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## Executive Summary

The 2013 OSU Student Retention survey was implemented on behalf of the Retention Task Force by the Office of University Assessment and Testing. The survey was designed to answer important questions about retention. Each question is listed below along with some discussion.

### *Do non-retained students enroll in other institutions? If so, which institutions?*

68% of the respondents who were not retained by OSU reported enrollment in another institution of higher education. A wide range of institutions were reported as the current enrollment for non-retained students, including community colleges, for-profit online institutions, four-year colleges, and research universities. Although many of the institutions reported were in the Oklahoma / Texas / Kansas / Arkansas region, institutions outside of the region were also reported (such as Vanderbilt, San Diego State, Ramapo College of New Jersey, and Florida Gulf Coast University). A majority of non-retained students who were enrolled in another institution reported pursuing a different major.

### *Are there differences between retained and non-retained students in peer-group interactions, interactions with faculty, academic experiences, advising, support services, commute time or work status?*

For each item we calculated either a t-test or a chi-square test comparing the retained students with the students who were not retained. Effect sizes are calculated when  $p < 0.05$  with the not retained group as the reference group. Due to the large number of participants in the study, careful attention should be given to the effect sizes or odds ratios when interpreting results.

On many items there were significant differences between the two groups and reasonably large effect sizes. For example, students who were retained more strongly agreed that they developed close personal relationships with other students and found those relationships more personally satisfying and had a more positive influence on their personal growth.

Students who were not retained were less satisfied with opportunities to meet and interact with faculty members but were not significantly different than the retained students in discussing career plans, grades, or assignments with faculty members or on the perceived quality of teaching.

Students who were not retained reported significantly lower impact on their intellectual growth, on their satisfaction with their academic experiences at OSU, their coursework and the relevance to their career goals.

Although students who were not retained did not find their advisors as interested in them as a person as students who were retained, there were no significant differences on the other two advising questions between groups.

Both students who were retained and students who were not retained had positive views of university staff.

There was evidence to suggest a larger proportion of students who were not retained did not know about support services on campus than students who were retained, although part of this might be explained by the longer length of time students who were retained have spent on campus. The Writing Center received the most number of reported visits, followed by the Math Lab and LASSO (although some students may not have perceived LASSO as a student support service). Students were generally very satisfied with those support services.

Students who were not retained reported a significantly higher commute time, which is puzzling because a similar proportion of students who were retained and students who were not retained



reported living on campus. 40 students who were not retained and lived on campus said their commute time was 10 to 30 minutes while only 12 students who were retained who lived on campus reported the same commute time.

Students who were not retained reported significantly higher number of hours per week worked and were more likely to report using personal income to pay for college. Students who were not retained were more likely to use federal or state grants to pay for college and were less likely to have received scholarships.

*What do students say is their primary reason for leaving OSU? What could OSU have done to keep these students at OSU?*

The full comments are included later in this report. Readers are encouraged to read through the comments. Seven themes appeared to emerge from the comments:

- Finances / cost: Cost was too high, other institutions were cheaper, or did not have enough money to pay for school.
- Location: Wanted to be closer to family / homesick, wanted to be in a bigger city.
- Degree offered not available or changed major.
- Grades: grades were too low, was placed on academic suspension.
- Family / relationship issues: needed to go back home for family reasons, wanted to move to be closer to boyfriend / girlfriend, did not get along with roommates.
- Medical issues: Battled depression, had a medical issue occur during the year.
- Other: Got a job, joined the military, transferred to pursue sport, concerns with teaching or class size, general dissatisfaction with OSU, or temporary leave from OSU to save money.

A substantial number of students mentioned more than one reason.

When responding to the question, “Is there anything OSU could have done to keep you as a student,” many respondents wanted a scholarship or other reduction in the cost of attendance, or asked OSU to provide a major of interest (such as nursing) that wasn’t currently available. The majority of respondents did not identify anything specific OSU could have done differently. A number of respondents said they plan on coming back to OSU. The full text of the comments is available later in this report.



## Introduction

The 2013 OSU Student Retention Survey was implemented in April and May of 2013 by the Office of University Assessment and Testing as part of the *Retention Task Force's* recommendations to follow-up with students who were not retained. Two groups were targeted as part of this survey: 1) freshmen students who enrolled at OSU in the fall of 2012 and were retained at OSU in the spring of 2013, and 2) freshmen students who enrolled at OSU in the fall of 2011 or the fall of 2012 and were not retained in the fall of 2012 or spring of 2013 respectively. The students in the retained group provide a comparison that can be used to provide context for the results for the students who were not retained.

The survey was implemented as a phone survey. Undergraduate students were hired by the Office of University Assessment and Testing and called the students in the sampling population to administer the questions. The callers were not permitted to call students they knew personally.

## Survey Questions

Survey questions were based on Pascarella and Terenzini's (1980) article in the *Journal of Higher Education*, titled, "Predicting Freshman Persistence and Voluntary Dropout Decisions from a Theoretical Model." The items focus on peer-group interactions, interactions with faculty and academic experiences, advising, support services, current educational enrollment status, commute time and work, and open-ended questions regarding the student's primary reason for leaving OSU and if there was anything OSU could have done to keep the student here.

Questions were reworded for students who were currently enrolled to reflect their current enrollment status and questions that were not relevant to currently enrolled students were skipped.

In each section below, the italicized text shows how the caller introduced each section. Responses are grouped by retained / not retained status.

## Response Rate

	Category		
	<u>Retained</u>	<u>Not Retained</u>	<u>Total</u>
Number of individuals in the sampling pool	1,000	1,967	2,967
Number of survey respondents	559	600	1,159
Response rate	55.9%	30.5%	39.1%
Adjusted response rate (removing those "unreachable" with no valid phone number)	58.5%	36.4%	44.5%



## Interactions with Peers

I am going to begin by reading you a list of statements about your interactions with peers at OSU. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>While attending OSU, I developed close personal relationships with other students.</b>				
strongly disagree	2	0.4	11	1.9
disagree	13	2.3	62	10.5
neutral	22	3.9	44	7.4
agree	257	46.0	259	43.8
strongly agree	265	47.4	215	36.4
Mean score:	4.38		4.02	
T-Test Summary:	p < 0.001		Effect size = -0.404	

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>The student friendships I developed at OSU were personally satisfying.</b>				
strongly disagree	2	0.4	5	0.9
disagree	7	1.3	36	6.3
neutral	20	3.6	49	8.5
agree	289	52.0	296	51.4
strongly agree	238	42.8	190	33.0
Mean score:	4.36		4.09	
T-Test Summary:	p < 0.001		Effect size = -0.344	

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>My relationships with other students had a positive influence on my personal growth.</b>				
strongly disagree	1	0.2	9	1.6
disagree	4	0.7	38	6.6
neutral	41	7.4	83	14.3
agree	311	55.9	278	48.0
strongly agree	199	35.8	171	29.5
Mean score:	4.26		3.97	
T-Test Summary:	p < 0.01		Effect size = -0.366	



	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>It was difficult for me to meet other students at OSU.</b>				
strongly disagree	184	32.9	196	33.1
disagree	277	49.6	235	39.6
neutral	46	8.2	56	9.4
agree	47	8.4	83	14.0
strongly agree	5	0.9	23	3.9
Mean score:	1.95		2.16	
T-Test Summary:	p < .001		Effect size = 0.205	

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Few of the students I know were willing to listen to me if I had personal problems.</b>				
strongly disagree	23	4.1	21	3.6
disagree	42	7.6	62	10.8
neutral	76	13.7	97	16.8
agree	315	56.7	282	49.0
strongly agree	100	18.0	114	19.8
Mean score:	3.77		3.70	
T-Test Summary:	p =.286			

\*Question was slightly modified for retained students.

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Most students at OSU have attitudes and values that are different from my own.</b>				
strongly disagree	14	2.5	21	3.6
disagree	129	23.1	138	23.4
neutral	169	30.3	156	26.5
agree	206	36.9	203	34.5
strongly agree	40	7.2	71	12.1
Mean score:	3.23		3.28	
T-Test Summary:	p =.415			



## Interactions with Faculty

I am now going to ask you some questions about your interactions with faculty.

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
How often did you work with faculty members on activities other than coursework?				
never	250	44.7	303	51.4
sometimes	222	39.7	199	33.7
often	67	12.0	70	11.9
very often	20	3.6	18	3.1
Mean score:	1.74		1.67	
T-Test Summary:	p = .469			

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
How often did you discuss career plans with a faculty member?				
never	130	23.3	186	31.6
sometimes	287	51.3	258	43.9
often	115	20.6	115	19.6
very often	27	4.8	29	4.9
Mean score:	2.07		1.98	
T-Test Summary:	p = .136			

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
How often did you discuss grades or assignments with a faculty member of instructor?				
never	34	6.1	54	9.2
sometimes	221	39.7	205	34.8
often	220	39.5	240	40.7
very often	82	14.7	90	15.3
Mean score:	2.63		2.63	
T-Test Summary:	p = .194			



	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
<b>I am satisfied with opportunities I had to meet and interact with faculty members at OSU.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	6	1.0
disagree	16	2.9	41	6.9
neutral	37	6.6	49	8.3
agree	381	68.4	368	62.3
strongly agree	123	22.1	127	21.5
Mean score:	4.10		3.96	
T-Test Summary:	p < .01		Effect size = -0.184	

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
<b>Most of the faculty members I had contact with are outstanding or superior teachers.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	7	1.2
disagree	21	3.8	30	5.1
neutral	56	10.0	69	11.7
agree	352	63.0	345	58.4
strongly agree	128	22.9	140	23.7
Mean score:	4.05		3.98	
T-Test Summary:	p = .057			



## Academic and Intellectual Experiences

These next few questions pertain to your academic and intellectual experiences at OSU. Please indicate the extent to which agree or disagree with the following statements.

My academic experiences at OSU have had a positive impact on my intellectual growth.	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
strongly disagree	0	0.0	8	1.4
disagree	6	1.1	26	4.4
neutral	17	3.0	54	9.2
agree	349	62.4	356	60.4
strongly agree	187	33.5	145	24.6
Mean score:	4.28		4.03	
T-Test Summary:	p < 0.001		Effect size = -0.369	

I am satisfied with my academic experiences at OSU.	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
strongly disagree	3	0.5	28	4.7
disagree	8	1.4	54	9.1
neutral	18	3.2	58	9.8
agree	354	63.6	316	53.5
strongly agree	174	31.2	135	22.8
Mean score:	4.24		3.81	
T-Test Summary:	p < .001		Effect size = -0.497	

My academic coursework at OSU was intellectually stimulating.	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
strongly disagree	0	0.0	4	0.7
disagree	12	2.1	37	6.3
neutral	35	6.3	55	9.3
agree	393	70.3	373	63.3
strongly agree	119	21.3	120	20.4
Mean score:	4.11		3.96	
T-Test Summary:	p < .01		Effect size = -0.206	



My academic coursework at OSU was relevant to my career goals.	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
strongly disagree	5	0.9	12	2.0
disagree	40	7.2	73	12.4
neutral	57	10.2	81	13.8
agree	329	58.9	318	54.0
strongly agree	128	22.9	105	17.8
Mean score:	3.96		3.73	
T-Test Summary:	p < .001		Effect size = -0.250	

My academic coursework at OSU was enjoyable.	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
strongly disagree	3	0.5	10	1.7
disagree	35	6.3	53	9.0
neutral	105	18.9	115	19.5
agree	349	62.8	331	56.2
strongly agree	64	11.5	80	13.6
Mean score:	3.78		3.71	
T-Test Summary:	p = .122			



## Academic Advising

These next few questions pertain to academic advising. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
<b>My advisor was interested in me as a person.</b>				
strongly disagree	6	1.1	10	1.7
disagree	22	4.0	53	9.0
neutral	59	10.7	79	13.5
agree	272	49.2	261	44.5
strongly agree	194	35.1	183	31.2
Mean score:	4.13		3.95	
T-Test Summary:	p < .01		Effect size = -0.205	

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
<b>My advisor was familiar with the university courses and programs.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	2	0.3
disagree	6	1.1	16	2.7
neutral	25	4.5	30	5.1
agree	248	44.8	287	49.1
strongly agree	275	49.6	250	42.7
Mean score:	4.43		4.31	
T-Test Summary:	p = .291			

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
<b>My advisor provided me with accurate information.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	3	0.5
disagree	9	1.6	17	2.9
neutral	20	3.6	31	5.3
agree	271	49.0	292	49.8
strongly agree	253	45.8	243	41.5
Mean score:	4.39		4.29	
T-Test Summary:	p = .176			



### Student Support Services and Other Staff

I am now going to ask you some questions about student support services and other staff on campus. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>University staff treated me with respect.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	1	0.2
disagree	1	0.2	5	0.8
neutral	20	3.6	22	3.7
agree	329	58.9	371	63.0
strongly agree	207	37.0	190	32.3
Mean score:	4.33		4.26	
T-Test Summary:	p = .228			

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>University staff were genuinely interested in helping students.</b>				
strongly disagree	0	0.0	3	0.5
disagree	3	0.5	9	1.5
neutral	30	5.4	43	7.3
agree	342	61.2	350	59.6
strongly agree	178	31.8	182	31.0
Mean score:	4.26		4.19	
T-Test Summary:	p = .317			

	Retained		Not Retained	
	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>n</u>	<u>%</u>
<b>Did you use any support services on campus (e.g. Writing Center)?</b>				
yes	322	57.6	317	53.6
no	236	42.2	266	45.0
I didn't know about these services	0	0.0	8	1.4
		Chi-square: p = 0.012		OR = 16.3

There is evidence to suggest a relationship between retention status and use or knowledge of support services on campus. Additional analyses suggest the primary difference is in the knowledge of the services (odds ratio of about 16.3), although some of this might be explained by the additional amount of time the retained students have spent on campus.



What services did you use?				
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AC and private tutoring  
 Academic Center (n=2)  
 Academic Development Center (n=6)  
 All of them at least once  
 ASC in Kerr/Drummond, LASSO tutoring  
 Athlete used the AC for athletes and tutoring  
 Athletic Academic Center (n=5)  
 Biology help center  
 Biology Lab  
 Biology lab and math lab  
 Biology lab, Math Learning Center  
 Biology Lab, Writing Center, Math Lab  
 Business Development  
 Calculus study hours  
 Calculus Tutoring (n=2)  
 Calculus Tutor, LRC for Biology  
 Career Services, Math Learning Resource Center  
 CEAT Center (n=3)  
 CEAT and Library tutoring  
 Chemistry Lab  
 Computer lab- used for tutoring, after hours for foreign language help  
 Counseling Program, LASSO Tutoring  
 Dorm maintenance services  
 Engineering Help Sessions  
 Engineering Tutoring Lab (n=3)  
 Free career advising  
 Help rooms, tutoring  
 I am using the tutoring center right now  
 I don't remember  
 I have used the writing center a couple times  
 I tried to use the tutoring program, but I couldn't get a hold of them  
 I used the math tutoring.  
 I used the tutoring once or twice  
 I used the writing center  
 I used the writing center and I went to the calculus place once  
 I used tutoring centers  
 Kerr-Drummond tutor support system, and personal tutoring  
 Language lab  
 Lasso student success, MLRC  
 LASSO Student support services  
 LASSO Writing (n=3)  
 LASSO (n=46)  
 LASSO and counseling center  
 LASSO and the Writing Center (n=7)  
 LASSO and Tutors in Math Lab (n=5)  
 LASSO Center and math tutoring (n=2)  
 LASSO Center and Text support  
 LASSO center and the Writing Center, Math Lab  
 LASSO Center and tutoring  
 LASSO Center, Tutoring in KD  
 LASSO Tutoring/Center, HireOSUGrads  
 LASSO, Biology Lab  
 LASSO, KD Center, Writing Center in Ag and English building  
 LASSO, writing center, RISE, success center  
 Library and LASSO Center  
 Library, Business services  
 LRC, ADC, Math Tutoring Lab  
 Math area in the library  
 Math Center  
 Math lab (n=75)



Math Lab (depends on the TA, Tutoring(alright), Writing Center  
 Math lab and tutoring centers  
 Math Lab, Writing Center (n=11)  
 Math Lab of Classroom Building  
 Math Lab, career service center  
 Math Lab, LASSO (n=4)  
 Math Lab, LASSO, Writing Center  
 Math Lab, Tutoring (n=4)  
 Math Lab, writing center (helped out a lot), tutoring  
 Math Learning Center (n=2)  
 Math Tutoring (n=12)  
 Math tutoring and lab at NOC  
 MLRC (n=3)  
 MLSC (n=2)  
 MLSC in the library and LASSO one time - very dissatisfied with LASSO Center and very satisfied with MLSC  
 None  
 North Classroom Building  
 Physics Help Room  
 Relaxation center, tutoring  
 Resume area of the business school  
 Resume help tutoring center  
 Saw a counselor  
 Science lab (n=2)  
 SLIC  
 SLIK (statistics tutoring) - hard to find out about it  
 Student Counseling Study halls  
 Student health center  
 Student Org  
 Student Support Services Trio Program, Tutoring  
 Study hours  
 Testing Center and Student Disability Services  
 The counseling center (great!) the math lab (no help at all)  
 The tutoring in math and sciences  
 The writing center, the Math Lab (n=2)  
 The writing center and some of the tutoring  
 The Writing Lab and the Success Facilitator (not advisor but meet with them weekly)  
 Tutor  
 Tutor lab for bio, math tutoring lab  
 Tutoring (n=65)  
 Tutoring (great), math Lab (ok)  
 Tutoring (very helpful) and math lab  
 Tutoring and counseling services and medical services  
 Tutoring and LASSO Center  
 Tutoring and Writing Center (n=4)  
 Tutoring center (n=7)  
 Tutoring center a couple times  
 Tutoring Center in NCLB, Writing Center  
 Tutoring center quite a bit for chemistry II  
 Tutoring for Biology  
 Tutoring in K-D (n=2)  
 Tutoring in Library  
 Tutoring in Math  
 Tutoring in statistics  
 Tutoring out of Student Union  
 Tutoring service (n=2)  
 Tutoring through sports  
 Tutoring, advising lady  
 Tutoring, math lab  
 Tutoring, Success center, writing center  
 Tutoring, Writing Center (n=4)  
 Tutoring, Writing Center in Ag hall  
 Used math and chemistry tutoring  
 Walk-in writing center  
 Went through Cru- Christ following group



- Writing
- Writing and tutoring center
- Writing Center (n=156)
- Writing Center , Math tutoring and Library
- Writing center (awesome!), math lab, tutoring
- Writing Center (awesome), Math Lab (awesome)
- Writing Center (difficult to get into), Math Lab (awesome!)
- Writing Center (most helpful!), Math Lab (helpful), Tutoring (not that helpful)
- Writing Center (really satisfied), math Lab (sometimes satisfied)
- Writing center a couple times
- Writing Center A LOT
- Writing center a lot and some tutoring
- Writing center and a counseling center
- Writing center and LASSO center (n=13)
- Writing Center and Math Center
- Writing center and Math Lab (n=21)
- Writing Center and Math Tutoring Center and SEAT program
- Writing center and the tutoring center for math
- Writing center and tutoring (n=19)
- Writing Center for Athletes
- Writing Center in KD
- Writing Center in library
- Writing Center in Morrill (n=2)
- Writing Center in SSB
- Writing center LASSO calculus in library
- Writing Center, AEC in Cordell
- Writing Center, Biology Lab, Statistics Lab, and Math Lab
- Writing Center, Business Calc. tutoring
- Writing Center, Career Services
- Writing Center, FIT
- Writing Center, help desks in library
- Writing Center, LASSO Center, ADC
- Writing Center, math Lab in Library
- Writing Center, math lab, Tutoring
- Writing Center, Math lab, tutoring, LASSO Center
- Writing Center, Math lab, Tutoring, Learning Resource Center
- Writing Center, Math Lab, Tutoring, LRC
- Writing Center, Math Learning Center
- Writing Center, Statistics Lab
- Writing Center, Student Success Center at NCLB
- Writing Center, Tutoring for Engineers
- Writing Center, Tutoring, Math Lab (n=2)

\*Question asked to only those that used campus support services.

To what extent were you satisfied with those services?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
very dissatisfied	3	0.9	4	1.3
dissatisfied	4	1.3	8	2.6
neutral	22	6.9	14	4.5
satisfied	165	51.6	138	44.2
very satisfied	126	39.4	148	47.4
Mean score:	4.27		4.34	
T-Test Summary:	p = .149			

\*Question asked to only those that used campus support services.



## Other Questions

*I just have a few more questions to ask.*

	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
Are you currently attending another institution of higher education?				
yes	--	--	400	68.1
no	--	--	187	31.9

\*Question asked only to students not retained.

If so, what institution are you currently attending?

A community college  
 Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College  
 ACC  
 Arkansas State  
 Arkansas Tech Univ.  
 Attending OSU again  
 Austin Community College  
 Back At OSU  
 BLINN College at Texas A&M  
 Brook Haven Community College (n=2)  
 Cameron University (n=5)  
 Came back to OSU (n=3)  
 Carl Albert State College  
 Carleton State in Texas  
 CASC  
 Collin College (n=7)  
 Collin County Community College (n=5)  
 Colorado State University (n=2)  
 Community college in Springfield, MO  
 Connor State College  
 Cosmetology School  
 Devry  
 East Central University (n=11)  
 Eastern OK State College  
 El Centro  
 EOSC Oklahoma State College  
 Florida Gulf Coast University  
 Fort Lewis College (n=2)  
 Francis Tuttle, going to OSU-Okmulgee soon  
 GIA  
 Glinn Bryan Community College  
 Grayson County College  
 Hill Junior College  
 Hillsdale Freewill Baptist College  
 Houston Community College  
 I am finishing up at TCC this week and going back to OSU in the fall  
 I don't want to say (n=2)  
 John Brown University  
 Kansas State  
 Kaplan University online  
 Langston University (n=2)  
 Last semester at Blane College, then transfer to Texas A&M University  
 Liberty Online  
 Lone Star Community College (n=2)



McGraines College  
 Mid American Christian Univ.  
 Midwestern State University (n=2)  
 Mira Costa Community College  
 Missouri Southern State University (n=2)  
 MSU  
 Murray State College  
 NCTC  
 NEO (n=3)  
 NOC (n=9)  
 NOC- Stillwater, then I am transferring back to OSU in the Fall 2013  
 North Central Texas College  
 North Eastern State University  
 North Texas  
 Northeastern Oklahoma A&M  
 Northeastern State (n=2)  
 Northern Oklahoma College. it's a two year nursing program  
 Northern  
 Northern OK College (n=2)  
 Northlake College - Dallas  
 Northwestern Oklahoma State University (n=3)  
 NSU (n=2)  
 OBU  
 OCC  
 OCCC (n=5)  
 OCU  
 OKC University  
 Oklahoma Christian  
 Oklahoma City Community College (n=2)  
 Oklahoma State University  
 Oklahoma State University (she came back)  
 Oklahoma State University and NOC  
 One class at NOC, But I'm a full time OSU-Stillwater student  
 OSU - OKC; graduated with Associate's Now at UCO  
 OSU- OKC (n=13)  
 OSU- Stillwater (n=2)  
 OSU Tulsa and TCC  
 OSU-IT (n=3)  
 OU (n=12)  
 Ozark Christian College  
 Part time at North State College, and part time classes at UNT  
 Pine Bluff  
 Platt College (n=3)  
 Prairie View A & M University (n=2)  
 Quest Community College in California  
 Ramapo College of New Jersey  
 Redlands Comm. College (n=3)  
 Roe State College  
 Rogers State Community College (n=8)  
 Saint Edwards  
 San Antonio College  
 San Diego State  
 San Jose State  
 Sam Houston State University  
 Seminole State junior college (n=3)  
 SMU  
 SMU, UT, CSU all since I left OSU  
 Southeastern Oklahoma State University (n=2)  
 Southeast University of Kentucky  
 Southern Miss  
 Southern Nazarene University (n=2)  
 Southwestern Oklahoma State (n=8)  
 Suffolk County Community College  
 Tarrant County College (n=2)



Tarrant Community College, Tarleton Community College  
 Tarrant County College (n=3)  
 Tarrant County College - soon to be NTU  
 TCC (n=16)  
 TCU (n=2)  
 Terrance County Community College  
 Texas A&M (n=5)  
 Texas Christian University (n=2)  
 Texas Community college  
 Texas State University (n=7)  
 Texas Tech University (n=5)  
 Texas University  
 Texas Women's University (n=2)  
 The Ocean Corporation  
 Trade school, IEC  
 Trinity Valley  
 Tulsa Community College (n=24)  
 Tulsa Technology Center (n=2)  
 Tulsa Welding School  
 U of Fort Smith  
 UCL (n=2)  
 UCO (n=13)  
 University of Arkansas (n=7)  
 University of Central Oklahoma (n=15)  
 University of Houston (n=2)  
 University of Kansas  
 University of Louisville  
 University of Missouri (n=3)  
 University of Muzzo  
 University of Nebraska (n=3)  
 University of Nevada - Las Vegas  
 University of New Ham.  
 University of North Texas (n=11)  
 University of Northern Colorado  
 University of Oklahoma (n=9)  
 University of Phoenix  
 University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma (n=2)  
 University of Southern Indiana  
 University of Texas (n=2)  
 University of Texas at Arlington (n=2)  
 University of Texas at Austin  
 University of Texas in Dallas  
 University of Texas at San Antonio (n=2)  
 University of Texas at Tyler  
 University Of Tulsa (n=2)  
 University of Fort Smith  
 UTA  
 Vanderbilt University  
 West Texas A & M University (n=4)  
 Westmoreland County Community College  
 Weatherford Junior College  
 Wharton County Junior College  
 White State University  
 Wichita state University (n=3)

\*Question asked to those that indicated they were attending another institution.

\*Question asked only to students not retained.



**Are you pursuing the same degree that you were at OSU?**

- I believe I was undeclared but I'm pursuing the same career goal.
- I don't remember what I was working on there. No.
- I still haven't picked a major.
- I'm transferring back to the same degree.
- No (n=201)
- No, changed degrees when I came back.
- No- changed to nursing.
- No- was undeclared at OSU.
- No, but a similar one.
- No, but will be switching back over.
- No, General Business instead of International.
- No, I'm getting general eds. completed, then I want to come back and finish my degree.
- No, Mechanical Engineering to Business Management.
- No, Music Business.
- No, they don't offer the same degree.
- Pretty much- Biology.
- Stayed with History, dropped education, added Spanish minor.
- Undecided on my major.
- Undeclared- so yes.
- Yes (n=173)
- Yes and no.
- Yes, I think so.
- Yes- Nursing.
- Yes- Psychology.
- Yes, in Healthcare area, same degree area but more specific.
- Yes, secondary education with a joint history degree.
- Yes, Accounting.

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 \*Question asked only to students not retained.

What was your living arrangement while attending OSU?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
on-campus residence	515	92.1	538	89.7
stayed with roommates off-campus	28	5.0	32	5.3
alone off campus	4	.7	5	.8
with parents	7	1.3	9	1.5
with other family	5	.9	8	1.3
Mean score:	1.14		1.17	
T-Test Summary:	p = .074			
Chi-square (comparing on and off campus only):	p = 0.45			



How satisfied were you with this living arrangement?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	n	%
very dissatisfied	8	1.4	29	4.9
dissatisfied	33	5.9	44	7.4
neutral	83	14.9	69	11.7
satisfied	241	43.2	207	35.0
very satisfied	193	34.6	243	41.0
Mean score:	4.04		4.00	
T-Test Summary:	p = .539			

How long was your commute time?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	N	%
no commute time	456	83.8	324	58.7
less than 10 minutes	62	11.4	170	30.8
more than 10 minutes but less than 30 minutes	21	3.9	50	9.1
more than 30 minutes but less than an hour	5	0.9	5	0.9
more than an hour	0	0.0	3	0.5
Mean score:	1.22		1.54	
T-Test Summary:	p < .001		Effect size = 0.488	

While attending OSU, how many hours per week did you work?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	N	%
I did not work	432	77.6	419	70.9
less than 20	90	16.2	99	16.8
more than 20 but less than 30	26	4.7	49	8.3
more than 30	9	1.6	24	4.1
Mean score:	1.30		1.46	
T-Test Summary:	p < .001		Effect size = 0.208	

If you did work, did you work primarily on-campus or off-campus?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	N	%
on campus	53	42.4	72	42.1
off campus	72	57.6	99	57.9
Mean score:	1.58		1.58	
T-Test Summary:	p = .920			



Did you have any children while attending OSU?	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	N	%
yes	5	.9	8	1.3
no	552	98.7	582	97.0
prefer not to answer	0	0.0	1	.2
Mean score:	1.99		1.99	
T-Test Summary:	p = .159			

How were you paying for your college education? (Check all that apply). The counts and percent indicate the number of respondents who identified each funding source within each category. <sup>1</sup>	Retained		Not Retained	
	n	%	N	%
student loans	196	35.0	231	38.5
	p = 0.410			
personal income	86	15.4	148	24.7
	p < .01		OR = 1.603	
federal or state grants	119	21.3	166	27.7
	p < .05		OR = 1.300	
family income	307	54.9	274	45.7
	p = 0.070			
scholarships	297	53.1	252	42.0
	p < .05		OR = 0.791	
other	16	2.9	20	3.3
	p = 0.655			

<sup>1</sup> Uses Pearson Chi-square test. The odds of using the variable for paying for college were “OR” times greater for students who were not retained than for students who were retained. The odds ratio (OR) is only reported when p < 0.05.



In your own words, could you describe what led to your decision to leave OSU?

A boyfriend.  
 A lot cheaper at UCO.  
 Academic non-preparedness.  
 Academic Suspension.  
 Academics.  
 All 3 of my roommates left and I didn't want to start over with new roommates.  
 Army reasons.  
 Athletics; offered by a lot of division two, thought I didn't want to play [SPORT], but then I knew I did so I went back to a different school.  
 Bad GPA- lost scholarships, had to pay out of pocket and I couldn't afford it.  
 Bad grades and financial trouble.  
 Basically, I couldn't afford it anymore and my family filed bankruptcy so they couldn't help me.  
 Because I moved to OKC.  
 Because of the bursar bills and grades. Even after I gave time for grades, I couldn't go anywhere else because of the bursar bill.  
 Because I felt that I had a higher purpose in the military. I felt like OSU tries to get people to graduate and have an OSU name, they don't want people to lean. I found that for getting a job you need work experiences, and OSU does not really offer that. Students can get into way too much debt at OSU.  
 Because I have a girlfriend at home in high school that I wanted to come back and be closer to her. Nothing to do with OSU.  
 Being so far from home.  
 Boy drama.  
 Can I skip that one?  
 Career change and wanted to be a fireman.  
 Change in career plans and closer to home.  
 Change in major. (n=2).  
 Changed major- cheaper and closer to home to go to Fort Worth.  
 Cheaper because I receive in-state tuition at Kansas because I'm from there.  
 Closer to home, and I can do more with the [SPORT] team.  
 College wasn't really for me at the time.  
 Coming from out of state, it wasn't a good fit. And it was hard to make friends without rushing a Greek house.  
 Costs. It's cheaper to graduate from a school in Texas than OK.  
 Couldn't afford it.  
 Couldn't afford it any more.  
 Couldn't afford tuition.  
 Couldn't do Pre-Law with any major- had to be Economics, international TAs were hard to understand.  
 Dated a guy that went to OU, but went to OSU because didn't want to be in Greek life. So came to OSU and met few people that are nice, but for the most part it is all about Greek life and was very unhappy and didn't feel like I fit in at OSU and OU was a better option socially because I already had friends that went there.  
 Did not fit in with Greek life.  
 Didn't do so great my second semester at OSU, and I wasn't able to come to OSU for the summer courses to rebuild my GPA (part of an appeals process). I would love to come back if I have the chance- OSU was incredible!  
 Didn't feel at home here- didn't click well with people.  
 Didn't have as much fun as I thought in the cheerleading program at OSU.  
 Didn't like it.  
 Didn't like the atmosphere and people, didn't like how big the classes were.  
 Didn't make grades- I really want to return.  
 Didn't try hard at first and then gave up after a couple months. I just didn't want to be there.  
 Different interest in programs.  
 Difficult to commute back and forth, didn't have a car.  
 Dissatisfaction with the [REDACTED] team.  
 Distance between my family and my school.  
 Distance from family.  
 Distance from my home.  
 Dropped classes and then couldn't get back in them.  
 Emotional breakdown.  
 Enlisted and it was a lot of money. Had to think through my options.  
 Even with scholarships and loans it was still a bit too expensive.  
 Expensive.  
 Expensive and I didn't do as well in the classes to keep my GPA up as I needed to do.



Family emergency.  
 Family issue. (n=4)  
 Family matters.  
 Family moved.  
 Family moved away and it was no longer economically available to go there.  
 Family reasons.  
 Family reasons. I left for a semester and I planned the whole time on coming back.  
 Family troubles.  
 Far off from me, had better work and made more money, but plan on coming back to finish up. Very fun, but was not making enough money.  
 Felt guilty- was spending my parents money and I wasn't doing very well in school.  
 Felt I could do better another place.  
 Finances and maybe companies recruiting from another college.  
 Finances and other personal reasons.  
 Financial. (n=5)  
 Financial complications.  
 Financial decision. (n=2)  
 Financial issue and I was honestly not emotionally prepared for a college environment.  
 Financial issues. (n=2)  
 Financial issues at the time, I plan on going back.  
 Financial issues because of being out of state made it really difficult.  
 Financial problems.  
 Financial problems and no nursing program.  
 Financial reasons. (n=4)  
 Financial reasons- classes were cheaper at a community college so went there for a year but then came back.  
 Financial situation deteriorated.  
 Financial strain and time constraint.  
 Financial troubles.  
 Financial. My dad lost his job so I moved home to help him with bills.  
 Financially could not afford tuition.  
 Financially unfeasible.  
 Following my career choice, I came to OSU not knowing what I wanted to do.  
 Forced.  
 Funding.  
 Get closer to home.  
 Go home for a little while.  
 Going to pay a lot more money to go there in sophomore-senior year than freshman year- financial situation.  
 Got a job opportunity that I couldn't pass up.  
 Got a scholarship to Carl Albert to get my basics done.  
 Got distracted a lot.  
 GPA level.  
 Grades. (n=4)  
 Grades fell so I couldn't go back. I was sick all the time. I had depression. I had to go home, I wasn't ready for school.  
 Grades mostly.  
 Grades weren't good and I thought it would be wiser for me to look elsewhere.  
 Grades- but then came back.  
 Grades- I'm at OCCC to improve my GPA.  
 Granddad died, and he took care of the family financially. Once he died I had to get a job and help take care of my family financially.  
 Had to be closer to family.  
 Had to go to Mayo Clinic because I have epilepsy. Got very bad, had them in classroom, had full-blown seizure in classroom once. Had to go to Mayo Clinic to get a surgery.  
 Had to leave OSU because of financial issues.  
 Had trouble with the loans, so I had to drop out and get a job. Hope to come back in the fall.  
 High tuition prices and poor grades.  
 Homesick.  
 How far it was to home.  
 I always wanted to go to OU, but just went to OSU for my brother. Once I got here I just really wanted to be at OU so I switched. Nothing against OSU.  
 I always wanted to go, I was a little wild and crazy and my grades weren't very good.  
 I am from a small town, so I wasn't prepared for the work load or the class sizes, so I changed schools. Now I'm coming back in the fall because OSU is more challenging.  
 I am enlisted in the army and just wanted experience in school before I followed that path.  
 I am very family oriented person and I missed my family.



I basically just wasn't satisfied being at the campus. I battled depression.

I changed my major and I thought it would be cheaper to go to a smaller university, and my parents wanted me to be closer to home, and I had a really bad experience with my roommate, and the RA was not very helpful at all.

I changed my major and it was no longer necessary to pay so much money to go to OSU, so I went to a junior college.

I changed my major to nursing and they don't have program.

I changed my major to one that OSU didn't have, so I moved home. But I would have regardless.

I changed my major, and since OSU was more expensive, I decided to go somewhere that was cheaper and offered it offered the same degree. My family and fiancé was also where I am now.

I changed what I wanted to do as my career and OSU OKC was a lot less expensive.

I checked out the theater department at UCO and they gave me a scholarship and I decided to go there.

I chose a major in education that through Texas you had to attend a Texas institution.

I completed all of my gen eds. and I did not know what to do with my major, so instead of spending more money, I decided to take a step back just think about what I wanted to do before I continued my education.

I could no longer afford it.

I couldn't afford it anymore, and I wanted more of a goal- to know where I want to go and what I want to do before I go back to college.

I couldn't afford it. (n=2)

I couldn't pay the out-of-state tuition.

I couldn't see myself working in a field that required a college degree. I found myself wanting to be a body piercer.

I dance. I'm dancing on Broadway now.

I decided I wanted to do something different.

I decided I wanted to go a different path and I needed to go to a different school to do that and the frat.

I decided that the major wasn't really what I wanted to be doing; also I'm from Nebraska so it was a combination of wanting to go home as well.

I decided to leave because I had grown up in a small town my whole life, it was similar to that. I wanted to branch out.

I decided to party more than I studied, and never went to class. Because of this they suspended me.

I did not enjoy Stillwater; it was too small and boring. The university itself was alright, but the experience of the university was not awesome for me. It was lacking in the buildings and classrooms. The classes I took were fine and the people I met were fine. I'm also originally from Norman so I wanted to go home.

I did not like Stillwater; did not think that the students at OSU were easy to connect with; you were either Greek or you weren't and I wasn't.

I did very poorly academically the first semester, so my parents and I decided I should come back and go to a community college. I wasn't ready so I'm doing my gen-eds. and I'll be returning to OSU in the fall, hopefully.

I didn't do well academically, I was academically suspended. I did not reapply after I took off, but I plan to come back in August.

I didn't do so well and I lost my scholarship and I could no longer afford. I was going through a custody battle with my child. Moved back in with my parents. Still trying to fix things. Might come back.

I didn't do well enough in school, lost my scholarship, and could no longer afford it, so I've decided to hold off for now.

I didn't feel like I fit in.

I didn't feel like it was a good place for me. No particular reasons though.

I didn't feel like the degree I was pursuing fit me for this time in my life.

I didn't feel like the experience I was getting would help you succeed in my career goals.

I didn't get any out-of-state scholarships, and then I decided the pharmacy program wasn't good enough.

I didn't have good enough grades.

I didn't have the finances to stay.

I didn't like Stillwater.

I didn't quite make my grades.

I didn't really decide to leave, I just didn't have enough financial aid and I couldn't afford to enroll the next semester. So I had to come home.

I didn't want to leave OSU but my aunt passed away and her funeral was two weeks after school started and I didn't want to miss it so I moved back to Tulsa.

I didn't want to leave- had to leave because of academic suspension. Also, no RN program.

I didn't want to leave- money thing. Couldn't afford it.

I didn't do well my first year, and I lost my scholarship.

I didn't feel like they prepared for the real world, I feel like I'm more prepared for the real world now that I'm going to OU.

I didn't feel the teachers I had were helping me advance in my field.

I didn't feel like "home" there.

I didn't get into the program that I was going for.

I didn't know very many people, the coursework was extremely easy. I decided to switch to physics and A&M had more research opportunities and I knew more people there.

I didn't know what I wanted to major in so I kind of freaked out.

I didn't like the town of Stillwater as much as I liked the Norman area.

I didn't really make friends and I didn't really feel like I was going anywhere with the courses.



I didn't want to leave, it was money. The music department told me I would be getting a scholarship and that didn't happen so I had to leave the school.

I don't think it's what I wanted. It was a lot different than I expected and further from home than I wanted.

I ended up losing my scholarship. I ended up going to TCC so I could finish my associate's and go back this fall.

I failed my Freshman Orientation class because I was absent once more than allowed, and my parents had me come back.

I fell behind on my class work and I was losing all my scholarships, so I went to a community college to get my GPA up.

I felt God calling me to the Ozarks. It is a bible college, but I did love every second at OSU.

I felt like OU suited me better.

I felt that the program wasn't taking me in the direction I wanted to go.

I found a better job and talked to people who had graduated and they were having trouble finding a job. I just thought it might be a better idea.

I goofed off and flunked out, and the bursar bill wasn't paid- totally my fault.

I got a better scholarship somewhere else.

I got concussions so I couldn't cheerlead until that was over, then I got a scholarship at Kentucky. So it was mostly financial reasons.

I got diagnosed with multiple sclerosis and had to move back to California.

I got kindly asked to. I will be coming back in the fall, as a full time student.

I got offered a scholarship to play baseball.

I got pregnant and I couldn't afford to go to school and provide for both of us at the same time. I do plan on coming back when my son's older. I did want to stay though.

I got pregnant and I decided to have the baby, so I wanted to live at home for free.

I got sick and took a semester off for a surgery. I'll be back in the fall.

I got very homesick. I'm from Kansas City.

I guess friendship was a big factor. There were no straight shooters on campus. I would never meet people I really clicked with, making me feel very isolated. Which maybe I wasn't prepared for college life.

I had a boyfriend back home that I wanted to be closer to.

I had a change of major and OSU does not offer it as a major.

I had a kid, so I went back home.

I had a scholarship at OSU and my GPA requirement wasn't met my first semester for my scholarship. And the second semester I couldn't get my GPA back up, so basically I lost my scholarship.

I had a stroke while I was in Stillwater, a week before finals.

I had family issues that forced me to leave.

I had made poor decisions throughout college and it led to me having to drop out because of grades.

I had medical issues when I decided to leave and when I decided to return they weren't offering the major I wanted.

I had medical leave and had to have emergency surgery, I decided to stay closer to home instead of going back.

I had money issues and needed to come back home. I wasn't willing though.

I had money problems. I got there and I had a scholarship but it turned out it wasn't enough to cover it because I'm out-of-state.

I had other opportunities in [REDACTED] and decided to pursue them.

I had some personal problems at home that I needed to go home and take care of.

I had the opportunity to buy a business- that's why I left.

I had to come back to help take care of my mother and basically work to take care of my family.

I had to go to training for the Army.

I had to have surgery, so I wanted to come home and do that, but I will be back in the fall.

I had to leave.

I had to start paying for my own college and it was too much.

I have to pay it off to go back.

I just changed majors and OSU did not provide my major - it was going to be pre-med but I switched to pre-pharmacy.

I just couldn't avoid it.

I just decided I wanted to be a nurse and I didn't want to go to OSU-OKC and since NOC is here in Stillwater where I live I choose that.

I just decided to leave to work.

I just didn't get along with the people very well and it was too expensive for not loving it.

I just didn't like the town very much and I was looking for something a little bigger.

I just didn't make any friends there. Nothing against the teachers or anything, but I just didn't really click with anyone there. Academics were great though.

I just had a need to come home it had nothing to do with OSU, I loved being there but I had to come home.

I just left for personal reasons.

I just missed home and needed to come back.

I just needed to be closer to home.

I just needed to come home and take care of some personal things.

I just needed to get to a tech school to get my basics.

I just needed to move back home.



I just really didn't like the school or the city.  
 I just really wanted to be more hands on, so I joined the Air Force. Hopefully I can come back soon!  
 I just saw that I wouldn't be able to afford a second semester tuition. So I had to come home and work.  
 I just wanted to a year off.  
 I just wanted to be closer to family.  
 I just wanted to come back home.  
 I just wanted to move back home for a while, so I attended OSU-OKC. Then I came back to OSU- Stillwater.  
 I just wanted to move home.  
 I just wanted to switch to NOC, its closer to home and I wanted a nursing program.  
 I just was taking a different path, I felt like I had enough education to do what I wanted to do.  
 I just wasn't really ready. It was pretty difficult and I didn't expect it.  
 I just wasn't satisfied. I didn't like it.  
 I just wasn't ready to keep going. I was tired of school at the time.  
 I kind of had a hard time, it wasn't really ideal to be at a university at the time.  
 I left and came back. I left to go back home to safe up some money. I am now back.  
 I left and came back!!!!  
 I left because I bombed my first year and I needed to go to a smaller college to get adjusted.  
 I left because I changed my degree and OSU didn't provide it – Pharmaceuticals.  
 I left because I had to make a 2.5 GPA to get money from Cherokee Nation and I didn't complete that. I also took a wrestling scholarship at NEO.  
 I left because I just wasn't happy there. It wasn't for me.  
 I left because I needed to work and I couldn't find a job in Stillwater.  
 I left because I thought I had a scholarship but it turned out that wasn't true so I had to pay out of pocket and it was too expensive.  
 I left because it was expensive.  
 I left because it was the out-of-state tuition was too expensive.  
 I left because it was too big of a school and I didn't realize that it was too big until I got there.  
 I left because my mom got really sick, so I came closer to home.  
 I left because of grades but now I'm back.  
 I left because out of state tuition caused a dispute in the family.  
 I left because the more traditional college wasn't working for me. I am now going to a more accelerated program that is year-round.  
 I left because my grades slipped down and I lost my scholarship and could pay so I moved to a college closer to home and a lot cheaper.  
 I left due to grades, but I am now attending OSU again.  
 I left for a semester to attend TCC and take a couple basics because it was cheaper.  
 I left for family reasons.  
 I left for financial reasons but I'm coming back.  
 I left for financial reasons.  
 I left for financial reasons. I didn't want to do loans anymore, so now I'm paying out of pocket.  
 I left for financial reasons. My financial aid was a big part of it. That's the main reason, really.  
 I left for military reasons.  
 I left just to be closer to my family in Texas.  
 I left mostly because I felt like I was getting the same degree at a school that was way more expensive than a school that's cheaper that offers the same thing. I'm also playing sports here at ██████████ next year.  
 I left OSU because I got kicked out of my frat and couldn't afford out of state it anymore.  
 I left OSU because it was too expensive.  
 I left primarily due to [SPORT TEAM]- the situation I came into was not the same as I was told when I committed as a sophomore in high school- left to go play somewhere else- OSU did not work out for me.  
 I left to change degrees.  
 I left to finish my gen eds. and am going back in the fall.  
 I left to play [SPORT].  
 I left to play [SPORT] - and that's the only reason.  
 I left to save money and go to a smaller, cheaper school.  
 I lost my scholarship.  
 I lost my scholarship and get really sick.  
 I love the people, just wasn't for me.  
 I love the school, but personally I wasn't happy. I was home sick, it just wasn't for me.  
 I majored in studio art but after spending a lot of money the first year I realized I could do what I loved at home.  
 I met my husband; he was at ECU so I transferred there.  
 I missed home, I missed California.  
 I missed home; I discovered some health issues, would be best if I came home.  
 I missed my family a lot so I moved back home.  
 I moved back home to go to school closer to my family.



I moved closer to home.  
 I moved out of state with my dad. I had a better work opp.  
 I moved to a different state with my family.  
 I needed to live in the city. Stillwater was too rural.  
 I needed to switch majors and OSU does not offer nursing.  
 I plan to come back; wanted to raise my grades.  
 I planned to come back to OSU, but a temporary decision turned permanent.  
 I played [SPORT] and tore my ACL and had to go to surgery, and I couldn't throw. Then the new coaching staff sent me to a junior college.  
 I really enjoyed my experience, but it never felt like the right fit for me. It was really big and I was slightly overwhelmed.  
 I really went to OSU because I planned on pursuing a degree that they had and when I decided to change my degree I moved to Edmond, plus it is cheaper.  
 I switched my major and OSU didn't offer my major. Also I am now closer to home.  
 I switched majors and they didn't have nursing.  
 I think I felt I was pushed into going to college and I was not ready or motivated at the time.  
 I thought I was going to move to another state, but ended up not moving so I came back to OSU.  
 I wanted a program that offered my major and there wasn't an opportunity at OSU for that major (criminal justice). Also, I wanted a bigger campus.  
 I wanted smaller classes and the price of tuition.  
 I wanted to be close to home- didn't like living in a dorm.  
 I wanted to be closer to home.  
 I wanted to be closer to home and be back in Texas.  
 I wanted to change majors and wasn't interested in the program they had at OSU.  
 I wanted to do more with photography and they did not have that major.  
 I wanted to do nursing and OSU didn't have it.  
 I wanted to get into the program that is on the Okmulgee campus instead of the Stillwater one.  
 I wanted to move back to the East coast and I changed what I wanted for my path.  
 I wanted to move closer to OKC.  
 I wanted to pursue a different path and do what my dad did.  
 I wanted to pursue a military career and then come back to OSU.  
 I wanted to pursue my education at a different university because they did not offer my major: Commercial Diving (Scuba Diving).  
 I wanted to take the next semester closer to home.  
 I was biology was major at the time and I was taking 17 hours which was too much, I had 2 B's and 2 C's which dropped my GPA below a 3.0, which caused me to lose my scholarship, and that made it impossible to stay at OSU because we could not afford the tuition without the scholarship.  
 I was born and raised in Oklahoma and I wanted to get out west in the mont.  
 I was called for active duty for the military. I am now back and attending OSU Stillwater.  
 I was definitely not prepared intellectually to leave home in California.  
 I was dismissed, I didn't make grades. I wish I could take it all back and redo it again. I've applied for the fall.  
 I was enlisted.  
 I was forced.  
 I was fresh out of high school and wasn't ready for a larger institute.  
 I was going through family issues.  
 I was having health issues. So I had to come home to be closer to doctors.  
 I was having problems with medications, so my parents wanted me to come home.  
 I was having to rethink what I was going to do with my life.  
 I was homesick and the living situation was awful (roommate was not good at all).  
 I was homesick, wanted to be closer to boyfriend and family. Couldn't get bachelor's in nursing at OSU.  
 I was in a fraternity and I ended up getting kicked out for "picking on" a kid in the fraternity. Then I moved to the dorm and everyone had already made friends and I just decided to leave.  
 I was in the fire protection program to become a fire fighter, but the program offered at OSU was more geared toward engineering, and I found an academy that offered specific courses to allow me to become a Fire fighter.  
 I was just bored.  
 I was mad because I wasn't getting enough playing time. I was 18 and immature, home sick, and I just made the rash decision to leave.  
 I was not able to pay for it. I would not be able to pay for the full 4 years and OSU did not offer the major I decided to pursue nursing.  
 I was not sure if college was what I wanted to do after a while, decided to try something else, felt that I could always come back, now I am in the military.  
 I was on academic suspension.  
 I was paying out of state, it was extremely expensive.  
 I was personally not ready to be at a four year university.  
 I was playing [SPORT] and decided that I wanted to play a different sport which I couldn't play at OSU.



I was slacking off; needed smaller classes.  
 I was struggling with depression and school was just too much for me.  
 I was suspended.  
 I was suspended because I was working too much to keep up my school work. And I was working too much so I couldn't handle it.  
 I was trying to play [SPORT] at a different school.  
 I was unprepared for the transition from homework in to doing homework alone outside of the class and I had trouble with the computer engineering classes which was my major, and trouble with understanding the professor.  
 I was unsatisfied; I didn't really know what I wanted to do.  
 I wasn't able to get my FAFSA in time so now I'm working on getting back into OSU in the fall.  
 I wasn't financially stable enough to stay at OSU- needed to find somewhere that I could attend that wouldn't cause me to be in debt when I graduated.  
 I wasn't getting any financial aid.  
 I wasn't making the right choices in college.  
 I wasn't use to the big campus; I wanted to move to a smaller school.  
 I wasn't doing as well as I'd like to. I wanted to take a break and then come back in a few years.  
 I wasn't satisfied with the location and academics.  
 I wasn't satisfied with the courses.  
 I wasn't sure what career path I wanted to take.  
 I went back home and had a job opportunity in Las Vegas to make some money, so I'm in Vegas now working to save up and come back to OSU.  
 I went to play [SPORT] at a junior college.  
 I worked from 11pm to 8am, so it was hard to study.  
 I wouldn't have, but my wife graduated and we had to move for her job.  
 I'd like to pass on that.  
 I'm coming back- I lost my scholarships.  
 I'm just from Colorado so it was kind of hard to live so far from home.  
 I'm just taking a semester off. I might come back this fall.  
 I'm out of state, so it was crazy expensive.  
 I'm pursuing a sports career but I want to transfer back.  
 I'd rather not talk about it.  
 I'm enrolled now actually, I just took a break.  
 I'm from Norman and the whole reason I went was to be away from home. I have very bad social anxiety and it was really hard for me.  
 I'm from Texas and it was 35,000 for the only year I went there.  
 I'm just taking a year off because I was stressing out so much.  
 Inconvenient.  
 It cost me a lot more than I could afford.  
 It cost too much and I was too far from my family.  
 It costs too much.  
 it didn't fit me.  
 It got too expensive.  
 It had to do with money.  
 It just wasn't the place for me and I just didn't know many people there.  
 It just wasn't going to be financially possible.  
 It seems like every time I tried to do something to better myself at OSU somebody was there to push me two steps back- academically, not socially.  
 It was a bit out of my price range, so I kind of downsized to UCO.  
 It was a choice made by expenses; it was cheaper to go to a school closer to home.  
 It was a consequence of my choices to mess around instead of going to class.  
 It was a multitude of things. I got mono right before I left, also not getting into a successful student organizations. I kind of felt alone in a sense.  
 It was a personal and spiritual decision to leave.  
 it was better for me to be Tulsa at the time.  
 It was cheaper to go to NOC for a year to get my gen eds. out of the way. I'm currently back and attending OSU.  
 It was closer to home.  
 It was closer to home and easier for me to move to Norman. For my major, OU had more things to offer.  
 It was expensive, could not afford it.  
 It was far away from my family.  
 It was far from home.  
 It was far from home and it was a bad decision to leave.  
 It was good experience but wasn't where I need to be.  
 It was just big and a different change than what I was used to.  
 It was just family issues, but I'm coming back.



It was just family issues, money, academic problems.

It was just financial issues. I realized I rather go to in-state school instead of pay out-of-state for OSU.

It was just kind of something that was happening during the spring semester, and I wanted to change my major and OU has a better program.

It was just too boring for me.

It was just too far away from home.

It was mainly family reasons.

It was mainly for sports. I missed my tryout at OSU, so I came to my school now to get a chance to play.

It was more because of location and a different set of people. I'm more of a city kid, so I prefer the bigger city. I like the school but it just wasn't for me.

It was more expensive then I could handle due to losing some scholarships, so it was cheaper for me to move to Tulsa OSU.

It was personal.

It was personal things that ended up making me leave.

It was pretty expensive and I wasn't holding up the grades. Also, I was very far from home.

It was really far away from my parents and I just didn't have a lot of fun, so I decided to move closer to home.

It was somewhat a grade issue, but also a parent thing.

It was supposed to be a short break not permanent, and financially too expensive.

It was the people I came in contact with, something about the environment.

It was too big for me.

It was too big, and I wanted to be closer to home.

It was too expensive. (n=2)

It was too expensive and I was paying out of state tuition.

It was too expensive and I wasn't making any friends really, then I changed my mind on my career path and I wanted to take some time to figure that out.

It was too expensive for my parents.

It was too far from home. (n=2)

It was too far from home and a good amount of my friends from high school go to the school I'm at now. Also, out of state tuition was a lot.

It was too far from home.

It was too much financially, pretty much.

It was too much pressure on myself and my family of being too far away and it cost a lot.

It wasn't for me; it was too big, it was hard for me to get out because I am a very introverted person. I felt like I needed a smaller campus.

It wasn't my top choice to leave. But I left because I wasn't receiving any academic credit for my very prestigious opportunity to intern with the Walt Disney Company.

It wasn't really my decision.

It wasn't an option.

It's a great institution, but it just wasn't quite right for me. I went for the wrong reasons anyway.

It's closer to home and it was cheaper in-state tuition.

Just because they do not have my major, I just took my general education there. The major is nursing.

Just decided I want to be closer to home. I also got a modeling job in Texas and I wanted to be closer to the agency.

Just got homesick- moved back to Indiana; finances were a big reason also.

Just life led me in a different direction.

Just ran out of loans.

Just the price of the college and that was it.

Just to go to school closer to home.

Lack of funding.

Lack of motivational environment.

Language barrier with professors. My first semester, I had a professor (w/ a beard) that really didn't want to be there (said "he didn't want to be there. Forced to teach the class."). Half of the students failed the class. Approached my advisor, Engineering College, about it and she was completely unreasonable (said I could either drop it and not have enough hours or deal with it). I felt so frustrated. Retook the class and had an Asian professor that I couldn't understand.

Lived in Edmond, had to commute.

Living conditions at OSU with roommates and it was too far from home, and there was another college I wanted to go to more.

Location- not too much going on in Stillwater.

Made more money working.

Mainly financial reasons, I'm just taking a break and trying to catch up on stuff.

Mainly the faculty at the lower levels, specifically the History department were not good teachers, the only teachers I liked were my science teacher and my History teacher because they were the only ones who seemed like they cared about their students personally.

Mainly, my grandma got really sick and I felt like I needed to be closer to home.

Majority of it was family and friends and the overall distance from home.



Marine Corp.  
 Medical issues.  
 Medical reasons. I have a severe brain injury and some things I couldn't adapt to.  
 Military.  
 Mom had stomach cancer- had to leave.  
 Money and I didn't like Oklahoma as a state.  
 Money and Personal.  
 Money was tough, not a lot of support from home because they live out of town.  
 Mostly because I'm actually thinking of moving out of state soon. Nothing against OSU.  
 Multiple reasons.  
 My boyfriend was at a different school.  
 My change of career, they did not offer nursing.  
 My family moved because my dad is in the military, so I moved with them.  
 My family moved to Alabama, so I did as well.  
 My family- could not go to school anymore, had to find a place to settle down.  
 My father couldn't afford it financially, so I am staying in Oklahoma to get residency for instate tuition, and I am coming back in the fall.  
 My fiancé wanted me to move down there, but I'm moving back in the fall.  
 My grades.  
 My grades mainly, and it was a little too much for me coming straight from a smaller high school.  
 My grades were horrible.  
 My grades were not where I wanted them to be, neither was my GPA, so I transferred to NOC to complete my basic classes and get more one on one attention from teachers and advisors in smaller classes.  
 My grades, needed to be home and save money.  
 My grades.  
 My heart was somewhere else as a student.  
 My major changed and personal reasons, I just didn't click with anyone at OSU.  
 My major is better at the university I'm going to now. It's more specialized with what I want to do.  
 My major is pre dentistry and I went to a dental seminar and they said there is a better chance of getting in the dental school when going through OU.  
 My mom was diagnosed with cancer but I'm back now.  
 My mother was sick and I needed to be closer to where she is.  
 My parents got a divorce, my uncle died, my girlfriend broke up with me, so I decided to go back home.  
 My roommate went kind of wild and I just wanted to go home, so I did. I was just homesick.  
 My scholarship ran out.  
 My school now is closer to my friends and family.  
 Needed to be closer to my family.  
 Needed to do my basics at TCC, coming back soon!  
 Needed to take a semester off, lost focus.  
 NEO paid for my total tuition.  
 No Money.  
 No nursing program. (n=2)  
 No way to pay for it, no one explained how to do it.  
 Not enough loan money, out of state tuition was too high.  
 Not maintaining the average to keep my grants.  
 Not pay out of state tuition.  
 Once I figured out my major, OU was just a better school for that.  
 OSU didn't offer nursing program in Stillwater so I had to leave for nursing school.  
 OSU does not have dental hygiene and that is what I wanted to go into.  
 OSU was a little too focused on the social scene and I was all about academics, so I switched to a science and technology school.  
 Out of state tuition and grades.  
 Out of state tuition was high.  
 Out of state tuition was high and I wanted to get away from Greek life.  
 Out of state tuition was really high!!!!  
 Out of state tuition was too expensive.  
 Out-of-state tuition and not having someone to pull out a parent plus loan to continue.  
 Out-of-state tuition is too high.  
 Overwhelmed by the amount of students on campus. Kind of made me feel small. But I want to come back now that I've matured!  
 Parents got divorced and I needed to be closer to home.  
 Personal.  
 Personal family issues.  
 Personal family matters.



Personal issues.

Personal issues I was dealing with, with which I decided to leave the state. I just didn't have a good mindset while I was there.

Personal issues. I met great people but I had to leave due to personal issues.

Personal problems.

Personal problems with the family.

Personal reasons. (n=4)

Personal reasons, nothing the school did.

Personal thing- personal crisis, if I could be there I would be there, if I go back to school I will go back there.

Problems back home- had to be there.

Roommate. I couldn't handle it.

School was not my thing. I don't like sitting in a classroom learning.

Sports.

Still at OSU, had to leave for a semester because of academic suspension.

Student health.

Switched major and needed to take more classes and get caught up and spend less money.

Take care of family.

The city of Stillwater- far from city, too country.

The classrooms were not good, the help sessions were not good.

The cost and the big size of OSU. There were too many people for me.

The culture, I didn't really care for the city or the people very much. Me and my roommates all ended up leaving and moving to bigger cities. I live in Austin now.

The degree I was pursuing at was not for me. I chose to pursue a more artistic degree that they didn't offer.

The environment, the overall feel that the student body gave me.

The fact that my parents wanted to stop paying for it because I did poorly.

The inability to find a job and fund myself.

The only reason I left was because UOT offered a harder program and I prefer a small campus in a large town.

The other college gave me a scholarship for athletics so that school is more affordable.

The people were just a lot different and it wasn't quite what I would have liked for it to be.

The professors I had were cold, didn't feel like they cared at all. Most of the teaching was done by TA's.

The program I switched to was better and also cheaper.

The school I attend now was a whole lot closer and a whole lot cheaper.

The summer between my fresh and soph year I found out I was pregnant. OSU was too far from home to manage the baby.

The tuition cost, I was a legacy. The tuition was just too much.

There was a mix-up with my loan so I couldn't pay the rest of tuition, so I wasn't able to register for this semester.

There wasn't diversity at OSU or in OK in general.

There were too many distractions.

They did not have the major that I decided to pursue, which was Actuarial Sciences.

They didn't offer the major I was looking for, which is environmental health sciences.

They didn't offer the major that I wanted, which was Petroleum Engineering.

They didn't have my major.

They didn't offer, it was as challenging as I wanted. And I also felt the OU professors are far more qualified.

To be closer to family and friends.

To better my career path.

To help my family out financially.

To take gen ed. courses at NOC.

Too big of a school than what I was used to; too much of a big change all at once and too far from home.

Too big of a school- I was only there for a couple weeks so I don't really have any feedback to give.

Too expensive.

Too far away.

Too far away, family issues, needed to be closer.

Too much competition for the certain program I was in.

Tuition raising and the out of state tuition was too high.

Tuition was extremely high, and it's a lot cheaper at home. It was too much for a degree that I wasn't certain about.

Um, well, I don't know, like it was a lot of money and I had a random bill that I couldn't pay.

Wanted more of a small school atmosphere- wanted more 1 on 1 attention from the teachers.

Wanted to be closer to home. (n=2)

Wanted to do my basics somewhere else, but I'm back here at OSU now!

Wanted to get a job and see the world.

Wanted to get classes out of the way at NOC.

Wanted to get the Gen Ed's out of the way at a cheaper college.

Wanted to move back home to save money.

Wanted to move back with family in Springfield.



Wanted to switch to pre-med, missed home too much.  
 Wanted to take a break from school.  
 Wanted to take a year off.  
 Wanted to try a new major to see if I liked it, but didn't want to pay for the tuition to test it out.  
 Was going to play [SPORT] at [Institution].  
 Was sick, had to medically withdraw to come home to Tulsa for surgery.  
 Wasn't my decision, if I had a choice I would have stayed.  
 Way too much fun and my grades dropped dramatically.  
 Well, I originally went there for cheer and I did not like the team or the cheer program.  
 Well, it wasn't really a right fit for me and I had a few things in my personal life that weren't going well. So I left. I really enjoyed my time at OSU it was just unlucky timing.  
 Wichita State, I got in state tuition and they had better options for my degree plan.  
 Work. I got a job. Full time. It is what I was getting a degree for.

\*Question asked only to students not retained.

### Is there anything that OSU could have done to keep you as a student?

Accept more people in the athletic training program.  
 Add professional golf management to the majors.  
 Be cheaper. (n=3)  
 Be cheaper, it's kind of expensive.  
 Be in a different town where you can get more connections.  
 Been cheaper, better scholarship opportunities.  
 Came back, had to leave for Army training.  
 Communicated with me, told me what was accurate, and not disrespect me in a way that made me not want to come back.  
 Cost should have been less.  
 Could have been cheaper.  
 Could have gotten a better reason of why I didn't get back in.  
 Could have worked with me better to figure out how to make things work.  
 Currently enrolled.  
 Cut the cost- could have been cheaper.  
 Disability services denied me services, even though I was legally disabled, Pre-Law major could have been opened to more majors.  
 Do better at teaching how to study- do not go into detail about that.  
 Do something for surrounding states at least.  
 Doing basics at TCC but I'm coming back to OSU in the future.  
 Expand OSU's interest or even the humanities programs.  
 Free tuition. (n=2)  
 Get a nursing program. (n=2)  
 Get the word out on student loans, tell students what to do if they can't find a loan.  
 Give me a free ride- if it was less expensive would have stayed.  
 Give more scholarships.  
 Give more scholarships for academics rather than on athletics.  
 Have the major I chose to pursue.  
 Have the Petroleum Engineering Major.  
 Help out for out of state kids.  
 Help with money troubles.  
 I am actually coming back. I just needed to have more confidence.  
 I am back now but honestly out of state tuition is really high.  
 I am coming back in the fall.  
 I am currently a student at OSU. (n=2)  
 I attended a counseling session and they told me they would notify me when they had a counselor for me and they never did.  
 I came back.  
 I came back. I just needed to go home for a little while.  
 I couldn't really afford it.  
 I didn't really talk to anyone about it before I decided.  
 I do not think so. (n=8)  
 I don't think so, unless they extremely lowered tuition



I don't think so. I went to talk to the bursar and financial aid office, and they just told me a bunch of confusing things, and they weren't really helpful.

I don't think so. It was just too far away from home.

I don't know.

I don't think.

I don't think for me specifically, it wasn't fast enough for me. It didn't keep me interested, if they offered more summer courses then I might've stayed.

I don't think so; I wish it could be in a different state.

I felt like God sent me to OSU for a season, and when it was time to move on, I needed to do so, and I ended up meeting my husband at OU when I transferred so I know I made the right decision.

I guess let me go there for free or in-state tuition from Texas.

I had a scholarship that was going to waive the out of state fees, but I was told incorrectly, and it did not actually cover the out of state.

I hope to be back soon. I do want to be at OSU, it was just personal stuff.

I just left because it was cheaper but now I'm back.

I just left for a semester and came right back to OSU.

I left so I could work full time but I might come back in the fall.

I like smaller classes.

I liked OSU, it was just a future career decision.

I loved OSU too it wasn't them. If I wasn't going for theater I would've stayed.

I paid out of state, if I didn't have to do that then I would've stayed.

I personally just wanted to figure out what I wanted to do; I had nothing against the university.

I plan on coming back to OSU after I finish my prerequisites.

I still am.

I think if they made the tuition more affordable when I moved there.

I think it was personal, honestly.

I think one of the big things was, was that it wasn't as personalized as it could have been. I didn't know my advisor or my teachers, and it didn't seem like anyone could help.

I took some classes at NOC because they were cheaper and then returned to OSU.

I wanted a different career plan and they didn't offer it there.

I wanted the major I was looking for and OSU didn't offer it.

I was suspended because I didn't go to class; it was all pretty much on me.

I'm coming back in the fall. I wasn't ready for college

I'm coming back, just taking classes at NOC.

I'm coming back!

I'm not sure.

If criminal justice was an option I definitely would've stayed or if there were more criminal justice classes I might not have switched majors.

If everything was cheaper and I didn't have to do so many gen ed. classes then I would've stayed. I just didn't want to spend a lot of money on gen ed. classes I didn't feel like I needed.

If I didn't have to take English classes yes.

If I had been receiving the playing time I felt I deserved I would have stayed at OSU.

If the Greek life wasn't so huge and such a big deal, I might have stayed.

If the out-of-state tuition wasn't such a problem. OSU is such a great institution but it's unfair that it's limited to only those with the right financial means. I would have stayed all four years at OSU if it wasn't for the out-of-state tuition.

If they gave out more money. It wasn't because of the school that I left.

If they had a criminal justice major I would've gone back.

If they had teachers that really cared about the students (some do), sometimes the teachers only care about what they have to do to be a teacher, you just get pushed through courses instead of receiving help- if there was a better support system for help I would have stayed.

If they had the major then I would've stayed.

If they have a better criminal justice program and pre law program. Also, the tuition is high.

If they offered in state tuition to out of state students.

If they would have had my major I would still be there.

I'm enrolled now.

In the SSB I didn't feel connected to my college. That kind of hurt my decision.

It had nothing to do with OSU, it was all family issues, but I'm coming back.

It was all me really.

It was all my fault.

It was basically my choice.

It was definitely more personal than anything.

It was just a career choice.

It was just a personal decision.

It was just a personal thing no one could have fixed or changed.



It was just personal thing.  
 It was more my personal actions that messed it up.  
 It was more of a personal choice.  
 It was more personal, I was little overwhelmed with excitement.  
 It was more personal, it was nothing against OSU.  
 It was more personal, you could be better about giving scholarship money. Out of state tuition is really high.  
 It was mostly just my issue.  
 It was my decision, I would've been unhappy anywhere. I ended up joining the military.  
 It was my fault. (n=2)  
 It was nothing against OSU, I just couldn't afford it. I plan on returning to finish out my degree.  
 It was nothing OSU did!  
 It was nothing that the university did.  
 It was personal.  
 It was personal, I also think the out of state tuition is really harsh.  
 It was pretty much just the money.  
 It was pretty much me.  
 It was really hard to find scholarships, so I would have loved help doing this.  
 It wasn't anything on OSU's end.  
 It wasn't anything against OSU.  
 It wasn't anything that OSU did, it was just something I thought would be right. If it bettered my chances at all then I was going to do it.  
 Just accept more students into the program.  
 Just helping to find more loan opportunities!  
 Keep my scholarship longer, one semester wasn't long enough. Maybe have them a year at a time.  
 Let me go to school for free.  
 Loved OSU- technically would love to go back, but health has made me have to stay at home.  
 Lower costs.  
 Lower out of state cost. And not letting freshman have the choice of living off campus their first year.  
 Lower prices.  
 Lower prices for tuition.  
 Lower the tuition. (n=6)  
 Lower the tuition, offer more scholarship opportunities for people out of state.  
 Lower the tuition!!!! Students from Texas going to OK have to pay out of state tuition where students from OK going to Texas don't and that just blows my mind.  
 Lower tuition for out of state students.  
 Lower tuition or give me in state tuition.  
 Lowering the tuition would help, I am going back in the fall though.  
 Made the frats more, idk, they are changing things up in the frat life and that just threw me off.  
 Make attendance policies more strict, so you have more warning when you're getting close to missing too much class.  
 Make it cheaper.  
 Make it free haha nothing really.  
 Make it to where it is easier to get an on campus job, and pay on campus jobs better.  
 Make more out of state scholarships available or advertise those scholarships more.  
 Maybe lower tuition.  
 Maybe made class time further in between, like less homework.  
 Maybe make stricter rules at lba.  
 Maybe more groups and organizations, they don't promote them very well.  
 Maybe more programs for people to meet people, not clubs or organizations. No way to meet people. Didn't feel welcomed at OSU.  
 More available scholarships- more information on scholarships, hard to find scholarships, really had to search.  
 More classrooms support needed, The TA's were not helpful at all.  
 More financial aid.  
 More financial help maybe.  
 More help for out-of-state students; I felt super lost being from New York.  
 More of a personal choice.  
 More of a personal decision.  
 More of a personal situation.  
 More opportunities to reduce cost for out of state other than test scores.  
 More scholarship money. (n=2)  
 More scholarship money would've been nice.  
 More scholarship opportunities for ag science.  
 Move to Texas.  
 My advisor could have told me earlier that I could retake classes to replace my previous grades.  
 My psychology class was really difficult even though I memorized all of the terms. It wasn't based on the terms.



Nah.

No. (n=156)

No (let me make the team haha).

No all personal.

No because the program would need more work, I didn't like the living halls the were old and needed to be updated.

No I am coming back though.

No I don't think so.

No I don't think so, not at the time.

No I guess.

No I just missed my family a lot.

No I just needed a break I'll be back next year.

No I just wanted to go home.

No I love it there I just had to go family issues I guess.

No I really enjoyed it I just really wanted a full time job.

No I was stupid freshman.

No it was just my decision, it was nothing they did.

No it was just personal.

No it was me.

No it was more of a personal choice (n=3)

No it was more of a personal preference to go to OU.

No it was mostly me.

No it was nothing OSU did.

No it was nothing the university did. I enjoyed it there and learned a lot, just did what I had to do.

No it was personal.

No it was personal reasons.

No it was pretty much all my fault.

No it wasn't the school.

No it wasn't the university, it was personal.

No most of it was my fault.

No I might be coming back.

No option to stay.

No not really (n=7)

No not really, I got all the help I needed.

No not really, I just wanted to go home.

No not really. If the tuition went down then I would come back.

No Not the college, it was personal, California is so different from Oklahoma and I just couldn't get use to the differences.

No nothing, I personally will go back if I can.

No OSU had nothing to do with my decision to leave.

No probably not. (n=2)

No since it was a degree change.

No there wasn't.

No they did everything well.

No- easier to afford school in Denton.

No- I just needed to move home.

No- I liked it a lot just too much to start out with as a freshman.

No- I was in love with OSU!

No- it was all me that made the University, was a personal decision.

No- just wasn't for me; it was good, but it just was not where I needed to be.

No- maybe biology department improvement, but OSU is great.

No- not meant to be conceited, certain things happened.

No- personal decision.

No- personal reasons for leaving.

No- you did everything right.

No, because I was coming home for my church.

No, because they worked really well with me was I was driving back and forth between Oklahoma and Texas when she first got sick.

No, but I am coming back in the fall.

No, but I am now back and enrolled at OSU Stillwater.

No, but I do hope to come back.

No, but I will be attending back in the fall. Getting my 4 yr.

No, but I'm actually going back in the fall.

No, definitely nothing you could have done.

No, finances.

No, I am back through.



No, I don't think so.  
 No, I had no choice but to leave for the military.  
 No, I had to leave for Army training and I came back to OSU.  
 No, I just did my own thing.  
 No, I loved OSU I wish I could have stayed, but I had to do what I had to do to help my family financially.  
 No, I really wanted to go to another college, and I went to OSU for my parents.  
 No, I wanted to stay.  
 No, I wish I could have stayed, but my major didn't allow.  
 No, it was a family situation.  
 No, it was a personal choice.  
 No, it was a personal decision.  
 No, it was all personal.  
 No, it was finances and personal choices with my grades.  
 No, it was just a financial issue.  
 No, it was just family issues.  
 No, it was just financial.  
 No, it was just money.  
 No, it was just money. OSU was a great school.  
 No, it was just my own preferences.  
 No, it was just personal reasons.  
 No, it was just personal. (n=4)  
 No, it was mainly financial.  
 No, it was medical issues with the family.  
 No, it was more of a personal choice.  
 No, it was more personal.  
 No, it was my grades. I hated Drummond so I'll have to find somewhere to rent.  
 No, it was my health.  
 No, it was my health. I would've loved to stay.  
 No, it was partly my fault and personal issues with anxiety, which I was actually diagnosed with at OSU.  
 No, it was personal I believe.  
 No, it was personal I had to be home with my family.  
 No, it was personal, I wanted to be home.  
 No, it wasn't about the school at all. It was just not where I wanted to be at that point and time (location wise)  
 No, it wasn't OSU's fault; they offered me all the tools that I needed to be successful. It was my fault I slacked with my grades.  
 No, just finances. (n=2)  
 No, just finances. I wanted to stay.  
 No, just lower prices.  
 No, just the cheer program.  
 No, not really. If there was any way possible for me to stay I would have.  
 No, nothing really needs to change.  
 No, offered my major.  
 No, once I figured out that was what I wanted to do, I have family that lives in Norman.  
 No, only because I'm from New Jersey and the only thing keeping me at OSU was the athletics which failed my expectations.  
 No, probably not. It was a good experience.  
 No, the reason I am not at OSU is my fault not OSU's fault. OSU is great.  
 No, the school itself was phenomenal. I plan on coming back and attending NOC.  
 No, there's really nothing they could've done.  
 No, they didn't everything right.  
 No. They gave all the opportunities in the world; I just didn't use them to my advantage.  
 Nope. (n=19)  
 Nope- I loved it. (n=2)  
 Not as high out of state tuition.  
 Not at the time.  
 Not particularly.  
 Not really. (n=13)  
 Not really, no.  
 Not really, I have family that goes to OU.  
 Not really, it was a personally thing.  
 Not really- ready to get back and make some money. Started Jr. College, but just went up here for a year had a good experience.  
 Not really, I also have a girlfriend but that was my choice to move near her.  
 Not really, I didn't take the opportunities I should've.



Not really, I just wanted to be closer to home.  
 Not really, it just wasn't the right fit for me.  
 Not really, it was a financial situation, it wasn't anything that OSU did or failed to do.  
 Not really, it was a personal thing.  
 Not really, it was personal reasons that I left.  
 Not really, mostly my fault.  
 Not really.  
 Not really. It wasn't the school, just the town.  
 Not really. They could offer me to play [SPORT], and then I would come back.  
 Not suspended me.  
 No, told me to leave.  
 Nothing in particular.  
 Nothing OSU could've done.  
 Nothing that OSU could have done, was my own personal reasoning.  
 Now back as a student at OSU  
 Offer more scholarships.  
 Offer more financial aid.  
 Offer more help as far as scholarships.  
 Offer more scholarships academically.  
 Offer my major but there were also personal reasons as to why I left as well.  
 Offer nursing (n=2)  
 OSU is well known for things like agriculture and engineering BUT they need better faculty for the colleges that aren't as well known.  
 Other than offering more scholarships, no.  
 Personal choice. (n=8)  
 Personal problem with family, nothing that OSU did.  
 Personal thing.  
 Personal thing that I regret.  
 Probably not. (n=7)  
 Probably not unless what I said changed. I really felt like my gen ed. classes were too easy.  
 Probably not, it was the town not really the school.  
 Probably not, personal problems took me away.  
 Probably not. They did a lot for me and always answered my questions.  
 The auditorium setting classes were not good classes because the teachers are not concerned with individual students.  
 The coaches could have changed, but the academics were great.  
 The only thing was they made it too big of a hassle to change roommates so I had to leave.  
 The school can only do so much so no not really, maybe they could have reached out more. Like the counseling services.  
 Their advising and student contact people were very hard to talk to and we really didn't get along , they were not at all helpful with anything we needed.  
 There isn't really much they could do. It was really financial and personal problems.  
 There's nothing really.  
 They could have given me financial aid.  
 They could have given out more money.  
 They could have increased security. The campus is scary. Even more at night. It needs to be safe.  
 They could have worked with me as far as what went wrong with my financial aid. People were sending me back and forth between them self  
 They definitely could've evaluated my internship more and taken it into consideration rather than blow it off. They could've found a more accommodating way to be enrolled in class but still work because I'm working 40-50 hours a week here at my internship and they weren't helpful at all.  
 They just didn't have the career path I wanted to pursue, which is dental hygiene.  
 They should have a scholarship probationary period for people on scholarships that are supposed to maintain a certain grade. My GPA had only fallen to a 2.8 or 2.9 and there was no grace period for me to bring it back up, I just had to leave immediately, which isn't really fair.  
 Unless they found a scholarship that pertains to people that are borderline. My parents don't make enough for me to get some of the scholarships.  
 Was not my choice, I had to for my health.  
 Waive out of state tuition!  
 When I first started OSU I had an advisor that did poorly but I got a new one and they still check in on me to this day.  
 Wish the RA's were more involved with the floor.  
 Won the national championship.  
 Work with me more financially. The scholarship office needs to reach out more to students..  
 Work with me more in gaining financial aid and scholarship. The whole process.  
 Worked with me more financially.  
 Would still love to be there but I couldn't get good enough grades.



Yeah, could have helped out as far as my advising. My adviser put me in classes that I was not expecting and that should not have happened.

Yeah, if the tuition was less I definitely would have stayed. That's the college I really want to go to.

\*Question asked only to students not retained.



Is there anything that you would like to say about your experiences at OSU that I did not ask?

Advertise the statistics tutoring more!  
 Incredible counselors! Loved the campus environment!! I'm coming back.  
 Architecture is ridiculously time consuming.  
 As far as the support services go, they should have people who just recently took the class or is currently enrolled to tutor us, not someone who took it a while ago.  
 Athletics get a lot of attention as far as funding goes, but some other programs could have used more funding.  
 Attending school under GI Bill.  
 Better screening of professors.  
 Better staff members and professors - more fair and understanding.  
 Boring town- nothing to do.  
 Compared to Kansas it's so much better as far as trying to help their students in their degree field, I loved OSU and I would have stayed if it were cheaper.  
 Cool school atmosphere, loved my time there.  
 Couldn't have had a better experience anywhere else!  
 Don't put people in the basement. I had a really excellent English teacher, who made my semester bearable, but my history teachers were awful.  
 Dorms are too expensive. Love the free busing. All the staff are very professional. Sports programs are good!  
 Enjoy coming to Stillwater. But if you don't have friends before you go there otherwise you will be left out. Great town and great college- some things about OU that I don't like and things I love about OSU, but OSU is not a great place for me socially.  
 Everything's been great  
 Fix the parking issue.  
 Freshman courses at OSU don't transfer really, so now I don't have the credits for classes I've already taken.  
 GI Bill paying for school.  
 Give Gundy a bigger contract..  
 Go pokes.  
 Go Pokes!  
 Good enough that I am trying hard enough to go back.  
 Good res life activities.  
 Good school, good programs.  
 Great organizational system. Very pleased with the university as a campus, I just didn't connect with friends and it was really expensive.  
 Greek life is incredible; you meet a lot of great people. It's not your stereotypical "Get drunk and party". It's a really great thing.  
 Greek life really helped me meet a lot of people.  
 Haha no.  
 Not sure how my education is being paid for exactly.  
 Honestly, everything I experienced was incredible. I really liked the way it was run.  
 Housing makes it really difficult to communicate (either not in office or don't know the right answer to things).  
 Huge family atmosphere, everyone was willing to help, loved it!  
 I absolutely love being here, been my dream since I was a little kid.  
 I completely love it here, I am so happy that I decided to come here.  
 I did enjoy it and I'm considering going back in the fall.  
 I didn't have a lot of interactions with teachers, they didn't seem to care about the students.  
 I do miss it, but it just doesn't fit me for this time in my life.  
 I don't like that we have to buy meal plan.  
 I enjoy OSU.  
 I enjoyed it.  
 I enjoyed it a lot, it just wasn't for me.  
 I enjoyed it a lot; there were just too many parties and distractions like that so my grades were slipping.  
 I enjoyed it and I think I will actually transfer back up someday.  
 I enjoyed it for the most part, it just wasn't for me.  
 I enjoyed it so much! However personal issues I decided to leave.  
 I enjoyed it, but it just didn't work out, I had to move.  
 I enjoyed it, it just wasn't for me.  
 I enjoyed the classes and I enjoyed going there. I just couldn't afford it. It was education.  
 I feel like OSU really cares about their students but they need more ways to connect with potential employers.  
 I feel like you should put more money in the chemistry program. Materials weren't very efficient and need to be updated.



I graduated in a class with 14 students and coming to OSU where there's so many students and the classes are so large was really overwhelming for me and I began to do poorly, but I'm going to transfer back to OSU in the fall now that I've completed my basics.

I had a good experience.

I had a good time, it just wasn't for me.

I had a great time and cannot wait to come back.

I had a great time.

I had a lot of fun at OSU.

I had a really great time being at OSU.

I had fun and I liked it, just did not offer what I wanted to do so I had to leave.

I had teachers that were hard to understand and that was frustrating.

I have had a really positive experience so far, I plan on coming back next year.

I have no regrets with OSU and I was very satisfied with it. I just wanted to see what it was like closer to home and ended up staying here.

I highly recommend joining a fraternity your freshman year!

I hoping to come back one day it's a wonderful campus.

I just love the close-knit community and how polite everyone is.

I just really love it.

I learned a lot from the classes I was in.

I like it.

I like OSU.

I like the system of getting in contact with people at OSU. It's a lot easier and less complicated.

I liked campus.

I liked it a lot there.

I liked it while I was there.

I liked OSU no complaints; the biggest issue is the off campus buses close so early. If I stay on campus to study, I have to walk home.

I liked the school, it's great. I just don't have an extra 10,000 dollars to pay when I only live one state away. I understand that's how the education system works though.

I love it and I'll be back in the fall!!

I love it here. (n=4)

I love it, and I hope to be back in the fall.

I love it! Stillwater is great- awesome place to go to college.

I love OSU and I'm glad I'm back.

I love OSU, I still want to attend, I just wish they would be more helpful with money. They need to work on going the extra. I do plan on coming back.

I love OSU so much.

I love OSU that's why I came back.

I love OSU, I am a full-blown OSU fan. My dad and sisters went there.

I love OSU, I'm satisfied with the time that I had there and I'm excited to come back!

I love OSU, it's a great school.

I love that there are a lot of things going on campus my advisor didn't seem like she cared what I was saying.

I love the clean campus and I felt safe. The lack of crime really helped me make my decision to go there. Drummond was really dirty though, it was bad. A smoke spot or two on campus would be cool.

I love the Colvin!

I loved it.

I loved it and I wanted to pursue [SPORT] but I want to come back.

I loved it and Miss it!

I loved it, it was like one big family!

I loved it other than being stressed about classwork. I really enjoyed all the opportunities in sports and meeting people and etc.

I loved it there, it was just too expensive

I loved it up there. I wish I had never flushed away the opportunities I had. Everything at OSU was great. Loved all the professors, coursework was meaningful. Prefer it to my current college.

I loved it while I was there, definitely my dream school! Go Pokes!

I loved it, it was a great experience! I want to go back!

I loved it, it was amazing.

I loved it. I enjoyed it completely.

I loved it. It was fun. Football is fun.

I loved OSU.

I loved OSU and always will!

I loved OSU and the campus. I was always in the library and doing my work. I just had a great experience there.

I loved OSU I would go back in a heartbeat if I could. If I could afford to.



I loved OSU, I liked the school and the academics, and I didn't like the social environments it was just so different from where I'm from.

I loved OSU, I met some great friends, and it was a great experience intellectually for me.

I loved OSU, wish I could have stayed.

I loved the Ag College so much!!!! My advisor would check on me every couple weeks and all my teachers were awesome and understanding!!

I loved the school, and I missed it when I transferred but I needed to be closer to my family.

I made some of the best friends there that I'll know forever. Also, I got arrested there.

I mean it's a great school and I like it.

I mean OSU was great, but they just didn't offer the major I needed.

I met a lot of people and enjoyed it.

I plan on coming back in the fall.

I plan on going back but just doing more online classes.

I really did enjoy it; it was just certain circumstances that came up.

I really did enjoy OSU, great social life and academics.

I really don't like one teacher- she's evil and she doesn't care about my grades, isn't willing to help improve my work, everything is based on her opinion rather than being subjective. She isn't fair to her students.

I really enjoy my advisor and the LASSO Center because I'm undecided!

I really enjoy OSU- there is nothing I dislike about the university.

I really enjoyed it a lot but it was just too high in tuition. I plan to return for grad school if I can.

I really enjoyed it a lot, it was a great school.

I really enjoyed it and cannot wait to go back.

I really enjoyed it and I want to come back.

I really enjoyed it while I was there.

I really enjoyed it, if I could go back to OSU without the drama I definitely would.

I really enjoyed it, still have tons of friends and some siblings there, and I still go back for sporting events. I just decided to go down a different path.

I really enjoyed it..

I really enjoyed my experience there, if I get the chance to go back I will.

I really enjoyed my experience while I was there.

I really enjoyed my time there.

I really enjoyed OSU.

I really enjoyed OSU but the whole fraternity thing was a falling out point.

I really liked the school, I might come back.

I really like all the chances to get involved that are offered.

I really like it here..

I really like the campus involvement- everyone was always outside! So open and friendly; that was probably was my favorite part.

I really like the schedule, how OSU enrolls in classes.

I really liked it, but I was just homesick a lot. The teachers are great - the best staff I've ever experienced.

I really liked OSU but I found the people there are different and have different views on life. It's not a bad thing; it's just something I noticed that was different about people from Texas.

I really loved it. The social, academic, and even the entrepreneurship club that I was a part of all are great.

I really loved OSU and there was nothing wrong with it.

I really loved the campus life.

I REALLY loved the classes and faculty, more so than OU's.

I really regret leaving, I felt a lot more confident in the education I was receiving in a year at OSU than the two years I have been at Missouri.

I really staff and the community here.

I still have a lot of good friends I made there; I will probably come back this fall.

I think that everyone should give it a chance, it is a small community feel but with a large campus twist. Big campus with lots of opportunities and family values.

I was in a sorority and I loved the Greek life. I felt that was the only thing I could do to be involved though.

I went on a lot of campus tours before I chose OSU, and a lot of the music programs were "paddy" and the campus was closed off. I chose OSU because everyone was really friendly and welcoming.

I will be an OSU cowgirl until I die, my heart is still there. I love it, they were fabulous!

I wish I would have had an advisor I could have talked to earlier. I wish I could have known the expectations of the college.

I wish someone could have told me that if you messed up freshman year, life wasn't over and I could try again the next semester

I would advise the staff at OSU not to hire a professor with a speech impediment to teach a lecture class.

I would go back in a heartbeat if it was cheaper.

I would love to come back eventually, but I don't really know.

I would love to go back after the Military.

I would've stayed because I love OSU, they just don't offer my major.



I'm a freshman and I love it here, and I'm glad I chose to come to OSU.  
 I'm coming back after one semester of leaving.  
 I'm in the Greek system and I'm very satisfied with that. That's helped me a lot with school.  
 I'm really glad I came here instead of OU, but I didn't feel any welcome there and I really did here at OSU.  
 I've enjoyed it so far.  
 I've enjoyed it. Academics have been great and meeting people has been great.  
 I've had a great time.  
 I've really enjoyed the experience I've had here!  
 If could still go there I would be.  
 If I could go back and do it over again, I would. I loved it!  
 I'll be back next year.  
 It has a very home-y feel to it.  
 It has been a great experience and I really enjoy it here.  
 It has been a great year.  
 It has overshadowed where I am right now, and I am more than ready to get back to OSU.  
 It is a great school while I may not have wanted to say I would recommend it to people.  
 it was a good experience. (n=2)  
 it was a good school but money was tough.  
 It was a great experience!  
 It was a really good time. I had the best time of my life, I just needed to buckle down more.  
 It was a wonderful time I can't wait to be back!  
 It was awesome and fun. I still come back and visit pretty often.  
 It was fun.  
 It was fun and now I attend the school again.  
 It was fun I enjoyed it and I will be happy to come back next fall.  
 It was fun while I was there, I really enjoyed the people and the classes weren't too hard.  
 It was fun while it lasted.  
 It was good.  
 It was good and I miss it.  
 It was good and the staff was friendly, I did have to pay a 300 dollar fine because they didn't have good communication with each other. I give them an A though.  
 It was good, I had no problems with the faculty.  
 It was good. I just needed to put more work into it.  
 It was great, I enjoyed it. I really like the facilities OSU has.  
 It was great, I loved it so much. I hope to be back in the fall.  
 It was great, I really loved it. It was just closer to home though.  
 It was great, I still have great friends there.  
 It was great, I will be back next year.  
 It was nice and a good school. Campus was pretty. Everything was simple.  
 It was overall enjoyable, but it just wasn't the place for me.  
 It was pretty good other than the money.  
 It was pretty good.  
 It was pretty good. If the financials are right I'll probably come back.  
 It was really cool.  
 It was really difficult for me to get in touch with my advisor to release my advisement hold; I ended up getting horrible classes and not attending. Maybe students shouldn't have to see a counselor for that kind of thing.  
 It was really good and I really liked that they had dorms where everybody in the same classes lived in the same place.  
 It was relatively good, I had a great time. Wish I didn't have to leave.  
 It would be nice to see more of the professor's heart for teaching. Seemed like they didn't care.  
 It's a great college and I'd go back if I could.  
 It's a great school just not the school for me.  
 It's a pretty great school. It definitely has more of an upper hand in academic experiences.  
 It's a really fun university and a great place to be.  
 It's all good. (n=2)  
 It's an awesome place; I'm there almost every weekend.  
 It's awesome.  
 It's been a great year so far. And it's a good freshman experience.  
 It's easy to be part of the campus.  
 It's frustrating when the teachers can't speak English very clearly.  
 It's golden.  
 It's just like home.  
 It's pretty enjoyable over all.  
 It's the bee's knees. It's been more than I expected at times, but it's still the place to be.  
 It's a good college I guess just wasn't the time for me to go there.



It's a little too big for itself, too big for the staff.  
 My advisor was awesome. Tutors are mostly foreign (hard to understand).  
 Keep the union open longer.  
 Kinder and more understanding repairmen- when something breaks it wasn't our fault, they are frustrated they have to fix it and charge us for it.  
 Last semester I became legally blind, and OSU was really helpful with getting me back on track and helping me still graduate on time. They worked with me really well.  
 My advisor there was incredible! French 1010 professor was really difficult- she seemed really disrespectful towards students.  
 Loved the people, campus, and school. Just too far away. Everyone was so friendly. Loved the Atherton. Wonderful school and wonderful experience.  
 Loved the school, could tell the school valued my feedback.  
 Loved the social life.  
 Math lab- need people that speak clearer English.  
 Meal plan: I hate that we are forced to buy a buy meal plan, but the items at the convenience stores are double the price of Wal-Mart. I feel like I'm being cheated.  
 More advertising for opportunities to hang out with non-Greeks.  
 More security cameras and a healthier food selection on campus.  
 Most people don't think of OSU as an art school but I enjoyed it because there weren't so many people so we got a ton of privileges.  
 My advisor now is really good - she knows me and knows about courses in the business school.  
 My advisor. I loved that she was only for my degree.  
 My answers probably tell you my experience with it.  
 My comment is about advisors. I technically have 3 but there's a general one over the college that I see and that's who I answered questions about. But if I was to answer about my other 2 I would strongly agree with each statement - especially my Honors advisor.  
 My decision to leave had nothing to do with academics or anything, I love the school and I still regret leaving sometimes.  
 My teachers were fantastic, I was very lucky to get them. Qualification to become a teacher at OSU must be very high because they were so great!  
 My whole family is OU fans, I grew up an OU fan, but after attending OSU I can say that I have nothing bad to say about OSU at all, leaving was just a personal and spiritual choice for me.  
 Need closer parking, maybe more parking, and free parking.  
 Need more health food in Union.  
 Nice place, my advisor seemed stressed out though which partially affected me.  
 No. (n=70)  
 No comment. (n=41)  
 No comment- Great school, I would recommend it to anyone who asks me about college, I really enjoyed it.  
 No humans vs. zombies- dangerous!  
 No I don't really have anything.  
 No I don't think so. (n=2)  
 No I don't think so, it's pretty self-explanatory.  
 No I feel you covered it well.  
 No I love it! Feels like home.  
 No I think that covered everything. It wasn't a bad experience.  
 No I think that's it (n=4)  
 No I think we covered it. (n=3)  
 No I'm alright.  
 No it was a blast!  
 No it was great; I just messed up with grades.  
 No not really.  
 No not that I can think of.  
 No overall I think it's a good school.  
 No that pretty much covers it.  
 No that's it. (n=3)  
 No there isn't.  
 No you covered it, I really did enjoy it.  
 No- good experience.  
 No- I still go here.  
 No- I enjoyed it while I was there.  
 No- I loved it.  
 No- I seriously loved it at OSU.  
 No- it's a great school.  
 No- you guys have an excellent school there.  
 No, I liked campus life a lot and thought everyone was friendly.



No, I think that wraps it up.

No, I think that's good. I went in as an undecided major, for freshmen I think there should be more opportunities to learn about the majors.

No, it has been two years.

No, it was amazing.

No, it was good there. I enjoyed it.

No, you nailed it.

Nope. (n=26)

Nope I loved it, wish it was closer.

Nope I think that's it.

Nope I'm good.

Nope it was awesome!

Nope that's it. (n=3)

Nope that's it, I go there now.

Nope you covered it.

Nope- I have nothing negative to say.

Nope, liked it. Very convenient to study at OSU, lots of resources on campus to help improve scholarship.

Nope, loved it while I was there.

Nope, loved the campus, wish I could go back.

Not a lot of opportunism to expand my education. Not enough liberal arts.

Not hire so many teachers with thick accents in math. It's a hard enough subject to learn without deciphering the language as well.

Not particularly.

Not really.

Not that I can think of.

On-Campus living is really nice but I live in Kerr Drummond Hall, which is awesome. But being an international student there is no kitchen for us to cook and it's hard. The university should provide kitchens for every 2 or 3 floors.

One thing that was difficult was that I played sports in high school, and I came here and wanted to play with other people and most good athletes that don't actually play for the school are in Greek and they only hang out with other people in Greek life, and I wasn't in a fraternity so I didn't make the types of friends I would have liked to make, that's one thing I didn't like about the school very much.

OSU is awesome. I really like it.

OSU offers a very engaging experience - there are so many people and its overall a great place and it prepares you for the real world.

OSU was a good school.

OSU was a wonderful wonderful school, the big classes were challenging, but in a good way, OSU is great, I have nothing bad to say about it, it was terrific opportunity.

OSU's a great school.

Overall it's pretty good.

Overall, it was a good place. I loved the campus, teachers, and classes.

Parking is terrible.

Parking issue- needs to be fixed.

People scared me away from the Writing Center and tutoring because they told me the teachers didn't speak very good English.

People think that transferring is a bad thing, and it is not the case. I got really involved at OSU, but sometimes just aren't the right fit. Oklahoma State is a great university.

Personally, I think some of the financial advisors are very rude - specifically one. Today, I finally got a new financial advisor and she was way more helpful than my usual lady. It's very stressful to pay for school and have faculty with attitude problems.

Physics department is pretty terrible.

Professors aren't interested in the students well-being. Only interested in their grades and academic performance.

Promote OSU [SPORT] a little more- more funding.

Put scholarships more out there instead of so difficult to find.

RAs should have evaluations just like teachers do.

Really good experience.

Science department could use more care for student's education. It seems that they don't care whether students pass or fail.

Student life was great and I loved campus life. The Humans vs. Zombies was one of the best things that happened while I was at school. I really enjoyed that, and it's a great idea.

Students were segregated- not much group interaction. Wish they would have done more to reach out to me as a person.

Take away the parking costs.

Teachers don't seem like they care much about the students. Didn't seem like they wanted to be there teaching us.

The advisors in the engineering college weren't super helpful- didn't seem like they really cared about my success.



The campus is very "clique-y"- people were nice to your face and then mean behind your back. It was hard to meet people in the apartments.

The cops, especially the campus cops, were very nice.

The dorms were nice.

The experience at OSU, faculty and staff were amazing. The staff was always helpful. I can't complain at all about them.

The food choices are unhealthy.

The food could be a lot healthier. The staff who work at the food places like Adam's market or the Union need to be more careful how they are handling the food. They should touch their hair and then touch the food with the same pair of gloves on.

The food is not very good at all. Oregano's is the only good place to eat at.

The food was awesome!

The gen-ed. advisors aren't as knowledgeable as my major specific advisor.

The Greek life really helped me a lot more than anything. I had a lot of older people that helped me with classes and it was just a great experience for me.

The parking situations at OSU need work!

The parking was bad and it was scary at night. Overflow is scary.

The people are really friendly and I'll be back in the fall.

The people in the Math Lab were INCREDIBLE!

The teachers, most of them weren't even in grad school, so there was a lack of professionalism and they didn't seem to know the material very well. But there were some really excellent teachers as well.

The tutors and support staff at the AC that worked with the athletes were awesome and I really appreciate all of them.

The week of orientation was awesome and very helpful as a freshman!

There should be more going on. The majority of events were with Greek Life.

This is so much better than high school! Such a positive experience.

My history teacher cared about whether his students passed or failed his class, he was a great teacher.

Water tastes like copper in the older classroom buildings!

Websites need improvement.

When I was withdrawing, no one really asked why I was leaving - it was just a 'sign here' kind of thing. I bet there are a lot of students second guessing their decision to withdraw and they should take the time to talk to them.

Whenever I have a problem everyone sends me to someone else, so it takes me four days to answer a single question.

It's really frustrating, but other than that it's pretty good.

Whenever I lived in Stillwater, my grades weren't as good as they are now that I'm living in Tulsa.

Wi-Fi needs to be improved. I've had a really enjoyable experience here. It's harder but I think it's good to have something to work and strive for.

Wish there were more one on one sessions to help me learn.

You covered a lot.

