Office of University Assessment

The 2003 OSU Survey of Alumni of Graduate Programs was conducted to provide data to gauge perceptions of various aspects of the graduate programs and services and to identify areas where improvements may be needed. A full copy of the report can be obtained from the Office of University Assessment (744-6687). This sheet describes highlights from the survey results.

**Population:** The target population for this survey was alumni of graduate programs who completed their degrees in calendar years 1997 and 2001. The total of alumni in the target population was 1,912. Only alumni from academic programs that elected to participate in the survey were included in the target population.

**Methods:** The survey was administered as a telephone interview. The OSU Bureau for Social Research conducted the survey telephone interviews in January and February of 2003 and coordinated data collection. The Office of University Assessment analyzed and summarized data and prepared the reports.

**Results:** A total of 785 surveys were completed by alumni of Graduate programs, resulting in a 41% response rate. There were 623 respondents with a Masters and 162 respondents with a PhD/EdD.

### OVERALL SATISFACTION

How satisfied are you with your overall educational experience at OSU?

- 92% of alumni were employed (91% for Masters and 98% for PhD/EdD).
- 17% of alumni had completed or were currently enrolled in graduate programs or professional schools (Of those, over 50% were enrolled or had attended OSU graduate programs).
- 66% of alumni were living in Oklahoma and 34% were out-of-state (15% were living in a surrounding state).
- 95% of Masters alumni and 96% of PhD/EdD alumni said they were satisfied or very satisfied with the overall educational experience in their OSU graduate programs.

*For a detailed report on alumni survey results for your college or program, please contact the OSU Office of University Assessment (744-6687).*
**EMPLOYMENT**

- 92% of alumni were employed; of those, 93% were employed full-time.
- 83% of alumni said their current position was highly / moderately related to their OSU graduate studies.
- 93% of alumni said their graduate studies had prepared them very well / adequately for their current position.
- The median salary for recent OSU graduate program alumni ranged from $46k/yr to $55k/yr.
- The majority of graduate program alumni were employed in educational institutions.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

- 19% of graduates with a Masters and 9% of graduates with a PhD / EdD were attending or had completed another graduate program since they received their OSU graduate degree.
- 93% of alumni said their OSU graduate studies prepared them very well or adequately for a further graduate program.
- 53% of alumni stayed in Oklahoma for further graduate education.