



*Long Term Impact of Multiple Undergraduate Service Options on Alumni  
Survey*

1. Alvernia degree (Mark all that apply)

- AS
- BA Major \_\_\_\_\_
- BS Major \_\_\_\_\_
- BSN
- Masters
- Ph.D.
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. Year of Graduation (s) \_\_\_\_\_ Campus attended: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Did you fulfill any of the following requirements? (Mark all that apply)

- Fieldwork
- Practicum/ Clinical Practicum
- Internship
- Student Teaching
- Human Service (40 hours of community service)
- Service learning credit
- Service Trip
- Student club activities
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

4. Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the highest degree, or level of school, you have completed?

- Associate's degree
- Bachelor's degree
- Master's degree
- Ph.D., M.D., or other professional degree
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

6. IF NOT CURRENTLY IN SCHOOL FULL-TIME: When was the last time you were in school fulltime? \_\_\_\_\_ (YEAR)



7.

How do you spend your time now?	Please mark all that apply	What else have you been doing in the last 12 months?
	Working full-time. Since: _____	
	Working part-time. Since _____ Hours/week: _____	
	Looking for work. Since: _____	
	Enlisted in military service. Since: _____	
	Enlisted in National Guard/Reserve full-time. Since: _____	
	Enlisted in National Guard/Reserve part time. Since: _____	
	Participating in national service or volunteer work (i.e., Peace Corps, faith-based volunteer service, etc.), full-time. Since: _____	
	Participating in national service or volunteer work (i.e., Peace Corps, faith-based volunteer service, etc.), part-time. Since: _____	
	Attending school full-time:	
	Attending school part-time:	
	Taking care of my children/parents at home full-time. Since: _____	
	Taking care of my children/parents at home part-time. Since: _____	
	Retired. Since: _____	
	Dealing with personal health problems. Since: _____	
	Other (SPECIFY) _____	

7a. IF WORKING FULL- OR PART-TIME IN Question7: Mark all that apply.

- Self-employed. In the:       For-profit sector                       Non-profit sector
- Private sector. In the:       For-profit sector                       Non-profit sector
- Government/public sector
- If Government/public sector: In the:
  - Federal government
  - State government
  - Local government
  - International government



We are interested in volunteer activities, that is, activities for which people are not paid, except perhaps expenses. We only want you to include volunteer activities that you did through or for an organization, even if you only did them once in a while.

8. In the last 12 months, have you done any volunteer activities through or for an organization?

- Yes (GO TO Question 10)  No (GO TO Question 9)

9. a. IF NO: Sometimes people don't think of activities they do infrequently or activities they do for children's schools or youth organizations as volunteer activities. In the last 12 months have you done any of these types of volunteer activities?

- Yes (GO TO Question 10)  No

b. IF NO: Sometimes people don't think of activities they do through religious organizations as volunteer activities. In the last 12 months have you done any of this type of volunteer activity?

- Yes (GO TO Question 10)  No

IF you answered NO to volunteering in past 12 months, including for school or religious purposes, we often find that a lot of people were not able to volunteer because they did not know how to get involved, or they were sick, or they just didn't have the time.

c. What single most important reason best describes why you haven't performed volunteer service in the last 12 months?

- |                                                                                 |                                                                                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> My past volunteering experience                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal schedule too full                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unable to honor volunteer commitment                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Health problems, physically unable                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No interest                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Took a second job/ need to work more hours               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> My age                                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't have necessary skills                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't have transportation                              | <input type="checkbox"/> People should be paid for their work                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know how to become involved                      | <input type="checkbox"/> No one I know personally asked me                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No organization contacted me and asked me to volunteer | <input type="checkbox"/> Gave money to organizations instead of volunteering time |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I've volunteered enough in the past                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (SPECIFY) _____                                    |

d. IF NO VOLUNTEERING IN PAST 12 MONTHS, including for school or religious purposes: Were you asked to volunteer?

- Yes, I was asked to volunteer. Who asked you to become a volunteer for this organization?
- Friend
  - Relative
  - Co-worker
  - Someone in the organization/school
  - Boss or employer
  - Someone else (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- No, I was not asked to volunteer



10. If YES to Question 8, how many different organizations have you volunteered for in the last 12 months?

- 1     2     3     4     5     6     7     More than 7

a. What is the organization you volunteer for the most?

- |                                                                          |                                                                              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Religious organization                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's education, sports, or recreational group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social and community service group              | <input type="checkbox"/> Other educational group                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civic organization                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural or arts organization                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental or animal care organization       | <input type="checkbox"/> Health research or health education organization    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital clinic or healthcare organization      | <input type="checkbox"/> Immigrant/refugee assistance                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International organization                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor union, business or professional organization  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political party or advocacy group               | <input type="checkbox"/> Public safety organization                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports or hobby group                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth services organization                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Some other type of organization (specify) _____ |                                                                              |

b. During how many weeks in the last 12 months did you do volunteer activities for the organization marked above? # weeks \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours did you do volunteer activities for the organization marked above in the last 12 months? # hours \_\_\_\_\_

If you volunteer regularly, how many hours per week did you do volunteer activities?  
# hours/ week \_\_\_\_\_

c. Think of the organization that you volunteered the most. How did you first become a volunteer for it?

- Approached the organization
- Was asked. Who asked you to become a volunteer for this organization?
  - Friend
  - Relative
  - Co-worker
  - Someone in the organization/school
  - Boss or employer
  - Someone else (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- Some other way. Please describe how you became involved with this organization.
  - Family member's involvement in the organization
  - Friend's, co-worker's, or roommate's involvement in the organization
  - Own involvement in organization/school
  - Public housing requirement
  - Court-ordered community service
  - Referred to by volunteer organization
  - Responded to public appeal in newspaper/radio/TV/flyer/Internet
  - Alvernia requirement
  - Other school requirement
  - Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_



d. Did you do most of the volunteer activities in...

<b>Berks Co.</b>	<b>Philly</b>	<b>Schuylkill</b>	<b>Somewhere else</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, for all of the volunteer activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, for most of the volunteer activities
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, for some of the volunteer activities

e. What group(s) particularly benefited from your services? \_\_\_\_\_

f. In the last 12 months did you participate or lead the following activity:

<b>Participant</b>	<b>Leader</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Coach, referee, or supervise sports teams
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tutor or teach (includes reading to children or adults, assisting teachers, helping with homework or school projects)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mentor youth (includes being a Boy Scout/Girl Scout Leader, Big Brother/Big Sister, or engaging in other mentoring activities)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Usher, greeter, or minister (includes showing people to their seats, giving directions, handing out programs and other materials)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Collect, prepare, distribute, or serve food (includes serving meals in shelters, packaging meals for distribution)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Collect, make or distribute clothing, crafts, goods other than food (includes gathering clothes for a clothing drive, producing handmade items such as quilts, collecting furniture)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fundraise or sell items to raise money (includes manning concession booths, working in thrift stores, or at events for which the purpose is to raise money)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide counseling, medical care, fire/EMS, or protective services
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide general office services (includes clerical, administrative activities, running errands, manning information booths)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide professional or management assistance including serving on a board or committee (DOES NOT INCLUDE MEDICAL OR EMERGENCY CARE BUT INCLUDES PROVIDING LEGAL, COMPUTER, OR ACCOUNTING SERVICES)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engage in music, performance, or other artistic activities (includes choir, musical, dance, theatrical performances, fine arts)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engage in general labor; supply transportation for people (includes building, repairing, or cleaning indoors or outdoors, driving school teams to games or practices, driving people to a political rally)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (SPECIFY) (includes campaigning, registering people to vote, political activities, and any other activities which do not belong in one of the above categories)_____

g. Which of the activities that you performed did you spend the most time doing last year?

\_\_\_\_\_



11. Are you satisfied with the amount of volunteering you did in the last 12 months?

- Yes (GO TO Question 12)  No

IF NO: What single most important reason best describes why you haven't performed more volunteer service in the last 12 months?

- |                                                                                 |                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal schedule too full                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Unable to honor volunteer commitment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Health problems, physically unable                     | <input type="checkbox"/> No interest                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Took a second job/ need to work more hours             | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know how to become involved    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I already volunteer as much as I can                   | <input type="checkbox"/> My age                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don't have necessary skills                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't have transportation            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People should be paid for their work                   | <input type="checkbox"/> No one I know personally asked me    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> My past volunteering experience                        | <input type="checkbox"/> I've volunteered enough in the past  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> No organization contacted me and asked me to volunteer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (SPECIFY) _____                |

12. How likely is it that you will volunteer in the future? Would you say you will...

- Definitely be involved in volunteer activities  
 Probably be involved in volunteer activities  
 Probably not be involved in volunteer activities

13. In the last 12 months, have ...

**Yes**    **No**

- |                          |                          |                                                                                                                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | you asked your friends, parents, children, or other family members to volunteer with you in any activities?        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | your friends, parents, children, or other family members volunteered with you in any activities because you asked? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | you attended any public meeting in which there was discussion of community affairs?<br>How many times _____        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | you worked with other people in your neighborhood to fix or improve something?<br>How many times _____             |

Think about any organizations you have made a donation to in the last 12 months.

- Charitable organizations include religious or non-profit organizations that help those in need or that serve and support the public interests.
- They range in size from national organizations like the United Way and the American Red Cross down to local community organizations.
- They serve a variety of purposes such as religious activity, helping people in need, health care and medical research, education arts, environment, and international aid.
- Donations include any gifts of money, assets, or property made directly to the organizations, through payroll deduction, or collected by other means on behalf of the charity.



14. In the last 12 months, did you or anyone in your family donate money, assets, or property with a combined value of more than \$25 to religious or charitable organization?

- YES  NO (GO TO Question 15)

IF YES to Question 14: Note that some organizations address multiple issues. Please choose only one organization for each donation you made. MARK ALL THAT APPLY.

- |                                                                                 |                                                                              |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> College or institution for higher learning             | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious organizations/ purposes                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospital, clinic, healthcare organization,             | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical research organizations                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's education, sports, or recreational group    | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth and family services                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts, culture, and ethnic awareness                    | <input type="checkbox"/> International aid or world peace                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental, conservation, or wildlife conservation  | <input type="checkbox"/> Labor union, business, or professional organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Political party, political candidate or advocacy group | <input type="checkbox"/> Public safety organization                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social organization                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Disaster relief                                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____                                  |                                                                              |

15. Did you donate any of the following items to a charity or non-profit organization for national or international disaster in the past 12 months?

- |                                                                    |                                                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Money                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Blood                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Time                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothing, food, water or similar supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> Your professional skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other contribution (SPECIFY) _____        |                                                   |

16. Are you currently registered to vote?  Yes  No

17. Did you vote in last November elections  Yes  No  
Presidential elections  Yes (GO TO Question 18)  No

IF NO: In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, or they were sick, or they just didn't have the time.

Which of the following statements best describe why you did not vote in the last November or Presidential elections? (MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- |                                                                                      |                                                              |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not registered (although 18 years or older)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> I thought about voting, but didn't  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Out of country/state                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> I was new to the area/ I just moved |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elections don't affect me                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Feel vote won't make a difference   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inconvenient                                                | <input type="checkbox"/> My party was not represented        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Not interested in participating in state or local elections | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (SPECIFY) _____               |



18.

In the last 12 months, how often did you ...	Never	Not Very Often	Some times	Very Often	Always
a. participate in events in your community (i.e., meetings, celebrations, or activities)					
b. join organizations that support issues important to you.					
c. write or e-mail newspapers or organizations to voice your views on an issue.					
f. keep informed about local or national news					
g. express your opinions using the Internet					
h. express your opinions through radio calling					
j. contact a government official to express your opinion on a local or national issue					
k. work as a volunteer for a political party or candidate running for national, state, or local office					

19.

If working, to what extent do your current regular job allows you to ...	Never	Not Very Often	Some times	Very Often	Always
a. work to correct social and economic inequalities					
b. work with other people as part of a team					
c. provide direct service to people					
d. make a difference in the community					

20.

How satisfied are you with ...	Not at all satisfied	Not too satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Very satisfied
a. work or career overall				
b. personal financial situation				
c. physical health				
d. personal relationships with family and friends				
e. religious or spiritual life				
f. leisure activities				

21.

How much do you feel you know about problems facing the community such as ...?	Know nothing				Know a great deal
	1	2	3	4	5
a. the environment					
b. public health issues					
c. literacy					
d. crime					
e. lack of civic involvement					



22.

How hard would be for you to ...	I would not be able to get this done	I might be able to get this done	I would be able to get this done
a. get the local government to fix a pothole in my street.			
b. get the local government to build an addition to the community center.			
c. organize an event to benefit a charity or religious organization.			
d. get an issue on the ballot for a statewide election. (Assume your state allows this.)			
e. start an after-school program for children whose parents work.			
f. organize an annual cleanup program for the local park.			

23.

How important do you feel it is to ...	Not important	Somewhat important	Very important
a. work to correct social and economic inequalities			
b. have a job that involves working with other people as part of a team			
c. work in a job where you are of direct service to people			
d. make a difference in the community			
e. serve on a jury if called.			
f. report a crime that you may have witnessed.			
g. participate in neighborhood organizations (school, religious, community, recreational organizations).			
h. vote in elections.			
i. keep informed about news and public issues.			
j. help to keep the neighborhood safe			
k. help to keep the neighborhood clean and beautiful			
l. help those who are less fortunate			



24.

How much do you agree that	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
<b>your Alvernia academic experience had an influence on</b>					
a. your commitment to volunteer service					
b. your personal and family life					
c. your interest in current events and issues					
d. exposure to new career options					
e. your career choice					
f. placing you at an advantage to find a job					
g. connections that helped you get a job					
h. changes in priorities in what you wanted in a job					
<b>your Alvernia service experience had an influence on</b>					
i. your commitment to volunteer service					
j. your personal and family life					
k. your interest in current events and issues					
l. exposure to new career options					
m. your career choice					
n. placing you at an advantage to find a job					
o. connections that helped you get a job					
p. changes in priorities in what you wanted in a job					
<b>your Alvernia social experience had an influence on</b>					
q. your commitment to volunteer service					
r. your personal and family life					
s. your interest in current events and issues					
t. exposure to new career options					
u. your career choice					
v. placing you at an advantage to find a job					
w. connections that helped you get a job					
x. changes in priorities in what you wanted in a job					

If your priorities in what you wanted in a job changed, how did they change?

- I wanted financial security
- I decided to devote my career to a cause/issue
- I realized I could be more effective in making change by doing a different kind of work.
- I decided I wasn't interested in the career I thought I wanted
- I became more realistic about my career choices



25.

In the last 12 months, how much do you agree that you	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
a. felt that you made a contribution to the community.					
b. re-examined your beliefs and attitudes about yourself.					
c. were exposed to new ideas and ways of seeing the world.					
d. felt like part of a community.					
e. learned more about the “real” world.					
f. felt you made a difference in the life of at least one person.					
g. did things you never thought you could do.					
h. changed some of your beliefs and attitudes					
i. had a strong attachment to your community					
j. often discussed and thought about how larger political and social issues affect your community.					
k. were aware of what can be done to meet the important needs in your community.					
l. felt you have the ability to make a difference in your community.					
m. tried to find the time or a way to make a positive difference in your community.					

26. Did you do any of the following things when you were younger?

- Saw someone in your family help others
- Personally saw someone you admire (not a family member) helping others

27. Before you came to Alvernia, had you ever participated in voluntary community service or a volunteer activity?

- YES
- NO

28. Did you ever get a job as a result of the volunteer services required by Alvernia?

- YES
- NO

29. Rate your service experience at Alvernia (circle one):: **Very good, Good, Neutral, Poor, Very poor**

30. Has the country’s economic situation affected your service activities?  YES  NO

31. What is your date of birth? Month \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_



32. What is your current marital status?

- Single, never married     Married     Separated  
 Widowed     Divorced     In a committed long-term relationship

33. Do you have any children?     YES     NO

IF YES: How many children do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

IF YES: What are the ages of your children? \_\_\_\_\_

34. How many years have you lived in your present community?

- Less than 1 year     1 to 2 years     3 to 4 years     5 or more years

Do you live in \_\_\_\_\_ Berks    \_\_\_\_\_ Philadelphia    \_\_\_\_\_ Schuylkill    \_\_\_\_\_ Elsewhere

35. What is your race? Are you: (MARK ALL THAT APPLY.)

- American Indian or Alaskan Native     Asian  
 Black or African American     Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
 White     Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

36. What is your gender?     Male     Female

37. Which of the following best represents the total annual income in 2009 for you and your family before taxes. Please include wages, salaries, interest, dividends, social security, and other forms of income. (MARK ONE.)

**Your own 2009 income** (before taxes)

- Under \$5,000  
 \$5,000 – less than \$20,000  
 \$20,000 – less than \$35,000  
 \$35,000 – less than \$50,000  
 \$50,000 – less than \$65,000  
 \$65,000 – less than \$80,000  
 \$80,000 – less than \$100,000  
 \$100,000 or more  
 Don't Know

**Total for the family** in your household (before taxes)

- Under \$5,000  
 \$5,000 – less than \$20,000  
 \$20,000 – less than \$35,000  
 \$35,000 – less than \$50,000  
 \$50,000 – less than \$65,000  
 \$65,000 – less than \$80,000  
 \$80,000 – less than \$100,000  
 \$100,000 or more  
 Don't Know

38. Is there anything you want us to know about service at Alvernia that we have not asked?

**Thank you very much for your time in answering this survey. We really appreciated!**