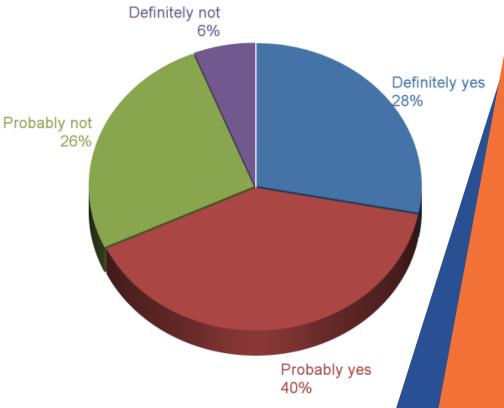
#### **Overall Experience**

- 70% Excellent or Good
  - **–** 2018: 70%



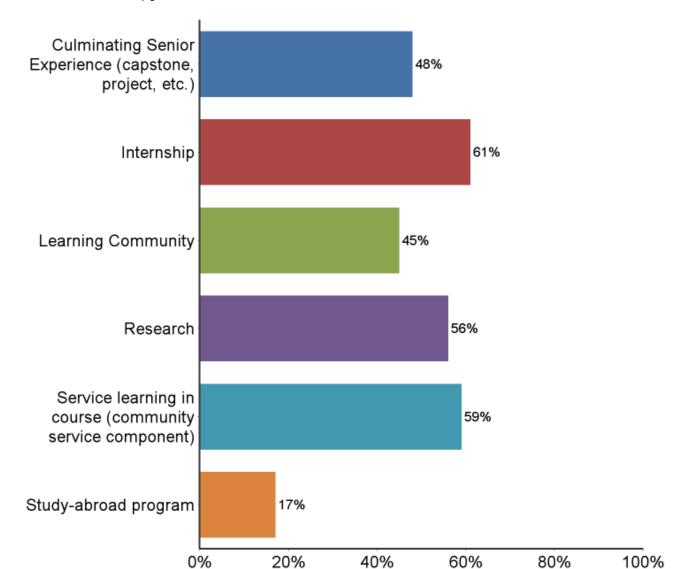
#### **Choose Lincoln Again?**

- 68% Definitely or Probably
  - **-** 2018: 70%



#### Participation in High Impact Practices (HIPs)

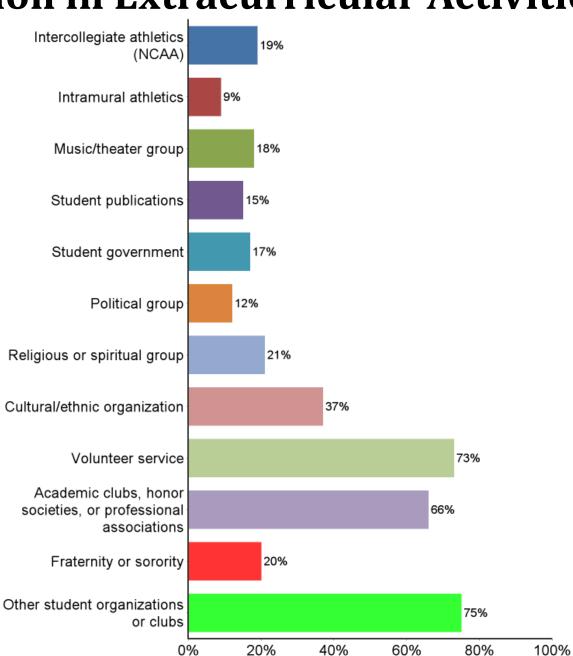
- 89 % participated in at least 1 HIP
  - 2018: 84%



#### Participation in Extracurricular Activities

93 %
 participated in
 at least 1
 extracurricular
 activity

2018: 88%



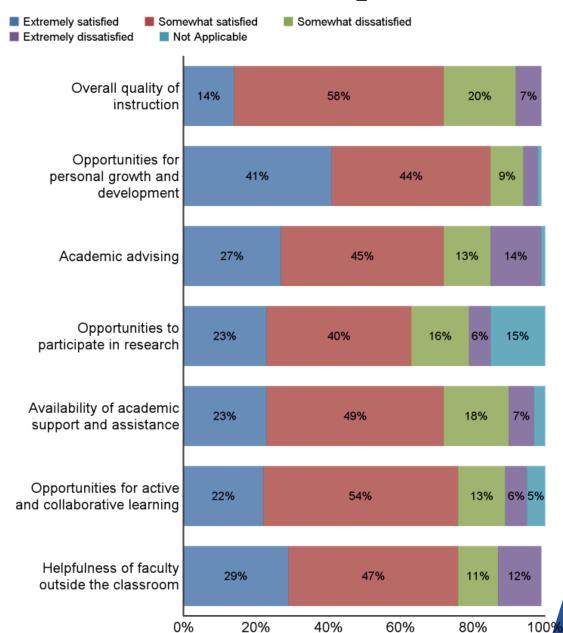
#### Satisfaction with Academic Topics

## Highest for Extremely satisfied:

- Opportunities for personal growth and development:
   41%
- Similar % & response for 2018: 39%

#### Highest for Extremely dissatisfied:

- Academic advising: 14%
- Same % & response as 2018: 14%



#### Satisfaction with Campus Life

# Highest for Extremely satisfied:

 Opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities: 46%

• 2018: 38%

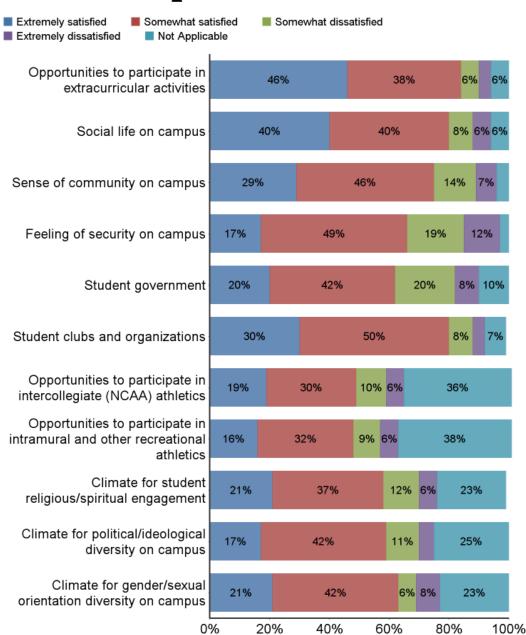
Social life on campus: 40%

• 2018: 31%

#### Highest for Extremely dissatisfied:

 Feeling of Security on campus: 12%

> 2018: Student Government-20%

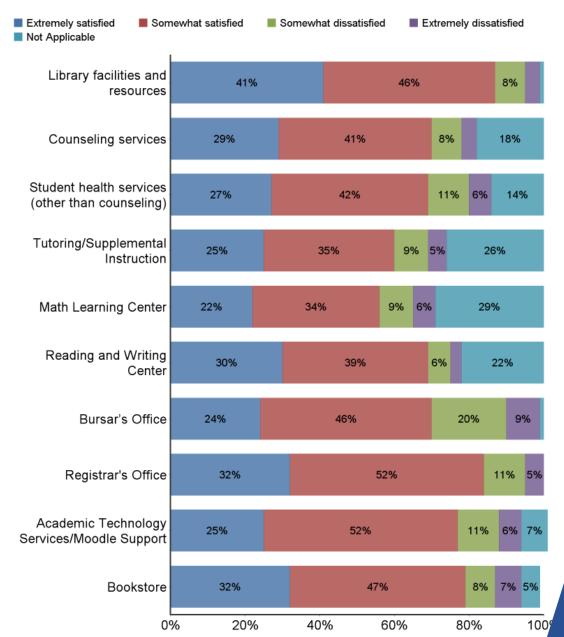


#### Satisfaction with Campus Life: Units/Offices

# Highest for Extremely satisfied:

- Library facilities: 41%
- Registrar'sOffice: 32%
- Bookstore: 32%
- Highest for 2018:
  - Library facilities: 37%
  - Reading and Writing: 34%
  - Registrar's Office: 30%

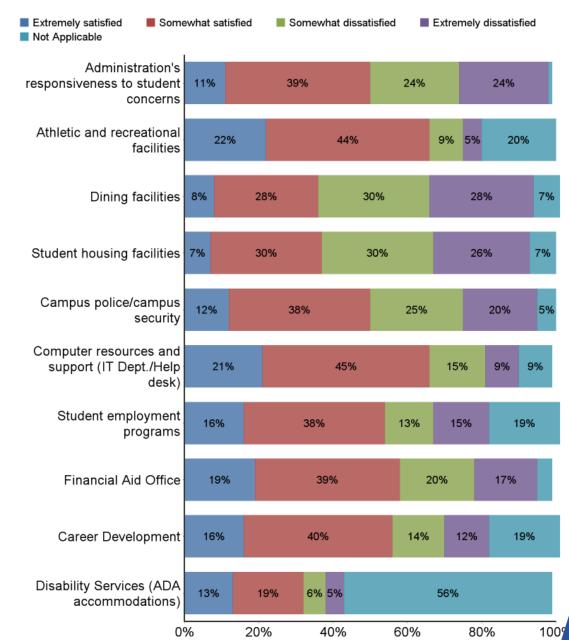
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#### Satisfaction with Campus Life: Units/Offices (cont'd)

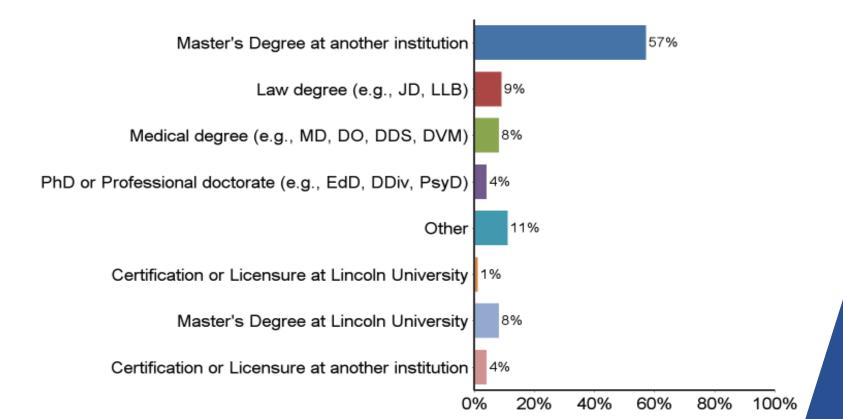
## Highest for Extremely dissatisfied:

- Dining facilities:28%
- Student housing: 26%
- Administration's responsiveness: 24%
- Campus police/security: 20%
- Highest for 2018:
  - Dining: 41%
  - Campus police/security: 28%
  - Student Housing: 26%
  - Administration's responsiveness: 25%



#### **Education Plans beyond Graduation**

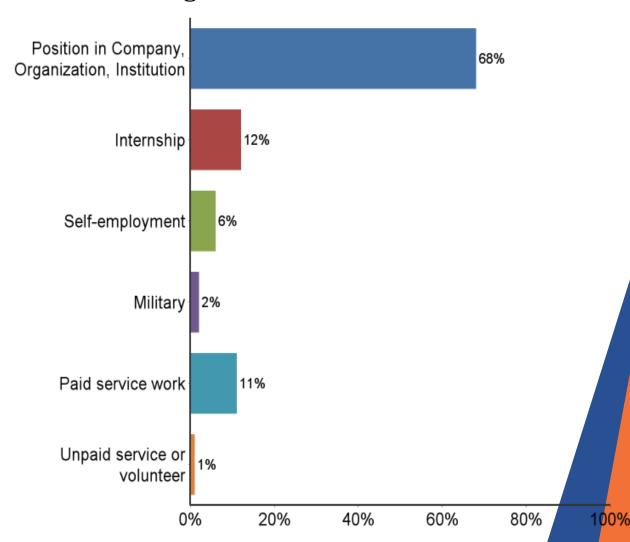
- 86% of respondents anticipate pursuing further education
  - **-** 2018: 86%
  - For those anticipating further education, 57% plan on pursuing a Master's Degree
    - 2018: 59%



## **Employment Plans beyond Graduation**

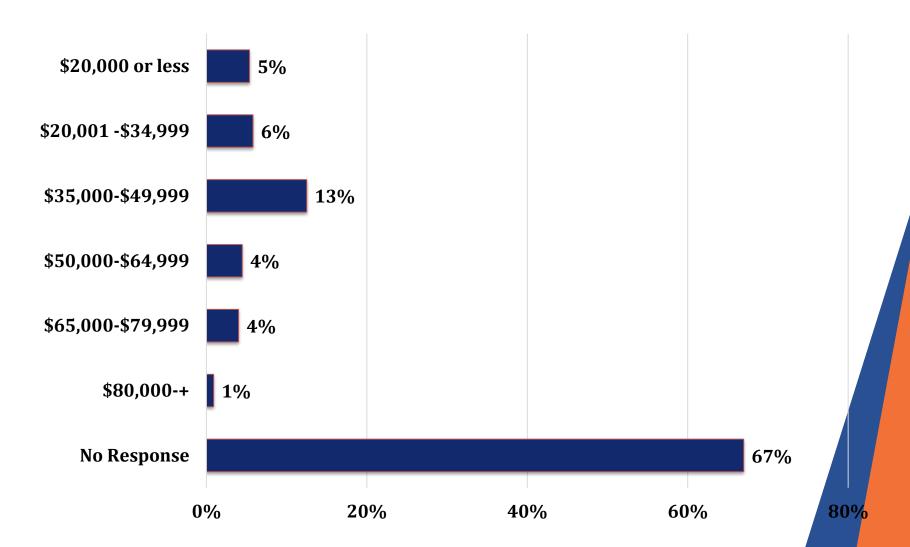
Respondents anticipate employment in the following:

- 97% anticipate working in the next year (full or part time, paid or unpaid)
  - 2018: 99%
- 21% have already accepted positions
  - 2018: 23%
- 20% are considering one or more specific offers
  - **2018: 24%**



### **Employment Plans beyond Graduation**

#### **Annual Salary**



### **Lincoln Community**

## Advice and assistance from the Lincoln University community:

- 75% indicate very helpful or somewhat helpful
  - **2018: 76%**

#### Stay in touch with the Lincoln University community:

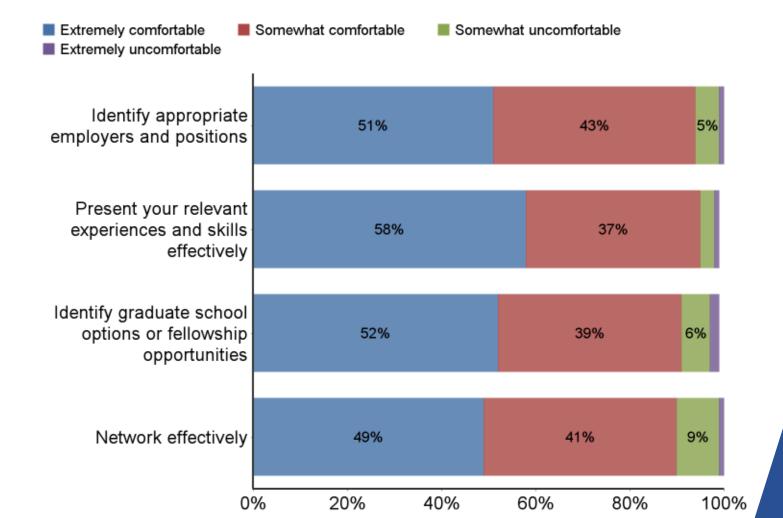
- 91% expect to stay in touch with faculty or staff
  - 2018: 89%

## Lincoln Community know them well enough for a recommendation:

- 95% feel that 2 or more faculty members know them well enough for a recommendation
  - **–** 2018: 97%

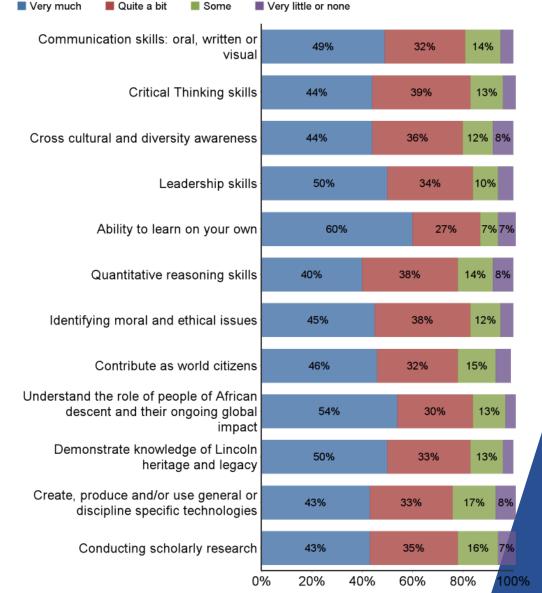
## **Networking/Identifying Opportunities**

- Approximately 50% feel Extremely comfortable to...
  - 2018: approximately 50% for all responses



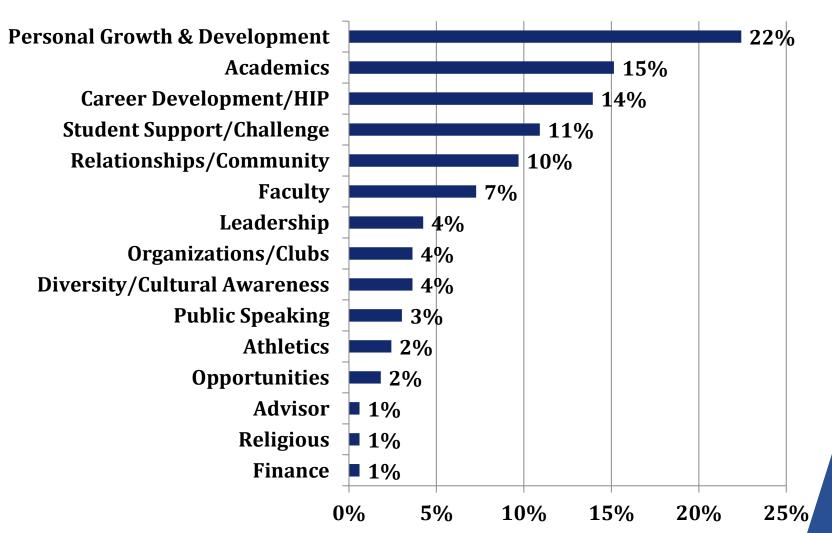
# How has your experience at Lincoln contributed to your Knowledge, Skills and Personal Development?

- 81% indicated
   experience at Lincoln
   contributed very much
   or quite a bit to their
   knowledge, skills and
   personal development
  - 2018: 79%
- The knowledge, skills, and personal development topics assessed in this survey are directly correlated with Lincoln University's Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs)



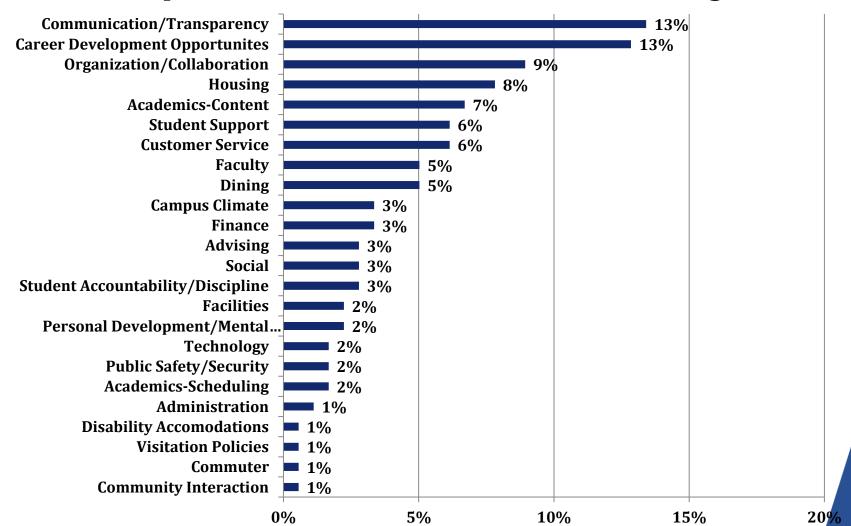
# What is the most important outcome of the Lincoln experience?

40% provided over 160 comments concerning:



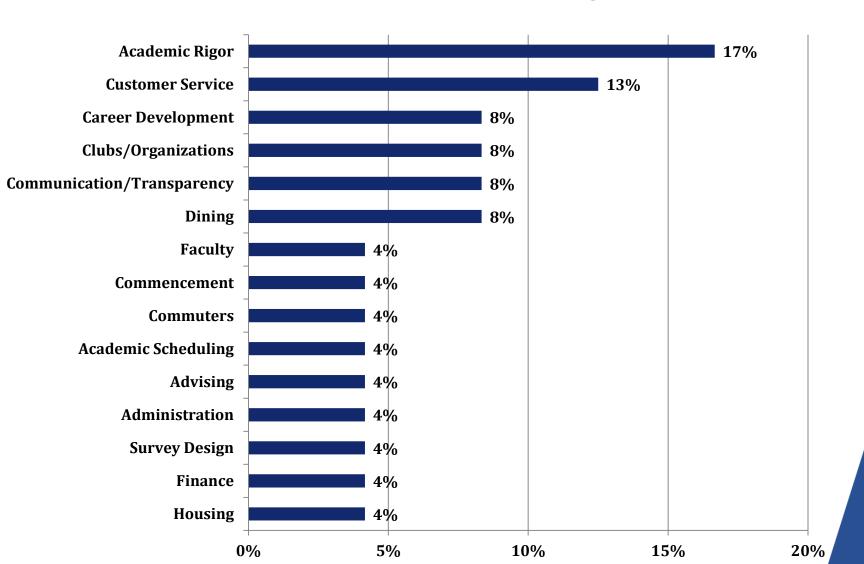
# What can be done to improve the Lincoln undergraduate experience?

58% provided over 170 comments concerning:



#### **Additional Comments**

9% provided 24 responses concerning:



#### **Conclusions & Recommendations**

#### **Accolades:**

- Similar to 2018 Responses, most respondents:
  - Indicate a positive academic experience and would choose Lincoln again
  - Have employment plans and/or plan to pursue additional education
  - Indicate the Lincoln community have provided guidance and know them well enough for a recommendation
  - Plan to stay in touch with the Lincoln community
  - Feel extremely or somewhat comfortable with networking and identifying opportunities
  - Lincoln has contributed very much or quite a bit to their knowledge, skills and personal development
- Participation in High Impact Practices and Extracurricular Activities is 5% higher than 2018
- Respondents are Extremely Satisfied with:
  - Personal growth and development continues to be highest and is 2% higher than 2018
  - Social life continues to be second highest and is 9% higher than 2018
  - Library facilities, Registrar's office and Reading/Writing Center continue to remain high (at or over 30%); Additionally in 2019, 32% are extremely satisfied with the Bookstore (added in 2019 survey)

### Conclusions & Recommendations (cont'd)

#### **Areas of Improvement:**

- Respondents are Extremely Dissatisfied with:
- (2018->2019 response)
  - Academic Advising continues to be highest for Academic Topics: 14%->14%
  - Feeling of security on campus continues to remain high: 13%->12%
  - Dining continues to remain highest for campus life but % decreased: 41->28%
  - Student housing (26%->26%), Campus Security (28%->20%) and Administration's responsiveness (25%->24%) continue to remain high for campus life but % have remained the same or decreased
- Respondents comments indicate that improvement is recommended for:
  - Communication/transparency
  - Career development opportunities
  - Organization/collaboration
  - Student housing



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