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## 2008 Four-Year Alumni Survey

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### Survey Description

Thank you for sharing your ideas with us and becoming part of building a better university. Your thoughtful responses will help the University to improve the educational experience for future students and will affirm the work of those who provide excellent services. This survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete.

### Opening Instructions

Your identity will remain anonymous in any reports that are produced from this survey. Your responses will be combined with those of other graduates in your major and your college to create summary reports that will be used by faculty and administrators to improve Kansas State University.

For completing this survey, you will be eligible to win one of several prizes donated by Varney's Student Union Bookstore. At the end of the survey, click the link to give us some additional information and your name will be entered. Your identity will still remain anonymous; we will not be able to match your entry for the drawing with any of your survey responses. Thanks again for your participation.

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#### Question 1 **\*\* required \*\***

What was your undergraduate major?



#### Question 2

If you had a second major, please choose it from the drop down list below. If not, please scroll down to the bottom of the page and click 'next.'



#### Question 3 **\*\* required \*\***

Did you graduate with an undergraduate certificate or minor(s)?

- Yes  
 No

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Fill out this page only if you answered:

- **Yes** on question **3. Did you graduate with an u.. on page 1 .**

#### Question 4 **\*\* required \*\***

Did your certificate or minor(s) give you an advantage when applying for a job?

- Yes  
 No

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**Page 3****Question 5** *\*\* required \*\****Gender**

- Male  
 Female

**Question 6** *\*\* required \*\****Are you a U.S. citizen?**

- Yes  
 No

**Question 7** *\*\* required \*\****Ethnicity/Race**

- American Indian/Alaskan Native  
 Asian or Pacific Islander  
 Black, Non-Hispanic  
 Hispanic/Spanish/Latin American  
 Mexican/Mexican American  
 White/Non-Hispanic  
 Multiracial  
 Other  
 I prefer not to respond

**Question 8** *\*\* required \*\****What is your age?**

- under 26  
 26  
 27  
 28-32  
 over 32

**Question 9** *\*\* required \*\****Present residence:**

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**Page 4****Question 10** *\*\* required \*\****Did you transfer credit to K-State from another college or university?**

- Yes  
 No

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Fill out this page only if you answered:

- **Yes** on question **10. Did you transfer credit to..** on **page 4** .

**Question 11**

Indicate the type of transfer institution and the number of semester credit hours applied to your K-State Program.

1 - 1 to 20 | 2 - 21 to 30 | 3 - 31 to 40 | 4 - 41 to 60 | 5 - 61+

	1	2	3	4	5
11.1 A two year college	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11.2 Another Kansas 4 year public university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11.3 An out-of-state 4 year public university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11.4 A private 4 year college or university	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11.5 Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Page 6****Question 12** *\*\* required \*\**

Have you been involved in non-degree education programs?

1 - No | 2 - Yes, One or Two | 3 - Yes, More than Two

	1	2	3
12.1 Professional development/updating	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12.2 Personal interest	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12.3 Learning new job skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12.4 Others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Question 13** *\*\* required \*\**

Have you received an advanced degree since graduating from K-State?

- Yes
- No, but I'm currently in graduate school.
- No, I have not attended graduate or professional school.

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Fill out this page only if you answered:

- *No, but I'm currentl...* OR *Yes* on question **13. Have you received an advan..** on **page 6** .

**Question 14** *\*\* required \*\**

Please list the Institution, Field of Study, and Year Completed (if applicable).

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**Question 15**

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How would you rate the quality of your K-State undergraduate preparation for graduate/professional education?

- Inadequate  
 Fair  
 Good  
 Excellent

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**Question 16** *\*\* required \*\**

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If you could start over, would you still choose to attend K-State?

- Definitely No  
 Probably No  
 Uncertain  
 Probably Yes  
 Definitely Yes

**Question 17** *\*\* required \*\**

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

- Definitely No  
 Probably No  
 Uncertain  
 Probably Yes  
 Definitely Yes

**Question 18** *\*\* required \*\**

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

- Definitely No  
 Probably No  
 Uncertain  
 Probably Yes  
 Definitely Yes  
 Does Not Apply

**Question 19**

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If you answered 'probably no', 'definitely no', or 'uncertain' to attending K-State ('if you could start over again...') please answer the following question.

If you could do it over, please describe the choice(s) you think might have been better and why.

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**Question 20**

If you answered 'probably no', 'definitely no', or 'uncertain' to graduating with the same major(s) ('if you could start over again...') please answer the following question.

If you could do it over, please describe the choice(s) you think might have been better and why.

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**Page 9****Question 21 *\*\* required \*\****

How much has your K-State college experience contributed to your growth in each of the following areas?

1 - None | 2 - Little | 3 - Somewhat | 4 - Very Much

	1	2	3	4
21.1 Increasing knowledge and understanding in an academic field	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.2 Gaining knowledge, technical skills and/or competence required for a job/career	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.3 Developing skills in leading or participating in groups or teams	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.4 Gaining knowledge that will enrich your daily life or make you a more complete person	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.5 Becoming independent, self-reliant, and responsible	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.6 Developing an understanding and awareness of yourself (interests, abilities, values, needs, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.7 Becoming a more satisfied, responsible family member	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.8 Becoming more aware of world issues and pressing social, political, and economic problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.9 Thinking critically, problem-solving	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.10 Identifying a sense of values and priorities in life	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.11 Developing lasting friendships and personal ties	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.12 Handling personal/family finances and consumer issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.13 Increasing your intellectual curiosity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.14 Caring for your mental/physical health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.15 Organizing time effectively	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.16 Increasing a commitment to public services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.17 Developing satisfying leisure time activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21.18 Becoming more willing to consider opposing points of view	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.19 Interacting and working effectively with people from different racial/ethnic backgrounds	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21.20 Locating and evaluating information sources	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Question 22 **\*\* required \*\***

Looking back on your college experience, do you believe (less, the same, or more) emphasis should have been placed on:

1 - Less | 2 - Same | 3 - More

	1	2	3
22.1 Written communication skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.2 Oral communication skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.3 Mathematical skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.4 Computer skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.5 Problem-solving skills	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.6 Learning to think and reason	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.7 Understanding and relating to people	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.8 Background in natural science (e.g. chemistry, biology, physics)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.9 Background in social science (e.g. economics, sociology, psychology)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.10 Background in humanities and fine arts (e.g. art, music, history)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.11 Theory courses related to my major(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22.12 Application courses related to my major(s)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Question 23 **\*\* required \*\***

Have you been employed since your graduation from K-State?

- Yes  
 No

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Fill out this page only if you answered:

- **Yes** on question **23. Have you been employed sin..** on **page 11** .

**Scroll down to the bottom of the page and click 'next' if you have not been employed since your graduation from K-State.**

**Question 24** *\*\* required \*\****What was your starting annual salary in your first position?**

- Less than \$20,000
- \$20,000 to \$29,999
- \$30,000 to \$39,999
- \$40,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to \$59,999
- \$60,000 to \$69,999
- \$70,000 to \$79,999
- \$80,000 to \$89,999
- \$90,000 to \$99,999
- \$100,000 or more

**Question 25** *\*\* required \*\****What is your current annual salary?**

- Less than \$20,000
- \$20,000 to \$29,999
- \$30,000 to \$39,999
- \$40,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to \$59,999
- \$60,000 to \$69,999
- \$70,000 to \$79,999
- \$80,000 to \$89,999
- \$90,000 to \$99,999
- \$100,000 or more

**Question 26****How closely is your job related to your undergraduate field of study?**

1 - Not Related | 2 - Somewhat Related | 3 - Directly Related

	1	2	3
26.1 Major 1	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
26.2 Major 2 (If you did not have a second major, leave your answer blank)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Question 27****If you indicated that your job is not related or only somewhat related to your major, what is the principle reason? (If you indicated that your job is closely related to your major, skip this question)**

- I looked, but could not find a job closely related to my major
- My major had no direct connection with specific employment opportunities
- I confined my job search to a specific city or region
- My job search was limited due to a need to match my career interests with someone else's
- I developed new career interests after leaving college
- The jobs in my field did not pay well
- The jobs in my field did not offer opportunities for advancement
- I found an exceptional opportunity in an unrelated field
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 28** *\*\* required \*\****In what type of organization did you find full time employment?**

- Agriculture
- Animal care
- Architecture
- Aviation
- Child care
- Communications
- Computer Services
- Construction
- Education
- Energy
- Engineering
- Fashion/Design/Art
- Finance/Insurance
- Food Services
- Government
- Healthcare
- Human Resources
- Legal Services
- Manufacturing
- Media
- Military
- Non-profit
- Professional Services
- Public Relation
- Real estate
- Recreation/Fitness
- Religion
- Retail/Sales
- Social Services
- Technology
- Transportation
- Other:

**Question 29** *\*\* required \*\**

Indicate your satisfaction with the following aspects of your present job:

1 - Very Dissatisfied | 2 - Dissatisfied | 3 - Neutral  
4 - Satisfied | 5 - Very Satisfied

	1	2	3	4	5
29.1 Salary/benefits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.2 Location	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.3 Opportunity to use your qualifications	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.4 Opportunity to advance	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.5 Prestige/recognition	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.6 Interest/challenge of work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.7 Working conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
29.8 Opportunity to learn	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Question 30** *\*\* required \*\**

Does your job require: (mark all that apply)

- Computer skills
- Conducting Research
- Extensive training
- Math skills
- Problem Solving/Analytic Reasoning
- Speaking to a group
- use of specialized machinery
- use of specialized software
- Working with a diverse group of people
- Writing reports, memos, papers, publications, etc.

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**Page 13****Question 31** *\*\* required \*\**

What percentage of your gross income goes to charitable organizations (including religious groups)?

- None
- 1-5%
- 6-10%
- Over 10%

**Question 32** *\*\* required \*\**

How often do you vote in local, state or national elections?

- Never
- Rarely
- Occasionally
- Usually
- Always

**Question 33**

Have you contributed time or money to support a political candidate or issue?

- No
- Yes, once or twice
- Yes, three or more times

**Question 34** *\*\* required \*\**

To what degree did your undergraduate experiences contribute to your interest and motivation to become involved in community activities?

- Not at all
- Slightly
- Quite a bit
- Very Much

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**Page 14****Question 35** *\*\* required \*\**

In the past twelve months, how often have you participated in the following activities?

1 - None | 2 - 1-2 time(s) | 3 - 3-5 times | 4 - 6-10 times

5 - 10 or more times

	1	2	3	4	5
35.1 Attended plays/dramas	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.2 Attended concerts/recitals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.3 Attended athletic events	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.4 Visited museums, galleries, zoos	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.5 Attended lectures	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.6 Performed: music, drama, art	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.7 Traveled to new places	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
35.8 Gone to the movies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Question 36**

Referring back to the previous question, please mark activities that are rarely or never available in your community. (mark all that apply)

- Attended plays/dramas
- Attended concerts/recitals
- Attended athletic events
- Visited museums, galleries, zoos
- Attended lectures
- Performed: music, drama, art
- Traveled to new places
- Gone to the movies

**Question 37** *\*\* required \*\**

How often do you participate in the following activities for leisure?

1 - Never | 2 - Seldom | 3 - Occasionally | 4 - Often

	1	2	3	4
37.1 Reading for general information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.2 Reading for pleasure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.3 Watching public television	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.4 Watching other television	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.5 Participating in a study or discussion group	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.6 Creative hobbies (arts, woodworking, pottery, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.7 Sports/fitness activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.8 Using library resources	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.9 Participation in family activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.10 Outdoor recreation (gardening, camping, lawn care, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.11 Watching movies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

37.12 Using the Internet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
37.13 Computer and video games	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Question 38** *\*\* required \*\**

To what degree did your K-State undergraduate experiences contribute to your current leisure interests?

- Not at all  
 Slightly  
 Quite a bit  
 Very Much

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Please use the following items to comment, in more detail, on your college experiences at K-State.

**Question 39**

Do you have ideas about changes in K-State's educational programs that you think would strengthen their value in career preparation? If so, please identify them briefly.

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**Question 40**

Please describe ways in which the university has affected your personal and/or professional life.

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**Question 41**

Given your understanding of what it means to be an educated adult, please suggest educational activities or points of view that you think the University should emphasize.

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**Question 42**

**Have you participated in special learning opportunities in order to compensate for something that should have been provided in your K-State undergraduate program?**

- No  
 Yes, describe below

Further comments about your response:

**Question 43**

**Have you been a member of a volunteer group devoted to serving members of the community (e.g., scouts, League of Women Voters, hospice, 4-H, religious organizations, hospital volunteer, volunteer coach)?**

- No  
 Yes (Please identify each group and the number of years)

Further comments about your response:

**Question 44**

**Have you been a member of a community service group (e.g., Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, Optimist Club)?**

- No  
 Yes (Please identify each group and the number of years)

Further comments about your response:

**Question 45**

**Have you been appointed to serve (without pay or with only token pay) on a city, county, state, or federal committee or commission?**

- No  
 Yes (Please identify and give the number of years)

Further comments about your response:

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**Question 46**

Have you been elected to any city, county, state, or federal office(s)?

- No  
 Yes (Please identify office(s) and the number of years)

Further comments about your response:

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**Question 47**

Have you participated in special learning activities related to any of the activities listed above?

- No  
 Yes (please describe)

Further comments about your response:

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**Question 48 *\*\* required \*\****

Would you recommend K-State to a potential student?

- Yes  
 No
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**Closing Message**

Thank you for completing the survey. If you would like to enter a drawing to win one of many **FABULOUS PRIZES**, click [here](#) to enter your contact information. The contact information you enter will not be traceable to any of your survey responses.

- End of Survey -

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