

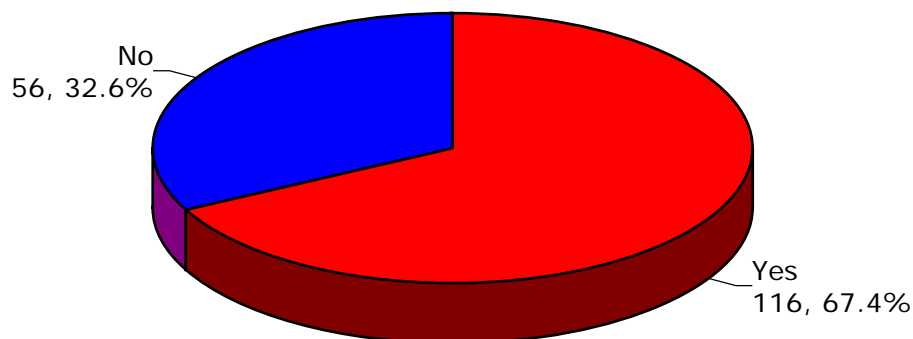
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The following are results of a survey conducted on iCORE Student Scholarship holders in the summer of 2004. Of 276 students who were emailed, 205 have completed the survey to date, which represents a 74% response rate.

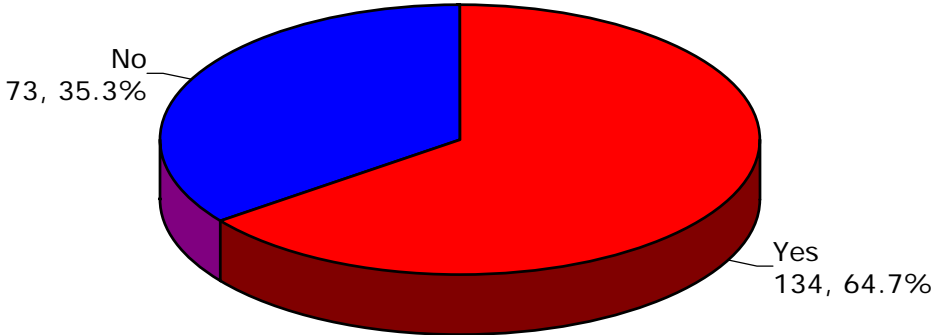
Educational status of 2004 survey respondents

Educational status			
	Counts	Percents	Percents
			0 100
Masters Students	78	37.7%	
Graduated Masters	17	8.2%	
PhD Students	106	51.2%	
Graduated PhD	8	3.9%	
Post-Doc	9	4.3%	
Other	2	1.0%	
Totals	207	n/a	

Do you intend to stay in Alberta after finishing your degree?



Did iCORE influence your choice to pursue graduate studies in Alberta?



Citizenship of survey respondents

	Counts	Percents	Percents	
			0	100
Canadian	156	76.1%	[Red bar representing 76.1%]	
China	3	1.5%	[Red bar representing 1.5%]	
Chinese	7	3.4%	[Red bar representing 3.4%]	
Egyptian	5	2.4%	[Red bar representing 2.4%]	
Indian	3	1.5%	[Red bar representing 1.5%]	
Iranian	5	2.0%	[Red bar representing 2.0%]	
Nigerian	4	2.0%	[Red bar representing 2.0%]	
P.R.China	8	3.5%	[Red bar representing 3.5%]	
Romanian	3	1.5%	[Red bar representing 1.5%]	
Vietnamese	2	1.0%	[Red bar representing 1.0%]	
Other	9	5.4%	[Red bar representing 5.4%]	
Totals	205	100.0%		

- *Other
- Danish
 - Study Permit
 - Malaysian
 - Dutch
 - Permanent Resident
 - UK
 - Pakistan
 - Israel
 - and Swiss

How important were the following attributes of iCORE scholarships?

a. The monetary value of the scholarships			
	Counts	Percents	0 Percents 100
Very Important (5)	122	59.5%	
(4)	62	30.2%	
Neutral (3)	12	5.9%	
(2)	2	1.0%	
Not Important (1)	1	0.5%	
N/A	6	2.9%	
Totals	205	100.0%	

b. The ease of access to the scholarships			
	Counts	Percents	0 Percents 100
Very Important (5)	85	41.5%	
(4)	79	38.5%	
Neutral (3)	32	15.6%	
(2)	2	1.0%	
Not Important (1)	2	1.0%	
N/A	5	2.4%	
Totals	205	100.0%	

c. The reputation of the supervisor			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	84		
(4)	57		
Neutral (3)	33		
(2)	4		
Not Important (1)	9		
N/A	18		
Totals	205		

d. The reputation of department faculty			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	51		
(4)	81		
Neutral (3)	39		
(2)	12		
Not Important (1)	8		
N/A	13		
Totals	204		

e. The reputation of the university			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	44		
(4)	80		
Neutral (3)	45		
(2)	12		
Not Important (1)	9		
N/A	13		
Totals	203		

f. The research infrastructure available			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	60		
(4)	85		
Neutral (3)	35		
(2)	4		
Not Important (1)	4		
N/A	15		
Totals	203		

g. The community of graduate students			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	24		
(4)	71		
Neutral (3)	57		
(2)	22		
Not Important (1)	14		
N/A	16		
Totals	204		

h. Faculty research areas matched my personal research interests			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	98		
(4)	65		
Neutral (3)	23		
Not Important (1)	7		
N/A	12		
Totals	205		

i. Research areas are linked to important issues in the ICT sector			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	37		
(4)	56		
Neutral (3)	61		
(2)	14		
Not Important (1)	21		
N/A	16		
Totals	205		

j. The opportunity to build my reputation			
	Counts	Percents	
		0	100
Very Important (5)	61		
(4)	61		
Neutral (3)	52		
(2)	16		
Not Important (1)	7		
N/A	8		
Totals	205		

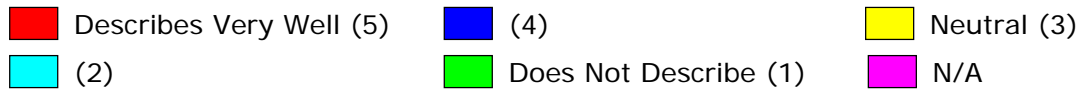
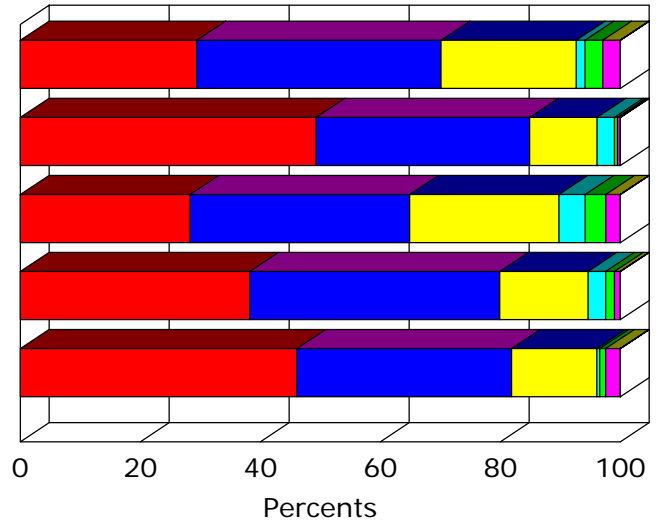
Why did you choose an Alberta University for graduate studies?

Responses

Excellent reputation of the program and faculty.....	70
Wanted to work with a specific supervisor.....	43
Already living in Alberta.....	39
Attracted by funding support.....	38
Research opportunity in area of interest	28
Scholarship.....	16
Wanted a new adventure.....	5

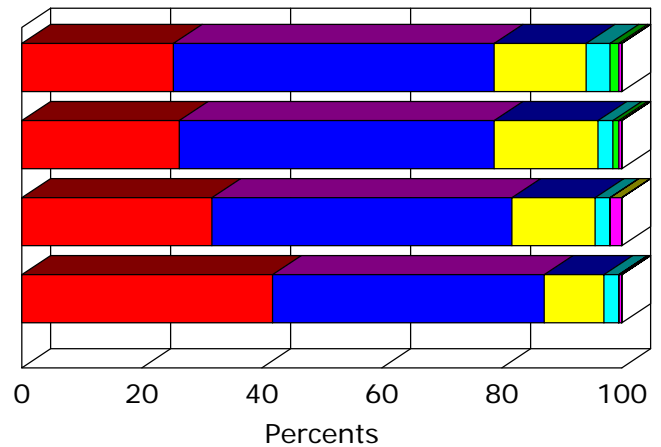
Please indicate whether the following statements describe your current reality

- a. iCORE scholarships have helped establish a world-class graduate student community in my institution
- b. iCORE scholarships have allowed me to pursue world-class research in Alberta
- c. iCORE scholarships have allowed me to develop knowledge that will impact the ICT sector in Alberta
- d. iCORE scholarships are providing me with opportunities to build my reputation
- e. The iCORE program positions Alberta as an ICT centre of excellence



In your opinion, how likely will iCORE reach the following goals?

- a. Keeping valuable knowledge workers in Alberta
- b. Keeping intellectual property in Alberta
- c. Developing important roles for iCORE researchers in the ICT sector/companies in Alberta
- d. Growing the ICT sector in Alberta



Where do you see yourself in five years?

	Responses
Researcher working in industry.....	80
University researcher/professor.....	78
Starting up a company.....	13
Lawyer	1
Medical school	2
College or school teacher	4
Other.....	6