



The Strategic Counsel

Welcome to the Survey!

This survey is being conducted to learn about your experiences in your bachelor's degree program, and to understand your plans for the future. The information will be used by provincial governments and universities to evaluate and design policies pertaining to university students and graduates.

Your answers are important and will be kept strictly confidential.

This survey should take no more than 15 minutes of your time. Once you have completed the questionnaire, **you will be given an opportunity to enter your name in a draw for 1 of 10 \$500 prizes.**

Thank you in advance for your time.

(A page of OpenVenue's standard instructions on how to complete the survey will follow this one before the survey begins)



**MPHEC Survey of Students Enrolled in Maritime Universities
(Class of 2007)**

March 5, 2007

A. Screening

1. Do you expect to graduate with a Bachelor's degree from a university program in 2007?

- ¹ Yes (CONTINUE)
- ² No (THANK AND END)
- ³ I have already graduated (CONTINUE)

B. Introductory Questions

2a. In which province/country did you attend high school? (If you attended high school in more than one place, choose the province/country in which you spent the most time)

- ¹ Newfoundland and Labrador
- ² Prince Edward Island
- ³ Nova Scotia
- ⁴ New Brunswick
- ⁵ Quebec
- ⁶ Ontario
- ⁷ Manitoba
- ⁸ Saskatchewan
- ⁹ Alberta
- ¹⁰ British Columbia
- ¹¹ Yukon, NWT, or Nunavut
- ¹² United States
- ¹³ Another country other than Canada or the United States
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

2b. In which province/country did you live during the twelve months immediately before you enrolled in the bachelor's degree program that you expect to complete in 2007? (If you lived in more than one place, choose the province/country in which you spent the most time)

- ¹ Newfoundland and Labrador
- ² Prince Edward Island
- ³ Nova Scotia
- ⁴ New Brunswick
- ⁵ Quebec
- ⁶ Ontario
- ⁷ Manitoba



- ⁸ Saskatchewan
- ⁹ Alberta
- ¹⁰ British Columbia
- ¹¹ Yukon, NWT, or Nunavut
- ¹² United States
- ¹³ Another country other than Canada or the United States
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

3. Before you enrolled in the bachelor's degree program from which you expect to graduate in 2007, what was the highest level of education you had completed?

- ¹ Some/completed High School
- ² Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
- ³ Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
- ⁴ Some community college/CEGEP (not completed)
- ⁵ Completed community college/CEGEP
- ⁶ Some University (did not complete)
- ⁷ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
- ⁹ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
- ¹⁰ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
- ¹¹ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
- ¹² Master's degree
- ¹³ Ph. D.

4. In what year did you start the program that you expect to graduate from in 2007?

- ¹ Prior to 2000
- ² 2000
- ³ 2001
- ⁴ 2002
- ⁵ 2003
- ⁶ 2004
- ⁷ 2005
- ⁸ 2006

5. Did you take your program through....?

- ¹ Full-time studies only
- ² Part-time studies only
- ² Combination of full-time and part-time studies



6. Did you have any work placements as part of the Bachelor’s degree program that you expect to graduate from in 2007? (e.g. co-op, internship, practicum, etc.)

- ¹ Yes
- ² No

C. Impressions of University Education

7. Overall, how satisfied are you with the university education you have received so far?

- | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Very
dissatisfied | Somewhat
dissatisfied | Neither satisfied
nor dissatisfied | Somewhat
satisfied | Very
satisfied |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ¹ | <input type="checkbox"/> ² | <input type="checkbox"/> ³ | <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ | <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ |

8. And, overall, to what extent have you enjoyed or not enjoyed your university student experience?

- | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Have not
enjoyed at all | Have not enjoyed
very much | Neither enjoyed
nor have not
enjoyed | Enjoyed
somewhat | Enjoyed
very much |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ¹ | <input type="checkbox"/> ² | <input type="checkbox"/> ³ | <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ | <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ |

9. In your opinion, what are the primary benefits of your university education?

10. We would like to learn about your reasons for pursuing a university education. Choosing from the list below, below, please indicate your most important reason, second most important reason (if you have one) and any other reasons you may have for pursuing your bachelor’s degree.

(PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE ROTATE) (PROGRAMMING NOTE: IS THERE A WAY FOR SOMEONE TO UNSELECT A SECONDARY REASON IF THEY DON'T HAVE ONE?)

Please check your most important reason in the first column.

Please check your second most important reason, if you have one, in the second column.

Please check all other reasons, if you have any, in the third column.

MOST IMPORTANT Reason (Check One)	SECOND MOST IMPORTANT Reason (Check One if any)	OTHER Reasons (Check All That Apply, if any)	
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	I felt I couldn't get a job with just a high school education
<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	I wanted to increase my knowledge in an area of interest



MOST IMPORTANT Reason (Check One)	SECOND MOST IMPORTANT Reason (Check One if any)	OTHER Reasons (Check All That Apply, if any)	
<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	I wanted to increase the amount of money I will make in the work force
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	I was not ready to get a job yet
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	All of my friends were continuing their education
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	My family wanted me to
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	I wanted to broaden my understanding of the world and life
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	I wanted a career change
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	My career of interest requires the skills and knowledge acquired through a university education
<input type="checkbox"/> ^x	<input type="checkbox"/> ^x	<input type="checkbox"/> ^x	Other: PLEASE SPECIFY:
	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁸		None

11. How important would you rate each of the following functions of an undergraduate education? (PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE ROTATE)

	Not at all important		Very Important
a) Preparing students for further studies	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
b) Preparing students for the work force	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
c) Broadening students' perspectives	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
d) Improving critical thinking abilities	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
e) Providing in-depth knowledge of a field of study	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
f) Improving teamwork skills	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
g) Improving oral and written communication skills	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷

12. And how would you rate your current university program in fulfilling each of these functions? (PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE KEEP IN SAME ORDER AS Q.11)

	Poor		Excellent
a) Preparing students for further studies	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
b) Preparing students for the work force	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
c) Broadening students' perspectives	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
d) Improving critical thinking abilities	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
e) Providing in-depth knowledge of a field of study	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
f) Improving teamwork skills	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
g) Improving oral and written communication skills	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ² <input type="checkbox"/> ³ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁴ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁵ <input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷



D. Role of Post-Graduate Education in Establishing a Career

13. In your opinion, how useful are the following in helping people establish careers?

	Not at all useful						Very Useful
a) Bachelor's degree	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
b) Graduate level university education, including Masters, Ph.D.	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
c) Professional degrees (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
d) Community College diploma following university education	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
e) Personality traits such as drive and initiative	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
f) Personal contacts	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
g) Work experience	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
h) Career-related licenses, certifications or designations, such as the real estate license, CA, CMA, CFA, P.Eng, etc.	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷

14. And, in your opinion, which of the following is MOST important to have in establishing a career? (CHECK ONE ONLY)

- ¹ Bachelor's degree
- ² Graduate level university education, including Masters, Ph.D.
- ³ Professional degrees (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
- ⁴ Community College diploma following university education
- ⁵ Personality traits such as drive and initiative
- ⁶ Personal contacts
- ⁷ Work experience
- ⁸ Career-related licenses, certifications or designations, such as the real estate license, CA, CMA, CFA, P.Eng, etc.

E. Your Plans Following Graduation

15. What best describes your plans for the 12 months following graduation? (Check one)

- ¹ Continue my education (SKIP TO Q. 21)
- ² Work while pursuing another degree or diploma from a university, community college or private education provider (SKIP TO Q. 21)
- ³ Take time off/travel
- ⁴ Work in non-career job until I find a job in my career of interest
- ⁵ Work in non-career job until I figure out what I want to do
- ⁶ Work to earn money for further education
- ⁷ Work at a job in my career of interest
- ⁸ Start my own business
- ⁹ Work to pay off debt
- ^{xx} Other: PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
- ⁹⁸ Don't know



16. Do you anticipate that you will pursue another degree or diploma from a university, community college or private education provider within the next 10 years?
- ¹ Yes (CONTINUE)
 - ² No (SKIP TO Q. 33)
 - ³ Don't Know (SKIP TO Q. 34)
17. What type(s) of certificate, degree or diploma from a university, community college or private education provider do you expect to pursue within the next 10 years? (Check all that apply)
- ¹ Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
 - ² Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
 - ³ Community college diploma or certificate program
 - ⁴ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
 - ⁵ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
 - ⁶ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
 - ⁷ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
 - ⁸ Master's degree
 - ⁹ Ph.D.
 - ^{xx} Other: PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
 - ⁹⁹ Don't know (GO TO Q. 34)

(NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: ASK Q. 18 OF ONLY THOSE WHO CHECKED MORE THAN ONE in Q. 17)

18. Which type(s) of certificate, degree or diploma do you expect to pursue first? (Check ONE only: NOTE TO PROGRAMMER, PLEASE ONLY SHOW CODES 1-9 THAT ARE CHECKED BY THE RESPONDENT IN Q. 17)
- ¹ Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
 - ² Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
 - ³ Community college diploma or certificate program
 - ⁴ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
 - ⁵ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
 - ⁶ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
 - ⁷ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
 - ⁸ Master's degree
 - ⁹ Ph.D.
 - ^{xx} Other: PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
 - ⁹⁹ Don't know (GO TO Q. 34)
- 18.a What do you expect will be your main field of study/specialization for your <insert choice from Q. 17 IF ONLY CHECKED ONE or Q. 18> (NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS, THE NAMES OF CHOICES IN Q. 17 AND 18 WILL NEED TO BE MODIFIED SLIGHTLY AS PER NOTE AT END OF SURVEY)?
- _____



19. When do you expect to begin your <insert choice from Q. 17 or Q. 18> ?

- ¹ Less than 2 years
- ² Within 2-3 years
- ³ Within 4-5 years
- ⁴ Within 5-10 years
- ⁵ In more than 10 years (GO TO Q. 33)
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

20. Do you intend to pursue this program at an educational institution in...?

- ¹ Newfoundland and Labrador
- ² Prince Edward Island
- ³ Nova Scotia
- ⁴ New Brunswick
- ⁵ Quebec
- ⁶ Ontario
- ⁷ Manitoba
- ⁸ Saskatchewan
- ⁹ Alberta
- ¹⁰ British Columbia
- ¹¹ Yukon, NWT, or Nunavut
- ¹² United States
- ¹³ Another country other than Canada or the United States
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

(NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: ASK Q. 21- Q. 26 OF ONLY THOSE WHO CHECKED CODES 1, 2 Q. 15. EVERYONE ELSE WILL SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q. 27)

21. Have you already applied for admission to a program(s)?

- ¹ Yes (CONTINUE)
- ² No (SKIP TO Q. 23)

If you applied to more than one program, please answer the following questions about the program you believe you would be most likely to pursue.

22. Have you already been accepted into this program?

- ¹ Yes
- ² No



23. What is the full name of the school, college, university or other organization where you will pursue or hope to pursue your program?

(NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: PLEASE ADD UNIVERSITÉ SAINTE-ANNE TO THE NOVA SCOTIA LIST. PLEASE DELETE COLLEGE DE L'ACADIE)

⁹⁹ Don't Know

24. What type of certificate, degree or diploma from a university, community college or private education provider will you take?

- ¹ Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
- ² Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
- ³ Community college diploma or certificate program
- ⁴ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
- ⁵ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
- ⁶ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
- ⁷ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
- ⁸ Master's degree
- ⁹ Ph.D.
- ^{xx} Other: PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
- ⁹⁹ Don't know (GO TO Q. 34)

24.a What do you expect will be your main field of study/specialization?

25. Will you take this certificate, degree or diploma online, by correspondence or by some other means of distance education?

- ¹ I will take at least part of this program online, by correspondence or by some other means of distance education
- ² I will take all of this program online, by correspondence or by some other means of distance education
- ³ I will not be taking this program online, by correspondence or by some other means of distance education

26. a) Now thinking about your longer-term plans, do you think you might pursue another degree or diploma from a university, college or private education provider following your <INSERT ANSWER FROM Q. 24 USING WORDING AT END OF DOCUMENT>?

- ¹ Yes
- ² No (SKIP TO Q. 27)
- ³ Don't Know (SKIP TO Q. 27)



b) And what type of degree or diploma do you expect to pursue? (Check all that apply)

- ¹ Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
- ² Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
- ³ Community college diploma or certificate program
- ⁴ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
- ⁵ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
- ⁶ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy)
- ⁷ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
- ⁸ Master's degree
- ⁹ Ph.D.
- ^{xx} Other: PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

(NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: ASK Q. 27 OF ONLY THOSE WHO LISTED A UNIVERSITY THAT IS NOT IN THEIR PROVINCE OF STUDY (INFO FROM SAMPLE) IN Q. 20 OR Q.23. DO NOT ASK OF THOSE WHO SAY "DON'T KNOW" IN QUESTION 20 OR 23)

27. (Note: USED TO BE Q. 28) Currently you are studying at a university in (FILL IN PROVINCE –BASED ON SAMPLE) and you have indicated you plan to undertake further study in another province/country. Which of the following best describes your main reason, your secondary reason, and your other reasons for pursuing further education in another province or country?

MAIN Reason (Check One)	SECONDARY Reason (Check One if any)	OTHER Reasons (Check All That Apply, if any)	
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	The program I want to take is not available in this province
<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	I am following my spouse/partner
<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	I want to be exposed to new and different ideas
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	I would like to live somewhere new
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	I would like to experience a different educational institution other than the one from which I am graduating
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	I want to be closer to family/friends who do not live in this province
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	I am taking the program in another province because it (the program) has an excellent reputation
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	I will receive more scholarships/grants/bursaries if I go to an educational institution outside of this province
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	Tuition is too expensive in this province
	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁸		None



28. How well do the following describe your reasons for pursuing your <insert response from q. 17, 18 or 24 using wording at end of survey)?

	Does not describe your reasons at all					Describes your reasons very well	
a) It will help me get a better paying job	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
b) It will help me get my job of choice	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
c) I am not yet prepared to make career decisions, so I have decided to continue studying	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
d) I would like to learn more about an area of interest	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
e) My family and/or friends expect me to continue my studies	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
f) Those in my social network have all continued/are all continuing their educations, and I don't want to be left behind	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
g) I enjoy the student lifestyle	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
h) I feel I will be successful in the program	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
i) My professor(s) advised me to continue	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
j) A mentor advised me to continue	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷
k) A career counsellor advised me to continue	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷

29. We would like to learn about how you anticipate funding your next program of study. Choosing from the list below, please indicate what you anticipate will be your main source of funding, secondary source (if any) and any other sources of funding for your <INSERT RESPONSE FROM Q. 17, 18 OR 24 USING WORDING AT END OF SURVEY>.

MAIN Source (Check one)	SECONDARY Source (Check one if any)	Other Sources (Check all that apply if any)	
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	Parents
<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	Personal savings
<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	Spouse/Partner
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	Other family members
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	Other people (not family)
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	Government student loans
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	Bank loans
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁸	Credit Cards
<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹	Line of credit
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁰	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁰	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁰	Employment earnings
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹¹	Merit based awards such as scholarships and fellowships
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹²	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹²	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹²	Needs based awards such as grants and bursaries
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹³	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹³	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹³	Workers Compensation
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁴	Employment Insurance



MAIN Source (Check one)	SECONDARY Source (Check one if any)	Other Sources (Check all that apply if any)	
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁶	Employer
<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹⁷	Teaching or research assistantship
<input type="checkbox"/> ^{xx}	<input type="checkbox"/> ^{xx}	<input type="checkbox"/> ^{xx}	Other (Please specify: _____)
<input type="checkbox"/> ^{xx}			Don't Know
	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁸		None

30. (IF ANSWER CODE 11 OR CODE 12 IN Q. 30, AND CODE 1 OR 2 IN Q. 15 ASK) What is the approximate ANNUAL value of the scholarships, awards or fellowships that you have been awarded and/or hope to receive for your educational program that you will begin within the next year?

Please type in the number(s) without using spaces or commas.

(NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: PLEASE REVIEW ERROR MESSAGES. IF THERE IS A SPACE IN THE NUMBER – E.G. 1 000—THE ERROR MESSAGE SAYS TO PLACE A VALUE IN EACH BOX. PLEASE DO NOT MAKE EVERY BOX MANDATORY – ALLOW ONLY ONE BOX)

- ¹ I have applied for, and received an award(s) valued at \$_____ annually
- ² I have applied for, and hope to receive an award(s) valued at \$_____ annually
- ³ I expect to apply for an award(s) totalling \$_____ annually
- ⁹⁹ Don't Know

31. How long do you expect it will take you to complete your <INSERT RESPONSE FROM Q. 17, 18 OR 24 USING WORDING AT END OF SURVEY>?

- ¹ 12 months or less
- ² 13-24 months
- ³ 25-36 months
- ⁴ 37-48 months
- ⁵ More than 48 months
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

32. When did you decide to continue your education following your current bachelor's degree?

- ¹ Prior to beginning current bachelor's degree
- ² During first or second year of current bachelor's degree
- ³ During third year of current bachelor's degree
- ⁴ During fourth or greater year of current bachelor's degree
- ⁹⁸ Don't know



NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: ASK Q. 33 ONLY OF THOSE WHO CHECK CODE 2 IN Q. 16 OR DO NOT CHECK CODES 1-9 IN Q. 17 OR CODE 4 IN Q. 19.

33. To what extent does each of the following describe your reasons for not pursuing another degree or diploma from a university, college or private education provider within the next 10 years? (PLEASE ROTATE)

	Does not describe your reasons at all						Describes your reasons very well							
a) I don't think it would help me get a better paying job	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
b) My job of choice does not require further education	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
c) I do not want to borrow money to pay for the education	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
d) I do not have access to the funds necessary to pay for the tuition and other related expenses	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
e) I was not awarded the scholarships needed to fund my education	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
f) I am getting pressure from family and/or friends to get a job and/or earn money	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
g) I don't know anyone else who is continuing their education	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
h) My grades aren't good enough	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
i) I do not have the pre-requisite courses for the graduate program that I am interested in	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
j) I am tired of studying	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
k) I am tired of the student lifestyle	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
l) I am unsure of how successful I will be in graduate studies	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
m) I don't believe the benefits of completing further post-secondary studies outweigh the <u>time and effort</u> required	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷
n) I don't believe the benefits of completing further post-secondary studies outweigh the <u>financial costs</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	¹	<input type="checkbox"/>	²	<input type="checkbox"/>	³	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁴	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁵	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁶	<input type="checkbox"/>	⁷



F. Impressions of Employment Opportunities in the Maritimes

NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: ASK ALL

34. We would like to learn about your plans relating to employment following your education (e.g. the degree you complete in 2007 and/or any university or college degrees/diplomas you undertake immediately following your 2007 degree/diploma).

Immediately following the completion of your education, in which province(s) or country(ies) do you plan to work or seek employment? Please check all that apply:

- ¹ I do not plan to seek employment
- ² Newfoundland and Labrador
- ³ Prince Edward Island
- ⁴ Nova Scotia
- ⁵ New Brunswick
- ⁶ Quebec
- ⁷ Ontario
- ⁸ Manitoba
- ⁹ Saskatchewan
- ¹⁰ Alberta
- ¹¹ British Columbia
- ¹² Yukon, NWT, or Nunavut
- ¹³ United States
- ¹⁴ Another country other than Canada or the United States
- ⁹⁹ Don't know

[PROGRAMMER: IF DON'T KNOW OR DO NOT PLAN TO SEEK EMPLOYMENT, SKIP TO Q.38]

35. [ASK ONLY IF MORE THAN ONE PROVINCE SELECTED IN Q34] Of the provinces/countries you checked in the previous question, which one would you consider to be your first choice of location in which to work? [LIST ONLY THOSE PROVINCES/COUNTRIES CHECKED]
36. Which of the following best describes your main reason for considering [FILL IN PROVINCE/COUNTRY FROM Q34 or Q.35] to be your first choice of location in which to work? [CHECK ONE]
- ¹ I would like to live in this province/country
 - ² My family is in this province/country
 - ³ I can find the job that I want in this province/country
 - ⁴ There is a better quality of life in this province/country
 - ⁵ My spouse/partner works in this province/country
 - ⁶ My friends are in this province/country
 - ⁷ I can earn more money in this province/country
 - ⁸ [FOR NS, NB AND MB ONLY] - I want to take advantage of the tax credit available to new graduates
 - ⁹ It costs less to live in this province
 - ¹⁰ I have a job offer in this province/country
 - ¹¹ None of the above



37. [ASK ONLY IF Q34 – IF ONLY ONE RESPONSE CHECKED -- or Q. 35 IS NOT THE PROVINCE OF STUDY] Which of the following best describes the main reason you did not choose [FILL IN PROVINCE OF STUDY] as your first choice of location in which to work ? [CHECK ONE]

- ¹ I am not likely to find the kind of job that I want
- ² There are no job opportunities in this province
- ³ There are better opportunities for advancement elsewhere
- ⁴ I would like to live somewhere new
- ⁵ I am following my spouse/partner
- ⁶ I would like to be closer to family/friends who do not live in this province
- ⁷ This province does not offer tax credits to new graduates
- ⁸ The cost of living is too high in this province
- ⁹ I can earn more money elsewhere
- ¹⁰ None of the above

38. Currently you are studying at a University in (ADD PROVINCE FROM SAMPLE). Please answer the following following question thinking about this province. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly Disagree						Strongly Agree	Don't Know
a) This province has some of the best undergraduate university programs in Canada	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
b) This province has some of the best graduate university programs in Canada	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
c) This province has some of the best community college programs in Canada	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
d) To take advantage of the best career opportunities in Canada, you need to leave this province	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
e) There are excellent jobs in this province	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
f) There are enough jobs in this province for graduates of my program	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
g) I'd love to be able to spend most my life living in this province	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
h) For the kind of work I want to do, I will have to leave this province	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹
i) Universities in this province just don't offer the range of programs of some universities in other parts of Canada	<input type="checkbox"/> ¹	<input type="checkbox"/> ²	<input type="checkbox"/> ³	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁴	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁵	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁶	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁷	<input type="checkbox"/> ⁹⁹

G. Demographics

39. In what year were you born?

40. Are you...

- ¹ Female
- ² Male



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41. When you began your degree that you expect to complete in 2007, were you a...?
- ¹ Landed Immigrant
 - ² Foreign Student
 - ³ Canadian Student
42. Do you consider yourself to be....(check all that apply)?
- ¹ Aboriginal (First Nations, Inuit, Métis) (SKIP TO Q. 44)
 - ² A visible minority
 - ³ None of the above (SKIP TO Q. 44)
 - ³ Prefer not to answer (SKIP TO Q. 44)
43. Do you consider yourself to be....(check all that apply)?
- ¹ African Canadian/Black
 - ² Another visible minority
44. What language did you first learn in childhood and still understand?
- ¹ English
 - ² French
 - ³ Other language Please specify: _____
45. What language do you speak most often at home?
- ¹ English
 - ² French
 - ³ Other language Please specify: _____
46. What is the highest level of education completed by your **father or male guardian**? (Please check one only)
- ¹ High School or less
 - ² Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
 - ³ Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
 - ⁴ Some community college/CEGEP (did not complete)
 - ⁵ Completed community college/CEGEP
 - ⁶ Some University (did not complete)
 - ⁷ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
 - ⁹ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
 - ¹⁰ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy, etc.)
 - ¹¹ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
 - ¹² Master's degree
 - ¹³ Ph. D.
 - ^{xx} Other PLEASE SPECIFY: _____



- ⁹⁷ Not Applicable
- ⁹⁸ Don't know

47. What is the highest level of education completed by your **mother or female guardian**? (Please check one check one only)

- ¹ High School or less
- ² Trade/vocational certificate or Diploma/apprenticeship
- ³ Hospital based program other than medical school (e.g. radiation therapy, radiography, etc.)
- ⁴ Some community college/CEGEP (did not complete)
- ⁵ Completed community college/CEGEP
- ⁶ Some University (did not complete)
- ⁷ University diploma or certificate program (below a Bachelor's degree)
- ⁹ University Bachelor's Degree (e.g. BA, BSc, BEd)
- ¹⁰ Professional degree (e.g. law, medicine, vet medicine, optometry, theology, pharmacy, etc.)
- ¹¹ University diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
- ¹² Master's degree
- ¹³ Ph. D.
- ^{xx} Other PLEASE SPECIFY: _____
- ⁹⁷ Not Applicable
- ⁹⁸ Don't know

48. To the best of your knowledge, what was the approximate household income in 2006 of the family you grew up in?

NOTE: ORDER CHANGED IN RESPONSES

- ¹ Less than \$39,000
- ² \$40,000-\$69,000
- ³ \$70,000-\$99,000
- ⁴ \$100,000 or more
- ⁹⁹ Don't Know
- ⁵ It has been more than 5 years since I have lived with the family I grew up with
- ⁹⁸ Prefer not to answer

49. Thinking about financing the degree you expect to complete in 2007, how much money do you currently owe to the following? (PLEASE PUT \$0 IF YOU OWE NOTHING)

- \$ _____ Government student loans (If you received an amount from the government but cashed the cheque at a financial institution, that would still be considered a government loan.)
- \$ _____ Loans from banks or other financial institutions/line of credit
- \$ _____ Family
- \$ _____ Other (e.g. credit cards, friends, etc.)



50. If we were to conduct a follow-up study of 2007 graduates in the future, is there another person we could contact who would help us get in touch with you in case you move? The information provided will be kept strictly confidential. We would contact this person only to obtain your new contact information.

¹ Prefer not to provide contact

First and Last Name of contact: _____

Home address: _____

City/town/village: _____

Province: _____

Country: _____

Postal Code (ADD EXAMPLE WITH PROPER FORMATING – IS IT POSSIBLE NOT TO ENFORCE THE USE OF CAPS?): _____

Home phone number (ADD EXAMPLE WITH PROPER FORMATING): _____

E-mail address: DO NOT MAKE A MANDATORY FIELD _____

51. Do you have any comments that you would like to share about this survey?

Thank you for taking the time to participate in this survey. A report on the findings of this survey is scheduled to be released in late fall 2007. You will be able to access the report on www.mphec.ca.

As a thank you for your participation, we will enter your name into a draw to win one of ten \$500 cash prizes. This draw will take place on April 13, 2007. Winners will be notified by telephone and/or E-mail.

To be included in this draw, please provide a valid e-mail address and phone number where we would be able to contact you between April 13-30 2007:

Name: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail: _____

NOTE TO PROGRAMMERS: WHEN STUDENTS LEAVE THE SURVEY, PLEASE DIRECT THEM TO WWW.MPHEC.CA INSTEAD OF WWW.THESTRATEGICCOUNSEL.COM.



Inserts into Q 18 a, Q. 19, Q 26, Q. 29, Q. 30, Q. 32

trade/vocational certificate or diploma/apprenticeship
hospital based program
community college diploma/certificate
university diploma or certificate program
next Bachelor's degree
professional degree
university diploma or certificate above Bachelor's degree
Master's degree
Ph.D.