

POLICY TYPE: ENDS
POLICY TITLE: ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Students will acquire the skills needed to be successful for the program they are in.

- Students will have the essential skills to succeed in the workplace.
- Students will have the essential skills to lead productive lives.
- Students will be provided remediation as needed.

The attached data reports reflect that the college is having positive outcomes on the three measures stated above. The data comes from the graduation survey, alumni survey and developmental reports.

Graduation survey reflects a valid percentage of 98.5% of graduates who believed that classroom experiences prepared them in the area of critical thinking.

The Alumni Survey confirmed several positive outcomes. First when asked if they had ever been employed full-time or part-time in their field of study Barton received a valid percent of 62.9%. Questioning if they are employed the responders reported a valid percentage of 75.7% were full-time and 15.7% part-time. Determining if Barton prepared them for employment in their field Barton received a valid percent of 81.2% of respondents were well or very well prepared. Another encouraging report was full-time annual earnings reporting a valid percent of 77.7% making \$20,000 or above.

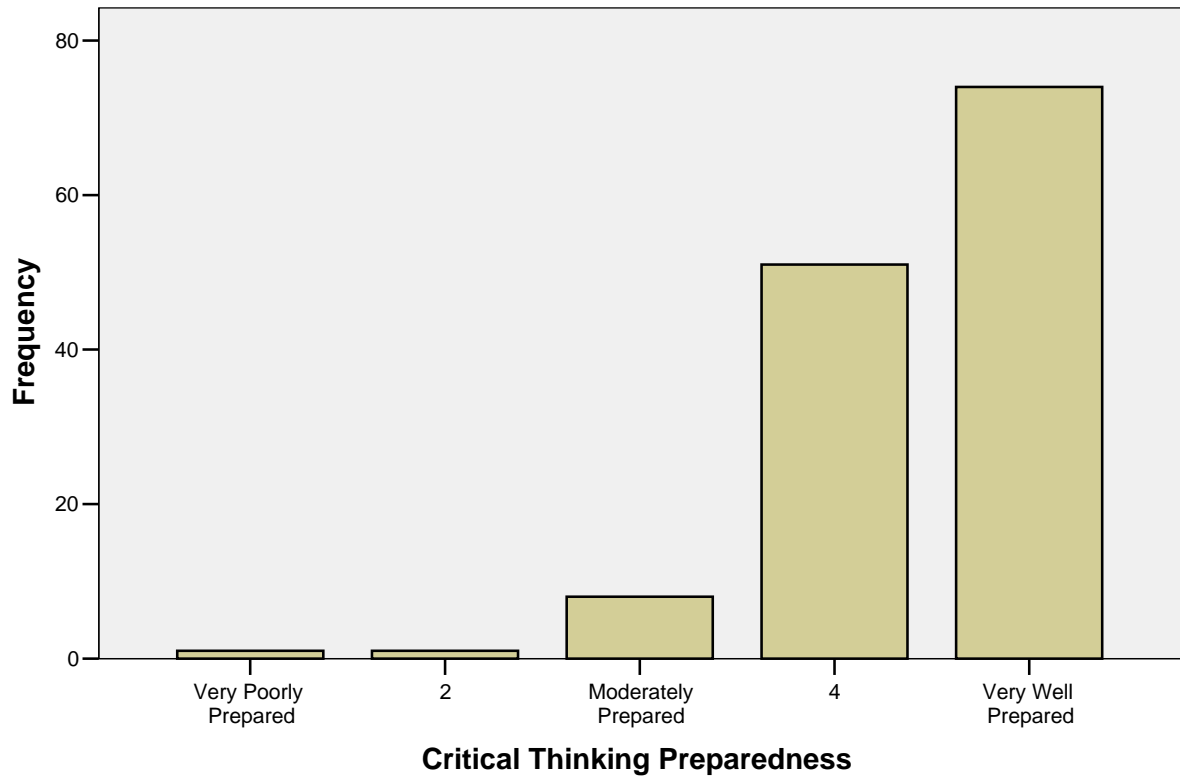
Assessment and Placement Report confirms that 76.8% of full-time students have assessment scores on file. Knowing that our Barton County Campus enrollment is usually around 1200 students then students off campus are taking advantage of the assessment opportunity. Those scores reflect that 51.3% of students tested developmental in at least one area and 59.8% of those students take advantage of developmental courses.

Developmental Pass Rates are another excellent demonstration of student success through remediation as 68% of Math, 76% of English and 64% of Reading students successfully complete their courses.

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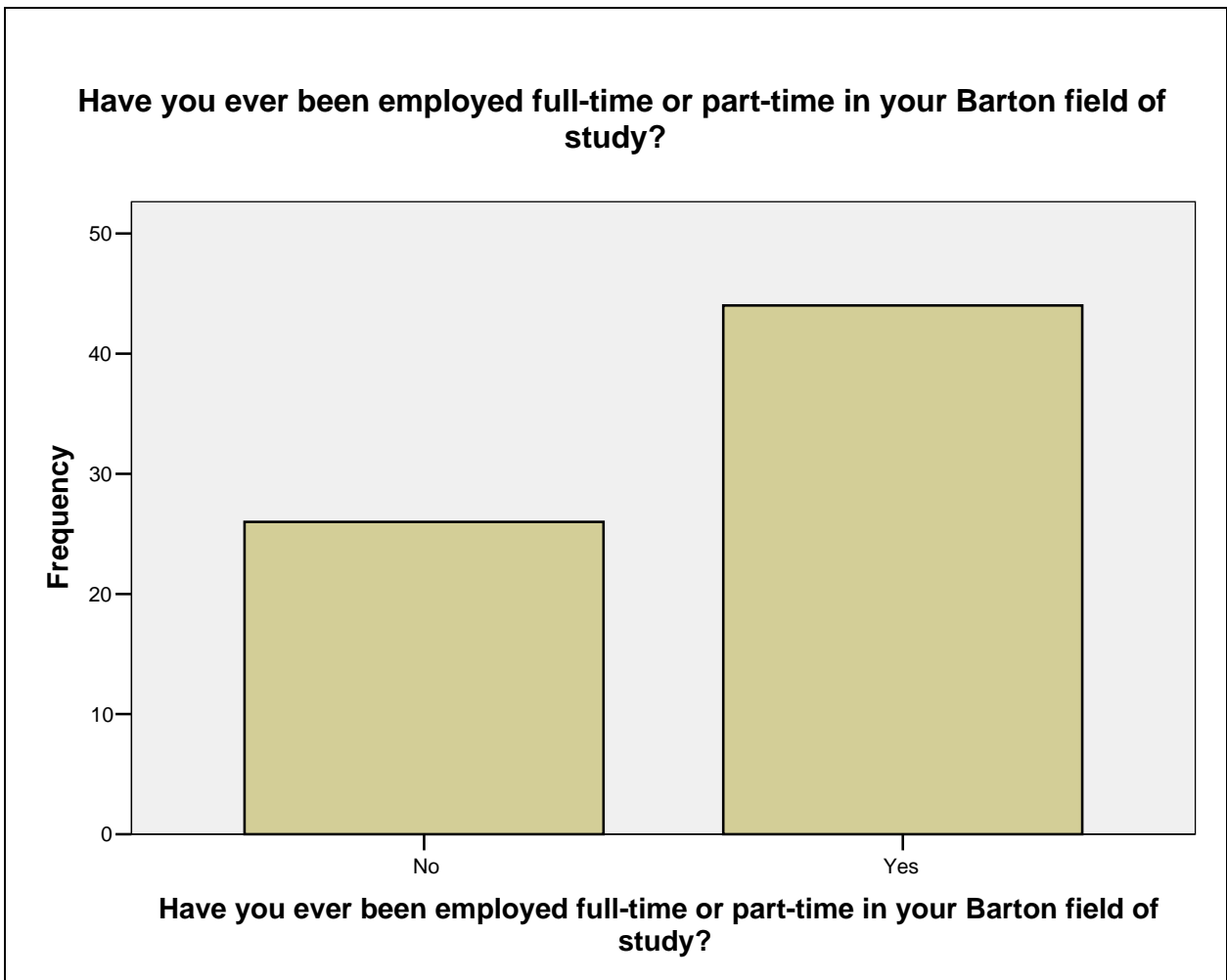
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very Poorly Prepared	1	.7	.7	.7
	2	1	.7	.7	1.5
	Moderately Prepared	8	5.4	5.9	7.4
	4	51	34.7	37.8	45.2
	Very Well Prepared	74	50.3	54.8	100.0
Total		135	91.8	100.0	
Missing	Does not apply to my Barton course work	9	6.1		
	System	3	2.0		
	Total	12	8.2		
Total		147	100.0		

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Have you ever been employed full-time or part-time in your Barton field of study?

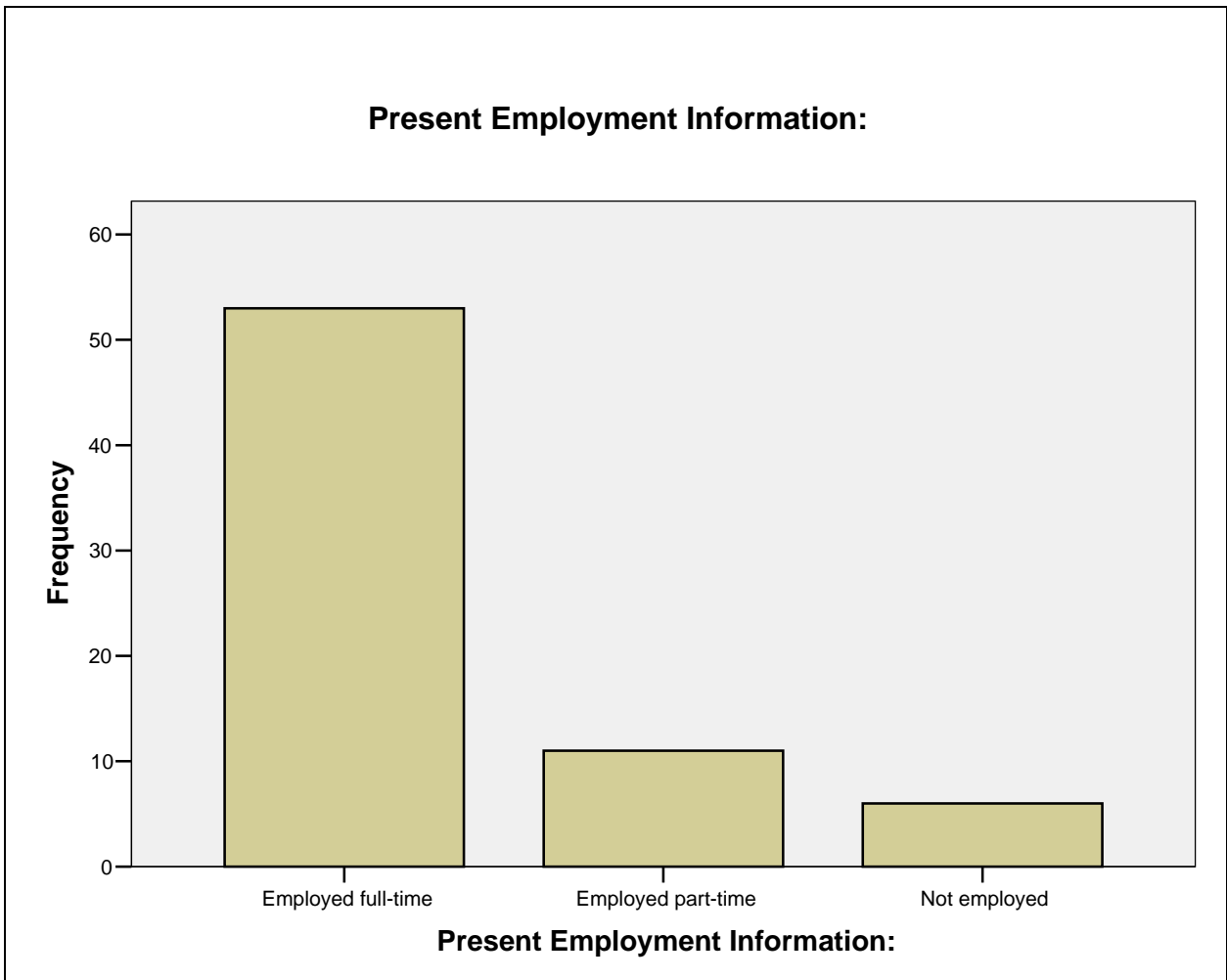
		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0 No	26	36.6	37.1	37.1
	1 Yes	44	62.0	62.9	100.0
	Total	70	98.6	100.0	
Missing	System	1	1.4		
Total		71	100.0		



Present Employment Information:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Employed full-time	53	74.6	75.7	75.7
	2 Employed part-time	11	15.5	15.7	91.4
	3 Not employed	6	8.5	8.6	100.0
	Total	70	98.6	100.0	
Missing	System	1	1.4		
Total		71	100.0		

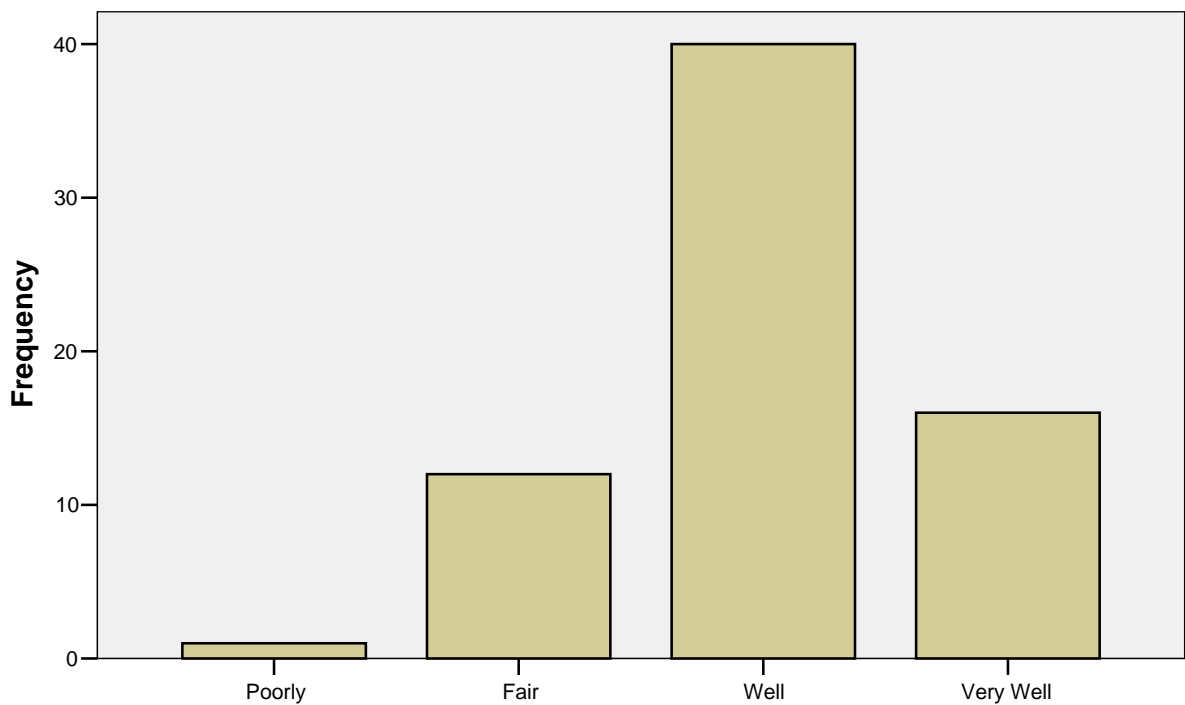
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		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	2 Poorly	1	1.4	1.4	1.4
	3 Fair	12	16.9	17.4	18.8
	4 Well	40	56.3	58.0	76.8
	5 Very Well	16	22.5	23.2	100.0
	Total	69	97.2	100.0	
Missing	System	2	2.8		
Total		71	100.0		

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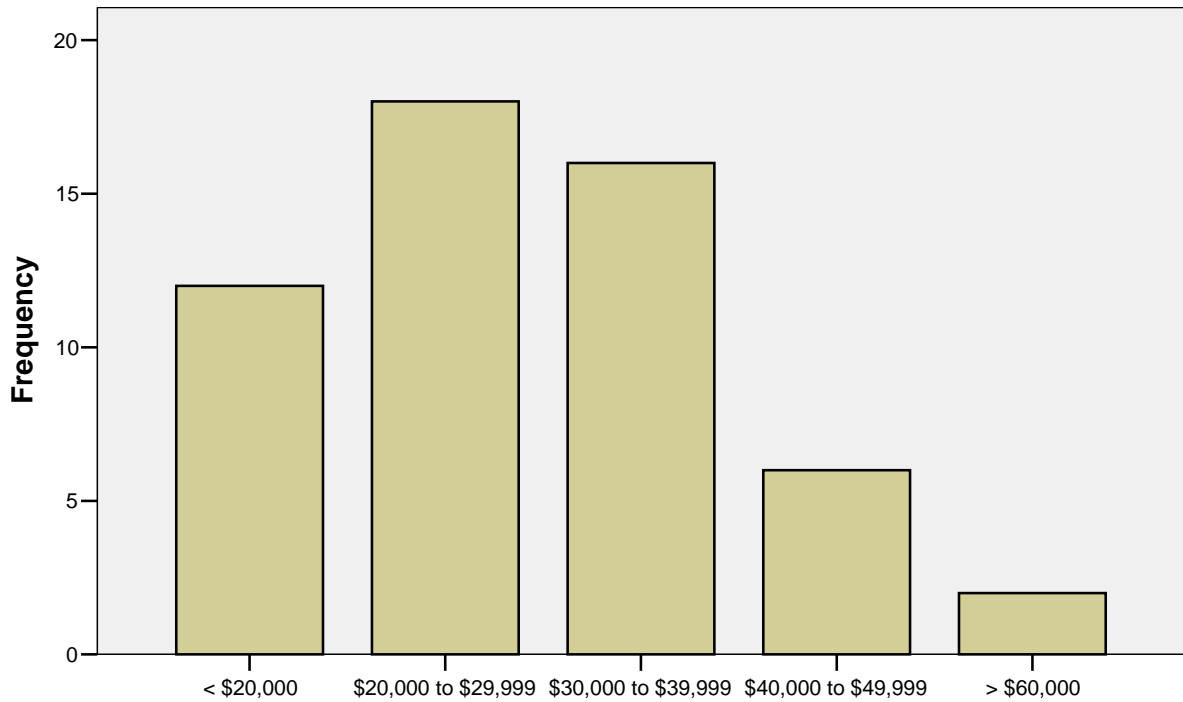


Generally, how well did Barton prepare you for employment in your field of study and/or for transfer?

If you currently are employed full-time, which of the following approximates your annual earnings?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 < \$20,000	12	16.9	22.2	22.2
	2 \$20,000 to \$29,999	18	25.4	33.3	55.6
	3 \$30,000 to \$39,999	16	22.5	29.6	85.2
	4 \$40,000 to \$49,999	6	8.5	11.1	96.3
	6 > \$60,000	2	2.8	3.7	100.0
	Total	54	76.1	100.0	
Missing	System	17	23.9		
Total		71	100.0		

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Assessment and Placement Report - Spring 2007

Student Grouping	Unique Headcount	Percentage of Previous Group
Students enrolled in Spring 2007	7,493	-
Students w/ assessment scores on file	1,977	26.4%
Students testing developmental in at least one area	1,014	51.3%
Students enrolled in a developmental course in Spring 2007 or prior	606	59.8%

Developmental Pass Rate Reports

Student Grouping	Math		English		Reading	
	Headcount	%	Headcount	%	Headcount	%
Students Enrolled in Courses	480	-	38	-	48	-
Students Withdrawing from Courses	56	12%	4	11%	3	6%
Students Successfully Completing Courses	289	68%	26	76%	29	64%

Notes:

Headcounts may be duplicated.

Successfully completing defined as earning a grade of C or higher.

Completion rate calculated as [# Successfully Completing/(Enrolled - Withdrawn)]

Definitions:

Frequency - # of times the response option was chosen

Percent - frequency/total

Valid percent - frequency/(total - missing answers)

Cumulative percent - summation of the valid percent by the response option