School of Education Alumni Survey - Summer 2011



1. In what academic year did you graduate from SWU with your undergraduate degree?

	Response Percent	Response Count
2010-2011	8.0%	10
2009-2010	4.8%	6
2008-2009	2.4%	3
2007-2008	4.8%	6
2006-2007	2.4%	3
2006-2007	0.8%	1
2005-2006	7.2%	9
2004-2005	4.0%	5
2003-2004	7.2%	9
2002-2003	5.6%	7
2001-2002	3.2%	4
2000 or before	49.6%	62
	answered question	125
	skipped question	2

2. In what area(s) did you receive initial certification from SWU? Please check all that apply.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Biology Education	0.0%	0
Early Childhood Education	35.7%	45
Elementary Education	59.5%	75
English Education	1.6%	2
Math Education	3.2%	4
Music Education	12.7%	16
Physical Education	6.3%	8
Special Education	18.3%	23
	answered question	126
	skipped question	1

3. What was the date of your initial certification from SWU?

Response	
Count	

112

answered question	112
skipped question	15

4. Have you received additi	onal areas of certification?	
	Response Percent	Respons Count
Yes	33.3%	, 4
No	66.7%	
	answered question	12
	skipped question	1
5. In what areas have you r	eceived additional certification? When did you receive the additional certification(s)?	
		Respon: Count
	answered question	
	skipped question	

6. Please indicate your participation in further education.

Respons Count	Response Percent	
5	41.1%	l completed graduate/professional school.
1	11.3%	I am currently attending graduate/professional school.
1	8.1%	I attended, but did not complete graduate/professional school.
4	39.5%	I have not yet attended graduate/professional school.
6	rently attending, or have completed graduate/professional school, please state the degree you achieved/pursued, the university you attended, and the field of study.	If you have attended, are curr
12	answered question	
	skipped question	

7. Which statement most accurately describes your teaching experience? Response Response Count **Percent** I have never been employed as a 16.7% 21 teacher. I have taught in the past, but am not currently employed as a 24.6% 31 teacher. I am currently employed as a 58.7% 74 teacher. answered question 126 skipped question 1 8. When did you begin your current teaching position? Response Count 72 answered question 72

skipped question

55

9. What is the name of school at your current teaching position?	
	Response Count
	69
answered question	69
skipped question	58
10. In what state are you currently teaching?	
	Response Count
	70
answered question	70
skipped question	57

11. At what type of school are you currently teaching? Response Response Count **Percent** Pubic 89.9% 62 Private 5.8% Charter 0.0% 0 Other 4.3% 3 If other, please describe 8 answered question 69 skipped question 58 12. At what level of school are you currently teaching? Response Response **Percent** Count Elementary School (PK - 6th 72.1% 49 Grade) Middle School (6th - 8th Grade) 16.2% 11 High School (9th - 12th Grade) 11.8% 8 answered question 68

skipped question

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13. In what grade level(s) are you currently teaching? Response Response Percent Count Pre-Kindergarten 6.4% 3 Kindergarten 27.7% 13 1st Grade 17.0% 8 2nd Grade 40.4% 19 3rd Grade 34.0% 16 4th Grade 34.0% 16 5th Grade 25.5% 12 6th Grade 8.5% 4 answered question 47 skipped question 80

14. What was the date of your first teaching position?		
		Response Count
		102
answere	ed question	102
skippe	ed question	25
15. What was the name of the school at your first teaching position?		
		Response Count
		10
answere	ed question	10
skippe	ed question	2
16. In what state was your first teaching position?		
		Respons Count
		10
answere	ed question	10
skippe	ed question	2

17. At what type of school was your first teaching position? Response Response Count **Percent Public** 82.2% 83 Private 15.8% 16 Charter 0.0% 0 Other 2.0% 2 If other, please describe 3 answered question 101 skipped question 26 18. At what level of school was your first teaching position? Response Response **Percent** Count Elementary School (PK - 6th 73.7% 73 Grade) Middle School (6th - 8th Grade) 18.2% 18 High School (9th - 12th Grade) 8.1% 8 answered question 99 skipped question 28

19. What grade level(s) did you teach in your first teaching position?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Pre-Kindergarten	12.5%	9
Kindergarten	25.0%	18
1st Grade	38.9%	28
2nd Grade	27.8%	20
3rd Grade	37.5%	27
4th Grade	36.1%	26
5th Grade	31.9%	23
6th Grade	15.3%	11
	answered question	72
	skipped question	55

20. Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion	Response Count
I use principles that I learned in my education classes that ensure the continuous intellectual, social, and physical development of my learners.	42.2% (49)	48.3% (56)	4.3% (5)	0.0% (0)	5.2% (6)	116
The content of the education courses was based on current/best practices in education.	44.3% (51)	51.3% (59)	2.6% (3)	0.0% (0)	1.7% (2)	115
The instructors in the education program were knowledgeable in the content areas they taught.	56.9% (66)	40.5% (47)	2.6% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	116
I felt comfortable as a part of the learning/teaching community at my first teaching assignment.	46.6% (54)	43.1% (50)	4.3% (5)	0.9% (1)	5.2% (6)	116
					answered question	116
					skipped question	11

21. Please indicate how prepared you felt for your initial teaching assignment compared to your peers who graduated from other institutions.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Much Better Prepared	36.8%	42
Somewhat Better Prepared	19.3%	22
About the Same	30.7%	35
Somewhat Less Prepared	2.6%	3
Much Less Prepared	0.0%	0
Does Not Apply	10.5%	12
	answered question	114
	skipped question	13

22. Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the way the SWU education program prepared you for teaching.

	Response Percent	Response Count
Very Satisfied	49.6%	57
Satisfied	32.2%	37
Mostly Satisfied	13.9%	16
Mostly Dissatisfied	2.6%	3
Dissatisfied	1.7%	2
Very Dissatisfied	0.0%	0
	answered question	115
	skipped question	12

23. If you had it to do over again, would you attend SWU? Response Response Percent Count **Definitely Yes** 69.2% 81 Probably Yes 23.1% 27 Probably Not 6.8% 8 Definitely Not 0.9% 1 answered question 117 skipped question 10 24. Please provide any comments you think would be helpful for us to know. Response Count 45 answered question 45 skipped question 82