

NSSE 2020

Student Comments

West Texas A&M University

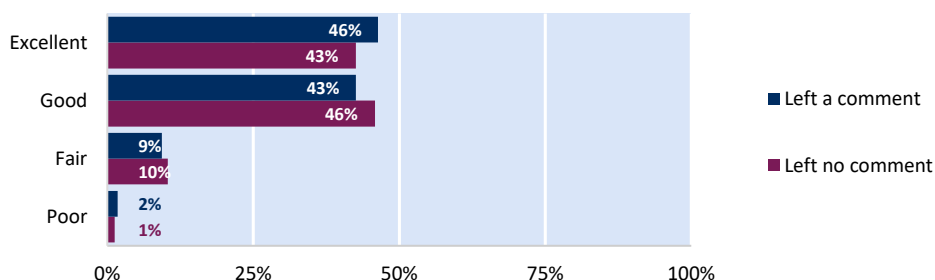
This report displays confidential comments your students provided in response to up to three open-ended questions. Three such questions appear in Topical Modules (Academic Advising; Civic Engagement; First-Year Experiences and Senior Transitions), one in a consortium (Online Learning), and one at the end of the survey (after any module or consortium questions). This file contains separate tabs for each source, as appropriate, with end-of-survey comments in separate tabs for first-year and senior students. Each tab contains the wording of the corresponding question.

Module and consortium comments are sorted by class, enrollment status, and sex. End-of-survey comments are sorted by overall satisfaction, enrollment status, and sex. Information for variables other than satisfaction was provided by your institution.

How Satisfied Were Student Commenters with Their Educational Experience?

Figure 1 displays your students' responses to the item "How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution?" (variable name *evalexp*) by whether they left an end-of-survey comment. These results indicate whether students who provided a comment were more or less satisfied than those who left no comment. Student-level responses to this item are included in the End-of-Survey tabs under the heading "Response to *evalexp*."

Figure 1. How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution? (*evalexp*)



Identified Data Also Provided

Because the comments are confidential, student identifiers are not given in this report but are provided in a separate SPSS data file named "NSSE20 Student Comments (WTAMU).sav".

Important

These comments appear exactly as the students entered them and **may not be suitable for distribution without prior review**. Faculty members, administrators, or other students may be mentioned by name, and comments were not edited for grammar, offensive language, excessive length, or otherwise questionable content. For this reason, please use discretion when using, storing, and disseminating this report and the Student Comments data file.

71 first-year students and 120 seniors responded to the following question in the Civic Engagement module:

Think about the experiences you may have had with local, campus, state, national, or global issues.

What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

Class	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Issues occurring on the campus grounds are taken very seriously and are dealt with very quickly. Things are not ignored and the campus does what they can to keep the students safe.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I have been able to learn from them
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I haven't really had any experience anything like that on campus
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Being apart of something necessary for public health
Freshman	Full-time	Female	NA
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Growing up I was raised to always be paranoid, careful and safe; wary around all strangers because you never know who is and isn't dangerous. But I've always been a risk-taker, a little too comfortable too often. WTAMU hadn't felt unsafe to me until we all heard that story of that guy that broke into a girl's room and demanded to see her roommate. But when we all caught word of that, there were posters EVERYWHERE giving safety tips. UPD has always seemed to be a step ahead of us, letting us know that we're safe and cared for. Additionally, since I'm a theatre major, we talk about big issues in class all the time. Art imitates life, and there's so much life in the world, you know? No one I have met shies away from the issues we deal with, be it racism and racial violence, homophobia, politics... everything. It's such a comfort to go to a school and be able to connect with people who aren't afraid to be immersed in uncomfortable
Freshman	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful part of these experiences for me was learning how to receive someone's opinion that differed from mine. I came from a background where most people agreed so I was not accustomed to that. These experiences helped me learn to see others points of view.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I think to me it is most meaningful to make connections with the people I meet at work or in class because it helps me to be involved with my community and my college partners!
Freshman	Full-time	Female	How we all think differently on issues and we have to step into their point of view before saying anything.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	how nice every one is and how they are caring.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I do not feel comfortable with this question, as my experiences with both political and societal issues are a private matter that I do not wish for the public to know. Instead, I will state that I mainly think about the environment, civil rights, economy, and globalization. The most thought to the least thought in order. I hope this is a good substitution.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	It's been most meaningful knowing that I am helping educate people about these issues
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Just learning other people's thoughts and understanding that we don't have to stand on the same side. Having different beliefs is okay.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful thing from these would be that we can relate in many ways that I didn't think we could.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Most contact with global issues on campus is through my MUN club at WTAMU. While the simulations were given are usually altered or fabricated in some way, it is based off of a real current issue. We all sit together in the club room talk about the real issue and then we're given a simulation to resolve the issue. I love that all of us of different majors backgrounds and opinions get together and discuss topics that affect our generation globally.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Learning to get outside of my comfort zones
Freshman	Full-time	Female	In the experiences I have had on campus, the sense of community during these activities has been most meaningful to
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I have had very little exposure to these issues while on campus. I do have lots of exposure to this with my family and personal life
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I honestly don't know
Freshman	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful experience I've had so far is joining the WT Dance Academy. This allowed me to get involved with the University more and meet several new people. This experience has showed me that I can teach other students and kids just how beneficial dance can be to others and how much it can affect them. I have been able to also exceed in my teaching career because it has given me a way to keep teaching dance while being in school.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Making friends who have the same interests as me and who I can have civil discussions with even if we disagree.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	WTAMU is able to keep the students advised as to what is going on so that everybody is safe and that is very much appreciated.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	None really stand out to me.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Na
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I have experienced many issues that are relevant to the whole world. I have experienced racism and much more often than that, sexism.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I'm not very involved as I should be, I just come to class and discuss whatever assignment it is. There are a few here and there things I hear around campus because of the emails I get. It's been hard for me to interact with people since I am quite shy. I hope as the years come I'll eventually feel more comfortable and find my place.

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What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

Class	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Doing positive and nice things for the dorm hall I currently live in and the people here as well.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I think the ones that have been most meaningful for me are the ones that made sure that not only I, but everyone around me was safe. Especially when there were sex traffickers getting closer and closer to where we were as a campus.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	I just like when there are free food.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Meeting everyone and how great they're what also has been great is this welcoming environment
Freshman	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful part is just becoming a more well rounded person who has more knowledge now then what I did in high school and seeing different perspectives that I probably would not have been open to before.
Freshman	Full-time	Female	Living and studying in an active environment, speaking second language
Freshman	Full-time	Female	protesting does mean something do not let anyone tell you different , just showing up for the cause means everything. Do not think should I go just go , you never know who you might meet.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	I have had none. I auditioned for this school's theatre program two weeks before school started and I made the BFA program. I would rather go anywhere else than this POS school in the middle of nowhere Texas.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Having an okay year hard to manage time with football and classes. But I'm here to dominate in the classroom and on the field
Freshman	Full-time	Male	N/A
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful at campus would be the experience of college.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Have not had a lot of experiences
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Becoming a more informed citizen.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful aspect of these issues is their significance in my life and the lives of others.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Global issues such as global warming has been a topic i have looked over recently. It is becoming a growing issue that needs to be resolved at some point. This is one of the most meaningful experience because it involves my future and many others' future.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The impeachment trials of my president Donald J Trump. And how the nation is willing to turn on its self when a few loudmouths are attempting to sabotage a good man over their own distaste and childish behaviors.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful to me is the university community coming together and sitting their opinions aside from time to
Freshman	Full-time	Male	I went on a trip with the CAMP group at Wt to Santa Re, New Mexico. That was an important moment as it made me realize what I had and what I need to change to do better. It made me realize I fell in the negative side side of my mind. I realized that I could change those thoughts to positive thoughts. But most importantly, I had fun with friends I met at Wt
Freshman	Full-time	Male	I am from a small town so coming to canyon was a comfortable situation for me. I love the small town atmosphere.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Campus. My friends and leaders in the school.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	It has been a great experience
Freshman	Full-time	Male	There have been quite a few but I'd say the most influential thing in here would be the Wesley for me with how kind and generous they are and how life changing it can really be.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	it is hard to looking for a parking lot.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The people's stories
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Asking how my semester was and what i learned.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Seeing the impact afterwards.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	How much the political climate in America has changed and how it will affect me later on in life
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The fixing of the parking lots, the huge hole would mess up my car. I do not really involve myself with political and social problem, I like to think positively.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The experiences I have had the pleasure to take part in here are positive. I don not have issues or been involved with issues here. I am socially active in fitness and the outdoor programs. These groups come from all walks of life and orientations yet we all enjoy common interest and making friends throughout these programs are very meaningful and have taught me values that will forever be helpful to me outside of this institution.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	So far it has been forming the Amarillo Activist League which is a group of political activists in Amarillo wanting to make a change. Our first rally was the Womens March in January.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Talking with teachers at times.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Joining tour guides and getting involved with the community at WTAMU since the community is a great one

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Freshman	Full-time	Male	Meeting the nice people of Texas.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Getting to meet new friends and make wonderful new memories.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	They have all been meaningful
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Making new friends
Freshman	Full-time	Male	Campus parking
Freshman	Full-time	Male	None
Freshman	Full-time	Male	I sat in class In Dr. Bruce Brasington's Western Civilization course. He entered the room very quickly as though he had something on his mind. When we reached the front of the classroom he began his lecture, Dr. Brasington spoke of the importance of telling the Truth in history. What he was driving at is the idea that as individuals it is best that we explore the things that make us most uncomfortable and bring those topics into the public view for all to see. And as he went along, he spoke the most profound thing that I had ever heard, "we cannot whitewash history and tell lies to make us feel good about ourselves," he said. It took me back to when I was sitting in the kitchen with my mother and she stated that I should seriously consider being a historian as I seemed to be passionate about the logistics and facts that surround events in time. From that point on Dr. Brasington had rekindled a flame within me and I was determined that one day I would be a historian.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	All of the experiences that I've had had led me to the person I am today. Whether they are good or bad you grow from your experiences and run with it.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The ability to learn how to be on my own and experience the real world out from my parents has been the most meaningful to me.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	When I did not understand things you can always get help from people
Freshman	Full-time	Male	I just want to say that because of the location of this school, I have different views from a good chunk of the students here. I wish they had more open discussion about what's really going on around here. This is a very conservative campus that I wish was more open to liberal thinking . Because when people come watch theatre see other views it had open their eyes to a grander scheme of things. That's why theatre has been most meaningful to me.
Freshman	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful experience I guess would be when I had a debate with multiple people about our national issues.
Freshman	Not full-time	Male	The only campus issue I have is the new stadium. It was built using students tuition, even from those who never plan to use it. Not only did the stadium cost students money, but also their right to park in front of their dorms on game nights. Even though we pay for our parking pass in our tuition, we are unable to park in front of our homes on football days, not even during the game, but all day from 7AM till the game is over, meaning you must either find something to do all day, or fight for somewhat close parking, or park blocks away.
Senior	Full-time	Female	One thing that I thoroughly enjoy about experiences with certain issues is getting to discuss said issues with other. Getting to know others points of views and seeing the way they think about these issues. I love getting to know others and be a part of that process.
Senior	Full-time	Female	What has been most meaningful to me is that being able to attend WTAMU via their online classes has felt like a new beginning for me. So the experience I have had so far without stepping foot on campus has been great.
Senior	Full-time	Female	It's hard to answer this question because I feel like our university does not focus very much on the politics. I always find myself telling people, "oh I didn't know about that because when I'm at college I basically live under a rock." So with that, I have nothing really to say about the experiences I have had.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Having a quality conversation with people who have different views than myself
Senior	Full-time	Female	i was in a class that discussed political procedure within Roberts rules of order and now i feel more confident in understanding why things in government take so long to get done
Senior	Full-time	Female	The amazing difference Donald Trump has made as our president.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Growing up in this part of the country is a beautiful experience as I was born and raised in Amarillo. I feel as if sometimes there can be judgement in this area, specifically regarding race, nationality, religious views, sex, etc. However I have never had this experience at WTAMU and am proud to be part of this amazing institution!
Senior	Full-time	Female	My professors were easy to talk to, so I was able to ask the questions I needed to ask without feeling intimidated.
Senior	Full-time	Female	My experiences have been amazing at WTAMU. I have been able to be myself and be very open about everything that i am struggling with, or things i am excelling at.
Senior	Full-time	Female	None I have never done anything like this on campus. I have only taken my opinion to a voting booth.
Senior	Full-time	Female	There is such a large population on campus of those who identify with the Republican Party, whereas I identify with the Democratic Party and often I feel intimidated and discriminated against on campus.

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What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

Class	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Senior	Full-time	Female	N/a
Senior	Full-time	Female	I feel as though finding the political party in which I feel exemplifies my morals and values, has been the most meaningful to me.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Learning to communicate with people who outwardly disagree or threaten you.
Senior	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful thing about this experience is gaining a different perspective from others.
Senior	Full-time	Female	The most meaningful to me was discussing points of view and what could affect my daily life.
Senior	Full-time	Female	n/a
Senior	Full-time	Female	Na
Senior	Full-time	Female	Buff branding
Senior	Full-time	Female	As part of my every day job I work with my fellow student to better the university I attend. It is incredibly meaningful to me when I am able to help student identify the cause of an issue and help to bring the issue to the attention of the appropriate individual. Being apart of these conversations that have the possibility to incite change means the world to
Senior	Full-time	Female	Nothing of this university has been meaningful to me.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Trying to make a difference
Senior	Full-time	Female	Getting to experience different views and opinions of my peers
Senior	Full-time	Female	I have not be invited/interested to participate in any of these events.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Because of the extreme bias and inability for most individuals to have a constructive conversation about polarizing issues, I have very little meaningful experiences outside of the stark inability to talk to people at all. I find that a lot of individuals are so close minded to anything outside their own opinion that it is more stressful than it is worth to
Senior	Full-time	Female	Doing the WT Nursing Senior 1 Health Fair November 2019 really helped me build better teamwork and communication skills. I appreciated being able to contribute to the community in a meaningful way to those less fortunate than I. It was an enlightening experience to see how other family living conditions are.
Senior	Full-time	Female	I don't live in Canyon, therefore, I do not have many issues to experience here.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Helping people learn and grow as people
Senior	Full-time	Female	The ban of smoking on campus was huge because I can't be around smoke of any kind so I thought that was a great change.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Making a difference
Senior	Full-time	Female	The great help for the staff! I have yet to have a bad instructor.
Senior	Full-time	Female	N/A
Senior	Full-time	Female	My Texas Political Science class helped me clearly understand political issues in my state, local and national issues. My Sociology and marketing classes helped me understand more clearly the global issues.
Senior	Full-time	Female	N/A
Senior	Full-time	Female	The experience of being in a small town. I transferred from a larger town where nobody really cared. Here at WT, you know there will be somebody who cares about you.
Senior	Full-time	Female	Relatability of professors
Senior	Full-time	Female	Some experiences have helped me realize the importance of not only the world around us, but the campus we are on currently. You can't be prepared for events/issues without being aware of them.
Senior	Full-time	Female	I like being aware of the world around me and it is highly meaningful that more people that are in my college community value it as well, it makes me feel more connected to those around me
Senior	Full-time	Female	Talking about different events that are occurring globally, locally, and within my campus with others and being able to see their perspective has been the most meaningful to me. Having an open mind and listening to the reasoning of others is so important to me. I cannot be stuck in a one-track mind but rather I should be open to others' points of view.
Senior	Full-time	Female	I am a military spouse as of April of this year. I wish this campus would do more to help this community when something major happens and it affects our stress levels.
Senior	Full-time	Female	N/a
Senior	Full-time	Female	Being informed.
Senior	Full-time	Female	There is really not a lot of experiences that I may have had. I only have experience with local and state issues.

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What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

Class	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Senior	Full-time	Female	The national issue of homelessness has been the most meaningful to me. I volunteered for a while at a homeless shelter. I fed them, helped them find clothes, I gave one family rides and bought formula for their babies. It was meaningful to me because I have faced hard times, and I firmly believe that a tight knit community can come together and end homelessness if everyone does a small part.
Senior	Full-time	Female	I think the national issues my peers and I have experienced and expressed our opinions has been the most meaningful. Situations will not get better unless they talked about. But here's the important part, if you want something changed, take action. Being a part of a volunteer organization has enabled me to reach many under privileged people across many different races and backgrounds. In my opinion, the theme of our country is the failure to understand one another's situation. we are a nation of immigrants. No one is above or below. We are all equal. We are all people.
Senior	Full-time	Female	A particular faculty member who has mentored new and shaped me into the student I am today. They told me when I needed to get into line and when I need to step back and relax. They are the reason that I am going for my doctorate!
Senior	Full-time	Female	It's hard to day - I've just enjoyed learning more about America.
Senior	Full-time	Female	I've had none.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Throughout my experiences regarding campus, local, state, national, or even global issues, the gathering of people has been most significant. Although we may not all agree with one another, coming together and sharing ideas, opinions, facts, and in general, information, is incredible. This also provides several opportunities to learn and broaden one's perspective regarding multiple concerns. Furthermore, social interaction within the community could promote further positive interactions leading to a possible tradition.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Talking with professors outside of class
Senior	Full-time	Male	N/A
Senior	Full-time	Male	N/A
Senior	Full-time	Male	Being able to attend a leadership conference would have to be the memorable experiences I have ever been apart of.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Understanding the miserable mess that our government is in due to the recklessness and negligence of establishment politicians on both sides of the isle.
Senior	Full-time	Male	I honestly think people should think more with their brains than with their feelings.
Senior	Full-time	Male	people
Senior	Full-time	Male	My professor saying the n-word in class and not any faculty member caring about it when I told them.
Senior	Full-time	Male	N/A
Senior	Full-time	Male	Going on a Wildlife environment trip to the Texas Coast and camping out there while learning about the wild life.
Senior	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful aspect of these experiences, to me, is when these issues are brought to attention, addressed (even in a minimal manner), and result in a significant impact on the well-being of one or others. Having an impact on the wellness of others is a great and rewarding learning experience and helps to emphasize on the true art of a humanitarian
Senior	Full-time	Male	Being an RA and helping and building a community.
Senior	Full-time	Male	NA
Senior	Full-time	Male	Feeling like you made a difference
Senior	Full-time	Male	I love west Texas a&m
Senior	Full-time	Male	none
Senior	Full-time	Male	This question does not make sense, is this a hypothetical question? And what kind of global issue can I have on campus
Senior	Full-time	Male	One of my favorite experiences on campus that focused on global issues was the Safe Zone training - hosted by Buff Allies and Spectrum.
Senior	Full-time	Male	I don't really have any.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Being part of a community that collaborates together to tackle issues and challenges in a collectively positive way
Senior	Full-time	Male	Making an impact on society and being a better leader and actually contributing to the events that take place around me.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Great community
Senior	Full-time	Male	I really like seeing people stepping up and fighting for our American rights. I do hate how I can't be vocal about issues I feel strongly about while at school because I fear professors may begin to use it against me in today's hostile political

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Senior	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful experience I've had with national/global issues is likely the entirety of the primary/election season. I've been following everything very closely so I can be informed, and the misleading information out on the internet and in social media makes me a lot more hesitant to trust anything that is presented to me. I've become a more critical reader and a lot more analytical when it comes to statistics and studies.
Senior	Full-time	Male	The experience that sticks out to me is when WT wanted to build a new football stadium and let the current students decide on whether the school should build it even though their tuition was not the one being effected. They let the students vote in the stadium and only had it open for one day and 7% of the student population voted. That is terrible representation for the school to spend millions of dollars on a stadium they don't need. If incoming freshman tuition was going to be effected then they should have been able to vote on it. Not those already enrolled who would not feel the repercussions of that decision. This sticks out because it highlights to me how little West Texas A&M values the input and opinion of students attending the school.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Participating in leadership roles with the student chapter of The Wildlife Society has allowed me to reach out to students and make connections with potential employers.
Senior	Full-time	Male	I just really enjoy the opinion of people that don't match mine
Senior	Full-time	Male	Bringing light to a particular topic
Senior	Full-time	Male	Learning about issues you had no idea about and further expanding your knowledge on these issues.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Being able to have access to campus resources.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Traveling to India was an eye opener. Their standard of living is incredibly inferior what we take for granted here is a luxury there. Poverty, pollution, and congestion made me realize that becoming an engineer empowers me with the ability to change lives. Through innovation and my skills acquired at WT I feel like I can tackle problems and find solutions to help create better communities around the world.
Senior	Full-time	Male	I hate sad things and I try to avoid them in dialogue.
Senior	Full-time	Male	The most meaningful experience I have had has been with my advisor and my professors this last year and a half. I've gotten close with my professors and have had real conversations with them that has influenced my participation in class and reflected my grade. But actually getting to know them has been the best thing. I've been pretty blessed with some amazing professors that wanted the absolute best for me and have been like a friend to me. WT has been nothing but great for me and I'm very grateful and honored to be a Buff.
Senior	Full-time	Male	Working with faculty to resolve campus issues has been the most fulfilling. The whole process has been largely informative and beneficial to myself and the students in which I represent in the student government association.
Senior	Full-time	Male	The fellowship and learning opportunities provided.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I have always enjoyed being on campus when I have to visit.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Connecting with others on campus has been very inspirational and helps me want to help society reach a better future
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Being a part of multiple organizations have helped to create many important friendships. I wouldn't be the student I am without them.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I have attended counseling with the school campus and they are wonderful.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Extremely meaningful to me now and my future.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	An experience I've had that's most meaningful to me and being able to come to campus and feel safe and not judged.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Taking the time to learn about the issues
Senior	Not full-time	Female	These issues are all impacting and it all depends on the situation as to how much so. When discussing these issue it is very important to remain open minded. When you do it makes carrying a conversation easier and not so emotionally driven. I choose to try to stay away from these topics of conversation because I am emotional and I care deeply about many issues. I currently teach a 6th grade class and some of the topics that are brought up are very sensitive. They teach me a lot about control, listening and really thinking about what the answer or response will be. These kids have really assisted me in speaking and writing. The topics that are mentioned have been discussed and my eyes have been opened to many other avenues on these issues. They are very insightful raw. I am grateful to them for this.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	The number one meaningful experience is learning and being able to discuss different points of view in an educational manner. My eyes have been opened to seeing other points of view and not being so rigid on my stances on issues.
			Having spent most of my adult life in the military left me ill prepared to view the world from the eyes of a civilian. Being well informed about all sides of an issue or subject matter allows me to make the best decisions for myself and my family. Information is power.

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What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

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Senior	Not full-time	Female	Connecting with others and broadening our views on these issues by listening to different opinions and views of people from different backgrounds.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I am an online student.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	We have got to save the planet and take care of the poor and disabled. The US has lost sight of the value of differences in us all. Every life matters. Global warming is real, and we are quickly approaching the point of no return. There's no work on a dead planet. He who dies with the most money still dies, and the money won't matter on the other side. We need universal healthcare that is equitable for us all.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	n/a
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Just having people ask opinion on things was nice but honestly mostly got ignored
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I haven't had too many experiences like that
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I advocate for agriculture wherever I go
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I just think hearing about things going on in the world, and talking about them help at least me think of ways we could
Senior	Not full-time	Female	The most meaningful has been when I have been able to give input on a specific policy. Being able to give constructive criticism and then seeing that my opinion has been taken into consideration was empowering. I felt confident in the fact that my ideas and my perspective would be a better method and then saw it come to life was an amazing experience to watch unfold and my internship placement. I believe policies are important but should always be open for improvements and changes.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Too many classes teach the exact, same concepts. Very difficult to get faculty assistance & almost zero faculty-student interaction. After being involved in real world business for +30 years there's limited to no carry over of true business related concepts as being taught thru WT courses. Unfortunately, real world business does not utilize the majority of what's being taught. It would help if WT would have their instructors meet, compare syllabus & quit teaching the same material course vs course. Redundant & repeating is maddening & a waste of a student's limited time. Make the courses unique
Senior	Not full-time	Female	Traditions on and off campus
Senior	Not full-time	Female	I like that I've had the opportunity to meet and work with many great students from all walks of life.
Senior	Not full-time	Female	It gave me a better understanding of issues, that I didn't see as a big problem.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	Being able to go to school online while working to support my family
Senior	Not full-time	Male	Realizing that I have been doing everything wrong for my entire life.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	Just putting myself in a more observant learning position. Helped me develop a more evaluative stance with others and where they stand in their beliefs
Senior	Not full-time	Male	It's different as I'm a remote student from San Antonio. Almost all of my experiences are separate from campus/school.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	None
Senior	Not full-time	Male	I was a soldier in the US Army for 14 years and deployed to the Middle East 4 times so to me the most meaningful part of it was getting to meet people from different backgrounds and learn from them.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	The people and the assistance the university offers. WTAMU is very willing to help students be successful.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	The way in which these issues can either bring a community together or tear it apart, and how the communities react to this result.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	N/A
Senior	Not full-time	Male	none
Senior	Not full-time	Male	The support by the staff at all phases.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	N/A
Senior	Not full-time	Male	I try to make the most out of all the issues I have been involved in. The way I see it is the more issues I get resolved now, the less my kids will have to deal with.
Senior	Not full-time	Male	As a Houston firefighter, we are enduring some tough times from the city administration. It has been uplifting to see the brotherhood of our profession stick together to fight for what we feel is right. From block walking to endorsing a certain candidate to making our voices heard through social media and other outlets, we know we are strong when we stand together.



NSSE 2020 Student Comments

Civic Engagement Topical Module

West Texas A&M University

71 first-year students and 120 seniors responded to the following question in the Civic Engagement module:

Think about the experiences you may have had with local, campus, state, national, or global issues.

What about these experiences has been most meaningful to you?

Class	Enrollment	Sex	Response
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Institutions had the option to select one of four comment prompts to be given at the end of the survey (including after all module and consortium questions). 125 first-year students responded to the following:

Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I enjoy how other students welcome others into their friend groups and I enjoy all my classes in the Ag Building.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The professors actually care about you
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have enjoyed my time at West Texas A and M University very much and plan to graduate from here. I have also enjoyed sports and education here, it is so inclusive and friendly.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Going and talking to new people in my classes
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had is that your professors will always be there to help you.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I took a script analysis class last semester and every class period I had in there has changed my life in some way. I know every human on earth has a different way of thinking - psychology is such a concept! - and connecting with my fellow actors over something we're all passionate about, yet see so differently, has transformed me as an actor and a person. My favorite story we read was 'Come From Away', a musical about how 9/11 impacted Newfoundland and brought people of all race, religion, sexuality, and backgrounds together. In class, we all shared our 9/11 stories and what tragedy can do in both individuals and in the world. Lots of tears and lasting friendships made in that class.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had so far was not in a classroom but rather in the atrium of Northen. I was really struggling on this one subject area and another music major sat down and laid it out for me. It finally just clicked and made sense.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The lesson that this institution has taught me is to get involved. Don't stay locked up in your room, enjoy college and get plugged in.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had here was definitely little I with the ag program. I always grew up around and worked with animals and I think it is crazy to see and hear what experiences so many people have missed out on and been able to join here on campus.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Doing the poster project for animal science
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have loved it
Excellent	Full-time	Female	My economics class has brought the most enlightenment out of all the other classes(which is saying a lot because each class brought a new chunk of the world into my understanding). I enjoyed the subject itself and my teacher is one of the most extraordinary people I have come across. The teacher showed the gears of how the world works, and it was beautiful. I have learned the concept of marginal cost and marginal revenue, which helped me more than once in my day-to-day life. I have learned how companies come and go, how people make decisions, and how the world grows in wealth. It was like the vague connections snapped together or had this bridge materializing between them and much more. If the world wakes up and found out what the dark matter is, and it is the key to jumping between stars: that is economics to me.
			Another notable experience would include my English class, which helped with critical thinking, and being a little more confident with using my voice. My teacher encouraged us to look at the world more closely. I even found myself enjoying commercials one time. I was already writing as a hobby, but he showed ways that allowed me to gain more from writing. While my economics teacher opened up more of the world to my wildest desires, my English teacher gave me the means to enjoy more of it.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience would probably be going into school here and learning how to talk to new people and make friends.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have learned how to live on my own handling responsibilities and problems that I will face when I am graduated.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I skipped class once last semester to go support my old high school at an event, and it ended up biting me in the butt because I missed the announcement of an assignment and a paper that was due the next week. I learned that if I ever plan to skip class again, I must check my syllabus beforehand to understand what I am missing and what could possibly be due next class.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	It has been a good experience
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Little I for animal science
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Probably the Maroon Heart Project during Buff Branding, it helped me realize not everyone has it as good as we do and they don't deserve to be treated any differently than us.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had is when I have been around my advisors and professors. While being around them I have acquired much information of what I am going to be experiencing in my future.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	That is hard. I think my most significant learning experience came from a paper that I wrote in my English class where I was able to learn about a condition that is currently affecting my horse. It provided both academic insight and also valuable insight into the condition in which my horse suffers.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have gotten a feel of how Nursing school is going to be like by some of the pre requisites I have taken. By having an understanding I feel more prepared to be a nurse.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience that I have had is from being a dance major. With having several rehearsals each week on top of also managing work and other school activities I have learned how to manage my time better throughout this semester.

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Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Learning how to write in Chicago format
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Study sessions
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Having all to help me when I need help with all my papers or anything
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had so far at this university is the importance and service, not only to help the community but to better yourself. I've also learned that the main part of leadership is being able to serve those who you are leading.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Dr. Diego Medrano EDEC class! I learned a lot from her and about my field of passion.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Took a course in Macroeconomics, as it was a required course in the business college, and I enjoyed the course (the professor was skilled and could relate the course material to some of his life experiences) so much that I've decided to transfer into the economics program.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learned how to be myself and be more confident and not so much as an introvert. Brought me out of my comfort zone
Excellent	Full-time	Male	N/A
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learning about the various aspects of the field of psychology.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	I think it's a great campus and community to be a part of
Excellent	Full-time	Male	From this institution I have learned that Wildlife Biology is the major for me and the community of West Texas a&m is second to none. Throughout my studies I have learned how to prioritize and become a stronger person.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The Calculus courses are the most significant, it will be very useful in future study and work.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	My communications course taught me valuable information on how to succeed in the world. I was taught how to write reports ,memos, and presentations as well as what to do and don't do at job interviews.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learning how to study for zoology tests and develop good study habits
Excellent	Full-time	Male	How the teachers are active with you, and don't hesitate to help the student succeed.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The best thing I have learned at college so far is time management between all the crazy and hectic things I have to do on a daily basis between school, practice, studying, and sleep I have learned how to balance them all so that I am able to complete everything that I need to do in a day.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Getting my hands dirty with my degree.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	So far it's been learning of the Chicano student organization here on campus.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Seeing the enthusiasm of my teachers to teach thus making me work harder.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learning how to speak professionally and charismatically
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learning about law in my PoliSci class was pretty sweet
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Finding a job
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Attending a symposium with my fellow poli sci constituents.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	its been great
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience has been taught how to address your political views or overall opinions objectively so that you don't start a conflict but can continue to discuss them in an appropriate manner
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Stressful
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	Since I am only a high school senior taking dual credit classes, I haven't been able to enjoy the full benefits of WTAMU teaching quite yet. I am looking forward to next year when I will be a freshman living on campus and interacting with the students and faculty face to face. That being said, I have loved my online classes this semester and have found my teachers so helpful, gracious, and rigorous as well.
Good	Full-time	Female	I personally feel like every day is a significant learning experience because no matter what I always learn something new or interesting.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience would be understanding where my food comes from and how much impact agriculture has on the world. If it was not for agriculture, the world would not be survivable and would not continue to
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning that I have learned so far is that you need to ask for help if you need it or else your just gonna keep messing things up that could be a easy fix.
Good	Full-time	Female	Being able to be in the actual field and hands on like I was in my contemporary policing class
Good	Full-time	Female	Talking with my professor during office hours and have them explain to me in detail how to complete the assignments.
Good	Full-time	Female	I have so many different learning experiences so far that I cant describe them. just know that they are all amazing and they have helped me so much.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning from my professors.
Good	Full-time	Female	I've learned that the professors truly do care for us and I see that because they take the time to learn all of our names and really get connected with us as a whole throughout the semester!

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Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Good	Full-time	Female	After taking psychology, I felt more in touch with myself, which I feel is more important than most basic classes. Being able to actually apply what I have learned in class, rather than knowing I will be able to throw it all away when the class is over, is more rewarding
Good	Full-time	Female	Being welcomed and professors knowing who i am has helped my education a lot.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had so far is learning that there is always someone to talk to about any issue and that the music department is like a big family.
Good	Full-time	Female	I learned about interviews and how to budget my money
Good	Full-time	Female	My Lifespan Development class with Dr. Pinkham and my General Psychology class with Dr. Julie Daye have so far been the most interesting and most beneficial to me, personally. Their teaching methods and the subjects have been the most helpful and I would recommend them to other students taking similar courses.
Good	Full-time	Female	My animal science class
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning what it's like to be on my own. Excellent experience so far.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had so far would be my Speech class, it has nothing to do with what I want to do when I grow older, but my professor had helped me make friends and get outside of my comfort zone.
Good	Full-time	Female	I've learned that no matter how different someone is from you, you can still find things in common and get along. Just because someone doesn't have my political views or religious beliefs doesn't mean that we can't be friends or have a good relationship.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience has been learning to accept myself and others.
Good	Full-time	Female	I feel like I have learned a lot about the history of the United States.
Good	Full-time	Female	My most significant learning experience would be writing my research paper for honors the first semester.
Good	Full-time	Female	I believe my most significant learning experience thus far was in an Introduction to Sociology course that I am taking this semester. At the end of the first class time, my instructor had us all line up together on the grass outside of Old Main and said that if a statement he made was true for us (and we felt comfortable "publicizing" it), to step out of line and turn to face the other people who it wasn't true for. One example is he said, "If you grew up with a single parent, step forward." I thought this was a great learning activity because it not only got us involved and outside of the classroom environment, but it was a way to learn about each other and share our personal experiences all at once.
Good	Full-time	Female	N/A
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had was being in my math class my first semester. For someone who is terrible at math, my teacher, Mr. Tirey, made math seem like a walk in the park. I will forever be grateful for his patience, kindness, willingness to help me.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning how to manage school and life without having someone telling you what to do.
Good	Full-time	Female	Dr. Kahler has provided an amazing learning environment. He makes sure that the class is interactive.
Good	Full-time	Female	Having to be independent.
Good	Full-time	Female	Probably my classes on campus, they have all taught me a lot.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learned a lot from last semester that I use for this semester.
Good	Full-time	Female	I enjoyed my math 1315 class mostly because the teacher seemed truly invested in our education
Good	Full-time	Female	My most significant learning experience so far has got to be any time I get to learn from my viola professor. It is always something constructive and makes me a better musician in the long run with these times I get.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning about psychology
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant is clinical hours on campus for my pursued career.
Good	Full-time	Female	Extending my knowledge not only in my major but also in other fields, improving my English, life skills
Good	Full-time	Female	It would have to be the history class I took freshman year I got an A no textbook just lecture and notes I loved it he did not have to post the slides either. I truly enjoyed the class and his project. I was able to learn and remember without a quiz every week and only four exams. I did not know until now what a privilege it was to learn from such a knowledgeable individual.
Good	Full-time	Male	NA
Good	Full-time	Male	Environmental Engineering
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience would be how to study for tests and retain the information.
Good	Full-time	Male	Running a little short on money and learning proper money management through that experience.
Good	Full-time	Male	Its been good and had a lot of fun
Good	Full-time	Male	My ids class taught me that I matter in life. It's important for me to keep pressing forward and to keep trying. I learned through this class that even if I mess up I have to keep moving forward.
Good	Full-time	Male	Critical and Analytical thinking through tough and complex problems. An understanding of another persons political view. An understanding of another persons gender identity and sexual orientation.

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Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Good	Full-time	Male	My most significant experience was in pre-cal class my first semester at Wt. My professor made it fun and enjoyable while learning math. I never missed any days of this pre-cal class. I even looked forward to be in his class.
Good	Full-time	Male	I learned that community service can be really fun
Good	Full-time	Male	During my first semester I had a speech class that so far has been the most constructive class. It helped me learn how to get my point across in an efficient way.
Good	Full-time	Male	I did learn a lot from IDS last semester
Good	Full-time	Male	My professional leadership development class.
Good	Full-time	Male	Meeting new people
Good	Full-time	Male	Attending West Texas A&M University has opened up many doors and opportunities.
Good	Full-time	Male	It is very helpful to me.
Good	Full-time	Male	Most significant learning experience was macroeconomics and it gave me a great insight to my major and what to look forward to in the future
Good	Full-time	Male	Speech, I learned how to talk in front of a large crowd and to get rid of my fear of public speaking.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience I have at this institution is throughout the Activity center making friends and taking part in different things I felt at first were out of my comfort level. I have learned how to meet people and friends with an open mind and accepting demeanor. Previously to coming here, I held bias but I learned how to make friends with everyone and reject feelings or bias or distaste for no reason to others.
Good	Full-time	Male	My most significant learning experience here is probably learning that money isnt the easiest thing to keep track of when you dont have a whole lot to throw around in the first place
Good	Full-time	Male	Learning about biology
Good	Full-time	Male	The reality of life, and the importance of getting a good degree and working hard.
Good	Full-time	Male	Learning how to live on my own and manage me time
Good	Full-time	Male	My most significant learning experience would be animal science.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience has been the animal science introduction class. It has been a great way to begin my major and give me the confidence and the want to complete the major I have chosen.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant one was when I had to research a topic for class and it made me realize that there is more to that topic than I thought.
Good	Full-time	Male	How to be and thinking like a gorwn up
Good	Full-time	Male	I think just being part of the theatre program the people running it are phenomenal and professional and just being in it I'm learning so much
Good	Full-time	Male	I came into the theatre program not knowing much about what I'm doing, but as of now I have a pretty important job lined up because of what I've learned from my professors.
Good	Not full-time	Male	Health promotion has helped me understand a healthier diet and lifestyle, including the most important ways to stay healthy up into the age of 70.
Fair	Full-time	Female	The most significant wad being able to go to the Nance Ranch and learn about all the different horses and cattle and learn how to show all the different livestock.
Fair	Full-time	Female	N\A
Fair	Full-time	Female	its fine, people here are nice
Fair	Full-time	Female	That art professors can be more than just your colleague, they want what's best for you as a friend as well
Fair	Full-time	Male	I took a very beneficial writing class and a beneficial speech class
Fair	Full-time	Male	I have learned that you are looked down upon and deemed inferior if you do not hold similar political leanings as the professors. This far there is zero diversity of thought, simply memorize what you're told and trust that they're right - without empirical evidence.
Fair	Full-time	Male	Learning how to be more adult because college is a whole different world than high school and requires alot more discipline and effort in my opinion
Fair	Full-time	Male	Love is fake and hate is real
Fair	Full-time	Male	Philosophie and english classes. Macroeconomic from the USA perspective also
Fair	Full-time	Male	Learning to work well with others.
Fair	Full-time	Male	Learned a lot more about how our government works and it has enlightened me.
Poor	Full-time	Female	NA
	Full-time	Male	Has taught me how to be an proficient adult

Institutions had the option to select one of four comment prompts to be given at the end of the survey (including after all module and consortium questions). 220 seniors responded to the following:

Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have learned quite a bit since attending WTAMU, but one class that really stood out to be was my Labor Resources Economics class. My professor talked about real issues and encouraged us to think through the issues and wanted us to speak out about those issues. He told us the truth about many topics and didn't try to sugar coat anything. I am a manager at Cinergy and he also taught us things that I am still able to use in my day to day work.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had on here is being able to come back to school after a 7 year hiatus, is that I feel like a better student since I now have almost 12 years of work experience to compare to my education. It make learning real world situations easier to understand and navigate through.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant experience I've had at this institution is being able to meet all the people here. The people in the residence halls. The professors. I feel like a person, not just a number. I've had professors treat us like adults, but also know we are broke college kids and feeds us too. ha. I have been so blessed by these people.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	How to manage time and prioritize.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Learning that my professors have my back and support me and WANT me to succeed and do well. It has given me a ton of confidence in my work and allowed me to feel safe working outside of my comfort zone.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant experience I have learned at this institution is to find help when you need it. Going through life is not easy alone and our university provides excellent service to our students when they need help, whether that be physical, mental, or school wise. I found it to be the most helpful my junior year when I lost my mother. Everyone in this university is here to watch you succeed and help in any way possible. I constantly recommend WTAMU to high schoolers who are looking for their new "home".
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being in ChiOmega has helped me understand so much.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	i was able to create an avocation campaign and implement all parts of social change chart
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being a part of WT's community (and being heavily involved), has taught me priceless lessons on being a leader and helping others grow.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I can't say it has been one experience specifically. The entire team of professors in the college of business has directly impacted me in an extremely positive way. I would specifically like to highlight Dr. Anwar, Dr. Soliz, Dr. Crisostomo, and Dr. Gerlich. These professors went above and beyond for their students and put the maximum amount of effort into teaching the material in an interesting, positive way. They really made my learning experience at this school phenomenal
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Anything lab related. I like learning using my hands, so anything using my hands was a significant learning experience.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience i have had is being a Peer Leader. It showed me how to work with different backgrounds and cultures of people, but also different levels of people. I was not comfortable talking to faculty and staff until i became a peer leader, and after i was a peer leader i am more than comfortable and willing to talk to faculty and staff about everything. That could include my life or my academics.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The teacher preparation program
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Figuring out that above anything else, I am at my best when I create new things.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had so far at this institution is being apart of The Attebury Honors Program.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have been provided the opportunity to use past experience as well as newly obtained knowledge to fulfill my education and career.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The Social Work Program has given be a great experience to prepare me for field work after graduation. With volunteer hours, a field internship, and a leading a group session in the community, I feel prepared with some tools to be successful in the real world.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I really enjoy learning from Dr. Bang
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I appreciate the involvement among staff and students.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being able to be a complete on line distance learner from WTAMU has been a blessing in itself!
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Negotiate everything
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had while attending WT would be participating in the National Student Advertising Competition as a member of the Buffalo Advertising Team. In this competition we spend a year producing an entire Integrated Marketing Campaign for a national client. After completing the campaign we travel and present the project to a panel of industry judges. This competition is the closest activity you can participate in to having an industry job. This team challenges you in ways that I never even imagined, from teaching yourself an entirely new concept, tow working with individuals from different backgrounds and extremely different skills than myself to the responsibility of representing not just your work, but the work of a team. It is an experience that I know made me a better student, worker, teammate and friend. It is one that taught me just how much I was capable of and to believe in the work I do. There is a long list of lessons I learned from this team and they are lessons I will continue to grow from every single day.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience at this institution thus far is loving myself the way I am and believing that I deserve, am capable and can accomplish I set out to do. The second most significant learning experience at this institution thus far is knowing and wanting others to know that they are love and that they are deserving and capable of accomplishing anything they want also. I have learned more about myself and this has allowed me to grow as a leader and pass this conviction on to others.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I did learn a lot about diversity.

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Please describe the most significant learning experience you have had so far at this institution.

Response to <i>evalexp</i>	Enrollment	Sex	Response
Excellent	Full-time	Female	In my Entrepreneurship class, my professor is requiring us to reach out and speak to multiple individuals weekly about a business idea that our group is starting. We are required to evaluate every angle of starting an actual business. It has allowed me to understand more of how to apply the knowledge I have acquired from the business School.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience includes most of the teachers. All of WT teachers are smart, compassionate, precise teachers. They usually have a well-made lesson plan. I'm proud to have been a student at this facility. I have learned so much and will be forever grateful.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	One of the most significant learning experiences has come from my Media Law class. In this class we engaged in debates regarding the first amendment. This task included searching for sources and thinking outside of the box. You were also required to stand in front of your peers in class and deliver your argument on both the affirmative and negative side of the debate. This built confidence in public speaking while engaging in a positive way while disagreeing.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Learning about things I never learned in high school, such as the internment of Japanese Americans following Pearl Harbor, has been very significant for me. I feel that I have expanded and grown thanks to my school valuing telling the truth about our history.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	My student teaching right now is the best learning experience I could ever have because it is preparing me for my job.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The Ranch Horse Team
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Mrs.Cooley was the best instructor I have ever had! She was one of my first classes at WT and helped me and the other students often. She was always happy and helpful. Perfect example of how every instructor should be.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Clinicals at the hospital was where I learned the most
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Every opportunity at this university has been a learning experience!
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Holly Bellah was my most absolute favorite instructor. She is upbeat and very helpful. Gives encouragement often and her online videos of covering the chapters makes you feel like you are in class (I am 100% online).
			My other favorite professors are: Dr. Yarbrough, Dr. Kilic and Dr. Finchum. They are helpful, upbeat and are active in helping their students succeed.
			My least favorite instructor was Dr. Rausch. The times I would ask questions or seek help his answers were short and curt. His syllabus did not match in some areas that he was teaching. Example: He told me to practice on MindTap, but that was not available to us that semester because they chose a different book to use.
			One suggestion I have for instructors is to make sure your syllabus matches the WT class. Often the dates are incorrect (from the previous semester) and another is to PLEASE give students more time on the tests. For example: My marketing and management classes we have 1 minute and a few seconds to read a question and give an answer. But what the problem is that most of the questions are a paragraph long (2-3 sentences). For myself and I'm quite sure many others, I need more time to read and re-read the question before I make a correct answer. I realize they are trying to keep us from looking up the answers in our book but in all seriousness, that does not help anyone who has not studied.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The classroom size makes every class great.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	My most significant learning experience occurred when I was I was placed at a school to observe and work with teachers. Since I plan on going into the field of education, I found this hands-on experience extremely helpful.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	During the clinical setting I have learned the most throughout my college career.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Professors are there for you
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have learned how to better think for myself and utilize more sources than I ever thought available to me, people included. I have learned to write more articulately and I have received valuable guidance from faculty in my department. The overall experience is the most significant to me because it is all intertwined and connected in a way that I simply
Excellent	Full-time	Female	My voice lessons
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being involved in organizations has been the best experience for me because it teaches you how to handle other things besides just coursework.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Nursing school has been the most significant and difficult learning experience I've ever had in my entire life. This type of schooling has flipped my world upside, caused me to critically think constantly, study more than I ever have before, and pushed me to the breaking point. But it has also shown me that this is what I feel called to do. If the Lord did not bring me to this university, I would not be where I am today. I'm incredibly thankful.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Small Business Management with David Howe - he did a simulation that was a lot of fun and made the learning from the course really enjoyable and practical.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Clinicals helps me get an understanding of what to expect when I graduate. I get to help take care of many different people with a variety of problems. I gain a hands on learning experience and I love it.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	n/a
Excellent	Full-time	Female	I have suffered with severe anxiety for most of my life, including performance anxiety on my instrument. Throughout my years here, I have discussed this with my private lesson instructor frequently, and under her instruction have become a much more confident player and person in general.

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Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being a part of Rogers LEAD WT, which has equipped me to be confident going into the adult world and have professional interaction as well as working with other effectively.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being a part of both the PR and Advertising teams I believe has given me the most real-world communication experience so far.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	wwwwwwwwwwwwweeeeeeee
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Being able to conduct my own experiment and come up with everything and text it myself.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had so far here at WT has been this semester starting the nursing program. I am finally really starting the program that is going to lead me to my career and what I want to do for the rest of my life, and it is the most exciting and also eye opening experience I have ever had. Nursing school is a whole new
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Nothing comes to mind, as I've learned a lot from this institution. Not that it wasn't significant, rather that perhaps it was more meaningful for someone else rather than myself.
Excellent	Full-time	Female	Most meaningful learning experience has been the transition from learning the basics of college to studying what I'm going to school for. Getting to the point where all my classes are directed to gaining knowledge about sports and exercise science has been fun. Seeing my growth in those classes from where I not only know information but I can start to apply in the real world.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Discussions with faculty outside of class.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The most significant experience I've had has been interacting in many ways with faculty. I was able to learn more about my first choice of major, and about my current choice of major, and decide which one I wanted to pursue, and I was able to gain applicable knowledge for what I want to do with my future from faculty in all parts of the University.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	That Social Work is a broad career path and depending on what my intersect with my interest i can choose a path in my future.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	During my time at West Texas A&M University, I was able to grow professionally in all aspects. I was able to understand myself even more to allow new opportunities to come towards my direction. I am grateful to be a graduate of this institution in May 2020.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Managing my time adequately.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	My engineering design projects have been the most insightful in interaction, involvement, business engagement, course content, and real world application.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Making friends who pulled all nighters with me and struggled through Organic Chemistry together.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	My most significant learning experiences happens every week now. I am submerged in a clinical setting of real individuals with real needs where I can apply lots of nursing theory to the issues involving these individuals. Lots of times, I am able to see a progression of healing that unfolds before my eyes as I apply this nursing theory to their case. Unfortunately, a natural declination of the ability to live is inevitable, but even so my nursing theory on caring for this decline is helpful in making a very positive impact on these individuals. Not only are these theories impactful on my patients, but also on their families and friends. Being able to use what I have learned to holistically heal others is extremely valuable in regard to my major goals I'm life, thus making these experiences of most significance every single
Excellent	Full-time	Male	My professors are willing and are sociable.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	NA
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Summer internship
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Love the campus and stuff.. teaching is very professional
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Learning to be myself
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Nothing was much more significant than anything else the learning just builds on itself.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Connecting course work or experience to real life problems and issues encountered in life
Excellent	Full-time	Male	When I was taking my Accounting 2 Class with Mrs. Upshaw, I went to her during her office hours to talk about my grade in the class. She looked over my grades and said that I would have no problem making at least a B in the course if i continued to do what i was doing. She really gave me the confidence that I needed in order to feel like i could pass her class. I am not good at accounting, but she helped me in any way that she could, which made me feel valued, not only as a peer in her class, but as a student in her class.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	N/a
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The engineering program as a whole
Excellent	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experiences I have had at this institution is all the experience I get from my on campus position. It has taught me more about my field of study than all my classes combined.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	My senior project classes have helped me gain a large understanding of what I will actually be doing as a software engineer, and the mainframe related classes have helped me gain a large understanding of how to do mainframe and database related work.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Joe d Rogers and Dr fiaud are awesome in their fields
Excellent	Full-time	Male	How to become an effective leader

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Excellent	Full-time	Male	Fluids and thermodynamics
Excellent	Full-time	Male	I learned that this university wants you to succeed and will do whatever it takes to help you graduate as long as you ask for help and wish to put in the time and effort.
Excellent	Full-time	Male	Student government has provided me many learning experiences to grow and develop my leadership and interpersonal
Excellent	Full-time	Male	This institution is amazing.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I enjoy all my learning experiences. They have all been different but valuable.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	The Ag department is excellent about making sure we succeed in the real world. They help us prepare as much as we can to be successful adults after graduation.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Learning to work with others
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I have learned how to better manage my time with school work, social life, and extra curricular activities.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I think my most useful class was my writing class. I don't think I'd ever been taught how to actually write a good paper or how to format things. I think the most significant learning experience was in my capstone internship for my criminal justice degree. The whole criminal justice program is fantastic and the professors are incredible.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Learning how to work in the real world, talk professionally, and not undermine or undervalue the abilities and skills I
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	My most significant learning experience would be in my instrumental conduct class. It kind of combines everything we've learned the last four years into one class, and we get to practice it and put it into action by running a small ensemble rehearsal. It's fun, and also teaches you so much about your teaching style and what you my encounter from
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I mostly do not have must interaction with people or anywhere I've gone to due to work and tight on time. But luckily I've made some and every staff I've interacted have been nice and willing to help you out whether your lost or just needing an answer.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I would have to say it is the education classes I am currently taking. Due to currently teaching a class, they have really opened my eyes to different way s to teach, different way s to learn and the importance of being flexible. I have also learned how crucial it is to have certain plans in place or laid out to help with teaching, and getting the most out of the students. there are many aspects to these classes I will use and incorporate into my teaching style next year. The group of teacher I work with plan to make a plan for our hall (6th grade) to make next year smoother for everyone and my employer has asked for a copy so that it can either be implemented and used or ideas taken to implement to help our campus run smoother for everyone.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I found that I love to learn and interact with other students and staff. It has helped me learn another way of looking at
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	There are several different learning experiences.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I have learned many things in all of my classes that have helped me so much in my internship. In my line of study, I feel that I have learned the most in my internship, however, I understand what I am doing in my internship because of all of the classes I have taken. The instructors are amazing and they do whatever they need to help you understand the material.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Getting to learn about Ceramics from a very talented artist, Kent Harris. He is sharing such great knowledge with his students. He is also sharing his passion as well as his abilities and knowledge.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I think my most significant learning experience at this university was taking Dr. Nicholas Gerlich's class. He opened my eyes to many things of the past related to marketing and applied them to our current times. To show how things are changing, to help us predict where marketing is going, and more. I view lots of things differently after taking his class.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	In my community nursing class last semester, we had to have a teaching session to a group in the community. I chose to teach to children about health promotion issues, and had a great time educating them and answering questions.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Student teaching
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Getting out into my community and doing volunteer work and my internship has been the biggest learning experience for me because I am a hands on type of person. I think it's getting out and actually putting everything I have learn into action has given me to full circle experience.
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	Prefer not to
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	My internship has been amazing. I know I'm in a field that I love and being able to share that experience with other students has been amazing
Excellent	Not full-time	Female	I have learned about the world and the opportunities that is provided for everyone. It gave me a better understanding about the world and my future job.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	Honestly each teacher brings something great to the table for me to learn. I've grown more than I thought I would thanks to the excellent teachers in the communication department. Studying under them has been the most significant learning experience.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	I have learned a lot about how to do many things from WTAMU about how to do my job as a teacher when I graduate from here.

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Excellent	Not full-time	Male	There have been a lot of positives while attending this institution. The staff and the faculty have been not only helpful, but also encouraging. I think in terms of actual knowledge the most significant learning experience I had was in my Finance - Investments class. Not only was the professor knowledgeable and encouraging, she always made sure that everyone had the ability to speak up and ask questions. She never made anyone feel insecure about answering incorrectly or about asking questions. It was a really great learning environment and was one of the best classes.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	the online classes give me an option to further my education without having to sacrifice time from work and family. I don't have the opportunity to be quite as involved with the university but I appreciate the opportunity to better myself for my family and community.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	Learning how to best address and manage conflict involving me or those around me. Using a constructive conversation to not only help move past the conflict but to grow from it as well.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	Nothing major, my classes are all online. But I've had some great teachers.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	none
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	n/a
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	Taking classes serious is one of the most important things to do. When I was younger I attended this university and did very poorly due to the lack of attendance. Now that I am older I have taken those mistakes from the past and used them to help me succeed for the future.
Excellent	Not full-time	Male	All classes have helped me learn different things
Good	Full-time	Female	Getting comprehend and view other perspectives based on the Psychology world and understanding how the brain works.
Good	Full-time	Female	going to timber creed
Good	Full-time	Female	Unfortunately, I would say the most beneficial thing I have learned while at WT is the fact that no matter how many faculty and staff members are involved in you finishing your degree, you always have to trust yourself above other people or you could end up having to complete more classes than anticipated.
Good	Full-time	Female	I have learned to understand how to analyze data in business. This will be a great thing for my career in healthcare
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning how to work in a group towards a common goal
Good	Full-time	Female	It's important to make connections and be prepared for career opportunities throughout your college career, no matter what your major is.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I had at this institution was my involvement in a student organization in a leadership position. I gained invaluable experience, made connections, and felt genuinely cared for by my advisor.
Good	Full-time	Female	Meeting dr Diego-Medrano, Judy Williams, and Teri Bingham
Good	Full-time	Female	My courses with Dr. Michelle Simmons and Dr. Francis Goode have been the most helpful and most informative courses I have ever been on. With both instructors I have been asked to observe and do research on certain special education topics and they welcomed all opinions. I have gotten the best and most useful information from them.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had on campus was during my Conservation Biology course. It gave me a reality check that the Earth is being destroyed by humans and it made me realize to what extent biologist as so important.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I had was probably from clinical teaching required from my courses from this institution.
Good	Full-time	Female	I have met wonderful instructors and the Dean's of my school have been very accessible and extremely helpful.
Good	Full-time	Female	I have learned that I do not have to rush to graduate early in order to get out into the work force, but to take my time and to enjoy school because graduation in 4 years is perfectly okay.
Good	Full-time	Female	This institution taught me how to persevere. I earned the importance of community and knowing who you are! I did not learn it from my teachers or classmates however, I learned it from God and the people at my church. The only reason I stayed here when I was miserable was because of the community I found within my church. This school did a very poor job of taking care of me when I was a my lowest point.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning to use people on campus and the community as a resource because there are more opportunities out there than you know.
Good	Full-time	Female	Going out into a field to learn site identification of plants was the most significant experience I had. It taught me to look very closely at something I never gave a second thought to, which helped me do the same for many other things I have not given a second thought to.
Good	Full-time	Female	If you want something you can always achieve it, as long as you are willing to put in the work for it.
Good	Full-time	Female	Hospital based clinical experience
Good	Full-time	Female	Methods
Good	Full-time	Female	I think the most valuable learning experience I had on campus was obtaining my job in campus. It gave me to opportunity to apply what I learned and teach others, hence deepening my knowledge.
Good	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I have had this far is to believe in my abilities and to work hard for the things to you want to succeed in.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning how to properly study

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Good	Full-time	Female	My clinicals experiences are some of the most impactful memories I have had. I have learned a vast amount of knowledge from my instructors, peers, community members, and preceptors. I am able to value the importance of teamwork in health care settings in order to provide the best quality of life and care for our patients.
Good	Full-time	Female	The best learning experience I have had is simply coming to WT and being a better me. This has been inspired by the success I have achieved in the classroom that was aided by the wonderful staff that believes in me
Good	Full-time	Female	Study abroad helped me think outside of the box and grow so much as a person,
Good	Full-time	Female	Furthering my knowledge in my chosen field
Good	Full-time	Female	I was able to be student project lead on a real life engineering project through EWB.
Good	Full-time	Female	Dr. Byrd provides a meaningful learning experience every single time I enter his classroom, i find it beyond significant that he challenges our minds and thoughts on topics that we are going to go out and apply in the real world and our careers. He teaches us more than just college course material.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning American Sign Language was quite a significant learning experience for me. I got to be part of a different culture and experience a world outside of my own.
Good	Full-time	Female	My most significant learning experience has been the expansion of my Spanish language knowledge. I have advanced my ability to speak, read and write in Spanish farther than I ever could've dreamed.
Good	Full-time	Female	Through discussion boards
Good	Full-time	Female	I learned a lot about social and racial issues, and roots in things like nationalism and imperialism. These are too close to modern politics for my liking. I learned that most people with hateful opinions are probably ignorant, and can be taught. They just have to be open to learning.
Good	Full-time	Female	Learning about America and it's democratic systems. I wish south africa adapts then as well as America.
Good	Full-time	Male	I'm an online-only student.
Good	Full-time	Male	Having taken calculus physics I and II from arguably the toughest professor, I have gained and improved my ability for critical analysis and thinking. During my time taking these calculus physics courses, I would almost never understand why they would utilize such equations and logic to solve the problems. As I continued, my abilities improved and I started to understand such reasons. This continues to apply currently as I am a calculus physics and chemistry tutor, allowing me to effectively communicate with those that I tutor.
Good	Full-time	Male	The senior project, my senior design class is forcing us to learn new concepts by ourselves.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience I've had at WTAMU is taking Ochem I and Ochem II with Dr.Woodyard. That man was a great professor, and his classes were the most difficult classes I've ever taken. I enjoyed the challenge because it made me learn how to study better, brought me close with a lot of my friends, and I'd even say it was probably one of the classes that I retained the most knowledge from. His class sort of separated who went to school to learn, and just thought of school as a hobby.
Good	Full-time	Male	Just learning about what I need to do to succeed in this field, another thing is all the information over wildlife that is clearly important too.
Good	Full-time	Male	I enjoy some of the classes that I've taken. I've learned some important information about how to conduct myself to be someone who is respectable and knowledgeable about what is important throughout my time here.
Good	Full-time	Male	Success requires responsibility, discipline, and being pro-active in a subject that one is looking to master. This relates to education and real life responsibilities. For one to be successful, an individual needs to be dedicated and in focus on a small list of tasks. Spreading yourself too thin can cause overall performance to suffer.
Good	Full-time	Male	I learned these surveys are too long to justify some headphones I don't really even care that much about winning.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience I have had at WT is
Good	Full-time	Male	It great
Good	Full-time	Male	Being able to get hands on experience with my major
Good	Full-time	Male	I learned how to be independent and take care of myself as well as think for myself. I enjoyed learning who I am away from my family.
Good	Full-time	Male	One Duh moment occurred just yesterday when I realized that networking is sometimes a long time investment and people you get to know like 3 years ago can be of huge help now that I am looking for a job.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant experience I've had learning at this university is with my composition professor Dr. Brooks. I've gotten immensely better and have traveled quite a bit for my composition related achievements in the past year and I owe most of my successes to him.
Good	Full-time	Male	N/A
Good	Full-time	Male	Once I got into upper level class work I truly discovered what my major is about and steps to help secure skills for future employment. This has also exposed me to student organizations such as The Wildlife Society student chapter here on campus through which I discovered it is the best opportunity for future development.
Good	Full-time	Male	Even though I was an outsider and not from any of the cities around the university, I've learned that everyone is accepting and making you feel like you are apart of the family or community here

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Good	Full-time	Male	Being a student-athlete, the most significant learning experience for me is understanding time management. Through my five years of playing baseball and going to school I have had to learn how to balance both my baseball career and academics in order to being successful in both.
Good	Full-time	Male	Diff eq
Good	Full-time	Male	The power to change lives through ingenuity. To be able to take ideas and make revolutionary products to better peoples life's.
Good	Full-time	Male	Being a member of the Track and Cross Country teams taught me diligence and commitment and really helped me build up contacts with people in the university.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience I've had so far at this institution is that if you study, submit your homework on time, and prepare early for your exams you will not have any issues passing your classes.
Good	Full-time	Male	The most significant learning experience I have had here is being able to be a lab TA for chemistry. It has allowed me to grow as a person, educator, and a scientist. If I went somewhere else I most likely wouldn't have gotten this opportunity.
Good	Full-time	Male	HELPFULLY!
Good	Full-time	Male	Working with my peers to complete a task or project
Good	Full-time	Male	My practicum experiences as a music therapy major
Good	Not full-time	Female	I would have to say working in groups, and using capstone assignments such as Capism currently.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Attending school again. Many of survey questions do not apply to me as my entire degree plan is online.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Too many to pick one.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Doing 50 volunteer hours for my Micro course It has given me a chance to be a leader in my volunteer agency and has given me a glimpse as to what I will get to experience in my internship and have gotten a chance to be a leader.
Good	Not full-time	Female	The information that has made the most impact on me is taking the interpersonal communications class last term. I found it to be very informative and useful for both personal and business related areas.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Dr. Brandon Bang has had the biggest impact on my learning experience. More professors should take note from his teaching method. All my classes are online and sometimes it is hard to understand the material. Often times, the professor simply tells you to read the chapter and then do the work. There is no lecture, per se. It is very easy to learn the material the way Dr. Bang teaches. He has made an everlasting impact on my experience here.
Good	Not full-time	Female	The clinical side of things. The hands on training is my top. Also, I have enjoyed the reading material presented.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Coming back and learning that teachers and the institution does care about me has a person and student and that I'm not just a number anymore.
Good	Not full-time	Female	The best learning experience was the step that needs to be taken to successfully land a job
Good	Not full-time	Female	I was able to transfer and graduate with my BSN. I did apply and enrol in the MSN program. I do wish WTAMU offered an accelerated program.
Good	Not full-time	Female	I learned that even if you're being stalked by a psychotic guy with major issues, to take 2 decades away from the institution to hide and heal before returning.
Good	Not full-time	Female	The learning experiences that had been more significant form me during my time as a WT student had been when observing in some classrooms in different campuses in the Panhandle.
Good	Not full-time	Female	Honestly not sure. I guess learning a lot about painting techniques that I didn't know before.
Good	Not full-time	Female	That everyone deserves an education no matter their status
Good	Not full-time	Male	Time management
Good	Not full-time	Male	The most significant experience I was able to view was how open minded class discussions could get. For instance there was a topic in a class I had my sophomore year that two girls both had strong stances about. While these two girls sat there and argued, the professor just sat there and let them argue. This was significant because it gave a great example towards two people's beliefs and why they believed in it
Good	Not full-time	Male	Great on line courses
Good	Not full-time	Male	Overall, my experience has been very positive. However, working 60 plus hours a week, taking a full class load, and trying to fit family time in, is not easy. The majority of my professor's have been great (despite the heavy work load's). I have only had one or two that I would not recommend to any other student(s).
Good	Not full-time	Male	NA
Good	Not full-time	Male	Writing in different styles and formats as well as writing a resume.
Good	Not full-time	Male	Time and money management.
Good	Not full-time	Male	I have learned a lot of how to deal with differing views and expectations. I have as well i feel become better at expressing myself. I also feel I have become better adapted to my own learning disability and gained more confidence.
Good	Not full-time	Male	I've learned to be myself and accept my own style.
Good	Not full-time	Male	I've really enjoyed learning about emergency management. I've learned a lot about the history of it and the unanswered questions that surround it. It has helped to solidify my pursuit of the profession.

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Fair	Full-time	Female	really aren't any there was one lab that was useful to learning how to work with the machines and practices that are used in the industry but thats it.
Fair	Full-time	Female	Learning that my voice is a tool that should be used, in anyway I see fit. We all have something to say, its just up to us to be brave and step up and say what no one else will.
Fair	Full-time	Female	The greatest learning experience I've had is that all of the information I need to be successful in my career is already out there in books and online. I have taught myself all of the course information while being an online student. There is very little interaction with the instructor. I am just doing this for the transcript and diploma.
Fair	Full-time	Female	I'd say I am currently experiencing that in my Intro to Middle Eastern studies. I am learning so much about a completely different world and it's already opening my mind and helping me be more understanding.
Fair	Full-time	Female	I have not had a significant learning experience.
Fair	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had so far is the meaning of failure, how to resolve it, and push past it.
Fair	Full-time	Female	Living on campus, learning to share space
Fair	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience that I have had so far would be in the advanced teacher classes. Dr. Bingham is the best at what she teaches while in the classroom. She actually cares about you as a person. I never had that kind of experience until I started taking classes with her.
Fair	Full-time	Male	I've enjoyed learning how to program and consider myself to be a very competent programmer in certain languages.
Fair	Full-time	Male	Attending the International PRSSA Conference with 1910PR
Fair	Full-time	Male	I have learned that Colleges are money mongers, that most professors don't care about students education, and nobody who works on campus cares as long as they get paid.
Fair	Full-time	Male	Being able to connect learnings from class to real life situations.
Fair	Full-time	Male	That people are different and come from very different backgrounds but everyone has a right to their opinion as long as they are respectful in doing so.
Fair	Full-time	Male	Chemistry isn't for the weak minded. I am not doing well in chemistry no matter the amount of help I get. I won't use it in my career and it is over complicated.
Fair	Not full-time	Female	I really can't think of any. My experience at this college could best be described as 'meh'. None of my classes have been terrible here but I wouldn't describe any of them as great either.
Fair	Not full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience I've had is completing Dr. Babb's Mobile App Development class. This class was difficult! Dr. Babb does not hold your hand in anything and teaches you real life experiences. I've had other classes where I felt the coursework was too easy and felt it the course could be completed in half the time. I wish WT offered 8 week courses for these easier classes. That would actually motivate me to stay on top of my homework and not start it the day it is due.
Fair	Not full-time	Female	Using the helc center it has been very useful for me.
Fair	Not full-time	Female	Having Dr. Tao helped with my confidenced and made me feel like someone didn't think I was dumb. I had another teacher act like I was a waste and thankfully am done with his classes.
Fair	Not full-time	Male	Probably the Community Policing project in Dr. Hueston's class
Fair	Not full-time	Male	Most of the faculty advisers do not care about the individual students. However, you do have a few professors that actually care and do a great job.
Fair	Not full-time	Male	None. West Texas A&M was a mistake that i now regret. Lack of acceptance towards older students. Felt excluded from extra cirricular activities. Few encouraged me to seek other options because i struggled with the math requirement. I've never seen such unfriendly or exclusive people in a long time. I want nothing to do with WTAMU after I graduate.
Poor	Full-time	Male	That regardless of all the alleged work in the theatre department for students of color, no actually tangible work is shown, and the lack of care for students of color in the department is evident.
Poor	Full-time	Male	no significant learning experience! i end up teaching myself the course work because everything is straight from a book and there is no reason to go to class other than it's mandatory
Poor	Not full-time	Female	How to not count on others
Poor	Not full-time	Male	I wish I could but my experience here has been rather disappointing.
Poor	Not full-time	Male	I learned that about half of the teachers here dont care enough to grade your work with proper feedback, they randomly count off points for work, sometimes dont even give you your stuff back. I hate my life now... sometimes i wonder if ill graduate, and im a senior... I have actually wanted to kill myself at the school just so i can put it to them instead of them putting it to me. I study hard and try and i feel retarded most of the time.
	Full-time	Female	The most significant learning experience will have to be all of my education classes. I will be graduating through the pace program and these classes really have help me.