

2015-2016 Graduate Survey Comments

Number	Degree	Overall comments
1	Certificate of Achievement	I think that the instructors for the Industrial Millwright were very effective in their teaching. my only gripe from taking that class is that they need more updated equipment to work on, like the pumps and crusher etc. Overall I had a great experience at GBC and I am planning on finishing my Associates in the spring of 2018.
2	Certificate of Achievement	The Hands-On lab in Winnemucca is inadequate to prepare people for the real world. It is drastically too small and the allotted time to work in the lab and apply principles, as well as to figure out what you have learned or not, is inadequate. This is the weakness in the program that will show up in the field
3	Certificate of Achievement	Good, but I was already an Interpreter when I started. The Certificate does not have ANY contents at all related to what you're going to face on Court, (or in any other set for that matter), that content being Interpreting techniques (Simultaneous and Continuous Interpretation and Sight Translation). So the Diploma looks pretty on your resume, and that's all it does
4	Associate's Degree	I loved GBC, overall it is an amazing campus, has amazing instructors and staff, and is affordable!
5	Associate's Degree	Overall, I think my advisor and some instructors contributed a lot to my learning and college experience at GBC. However, in the beginning, I enrolled in the wrong classes due to misinformation from one of the counselors in Berg Hall. I feel that I could have saved a lot of time and money if advising had been correct from the very beginning. I believe that the college experience starts with the instructors, although I've had some amazing ones, there were some that made learning very difficult. However, I would not change my experience at GBC because of the amazing staff and faculty. Thank you all very much!
6	Associate's Degree	Love gbc!
7	Associate's Degree	Great experience overall
8	Associate's Degree	I wish I would have had a better knowledge of the degrees available and what related to the degree I wanted to get after GBC. I wish I would have known what classes would transfer and which ones didn't.
9	Associate's Degree	I enjoyed my time at GBC. Everyone I interacted with at GBC was helpful and nice. If I had problems I could talk to a staff member and they would help me through it. There was never a moment where I thought that GBC didn't care about me. I would recommend GBC to anyone looking to get an affordable education with staff that care about you.
10	Associate's Degree	I truly enjoyed getting my education and Great Basin College I wish I could have continued with my bachelor's program.
11	Associate's Degree	Considering they got rid of the Agricultural program at GBC breaks my heart. Without agriculture everyone would be hungry, naked and jobless... think about it. Upsets me that funding was cut.
12	Associate's Degree	Better communication between students and administrators/advisors/instructors/bookstore/etc.. Having things better prepared prior to the start of semesters. It'd be nice to have teachers and the bookstore on the same page as far as books went. I hate having all my books and being told the next day I got the wrong edition.

13	Associate's Degree	The classes I took were very informational and the instructors did a good job of explaining.
14	Associate's Degree	GBC is by far the best institution I have enrolled in. If GBC offered my major, I would have enrolled there and and not continued to UNR. I loved my time at GBC and feel it was the best choice I made regarding my education.
15	Associate's Degree	The ability to enroll in on-line classes is absurd. Having all on-line classes is a ridiculous notion.
16	Associate's Degree	Good undergrad school
17	Associate's Degree	There was one professor who went above and beyond to make sure that I was learning. He really took me under his wing, offering support even after I had finished his class. If anyone is reading this I would like to put out the utmost praise for George Sausman in the Pahump facility. He was the best professor, and overall best teacher I've ever had.
18	Associate's Degree	Dr. Freistroffer is an excellent advisor, he was a great help to me. Mr. Bagley as well.
19	Associate's Degree	Great institute
20	Associate's Degree	I work full time to support my family and took the Online classes that my degree offered and that was the only way I could have continued my education. The online classes and degrees were what brought me to GBC.
21	Bachelor's Degree	Unfortunately the advising that I received from the Advising Center at GBC in Elko was lacking; in fact it cost me two (2) years of my life. This was probably due to the fact that the hiring process and recruitment of these advisers is remedial at best, and not very comprehensive and based upon political ties or anatomical beauty rather than ability. Moreover, your math section of advising needs to be amplified. For one, the accuplacer is accurate but nobody works in number theory in high school so that portion of the test should not apply. Second, no one should have to waste a year and a half to get to college mathematics usually being forced into MATH 095 then 096 and finally into 126 or 152 (and classes which apply to college credits). Furthermore, the science and math departments need to stray away from Pearson for their classroom materials it's not very efficient. Secondly, the math and science departments need to take an educational course for creating assessments (EDU 406) because asking someone to describe a picture and not specify the how many characteristics or values they would like addressed and then grade according to their "own opinions" is paramount to the favoritism system. Also, if there are students in the CTE or MIT courses let them know, depending on their degree or certificate choice, the type of classes will be predetermined. For example, someone getting an associates in electrical engineering will only require MATH 116 and ENG 107, but a bachelor's degree in the same discipline will require ENG 101, 102, and MATH 126, 127, and probably 128. One more thing that has been a deteriorating affect upon Great Basin College is the push for online courses. First, the type of graduates who have had the majority of their classes online, more likely than not, do not possess the type of skills associated with individuals who took live classes. One reason is because they are not learning how to public speak efficiently, and how to argue intelligently and academically. And NO the online discussion boards do not substitute in this regard. Secondly, those graduates are also making

22	Bachelor's Degree	Very grateful to have attended GBC. I would encourage to expand a masters program.
23	Bachelor's Degree	You need to teach with the objective to graduate students that will have a good foundation in their fields of study, that will be able to compete with an edge. Don't focus on simply graduating students. Make it their time's worth. Those that will eventually graduate will appreciate it and those that stumble will be motivated to push themselves.
24	Bachelor's Degree	I wasn't aware that career advising was available. Perhaps the academic advisors could promote it when meeting with students?
25	Bachelor's Degree	The rating for advisor is a lot skewed. When I first started my education, my advisor was Thomas Matula, who had not a single clue who I was for the 3 of 5 years I took to get it. I self-advised because he was absent and unavailable and just not a nice person. When he left I was assigned to Stephen Theriault who was the EXACT opposite. He made a point of seeking everyone out in order to advise and he is still advising me through my Master's program. Professor Theriault has been invaluable to my education and a great benefit to GBC in all areas.
26	Bachelor's Degree	It is a very good school for the tech programs.
27	Bachelor's Degree	GBC is an excellent college! Even as an online student, I never felt like I was an afterthought to the professors and their curriculum was well thought out and implemented. I'm currently attending another state college through an online program and they are far below GBC in their setup and implementation and are not nearly as well organized as GBC. I never had issues getting assistance from the admissions office, registrar, or instructors/professors at Great Basin. It was a wonderful experience and I highly recommend GBC to anyone I know (and even those I don't!) when I hear of a need for college classes.