

# Alumni Survey Table Summary 2003-2007

## (A Five Year Institutional Review)

Table 1<sup>a</sup>

|                                       | 2003       |            | 2004       |           | 2005       |           | 2006       |           | 2007        |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
|                                       | TSU        | Sample     | TSU        | Sample    | TSU        | Sample    | TSU        | Sample    | TSU         | Sample     |
| <b>Ethnicity</b>                      |            |            |            |           |            |           |            |           |             |            |
| African-American                      | 80%        | 82%        | 80%        | 87%       | 81%        | 85%       | 79%        | 87%       | 77%         | 80%        |
| Indian                                | 1%         | -          | -          | -         | <1%        | -         | 4%         | -         | <1%         | -          |
| White                                 | 3%         | 8%         | 5%         | 5%        | 5%         | 10%       | 7%         | 7%        | 6%          | 12%        |
| Mexican/ Puerto Rican/<br>Hispanic    | 6%         | 6%         | 6%         | 4%        | 6%         | 3%        | 7%         | 6%        | 7%          | 5%         |
| Asian                                 | 4%         | <1%        | 5%         | 3%        | 4%         | 2%        | 4%         | -         | 5%          | 3%         |
| International or Other                | 6%         | 1%         | 4%         | 1%        | 6%         | -         | 6%         | -         | 5%          | -          |
| <b>School or College</b>              |            |            |            |           |            |           |            |           |             |            |
| Liberal Arts &<br>Behavioral Sciences | 23%        | 31%        | 17%        | 19%       | 20%        | 32%       | 17%        | 18%       | 15%         | 19%        |
| Business                              | 14%        | 21%        | 15%        | 24%       | 19%        | 29%       | 17%        | 19%       | 16%         | 16%        |
| Education                             | 14%        | 25%        | 15%        | 19%       | 11%        | 3%        | 13%        | 22%       | 12%         | 13%        |
| Pharmacy & Health<br>Sciences         | 18%        | 10%        | 16%        | 11%       | 14%        | 13%       | 15%        | 9%        | 13%         | 9%         |
| Science & Technology                  | 12%        | 14%        | 12%        | 11%       | 14%        | 13%       | 15%        | 17%       | 15%         | 13%        |
| Law                                   | 18%        | -          | 18%        | 0%        | 16%        | -         | 15%        | -         | 18%         | -          |
| Public Affairs                        | -          | -          | 7%         | 16%       | 6%         | 11%       | 8%         | 16%       | 5%          | 25%        |
| Communications                        | -          | -          | -          | -         | -          | -         | -          | -         | 6%          | 6%         |
| <b>Highest Degree<br/>Obtained</b>    |            |            |            |           |            |           |            |           |             |            |
| Bachelors                             | 48%        | 60%        | 52%        | 59%       | 50%        | 65%       | 53%        | 54%       | 55%         | 53%        |
| Masters                               | 19%        | 24%        | 16%        | 11%       | 22%        | 15%       | 21%        | 26%       | 17%         | 20%        |
| Doctoral                              | 2%         | 9%         | 2%         | 23%       | 1%         | 18%       | 1%         | 11%       | 2%          | 16%        |
| Professional                          | 31%        | 7%         | 30%        | 8%        | 27%        | 3%        | 25%        | 7%        | 26%         | 11%        |
| <b>Total N</b>                        | <b>915</b> | <b>122</b> | <b>895</b> | <b>76</b> | <b>928</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>989</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>1101</b> | <b>114</b> |

<sup>a</sup>The alumni are surveyed one year after graduation; therefore those students included in the 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, & 2007 TSU graduation population degrees were conferred in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, & 2006 respectively.

Table 2

| Sex                                   | 2003       |            | 2004      |            | 2005      |            | 2006      |            | 2007       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
|                                       | Count      | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count      | Percent    |
| Male                                  | 39         | 32         | 31        | 40.8       | 13        | 32.5       | 24        | 34.3       | 30         | 26.3       |
| Female                                | 83         | 68         | 45        | 59.2       | 27        | 67.5       | 46        | 65.7       | 83         | 73.7       |
| Enrollment Status                     | 2003       |            | 2004      |            | 2005      |            | 2006      |            | 2007       |            |
|                                       | Count      | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count      | Percent    |
| Full-Time                             | 99         | 82.5       | 63        | 82.9       | 32        | 80.0       | 56        | 80.0       | 102        | 89.5       |
| Part-Time                             | 23         | 17.5       | 13        | 17.1       | 8         | 20.0       | 14        | 20.0       | 12         | 10.5       |
| Current Age                           | 2003       |            | 2004      |            | 2005      |            | 2006      |            | 2007       |            |
|                                       | Count      | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count      | Percent    |
| 20 & Under                            | -          | -          | -         | -          | -         | -          | -         | -          | -          | -          |
| 21 to 24                              | 18         | 14.9       | 11        | 14.4       | 5         | 12.5       | 12        | 17.1       | 20         | 17.6       |
| 25 to 29                              | 38         | 31.4       | 27        | 35.6       | 12        | 30.0       | 25        | 35.7       | 40         | 35.0       |
| 30 to 39                              | 42         | 33.9       | 19        | 25.0       | 16        | 40.0       | 13        | 18.6       | 29         | 25.4       |
| 40 or Over                            | 24         | 19.8       | 19        | 25.0       | 7         | 17.5       | 20        | 28.6       | 25         | 22.0       |
| Residence Classification while at TSU | 2003       |            | 2004      |            | 2005      |            | 2006      |            | 2007       |            |
|                                       | Count      | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count      | Percent    |
| In-State                              | 116        | 95.1       | 73        | 96.1       | 39        | 97.5       | 66        | 94.3       | 95         | 83.3       |
| Out-of-State                          | 2          | 1.6        | 2         | 2.6        | 1         | 2.5        | 4         | 5.7        | 13         | 11.4       |
| International Student                 | 4          | 3.3        | 1         | 1.3        | -         | -          | -         | -          | 6          | 5.3        |
| Current Residence                     | 2003       |            | 2004      |            | 2005      |            | 2006      |            | 2007       |            |
|                                       | Count      | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count     | Percent    | Count      | Percent    |
| In-State                              | 116        | 95.1       | 68        | 89.5       | 36        | 90.0       | 62        | 88.6       | 103        | 90.3       |
| Out-of-State                          | 6          | 4.9        | 8         | 10.5       | 4         | 10.0       | 8         | 11.4       | 11         | 9.7        |
| <b>Total N</b>                        | <b>122</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>76</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>114</b> | <b>100</b> |

**Table 3**

| Number of Years at<br>TSU | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                           | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| 1 Year                    | 0.0                  | 1.3       | -         | 1.4       | -          |
| 2 Years                   | 10.7                 | 13.2      | 12.5      | 15.7      | 10.5       |
| 3 Years                   | 23.0                 | 21.1      | 20.0      | 21.4      | 33.3       |
| 4 Years                   | 10.7                 | 15.8      | 17.5      | 15.7      | 15.8       |
| 5 or More Years           | 55.7                 | 48.7      | 50.0      | 45.7      | 40.4       |
| <b>Total N</b>            | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

**Table 4<sup>o</sup>**

| Reason for Attending TSU         | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                                  | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| Location                         | 15.6                 | 22.4      | 22.5      | 30        | 19.1       |
| Type of Programs Available       | 19.7                 | 19.7      | 15        | 8.6       | 17.3       |
| Other                            | 9                    | 11.8      | 17.5      | 14.3      | 11.8       |
| Admissions Standards             | 9                    | 9.2       | 7.5       | 8.6       | 11.8       |
| Availability of Scholarship (FA) | 7.4                  | 6.6       | 2.5       | 10        | 10         |
| Cost                             | 14.8                 | 7.9       | 10        | 12.9      | 9.1        |
| Academic Reputation              | 4.9                  | 5.3       | 15        | 2.9       | 7.3        |
| Social Atmosphere                | 6.6                  | 6.6       | 5         | 0         | 6.4        |
| Advice of Parents or Relatives   | 9                    | 7.9       | 2.5       | 10        | 4.5        |
| To be with Friends               | 0                    | 0         | 0         | 1.4       | 0.9        |
| Size                             | 4.1                  | 2.6       | 2.5       | 1.4       | 0.9        |
| Advice of High School Personnel  | 0                    | 0         | 0         | 0         | 0          |
| <b>Total N</b>                   | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

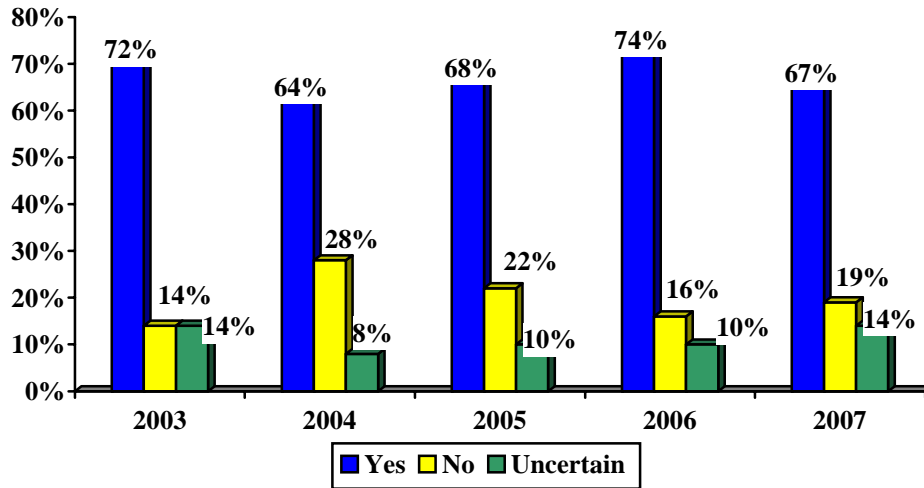
<sup>o</sup>Items are ranked in descending order according to the 2007 responses.

**Table 5**

| Rating of TSU When You Applied | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                                | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| First choice                   | 47.5                 | 50.6      | 57.5      | 52.2      | 47.4       |
| Second choice                  | 39.2                 | 34.7      | 27.5      | 27.5      | 28.1       |
| Third choice                   | 5.8                  | 8.0       | 10.0      | 11.6      | 8.8        |
| Fourth choice or lower         | 7.5                  | 6.7       | 5.0       | 8.7       | 15.7       |
| <b>Total N</b>                 | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

**Figure 1<sup>o</sup>**

**If you could start college over, would you choose to attend Texas Southern University?**



<sup>o</sup> Original responses “Definitely Yes” and “Probably Yes” were combined and are displayed as “Yes”. Original responses “Definitely No” and “Probably No” were combined and are displayed as “No”.

**Table 6<sup>o</sup>**

| Source of College Funding | TSU<br>(Percentages)  |                      |                      |                      |                      |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
|                           | Source                | 2003                 | 2004                 | 2005                 | 2006                 |
| Student Loans             | 68.4%<br><i>N=114</i> | 70.6%<br><i>N=48</i> | 60.6%<br><i>N=20</i> | 69.8%<br><i>N=46</i> | 74.3%<br><i>N=81</i> |
| Personal Savings          | 55.9%<br><i>N=111</i> | 54.5%<br><i>N=36</i> | 57.6%<br><i>N=19</i> | 50.0%<br><i>N=31</i> | 51.4%<br><i>N=54</i> |
| Grants                    | 55.5%<br><i>N=110</i> | 61.2%<br><i>N=41</i> | 62.9%<br><i>N=22</i> | 50.8%<br><i>N=31</i> | 47.6%<br><i>N=50</i> |
| Summer Employment         | 49.1%<br><i>N=106</i> | 42.2%<br><i>N=27</i> | 41.9%<br><i>N=13</i> | 43.1%<br><i>N=25</i> | 46.2%<br><i>N=48</i> |
| Parents or Relatives      | 44.0%<br><i>N=109</i> | 38.2%<br><i>N=29</i> | 32.5%<br><i>N=13</i> | 45.0%<br><i>N=27</i> | 48.6%<br><i>N=51</i> |

<sup>o</sup>Original responses “Major Source” and “Major Source” were combined and categorize “Source of College Funding”.

**Table 7<sup>o</sup>**

| Education at TSU<br>(College)<br>contributed to... | TSU<br>(Percentages) |          |           |          |           |          |           |          |           |          |
|--|----------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
|  | 2003                 |          | 2004      |          | 2005      |          | 2006      |          | 2007      |          |
|  | Very Much            | Somewhat | Very Much | Somewhat | Very Much | Somewhat | Very Much | Somewhat | Very Much | Somewhat |
| Learning on Your Own                               | 61.3%                | 29.4%    | 61.1%     | 29.2%    | 73.7%     | 10.5%    | 60.3%     | 26.5%    | 69.4%     | 19.8%    |
| Persisting at Difficult Tasks                      | 56.4%                | 29.9%    | 62.5%     | 31.9%    | 63.2%     | 31.6%    | 54.4%     | 36.8%    | 69.4%     | 26.1%    |
| Working Cooperatively in a Group                   | 60.5%                | 31.9%    | 52.8%     | 34.7%    | 52.6%     | 31.6%    | 64.7%     | 23.5%    | 64.3%     | 25.0%    |
| Organizing Your Time Effectively                   | 55.1%                | 29.7%    | 58.3%     | 30.6%    | 68.4%     | 28.9%    | 61.8%     | 29.4%    | 63.4%     | 26.8%    |
| Working Independently                              | 64.4%                | 23.7%    | 59.5%     | 27.0%    | 48.7%     | 35.9%    | 63.2%     | 30.9%    | 58.6%     | 28.8%    |

<sup>o</sup>Original survey responses include “very much” “somewhat” and “very little” the response category “very little” is not displayed in Table.

**Table 8<sup>o</sup>**

| Best Describes Alumni Current Status | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                                      | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| Employed Full-Time                   | 61.2                 | 55.3      | 67.5      | 61.4      | 63.2       |
| Employed & Continuing Ed.            | 9.9                  | 6.6       | 15        | 8.6       | 13.2       |
| Continuing Education                 | 2.5                  | 3.9       | 5         | 4.3       | 5.3        |
| Unemployed                           | 5.8                  | 10.5      | 5         | 7.1       | 5.3        |
| Self-employed                        | 2.5                  | 9.2       | 0         | 2.9       | 5.3        |
| Other                                | 8.3                  | 9.2       | 5         | 7.1       | 3.5        |
| Employed Part-Time                   | 9.9                  | 5.3       | 2.5       | 5.7       | 2.6        |
| Home Maker                           | 0                    | 0         | 0         | 1.4       | 0.9        |
| Serving in Armed Forces              | 0                    | 0         | 0         | 1.4       | 0.9        |
| <b>Total N</b>                       | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

<sup>o</sup>Items are ranked in descending order according to the 2007 responses.

**Table 9<sup>1, 2</sup>**

| Problem level associated with obtaining 1 <sup>st</sup> job after graduation | TSU<br>(Percentages) |      |      |      |      |
|--|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
|  | 2003                 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
| <b>Problem with...</b>   |                      |      |      |      |      |
| Finding a Job that Paid Enough   | 62.4                 | 60   | 64.5 | 58.3 | 60.8 |
| Finding the Kind of Job I Wanted   | 49.5                 | 50   | 53.1 | 49.2 | 55.4 |
| Finding a Job for Which I had Training                                       | 39.8                 | 55   | 51.6 | 30.5 | 41.6 |
| Knowing how to find Job Opening  | 31.2                 | 33.9 | 37.5 | 26.3 | 29.7 |
| Deciding What I Wanted to do   | 29                   | 19.4 | 32.4 | 21.1 | 29.7 |
| Finding a Job Where I Wanted to Live   | 28                   | 40.7 | 29   | 32.8 | 25.7 |
| Writing a Resume' or Vita  | 19.4                 | 27.9 | 21.2 | 21.4 | 22.8 |
| Race/Sex Discrimination  | 28                   | 24.6 | 21.2 | 26.3 | 22.8 |
| Scheduling Interviews  | 22.6                 | 30   | 27.3 | 17.2 | 20.8 |
| Completing Job Applications  | 5.4                  | 13.3 | 16.1 | 5.3  | 7.0  |

<sup>1</sup>Items are ranked in descending order according to the 2007 responses. <sup>2</sup>Original responses “Major Problem” and “Minor Problem” were combined and categorize “Problem With...”

**Table 10**

|                                  | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                                  | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| Obtained Job Prior to Graduation | 42.7                 | 33.3      | 50.0      | 43.3      | 44.7       |
| Less than 1 Month                | 16.7                 | 18.3      | 9.4       | 11.7      | 12.6       |
| 1 to 3 Months                    | 16.7                 | 16.7      | 15.6      | 11.7      | 15.5       |
| 4 to 6 Months                    | 7.3                  | 11.7      | 9.4       | 15.0      | 8.7        |
| 7 to 12 Months                   | 8.3                  | 6.7       | 9.4       | 8.3       | 9.7        |
| Over 12 Months                   | 7.3                  | 13.3      | 6.3       | 10.0      | 8.7        |
| <b>Total N</b>                   | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

**Table 11<sup>o</sup>**

|                  | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                  | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| Well or Adequate | 86.8                 | 80.6      | 81.3      | 85.9      | 85.1       |
| Poor             | 8.5                  | 8.1       | 6.3       | 7.8       | 5.9        |
| Not at All       | 4.7                  | 11.3      | 12.4      | 6.3       | 8.8        |
| <b>Total N</b>   | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

<sup>o</sup>Original survey responses were “very well” and “adequately” the responses were combined into one category represented by well or adequate.

**Table 12**

|                      | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |                | TSU<br>(Percentages) |           |           |           |            |
|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|                      | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |                | 2003                 | 2004      | 2005      | 2006      | 2007       |
| Less Than \$15,000   | 9.1                  | 10.5      | 5.0       | 8.6       | 11.1       | Current Salary | 9.8                  | 14.5      | 20.0      | 7.4       | 8.1        |
| \$15,000 to \$29,999 | 55.4                 | 26.3      | 27.5      | 22.9      | 29.3       |                | 10.6                 | 14.4      | 7.5       | 11.8      | 20.2       |
| \$30,000 to \$50,000 | 25.6                 | 19.7      | 22.5      | 41.4      | 39.4       |                | 36.1                 | 21.0      | 27.0      | 44.1      | 40.4       |
| Over \$50,000        | 9.9                  | 43.5      | 45.0      | 27.1      | 20.2       |                | 16.4                 | 50.1      | 45.5      | 36.7      | 31.3       |
| <b>Total N</b>       | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |                | <b>122</b>           | <b>76</b> | <b>40</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>114</b> |

**Table 13<sup>o</sup>**

| <b>Level of Satisfaction associated with current job</b> | <b>TSU<br/>(Percentages)</b> |             |             |             |             |
|--|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | <b>2003</b>                  | <b>2004</b> | <b>2005</b> | <b>2006</b> | <b>2007</b> |
| Location of Job  | 69.5                         | 75.0        | 83.9        | 62.7        | 80.2        |
| Working Conditions of Job                                | 69.2                         | 71.2        | 70.0        | 59.3        | 70.3        |
| Challenge of Job   | 68.3                         | 66.7        | 78.1        | 66.1        | 68.3        |
| Career Potential of Job                                  | 61.0                         | 53.3        | 53.3        | 59.3        | 66.3        |
| Advancement Potential of Job                             | 49.0                         | 50.0        | 45.2        | 39.0        | 53.0        |
| Salary & Benefits of Job                                 | 45.2                         | 44.3        | 37.5        | 42.4        | 48.0        |
| <b>Total N</b>   | <b>122</b>                   | <b>76</b>   | <b>40</b>   | <b>70</b>   | <b>114</b>  |

<sup>o</sup>Original survey responses were “Very Satisfied” and “Satisfied” have been combined and represented as “satisfied”.