

VICE-PRESIDENT ACADEMIC AND PROVOST AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESS STUDY 2003 (Institutional Planning & Analysis)

FROM REPORT TO BOARD ON OPERATIONS

Where do you want to see your tuition fees spent?		
Student financial assistance	79	24.6%
Hire more faculty/reduce class sizes	67	20.9%
Curriculum improvements	56	17.4%
More sections	48	15.0%
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UVic: 19%

Provincial Average: 21%

Amount left to be repaid

UVic: \$13,000

Provincial Average: \$10,000

5 years after graduation (2001 Survey of 1996 Grads)

Percent who incurred debt

UVic: 55%

Provincial Average: 47%

Median Debt upon graduation

UVic: \$17,000

Provincial Average: \$15,000

Percent who have repaid all debt

UVic: 34%

Provincial Average: 39%

Amount left to be repaid

UVic: \$5,000

Provincial Average: \$3,600

Conclusions

These studies taken together confirm the results of many other studies, most recently "The Price of Knowledge," that students who access postsecondary education tend to be from a higher socioeconomic group and there is a trend toward continuing higher bifurcation by socioeconomic status (SES) of those who attain postsecondary education. However, this phenomenon cannot be attributed to tuition increases or even more ge