

## USB 101 Survey

Section Number \_\_\_\_\_ *or* Instructor \_\_\_\_\_

Resident *or*  Commuter

1. What was the most important reason you decided to attend college?
2. What factors most influenced your decision to attend Stony Brook? (Circle one for each criterion)

Academic reputation	Very Important	important	not important
Strength of program(s) in your field of interest	Very Important	important	not important
Cost/affordability	Very Important	important	not important
Location	Very Important	important	not important
Athletic program and facilities	Very Important	important	not important
Other (explain)			
3. This semester, did you get into the courses you wanted? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No  
If not, why not?  
\_\_\_ couldn't fit it in my schedule  
\_\_\_ class was closed by the time I registered  
\_\_\_ other
4. During your first year at SBU, were your courses  
\_\_\_ less difficult than you expected?  
\_\_\_ about as difficult as you expected?  
\_\_\_ more difficult than you expected?
5. Did you have a chance to get to know your professors?  
\_\_\_ Less than I hoped  
\_\_\_ About what I wanted  
\_\_\_ More than I wanted
6. Do your professors offer office hours or appointments at times you can attend? Yes No  
Do you take advantage of those office hours/appointments? Yes No
7. Who have you consulted for academic advice since you arrived at Stony Brook?  
\_\_\_ professor  
\_\_\_ TA  
\_\_\_ R.A.  
\_\_\_ advisor in Academic Advising Center  
\_\_\_ advisor in AIM/EOP program  
\_\_\_ advisor in Transfer Office  
\_\_\_ USB 101 instructor  
\_\_\_ orientation leader  
\_\_\_ parent/guardian  
\_\_\_ friend  
\_\_\_ roommate  
\_\_\_ other  
\_\_\_ none
8. Consider the course in which you are *most* satisfied with your academic performance. What are the factors that have most contributed to your satisfaction?  
Check all that apply:  
\_\_\_ the quality of the professor  
\_\_\_ my interest in the course material  
\_\_\_ the effort I have expended  
\_\_\_ other \_\_\_\_\_

9. Consider the course in which you are *least* satisfied with your academic performance. What are the factors that have most contributed to your dissatisfaction?
- the quality of the professor  
 my interest in the course material  
 the effort I have expended  
 other \_\_\_\_\_
10. Do you think you learn better in (check one)
- large versus small classes  
 discussion versus lecture classes  
 group versus individual course work
11. How would you describe the classroom facilities of classes you are taking this semester? (Circle one answer for each statement.)
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|---|-----|----|
| The classroom is clean.   | Yes | No |
| The classroom is pleasant.  | Yes | No |
| The classroom temperature is comfortable.                                     | Yes | No |
| The seats are comfortable.  | Yes | No |
| There are enough seats/chairs for all students in the class.                  | Yes | No |
| The size of the room is appropriate for the class.                            | Yes | No |
| The acoustics and/or sound system is adequate                                 | Yes | No |
| There is a working overhead projector.  | Yes | No |
| There are blackboards students can see easily.                                | Yes | No |
| There are facilities for use of powerpoint or other electronic teaching aids. | Yes | No |
| There are facilities for showing slides.                                      | Yes | No |
12. What do you think the most important priorities for school work should be? (Rank 1-7 with 1 being more important and 7 being least important.)
- attending lectures  
 reading  
 attending recitations  
 reviewing notes  
 thinking about the material  
 completing out of class assignments  
 participating in study groups
13. What do you think would help you improve your grades? (check all that apply)
- more personal help from professor or TA  
 more time for review  
 more regular course attendance  
 more effort spent studying  
 better advice about which courses to take
14. How often do you cut classes?
- once or twice a week  
 once or twice a month  
 once or twice a semester
15. Why do you miss classes? (Check all that apply most frequently.)
- to get work done for another class  
 to study for an exam  
 to have more time for yourself  
 because of outside family demands  
 because of outside work demands  
 because you don't have to go to class to do well  
 to sleep  
 because I don't feel like going  
 other \_\_\_\_\_

16. What one course, if any, do you believe you should not/cannot miss? \_\_\_\_\_  
Why?
17. What one course, if any, do you believe you can miss frequently? \_\_\_\_\_  
Why?
18. How often do you meet with other students in your courses to study and go over assignments outside of class?  
 once a day  
 two or three times a week  
 once a week  
 less than once a week  
 never
19. Thinking about students you know who are very unhappy at SBU, what are their biggest complaints?  
 life outside the classroom  
 academics  
 other (describe)
20. If you had an individual on campus who would help you with general information about the university, course selection, career options, major selection, how often would you want to meet with him/her?  
 once a week  
 once a month  
 once a semester  
 not at all
- how often would you want to communicate (email, phone) with him/her?  
 once a day  
 once a week  
 once a month  
 once a semester  
 not at all
21. If you could redo one choice you made in your first year at SBU what would it be?