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Universities 2005**

Codebook



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The codebook contains information on data content, structure and data collection, and includes a list of publications wholly or in part based on the data, according to publication information received by the FSD. The second part of the codebook contains information on variables: question texts, response options, and frequencies. The third part contains indexes.

Variable distributions presented in this codebook have been generated from the SPSS files. Distribution tables present variable values, frequencies (n), frequency percentages (%), and valid percentages (v. %) which take into account missing data. All distributions are unweighted. If the data contain weight variables, these will be found at the end of the variables list. In some cases frequency distributions have been substituted by descriptive statistics. Categorised responses to open-ended questions are not always included in the codebook. Distributions may contain missing data. The note "System missing (SYSMIS)" refers to missing observations (e.g. a respondent has not answered all questions) whereas "Missing (User missing)" refers to data the user has defined as missing. For example, the user may decide to code answer alternatives 'don't want to say' or 'can't say' as missing data.

The codebook may contain attached files, the most common one being the questionnaire.

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Chapter 1

Study description

1.1 Titles

Titles and data version: Survey of Foreign Students in Five Finnish Universities 2005

Titles and data version in Finnish: Ulkomaalaiset perustutkinto-opiskelijat 2005

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1.2 Subject description

Authoring entity

The Student Union of the University of Helsinki

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The Student Union of the University of Tampere

The Student Union of the Helsinki University of Technology

The Student Union of the University of Turku

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Tissari, Ulla (The Student Union of the University of Tampere)

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Keywords

colleges; discrimination; educational fees; educational guidance; foreigners; gainful employment; higher education; income; integration; services; social systems; studying abroad; universities

Topic Classification

Fields of Science Classification: social sciences

CESSDA Classification: higher and further education; minorities; social behaviour and attitudes

Series description

The data belong to the series:

Individual datasets

Individual datasets that do not belong to any series.

Abstract

The survey charted reasons for immigration to Finland, adjustment to Finnish society and university life, basic income and future plans among foreign degree students. First, it was studied why respondents had chosen Finland and the university in question. In relation to higher education, respondents were asked whether they were satisfied with the quality of education, various student support services (e.g. libraries and student health services), educational guidance and the progress of their studies. Respondents' integration into Finland, basic income, willingness to pay educational fees and plans to stay in Finland were queried on. Finally, respondents were asked about the biggest obstacles to their employment in Finland. Background variables included respondent's age, gender, nationality and previous degrees.

1.3 Structure and collection of the data

Country: Finland

Geographic coverage: Finland, Helsinki, Jyväskylä, Tampere, Turku

Analysis or observation unit type: Individual

Universe: All foreign degree students who were classified as foreigners in the student registers at the universities of Helsinki, Jyväskylä, Tampere, Turku and Helsinki University of Technology., excluding Students whose e-mail addresses were not in use or in the student register.

Collection date: spring 2005

Data collector(s): The Student Union of the University of Helsinki

Data producer(s): The Student Union of the University of Helsinki; The Student Union of the University of Jyväskylä; The Student Union of the University of Tampere; The Student Union of Helsinki University of Technology; The Student Union of the University of Turku

Mode of data collection: Self-administered questionnaire: Web-based (CAWI)

Type of research instrument: Structured questionnaire

Time period covered: 2005

Time method of the data collection: Cross-section

Response rate: 36%

Number of variables and cases: The data contain 101 variables and 818 cases.

Sampling procedure: Total universe/Complete enumeration

Student unions received the e-mail addresses of foreign degree students from their respective universities. The students (N= 2,263) were sent an e-mail in which they were asked to participate in the survey. The e-mail contained a link to an online questionnaire.

The students who had not responded within two weeks were sent a new e-mail. A total of 814 responses were received.

1.4 Use of data

Data appraisal

Variable identifying the respondent's university has been removed from the data. Age and faculty variables have been recoded.

Approximately 5 per cent of the respondents were Finnish. 206 postgraduate students answered the questionnaire. Students at the University of Jyväskylä and the Helsinki University of Technology are slightly over-represented in the data.

Related publications

Airisto, Martin & Kettunen, Janne (2007). Tutkinto-opiskelijasta osaajaksi: ulkomaalaisten tutkinto-opiskelijoiden halukkuus jäädä Suomeen valmistumisensa jälkeen. Tampere: Tampereen yliopisto. Sosiologian pro gradu -tutkielma.

Kärki, Johanna (2005). "If I had to pay I would require value for my money": A Study on Foreign Degree Students at the Universities of Helsinki, Tampere, Turku, Jyväskylä and Helsinki University of Technology [online]. http://www.tamy.fi/files/orig/13_A_Study_on_Foreign_Degree_Students.p [cited 15.02.2006].

Krutova, Oxana (2011). Initial Labour Integration of Russian-speaking Students in Finland. *Siirtolaisuus-Migration* 38(4), 3-12.

Updated list of publications in the study description at

https://services.fsd.uta.fi/catalogue/FSD2100?lang=en&study_language=en

Related studies

FSD2139 Ulkomaalaiset perustutkinto-opiskelijat 2005 : opetusaineisto

[Käytän ja kuvailun oheismateriaalit]

Kärki, Johanna (2005). "If I had to pay I would require value for my money" : A Study on Foreign Degree Students at the Universities of Helsinki, Tampere, Turku, Jyväskylä and Helsinki University of Technology [webdocument]. http://www.tamy.fi/files/orig/13_A_Study_on_Foreign_Degree_Stu [cited 15.02.2006].

Location of the data collection

Finnish Social Science Data Archive

Weighting

There are no weight variables in the data.

Restrictions

The dataset is (B) available for research, teaching and study.

Chapter 2

Variables

[FSD_NO] FSD study number

Question

FSD study number

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|---------|
| number of valid cases | 818 |
| minimum | 2100.00 |
| maximum | 2100.00 |
| mean | 2100.00 |
| standard deviation | 0.00 |

[FSD_VR] FSD edition number

Question

FSD edition number

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 818 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 1.00 |
| mean | 1.00 |
| standard deviation | 0.00 |

[FSD_PRO] FSD processing level**Question**

Detailed and specific data description in Finnish and English. Variable frequencies, filter variables, variable and value labels, and missing values are checked. If necessary, the data are anonymised.

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A (see codebook) | 1 | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| B (see codebook) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| C (data hasn't been checked at FSD) | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[FSD_ID] FSD case id**Question**

FSD case id

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|--------|
| number of valid cases | 818 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 818.00 |
| mean | 409.50 |
| standard deviation | 236.28 |

[Q1] Respondent's age (reclassified)**Question**

Age

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|--------------|-------|---|-----|------|
| Less than 20 | 1 | 9 | 1.1 | 1.1 |

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| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| 20-24 | 2 | 203 | 24.8 | 25.1 |
| 25-29 | 3 | 345 | 42.2 | 42.6 |
| 30-34 | 4 | 144 | 17.6 | 17.8 |
| 35-39 | 5 | 69 | 8.4 | 8.5 |
| Over 40 | 6 | 39 | 4.8 | 4.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q2] Respondent's gender

Question

Gender

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Male | 1 | 446 | 54.5 | 54.8 |
| Female | 2 | 368 | 45.0 | 45.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 4 | 0.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q3] Respondent's nationality (open-ended question)

Question

Nationality (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q4] How many years have you lived in Finland?

Question

How long have you lived in Finland?

Descriptive statistics

2. Variables

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 814 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 9.00 |
| mean | 4.09 |
| standard deviation | 2.77 |

[Q6] Faculty at which the respondent studies (reclassified)

Question

Faculty

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|----------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Natural sciences | 1 | 145 | 17.7 | 17.8 |
| Engineering and technology | 2 | 263 | 32.2 | 32.3 |
| Medical sciences | 3 | 33 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| Agricultural sciences | 4 | 46 | 5.6 | 5.7 |
| Social sciences | 5 | 170 | 20.8 | 20.9 |
| Humanities | 6 | 157 | 19.2 | 19.3 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 4 | 0.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q7] Degree respondent studies for

Question

Are you currently studying for

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A Bachelors degree | 1 | 65 | 7.9 | 8.0 |
| B Masters degree | 2 | 543 | 66.4 | 66.8 |
| C Doctoral degree (PhD) | 3 | 205 | 25.1 | 25.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 5 | 0.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q8] How many years have you studied for your current degree?**Question**

How many years have you studied for your current degree?

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 813 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 9.00 |
| mean | 2.92 |
| standard deviation | 1.96 |

[Q9] Previous degree (or equivalent)**Question**

Previous degree (or equivalent)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Bachelors | 1 | 354 | 43.3 | 43.5 |
| Masters | 2 | 223 | 27.3 | 27.4 |
| Doctorate (PhD) | 3 | 2 | 0.2 | 0.2 |
| Other | 4 | 69 | 8.4 | 8.5 |
| None | 5 | 166 | 20.3 | 20.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 4 | 0.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10A] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Pursuing a university degree**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Pursuing a university degree

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 138 | 16.9 | 17.0 |
| | 2 | 48 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| | 3 | 106 | 13.0 | 13.1 |
| | 4 | 139 | 17.0 | 17.1 |
| Very important | 5 | 380 | 46.5 | 46.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 7 | 0.9 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10B] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Reputation of the Finnish industry**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Reputation of the Finnish industry

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 295 | 36.1 | 36.5 |
| | 2 | 131 | 16.0 | 16.2 |
| | 3 | 155 | 18.9 | 19.2 |
| | 4 | 137 | 16.7 | 17.0 |
| Very important | 5 | 90 | 11.0 | 11.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 10 | 1.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10C] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Free education**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Free education***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 175 | 21.4 | 21.6 |
| | 2 | 56 | 6.8 | 6.9 |
| | 3 | 110 | 13.4 | 13.6 |
| | 4 | 148 | 18.1 | 18.3 |
| Very important | 5 | 320 | 39.1 | 39.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10D] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Prior knowledge of Finland**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Prior knowledge of Finland***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 184 | 22.5 | 22.7 |
| | 2 | 129 | 15.8 | 15.9 |
| | 3 | 196 | 24.0 | 24.2 |
| | 4 | 156 | 19.1 | 19.3 |
| Very important | 5 | 144 | 17.6 | 17.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10E] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Experiencing a foreign country

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Experiencing a foreign country

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 162 | 19.8 | 20.0 |
| | 2 | 85 | 10.4 | 10.5 |
| | 3 | 159 | 19.4 | 19.7 |
| | 4 | 174 | 21.3 | 21.5 |
| Very important | 5 | 229 | 28.0 | 28.3 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10F] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Family ties (incl. boy/girlfriend)

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Family ties (incl. boy/girlfriend)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|----------------------|-------|-----|------|------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 400 | 48.9 | 49.4 |
| | 2 | 34 | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| | 3 | 53 | 6.5 | 6.6 |

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| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| | 4 | 55 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| Very important | 5 | 267 | 32.6 | 33.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10G] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Career development

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Career development

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 158 | 19.3 | 19.5 |
| | 2 | 80 | 9.8 | 9.9 |
| | 3 | 147 | 18.0 | 18.2 |
| | 4 | 205 | 25.1 | 25.3 |
| Very important | 5 | 219 | 26.8 | 27.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10H] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Hardship in home country

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Hardship in home country

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 483 | 59.0 | 59.9 |
| | 2 | 102 | 12.5 | 12.7 |
| | 3 | 108 | 13.2 | 13.4 |
| | 4 | 63 | 7.7 | 7.8 |
| Very important | 5 | 50 | 6.1 | 6.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 12 | 1.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10I] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: High standard of living in Finland**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

High standard of living in Finland

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 283 | 34.6 | 35.1 |
| | 2 | 150 | 18.3 | 18.6 |
| | 3 | 207 | 25.3 | 25.7 |
| | 4 | 112 | 13.7 | 13.9 |
| Very important | 5 | 55 | 6.7 | 6.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 11 | 1.3 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10J] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Other**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Other***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 45 | 5.5 | 25.1 |
| | 2 | 3 | 0.4 | 1.7 |
| | 3 | 7 | 0.9 | 3.9 |
| | 4 | 20 | 2.4 | 11.2 |
| Very important | 5 | 104 | 12.7 | 58.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 639 | 78.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q10J_O] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Other (open-ended question)**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Other (open-ended question)*

No valid values

[Q11A] Importance in the choice of university: Free education**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Free education***Frequencies**

2. Variables

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 94 | 11.5 | 11.6 |
| | 2 | 49 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| | 3 | 131 | 16.0 | 16.2 |
| | 4 | 145 | 17.7 | 17.9 |
| Very important | 5 | 391 | 47.8 | 48.3 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11B] Importance in the choice of university: Possibility of studying in English

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Possibility of studying in English

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 152 | 18.6 | 18.8 |
| | 2 | 66 | 8.1 | 8.1 |
| | 3 | 90 | 11.0 | 11.1 |
| | 4 | 131 | 16.0 | 16.2 |
| Very important | 5 | 371 | 45.4 | 45.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11C] Importance in the choice of university: Learning Finnish/Swedish

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Learning Finnish/Swedish

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 255 | 31.2 | 31.5 |
| | 2 | 164 | 20.0 | 20.2 |
| | 3 | 147 | 18.0 | 18.1 |
| | 4 | 98 | 12.0 | 12.1 |
| Very important | 5 | 146 | 17.8 | 18.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11D] Importance in the choice of university: Good reputation of the university**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Good reputation of the university

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 56 | 6.8 | 6.9 |
| | 2 | 48 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| | 3 | 153 | 18.7 | 18.9 |
| | 4 | 228 | 27.9 | 28.1 |
| Very important | 5 | 326 | 39.9 | 40.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 7 | 0.9 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11E] Importance in the choice of university: Quality of research and teaching in my study field**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

2. Variables

Question

Quality of research and teaching in my study field

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 69 | 8.4 | 8.5 |
| | 2 | 61 | 7.5 | 7.5 |
| | 3 | 150 | 18.3 | 18.5 |
| | 4 | 240 | 29.3 | 29.7 |
| Very important | 5 | 289 | 35.3 | 35.7 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11G] Importance in the choice of university: Employment chances after studies

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Employment chances after studies

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 116 | 14.2 | 14.3 |
| | 2 | 101 | 12.3 | 12.5 |
| | 3 | 200 | 24.4 | 24.7 |
| | 4 | 203 | 24.8 | 25.1 |
| Very important | 5 | 189 | 23.1 | 23.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11H] Importance in the choice of university: Quality of student facilities

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Quality of student facilities***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 119 | 14.5 | 14.7 |
| | 2 | 76 | 9.3 | 9.4 |
| | 3 | 230 | 28.1 | 28.5 |
| | 4 | 218 | 26.7 | 27.0 |
| Very important | 5 | 165 | 20.2 | 20.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 10 | 1.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11I] Importance in the choice of university: Academic freedom/independence**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Academic freedom/independence***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 96 | 11.7 | 11.9 |
| | 2 | 76 | 9.3 | 9.4 |
| | 3 | 190 | 23.2 | 23.5 |
| | 4 | 213 | 26.0 | 26.4 |
| Very important | 5 | 233 | 28.5 | 28.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 10 | 1.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11J] Importance in the choice of university: Desire to complete prior studies**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

2. Variables

Question

Desire to complete prior studies

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 217 | 26.5 | 27.0 |
| | 2 | 74 | 9.0 | 9.2 |
| | 3 | 150 | 18.3 | 18.6 |
| | 4 | 149 | 18.2 | 18.5 |
| Very important | 5 | 215 | 26.3 | 26.7 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 13 | 1.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11K] Importance in the choice of university: Need to do something sensible to occupy time

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question

Need to do something sensible to occupy time

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 408 | 49.9 | 50.7 |
| | 2 | 116 | 14.2 | 14.4 |
| | 3 | 119 | 14.5 | 14.8 |
| | 4 | 88 | 10.8 | 10.9 |
| Very important | 5 | 74 | 9.0 | 9.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 13 | 1.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11L] Importance in the choice of university: Other

Variable group pre-text

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Other***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all important | 1 | 40 | 4.9 | 40.8 |
| | 2 | 3 | 0.4 | 3.1 |
| | 3 | 8 | 1.0 | 8.2 |
| | 4 | 10 | 1.2 | 10.2 |
| Very important | 5 | 37 | 4.5 | 37.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 720 | 88.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q11L_O] Importance in the choice of university: Other (open-ended question)**Variable group pre-text**

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

Question*Other (open-ended question)*

No valid values

[Q12] How well integrated do you feel in the Finnish society?**Question**

How well integrated do you feel in the Finnish society? (1=haven't integrated at all, 5=have integrated very well)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|---------------------------|-------|-----|------|------|
| Haven't integrated at all | 1 | 45 | 5.5 | 5.6 |
| | 2 | 136 | 16.6 | 16.8 |
| | 3 | 243 | 29.7 | 30.0 |

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2. Variables

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| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|---------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| | 4 | 229 | 28.0 | 28.3 |
| Have integrated very well | 5 | 157 | 19.2 | 19.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q13] How well do you intend to know Finnish/Swedish by the time you graduate?

Question

How well do you intend to know Finnish/Swedish by the time you graduate? (1=not at all, 2=basic knowledge, 3=adequate, 4=good, 5=excellent)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all | 1 | 33 | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| Basic knowledge | 2 | 144 | 17.6 | 17.8 |
| Adequate | 3 | 183 | 22.4 | 22.6 |
| Good | 4 | 212 | 25.9 | 26.2 |
| Excellent | 5 | 238 | 29.1 | 29.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14A] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Family in Finland

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Family in Finland

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 143 | 17.5 | 50.9 |
| Second important | 2 | 62 | 7.6 | 22.1 |
| Third important | 3 | 76 | 9.3 | 27.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 537 | 65.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14B] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Girlfriend or boyfriend in Finland

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Girlfriend or boyfriend in Finland

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 164 | 20.0 | 54.5 |
| Second important | 2 | 68 | 8.3 | 22.6 |
| Third important | 3 | 69 | 8.4 | 22.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 517 | 63.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14C] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Friends

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Friends

Frequencies

2. Variables

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 177 | 21.6 | 34.9 |
| Second important | 2 | 184 | 22.5 | 36.3 |
| Third important | 3 | 146 | 17.8 | 28.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 311 | 38.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14D] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: International student community

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

International student community

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 55 | 6.7 | 25.9 |
| Second important | 2 | 85 | 10.4 | 40.1 |
| Third important | 3 | 72 | 8.8 | 34.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 606 | 74.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14E] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Your ethnic community

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Your ethnic community

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 42 | 5.1 | 24.3 |
| Second important | 2 | 68 | 8.3 | 39.3 |
| Third important | 3 | 63 | 7.7 | 36.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 645 | 78.9 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14F] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Finnish student community

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Finnish student community

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 28 | 3.4 | 23.7 |
| Second important | 2 | 40 | 4.9 | 33.9 |
| Third important | 3 | 50 | 6.1 | 42.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 700 | 85.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14G] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: People you have met through your hobbies

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

People you have met through your hobbies

Frequencies

2. Variables

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 46 | 5.6 | 20.4 |
| Second important | 2 | 88 | 10.8 | 38.9 |
| Third important | 3 | 92 | 11.2 | 40.7 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 592 | 72.4 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14H] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Work colleagues

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Work colleagues

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 79 | 9.7 | 24.2 |
| Second important | 2 | 118 | 14.4 | 36.2 |
| Third important | 3 | 129 | 15.8 | 39.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 492 | 60.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14I] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Student advisor

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Student advisor

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 38 | 4.6 | 21.1 |
| Second important | 2 | 69 | 8.4 | 38.3 |
| Third important | 3 | 73 | 8.9 | 40.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 638 | 78.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14K] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Other

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Other

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Most important | 1 | 29 | 3.5 | 37.7 |
| Second important | 2 | 18 | 2.2 | 23.4 |
| Third important | 3 | 30 | 3.7 | 39.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 741 | 90.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q14K_O] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Other (open-ended question)

Variable group pre-text

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

Question

Other (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q15] Do you feel you've been discriminated against because of your ethnic/cultural background?

Question

Do you feel you've been discriminated against because of your ethnic/cultural background?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| No | 1 | 596 | 72.9 | 73.7 |
| Yes, where and how? | 2 | 213 | 26.0 | 26.3 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q150] Do you feel you've been discriminated against because of your ethnic/cultural background? Yes, where and how? (open-ended question)

Question

Do you feel you've been discriminated against because of your ethnic/cultural background? Yes, where and how? (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q16] Approximate no. of Finnish credits earned at the university you are currently studying in?

Question

Approximate no. of Finnish credits earned at the university you are currently studying in?

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|--------|
| number of valid cases | 794 |
| minimum | 0.00 |
| maximum | 500.00 |
| mean | 63.68 |
| standard deviation | 59.55 |

[Q17A] Respondent's satisfaction with: Quality of teaching**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Quality of teaching

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 22 | 2.7 | 2.7 |
| | 2 | 59 | 7.2 | 7.3 |
| | 3 | 244 | 29.8 | 30.2 |
| | 4 | 332 | 40.6 | 41.1 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 151 | 18.5 | 18.7 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 10 | 1.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17B] Respondent's satisfaction with: Assessment methods (exams etc.)**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Assessment methods (exams etc.)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 14 | 1.7 | 1.7 |
| | 2 | 59 | 7.2 | 7.3 |
| | 3 | 249 | 30.4 | 30.8 |
| | 4 | 318 | 38.9 | 39.3 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 169 | 20.7 | 20.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17C] Respondent's satisfaction with: Availability of courses in English**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Availability of courses in English

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 104 | 12.7 | 13.0 |
| | 2 | 152 | 18.6 | 19.0 |
| | 3 | 269 | 32.9 | 33.6 |
| | 4 | 156 | 19.1 | 19.5 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 120 | 14.7 | 15.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 17 | 2.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17D] Respondent's satisfaction with: Degree requirements**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Degree requirements

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 21 | 2.6 | 2.6 |
| | 2 | 64 | 7.8 | 7.9 |
| | 3 | 240 | 29.3 | 29.8 |
| | 4 | 321 | 39.2 | 39.8 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 160 | 19.6 | 19.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 12 | 1.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17E] Respondent's satisfaction with: Finnish language courses**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Finnish language courses

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 72 | 8.8 | 9.0 |
| | 2 | 102 | 12.5 | 12.7 |
| | 3 | 241 | 29.5 | 30.1 |
| | 4 | 189 | 23.1 | 23.6 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 197 | 24.1 | 24.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 17 | 2.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17F] Respondent's satisfaction with: Swedish language courses**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Swedish language courses

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 216 | 26.4 | 28.3 |
| | 2 | 91 | 11.1 | 11.9 |
| | 3 | 319 | 39.0 | 41.9 |
| | 4 | 79 | 9.7 | 10.4 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 57 | 7.0 | 7.5 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 56 | 6.8 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17G] Respondent's satisfaction with: Computing services**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Computing services

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 7 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| | 2 | 20 | 2.4 | 2.5 |
| | 3 | 76 | 9.3 | 9.4 |
| | 4 | 228 | 27.9 | 28.2 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 478 | 58.4 | 59.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17H] Respondent's satisfaction with: Library services**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Library services

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 7 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| | 2 | 24 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| | 3 | 71 | 8.7 | 8.8 |
| | 4 | 221 | 27.0 | 27.3 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 486 | 59.4 | 60.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17I] Respondent's satisfaction with: University administration**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

University administration

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 24 | 2.9 | 3.0 |
| | 2 | 40 | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| | 3 | 208 | 25.4 | 25.8 |
| | 4 | 300 | 36.7 | 37.3 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 233 | 28.5 | 28.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 13 | 1.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17J] Respondent's satisfaction with: Student Health Services (YTHS)**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Student Health Services (YTHS)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 25 | 3.1 | 3.1 |
| | 2 | 66 | 8.1 | 8.3 |
| | 3 | 208 | 25.4 | 26.2 |
| | 4 | 233 | 28.5 | 29.3 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 263 | 32.2 | 33.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 23 | 2.8 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17K] Respondent's satisfaction with: Housing services**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Housing services

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 53 | 6.5 | 6.7 |
| | 2 | 73 | 8.9 | 9.2 |
| | 3 | 269 | 32.9 | 34.1 |
| | 4 | 222 | 27.1 | 28.1 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 173 | 21.1 | 21.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 28 | 3.4 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17L] Respondent's satisfaction with: Student union services**Variable group pre-text**

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Student union services

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 41 | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| | 2 | 95 | 11.6 | 12.0 |
| | 3 | 308 | 37.7 | 38.8 |
| | 4 | 215 | 26.3 | 27.1 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 134 | 16.4 | 16.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 25 | 3.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q17M] Respondent's satisfaction with: Availability of information in English

Variable group pre-text

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

Question

Availability of information in English

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 75 | 9.2 | 9.4 |
| | 2 | 111 | 13.6 | 13.9 |
| | 3 | 259 | 31.7 | 32.5 |
| | 4 | 220 | 26.9 | 27.6 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 131 | 16.0 | 16.5 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 22 | 2.7 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18A] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Teachers

Variable group pre-text

How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

Question

Teachers

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 30 | 3.7 | 3.7 |
| | 2 | 86 | 10.5 | 10.7 |
| | 3 | 223 | 27.3 | 27.7 |
| | 4 | 292 | 35.7 | 36.2 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 175 | 21.4 | 21.7 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 12 | 1.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18B] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Thesis supervisor**Variable group pre-text***How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:***Question***Thesis supervisor***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 59 | 7.2 | 7.4 |
| | 2 | 78 | 9.5 | 9.8 |
| | 3 | 263 | 32.2 | 33.2 |
| | 4 | 195 | 23.8 | 24.6 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 198 | 24.2 | 25.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 25 | 3.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18C] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Student tutors**Variable group pre-text***How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:***Question***Student tutors***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------|-------|-----|------|------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 117 | 14.3 | 15.0 |
| | 2 | 132 | 16.1 | 16.9 |
| | 3 | 256 | 31.3 | 32.8 |
| | 4 | 165 | 20.2 | 21.1 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 111 | 13.6 | 14.2 |

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| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 37 | 4.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18D] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Other students

Variable group pre-text

How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

Question

Other students

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 65 | 7.9 | 8.1 |
| | 2 | 89 | 10.9 | 11.1 |
| | 3 | 273 | 33.4 | 34.2 |
| | 4 | 261 | 31.9 | 32.7 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 111 | 13.6 | 13.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 19 | 2.3 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18E] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: University information services

Variable group pre-text

How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

Question

University information services

Frequencies

2. Variables

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Very dissatisfied | 1 | 54 | 6.6 | 6.8 |
| | 2 | 99 | 12.1 | 12.4 |
| | 3 | 283 | 34.6 | 35.5 |
| | 4 | 235 | 28.7 | 29.5 |
| Very satisfied | 5 | 126 | 15.4 | 15.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 21 | 2.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q18F] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: I don't have an idea from whom to ask for guidance

Variable group pre-text

How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

Question

I don't have an idea from whom to ask for guidance

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Mentioned | 1 | 56 | 6.8 | 100.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 762 | 93.2 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q19] Have your studies progressed as expected or planned?

Question

Have your studies progressed as expected or planned?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Yes | 1 | 549 | 67.1 | 67.9 |
| No, why not? | 2 | 260 | 31.8 | 32.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 9 | 1.1 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q190] Have your studies progressed as expected or planned? No, why not? (open-ended question)

Question

Have your studies progressed as expected or planned? No, why not? (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q20A] Would you have chosen your current university as a place for studies if you had to pay tuition fees?

Question

Would you have chosen your current university as a place for studies if you had to pay tuition fees?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Yes | 1 | 324 | 39.6 | 40.1 |
| No | 2 | 483 | 59.0 | 59.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 11 | 1.3 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q20B] If yes, how much would you be willing to pay for your studies?

Question

If yes, how much would you be willing to pay for your studies?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|--------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A Under 1000 euros per year | 1 | 314 | 38.4 | 76.4 |
| B 1000 - 3000 euros per year | 2 | 73 | 8.9 | 17.8 |
| C 3000 - 6000 euros per year | 3 | 21 | 2.6 | 5.1 |
| D 6000 - 12000 euros per year | 4 | 2 | 0.2 | 0.5 |
| E 12000 - 18000 euros per year | 5 | 1 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 407 | 49.8 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

**[Q20B_O] If no, why would you not be willing to pay for your studies?
(open-ended question)**

Question

If no, why would you not be willing to pay for your studies? (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q21] Respondent's main activity

Question

What is your main activity at the moment?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A Studying | 1 | 231 | 28.2 | 28.5 |
| B Studying and working part-time | 2 | 268 | 32.8 | 33.1 |
| C Working | 3 | 136 | 16.6 | 16.8 |
| D Studying, but looking for work | 4 | 118 | 14.4 | 14.6 |
| E Maternity/paternity/childcare leave | 5 | 7 | 0.9 | 0.9 |
| F Other | 6 | 50 | 6.1 | 6.2 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 8 | 1.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q21F_O] Respondent's main activity. Other (open-ended question)

Question

What is your main activity at the moment? Other (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q22] If you are currently working, is your work related to your studies?

Question

If you are currently working, is your work related to your studies? (1=not at all, 2=somewhat, 3=fully)

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Not at all | 1 | 166 | 20.3 | 31.0 |
| Somewhat | 2 | 139 | 17.0 | 25.9 |
| Fully | 3 | 231 | 28.2 | 43.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 282 | 34.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q23] Estimation of your monthly expenses

Question

Estimation of your monthly expenses

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A Less than 300 euros | 1 | 192 | 23.5 | 24.6 |
| B 300 - 600 euros | 2 | 208 | 25.4 | 26.7 |
| C 600 - 900 euros | 3 | 118 | 14.4 | 15.1 |
| D More than 900 euros | 4 | 261 | 31.9 | 33.5 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 39 | 4.8 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q24A] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Finnish government grant (opintotuki)

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Finnish government grant (opintotuki)

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 202 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 1.81 |
| standard deviation | 0.83 |

[Q24B] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Scholarship from home country

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Scholarship from home country

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 77 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.01 |
| standard deviation | 0.75 |

[Q24C] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Scholarship from Finland

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Scholarship from Finland

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 141 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 1.79 |
| standard deviation | 0.82 |

[Q24D] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Work

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Work

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 530 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 1.84 |
| standard deviation | 0.85 |

[Q24E] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Savings

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Savings

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 478 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.12 |
| standard deviation | 0.71 |

[Q24F] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Loan

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Loan

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 127 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.23 |
| standard deviation | 0.73 |

[Q24G] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Parental or family support

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Parental or family support

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 429 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.01 |
| standard deviation | 0.86 |

[Q24H] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Income from spouse or partner

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Income from spouse or partner

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 223 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.13 |
| standard deviation | 0.80 |

[Q24I] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Other

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Other

Descriptive statistics

| statistic | value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| number of valid cases | 99 |
| minimum | 1.00 |
| maximum | 3.00 |
| mean | 2.33 |
| standard deviation | 0.82 |

[Q24I_O] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment: Other (open-ended question)

Variable group pre-text

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

Question

Other (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q25] What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland?

Question

What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland?

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|---|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| A I'll stay in Finland. Why? What will you do? | 1 | 313 | 38.3 | 39.0 |
| B I'll go somewhere else. Where? Why? To do what? | 2 | 196 | 24.0 | 24.4 |
| C I'd like to stay in Finland but I can't. Why not? | 3 | 69 | 8.4 | 8.6 |
| D I don't know. Why not? | 4 | 225 | 27.5 | 28.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 15 | 1.8 | — |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q25O] What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland? (open-ended question)

Question

What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland? (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q26A] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Knowledge of Finnish/Swedish

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question*Knowledge of Finnish/Swedish***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 357 | 43.6 | 52.8 |
| | 2 | 150 | 18.3 | 22.2 |
| | 3 | 169 | 20.7 | 25.0 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 142 | 17.4 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26B] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Ethnic/cultural/religious discrimination**Variable group pre-text***What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)***Question***Ethnic/cultural/religious discrimination***Frequencies**

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 74 | 9.0 | 32.3 |
| | 2 | 75 | 9.2 | 32.8 |
| | 3 | 80 | 9.8 | 34.9 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 589 | 72.0 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26C] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of access to job searching information**Variable group pre-text***What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)***Question***Lack of access to job searching information*

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 52 | 6.4 | 20.9 |
| | 2 | 103 | 12.6 | 41.4 |
| | 3 | 94 | 11.5 | 37.8 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 569 | 69.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26D] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of right contacts

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Lack of right contacts

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 109 | 13.3 | 22.9 |
| | 2 | 189 | 23.1 | 39.6 |
| | 3 | 179 | 21.9 | 37.5 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 341 | 41.7 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26E] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of relevant work experience

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Lack of relevant work experience

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 70 | 8.6 | 20.5 |
| | 2 | 165 | 20.2 | 48.4 |
| | 3 | 106 | 13.0 | 31.1 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 477 | 58.3 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26F] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Inappropriate/wrong field of study

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Inappropriate/wrong field of study

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 32 | 3.9 | 25.4 |
| | 2 | 33 | 4.0 | 26.2 |
| | 3 | 61 | 7.5 | 48.4 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 692 | 84.6 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26G] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Residence permit restrictions

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Residence permit restrictions

Frequencies

2. Variables

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 59 | 7.2 | 32.1 |
| | 2 | 54 | 6.6 | 29.3 |
| | 3 | 71 | 8.7 | 38.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 634 | 77.5 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26H] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Other

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Other

Frequencies

| label | value | n | % | v. % |
|-------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| Biggest | 1 | 32 | 3.9 | 38.6 |
| | 2 | 19 | 2.3 | 22.9 |
| | 3 | 32 | 3.9 | 38.6 |
| System missing (SYSMIS) | . | 735 | 89.9 | – |
| | | 818 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[Q26H_O] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Other (open-ended question)

Variable group pre-text

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

Question

Other (open-ended question)

No valid values

[Q27] What else do you wish to say as a foreign degree student? (open-ended question)

Question

What else do you wish to say as a foreign degree student? (open-ended question)

No valid values

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| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Loan ... | 44 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Other ... | 45 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Other (open-ended question) | 46 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Parental or family support | 44 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Savings . | 43 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Scholarship from Finland | 42 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Scholarship from home country | 42 |
| Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Work ... | 43 |
| Respondent's age (reclassified) | 6 |
| Respondent's gender | 7 |
| Respondent's main activity | 40 |
| Respondent's main activity. Other (open-ended question) | 40 |
| Respondent's nationality (open-ended question) | 7 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Assessment methods (exams etc.) | 29 |

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|---|----|
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Availability of courses in English | 30 |
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| Respondent's satisfaction with: Computing services | 32 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Degree requirements | 30 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Finnish language courses | 31 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: I don't have an idea from whom to ask for guidance | 38 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Other students | 37 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Student tutors | 36 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Teachers | 35 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Thesis supervisor | 36 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: University information services ... | 37 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Housing services | 34 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Library services | 32 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Quality of teaching | 29 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Student Health Services (YTHS) | 33 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Student union services | 34 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: Swedish language courses | 31 |
| Respondent's satisfaction with: University administration | 33 |
| What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland? | 46 |
| What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland? (open-ended question) | 46 |
| What else do you wish to say as a foreign degree student? (open-ended question) | 51 |
| Would you have chosen your current university as a place for studies if you had to pay tuition fees? | 39 |

3.3 Variable groups

Variable group

How important were the following factors in your decision to move to Finland? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

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|---|----|
| [Q10A] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Pursuing a university degree | 9 |
| [Q10B] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Reputation of the Finnish industry | 10 |
| [Q10C] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Free education | 10 |
| [Q10D] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Prior knowledge of Finland | 11 |
| [Q10E] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Experiencing a foreign country | 12 |
| [Q10F] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Family ties (incl. boy/girlfriend) | 12 |
| [Q10G] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Career development | 13 |
| [Q10H] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Hardship in home country | 13 |
| [Q10I] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: High standard of living in Finland | 14 |
| [Q10J] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Other | 14 |
| [Q10J_O] Importance of the following factors for respondent's decision to come to Finland: Other (open-ended question) | 15 |

Variable group

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

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|---|----|
| [Q11A] Importance in the choice of university: Free education | 15 |
| [Q11B] Importance in the choice of university: Possibility of studying in English | 16 |
| [Q11C] Importance in the choice of university: Learning Finnish/Swedish | 16 |
| [Q11D] Importance in the choice of university: Good reputation of the university | 17 |
| [Q11E] Importance in the choice of university: Quality of research and teaching in my study field | 17 |
| [Q11G] Importance in the choice of university: Employment chances after studies | 18 |

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|---|----|
| [Q11H] Importance in the choice of university: Quality of student facilities | 18 |
| [Q11I] Importance in the choice of university: Academic freedom/independence | 19 |
| [Q11J] Importance in the choice of university: Desire to complete prior studies | 19 |
| [Q11K] Importance in the choice of university: Need to do something sensible to occupy time | 20 |
| [Q11L] Importance in the choice of university: Other | 20 |
| [Q11L_O] Importance in the choice of university: Other (open-ended question) | 21 |

Variable group

Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

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|---|----|
| [Q14A] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Family in Finland | 22 |
| [Q14B] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Girl-friend or boyfriend in Finland | 23 |
| [Q14C] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Friends | 23 |
| [Q14D] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: International student community | 24 |
| [Q14E] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Your ethnic community | 24 |
| [Q14F] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Finnish student community | 25 |
| [Q14G] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: People you have met through your hobbies | 25 |
| [Q14H] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Work colleagues | 26 |
| [Q14I] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Student advisor | 26 |
| [Q14K] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Other | 27 |
| [Q14K_O] Rank the 3 most important people who make your integration in Finland easier: Other (open-ended question) | 27 |

Variable group

How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

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| [Q17A] Respondent's satisfaction with: Quality of teaching | 29 |
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| [Q17B] Respondent's satisfaction with: Assessment methods (exams etc.) | 29 |
| [Q17C] Respondent's satisfaction with: Availability of courses in English | 30 |
| [Q17D] Respondent's satisfaction with: Degree requirements | 30 |
| [Q17E] Respondent's satisfaction with: Finnish language courses | 31 |
| [Q17F] Respondent's satisfaction with: Swedish language courses | 31 |
| [Q17G] Respondent's satisfaction with: Computing services | 32 |
| [Q17H] Respondent's satisfaction with: Library services | 32 |
| [Q17I] Respondent's satisfaction with: University administration | 33 |
| [Q17J] Respondent's satisfaction with: Student Health Services (YTHS) | 33 |
| [Q17K] Respondent's satisfaction with: Housing services | 34 |
| [Q17L] Respondent's satisfaction with: Student union services | 34 |
| [Q17M] Respondent's satisfaction with: Availability of information in English | 35 |

Variable group

How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

| | |
|---|----|
| [Q18A] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Teachers | 35 |
| [Q18B] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Thesis supervisor | 36 |
| [Q18C] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Student tutors | 36 |
| [Q18D] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: Other students | 37 |
| [Q18E] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: University information services | 37 |
| [Q18F] Respondent's satisfaction with guidance received from: I don't have an idea from whom to ask for guidance | 38 |

Variable group

Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment?

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|---|----|
| [Q24A] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Finnish government grant (opintotuki) | 41 |
| [Q24B] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Scholarship from home country | 42 |
| [Q24C] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Scholarship from Finland | 42 |
| [Q24D] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Work | 43 |
| [Q24E] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Savings | 43 |

| | |
|--|----|
| [Q24F] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Loan | 44 |
| [Q24G] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Parental or family support | 44 |
| [Q24H] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Income from spouse or partner | 45 |
| [Q24I] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Other | 45 |
| [Q24I_O] Rank the top 3 sources of funding for your studies/living expences at the moment: Other (open-ended question) | 46 |

Variable group

What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

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| [Q26A] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Knowledge of Finnish/Swedish | 46 |
| [Q26B] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Ethnic/cultural/religious discrimination | 47 |
| [Q26C] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of access to job searching information | 47 |
| [Q26D] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of right contacts . | 48 |
| [Q26E] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Lack of relevant work experience | 48 |
| [Q26F] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Inappropriate/wrong field of study | 49 |
| [Q26G] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Residence permit restrictions | 49 |
| [Q26H] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Other | 50 |
| [Q26H_O] Rank the top 3 biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland: Other (open-ended question) | 50 |

Appendix A

Questionnaire in English

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APPENDIX A

Dear foreign degree student,

The student unions of the Helsinki University of Technology, University of Helsinki, University of Jyväskylä, University of Tampere and University of Turku are conducting together a survey on foreign degree students to gather data about their opinions on studying, student services and the idea of starting to collect tuition fees in Finnish universities. The results will help in improving our services for foreign degree students as well as to represent foreign students more efficiently.

To participate in the survey, please complete the questionnaire at <http://yokunta.hyy.helsinki.fi/survey2005/> To login, please use your full e-mail address, to which this message has been sent. Filling the questionnaire will take 5-10 minutes. We kindly ask you to answer by 13th of March.

The questionnaire has been sent to all foreign students currently enrolled in a degree programme in the above mentioned universities. Address information has been taken from universities' student registers. All responses are confidential and will be handled anonymously by the researcher of the survey, Johanna Kärki. A research report containing findings will be published in May 2005.

By participating in the survey, you will be eligible to win a gift voucher worth €100 to the department house Sokos. In addition, ten respondents will receive a free ticket to any Finnkino movie theatre.

If you have any questions, or would like further information about the research project or questionnaire, please contact Johanna Kärki (johkar@utu.fi) or the secretary of international affairs of your student union.

We thank you very much for your time and co-operation!

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APPENDIX B

SURVEY ON FOREIGN DEGREE STUDENTS HYY, JYY, Tamy, TKY, TYY

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Age:

Gender: M F

Nationality:

How long have you lived in Finland?

University

Faculty

Are you currently studying for

___ A Bachelors degree ___ B Masters degree ___ C Doctoral degree (PhD)

How many years have you studied for your current degree? _____

Previous degree (or equivalent) Bachelors / Masters / Doctorate (PhD) / Other / None

IMMIGRATION TO FINLAND

HOW IMPORTANT WERE THE FOLLOWING FACTORS IN YOUR DECISION TO MOVE TO FINLAND? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Pursuing a university degree | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| B Finnish industry reputation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| C Free education | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| D Prior knowledge of Finland | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| E Experiencing a foreign country | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| G Career development | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| H Hardship in home country | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I High Finnish standard of living | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| J Other: | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

How important were the following factors in your decision to study at the university you are currently studying in? (1=not at all important, 5=very important)

| | | | | | |
|--|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Free education | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| B Possibility of studying in English | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| C Learning Finnish/Swedish | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| D Good reputation of the university | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| E Quality of research and teaching in my study field | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| G Employment chances after studies | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| H Quality of student facilities | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I Academic freedom/independence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| J Desire to complete prior studies | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

K Need to do a sensible thing to occupy time 1 2 3 4 5
L Other: 1 2 3 4 5

SOCIAL AND ACADEMIC INTEGRATION

12. How well-integrated do you feel in Finnish society? 1 2 3 4 5
(1=haven't integrated at all, 5=have integrated very well)

13. How well do you intend to know
Finnish/Swedish by the time you graduate? 1 2 3 4 5
(1=not at all, 2=basic knowledge, 3=adequate, 4=good, 5=excellent)

14. Rank the 3 most important people who make your adjustment/integration in Finland easier (e.g. by giving information/guidance about culture and the way of life or practical matters; 1=most important 2=second important 3=third important)

- ___ A Family in Finland
- ___ B Girl- or boyfriend in Finland
- ___ C Friends
- ___ D International student community
- ___ E Your ethnic community
- ___ F Finnish student community
- ___ G People you have met through your hobbies
- ___ H Work colleagues
- ___ I Student advisor
- ___ K Other:

15. Do you feel you've been discriminated against because of your ethnic/cultural background?
No Yes, where and how?

16. Approximate no. of Finnish credits earned at the university you are currently studying in?

17. How satisfied are you with the following? (1=very dissatisfied, 5=very satisfied)

| | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Quality of teaching | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| B Assessment methods (exams etc.) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| C Availability of courses in English | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| D Degree requirements | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| E Finnish language courses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| F Swedish language courses | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| G Computing services | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| H Library services | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| I University administration | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| J Student Health Services (YTHS) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| K Housing services | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| L Student union services | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

18. How satisfied are you with academic guidance received from the relevant persons:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Teachers | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| B Thesis supervisor | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| C Student tutors | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| D Other students | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| E University information services | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| F I don't have an idea from whom to ask for guidance... | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

19. Have your studies progressed as expected or planned?

Yes No, why not?

20. Would you have chosen your current university as a place for studies if you had to pay tuition fees?

Yes No

If yes how much would you be willing to pay for your studies

- A under 1000€ per year
- B 1000-3000€ per year
- C 3000-6000€ per year
- D 6000-12000€ per year
- E 12000-18000€ per year

If no, why not?

EMPLOYMENT, INCOME & FUTURE PLANS

21. What is your main activity at the moment?

- A Studying
- B Studying and working part-time
- C Working
- D Studying, but looking for work
- E Maternity/paternity/ childcare leave
- F Other:

22. If you are currently working, is your work related to your studies? (1=not at all, 2=somewhat, 3=fully=

1 2 3

23. Estimation of your monthly expenses

- A less than 300€
- B 300-600€
- C 600-900€
- D more than 900€

24. Rank the top three sources of funding for your studies/living expenses at the moment?

- A Finnish government grant (opintotuki)
- B Scholarship from home country
- C Scholarship from Finland
- D Work
- E Savings
- F Loan
- G Parental or family support
- H Income from spouse or partner
- I Other:

25. What are your plans after you finish your studies in Finland?

- A I'll stay in Finland. Why? What will you do?
- B I'll go somewhere else. Where? Why? To do what?
- C I'd like to stay in Finland but I can't. Why not?
- D I don't know. Why not?

26. What do you think are the biggest obstacles to getting a job in Finland? Rank the top 3 (1=biggest)

- A Knowledge of Finnish/Swedish
- B Ethnic/cultural/religious discrimination
- C Lack of access to job searching information
- D Lack of right contacts
- E Lack of relevant work experience
- F Inappropriate/wrong field of study
- G Residence permit restrictions
- H Other:

27. What else do you wish to say as a foreign degree student?

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR PARTICIPATING!!!

