

Student Follow-Up Study

Spring 2009

2007-08 Students: *One Year Later*

Comments

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Please comment, both positively and negatively, about Lane's programs, services, teaching, or any other area that you want to discuss.

An overwhelming majority of respondents felt Lane was doing a good job. Comments are grouped as follows: positive experience, quality, jobs, instructors, personal success, services, class size and suggestions.

Positive Experience

- * *I really liked Lane. I recommended it to a lot of people. I am proud of having gone to Lane's nursing school.*
- * *It was incredibly positive and I think it is a wonderful community for people to explore academia in and to discover what they are interested in.*
- * *I had a very positive experience at Lane and hope to be fortunate enough to return in the future for higher learning.*
- * *I went to Lane because I wanted to explore a little because I didn't know what area I wanted to study and at Lane I could take my time.*
- * *My overall experience at Lane has been very positive. I have earned two AA degrees here and spent four years doing it. I enjoy the small class sizes and the availability teachers have for individual student. Lane has prepared me well for OSU.*
- * *Overall it was the best education experience I have had. I would do it again and I would recommend it to anybody.*
- * *I enjoyed it immensely. The best thing is that Lane is staying with the state of the art so it makes it that much better.*
- * *I always recommend it to my friends. I liked the teachers and the classes.*
- * *We were encouraged to work together as a team. Study together help each other and graduate as a group. This was new to me.*
- * *I have nothing negative to say. If it were at all possible to complete my degree at LCC, I would have.*
- * *The over all core classes for general education were wonderful. The experience Lane provided is far richer to me now that I have seen and experienced a 4-year university!!*
- * *Lane is a great campus community.*
- * *My experience at Lane was both positive and valuable. Lane displayed a genuine interest in the students' concern. Thank you.*
- * *Generally, it is a good environment to learn in. The instructors mostly were helpful, and eager to teach; their methods were effective and positive. I enjoyed the classes. Thank you.*
- * *It was a good experience overall. I am glad that I did it. It was a good transition back into school for me and I am glad it is available for people.*
- * *Great staff, diverse students, high quality courses, great cafeteria area.*

Quality

- * *Instructors are extremely attentive to student needs (based on my experience). The RN program was more than sufficient to prepare us for the real RN world. I was impressed with the faculty, wish we had more \$ for better supplies regarding training with IV's, etc. I felt our curriculum paralleled that of a BSN program (meeting and working with BSN's, I found that I had more experience with skills).*
- * *Other than to say I really enjoyed my experience there, I thought I was lucky to get the quality of education I received and felt that I was totally supported in my endeavors.*
- * *I LOVED my educational experience at LCC - it stretched me beyond what I thought I could accomplish. I appreciated all the different teaching styles (those hard-assed (sorry) that made you really work hard for a good grade and those that you loved so much that you worked extra hard). I honestly felt all teachers were interested in my success. My only negative is the shortage of computer labs and accounting tutors.*
- * *I felt like I got a pretty good education there for the basics. It was good for general education requirements but you can't get very far in exploring a specific area. It would be nice if they had 300 level courses.*
- * *I think the learning environment at Lane is great - I appreciated the Math tutors at the MRC, and all the quiet areas which made studying nice. I totally loved the music program and all the music teachers. If anything, I thought many of the students were unappreciative of the wonderful instruction they were provided with through the teachers. Three cheers and one more for the Lane Music Department!!!!*
- * *It was excellent. I definitely got my money's worth. The instructors all knew what they were talking about and there was no stumbling through. It was very challenging.*

Jobs

- * *I'm good to go. I got my job and it's working for me.*
- * *The facilities were great. The education was really well-rounded and completely prepared me for the job I am doing. The teachers were excellent.*
- * *I just think it was a great experience and I got a great education. I had to work hard to get a job. I had to learn on the job. We use Dentrax in my office.*
- * *School was great. It doesn't seem to be helping get a job yet though.*
- * *Negative experience was re-testing into Math and having to stay there an extra year because of that. Lane really helped me get my current job and I just started my first term at the U of O - which was my main reason for attending Lane.*
- * *I enjoyed my experience there and I may be coming back. I am going to get a second language. I think a second language should be required. I didn't take one and I think that knowledge would have helped me in my job search.*

Instructors

- * *I would have loved to have finished my degree at Lane rather than [my current four-year institution]. There is a much more comfortable environment. The teachers are friendlier and much more approachable.*
- * *I just enjoyed going there. Most of the professors were willing to take the time to help me out so I could really learn.*
- * *I liked the personal attention from teachers who clearly cared about how well I did in their classes.*
- * *I had some amazing teachers at LCC and it is a great school. I recommend it to anyone!!*
- * *I have nothing negative to say about LCC. I had such a wonderful experience there and miss the campus a lot. I was there for two years and every class stayed true to the course description and was taught creatively. Every instructor was knowledgeable about the subject and interested in what they taught.*
- * *Everything was excellent, above and beyond, especially the hands on experience and the extra time professors took out of their day, specifically in the diesel room.*
- * *I think the top 2 things I loved about Lane were the instructors and the campus itself. The buildings and landscaping are beautiful and peaceful. The instructors that I had were all wonderful and very helpful (except a Writing 121 instructor - he was just a little too intense). They made my time at Lane both enjoyable and productive.*
- * *I loved the program, the instructors were great and I wish that it would be the same experience at a 4-year college.*
- * *In general, the teachers at Lane are phenomenal. This is especially true for the science and dance departments I also valued the teachers in the writing and communication departments.*

Personal Success

- * *I have nothing but the best to say about Lane. I have encouraged other students to go to Lane. I think it is important to know what you want to do and get some basic life skills before going off to a four year school. One speech class really helped me get*
- * *It was life-altering actually. I gained a lot of confidence and skills that I hadn't realized I was quite capable of when I first started.*
- * *I think it was an excellent transfer from high school to a college situation especially when you're not exactly sure what you want to do. It is a great way to figure out what you want to do without having to spend a whole bunch of money.*
- * *My experience helped me gain my self-confidence. It helped me out of a real bad position in my life. It helped my attitude and how I felt about myself.*
- * *Introduction to assertive behavior should be required. You learn more about your needs and how to express yourself and speak respectfully to other people.*
- * *I miss being there. I loved the program. I loved my class and I loved the instructors. It was one of the happiest years of my life.*

Services

- * *Women in Transition was the most amazing program that I have ever experienced. It should be a prerequisite for every woman coming into college.*
- * *I found everything at Lane to be supportive. I miss being there. The instructors of Spanish and the charlas that were available were invaluable to my learning. The math tutors were great. Also, enrollment services, academic services, career and employment services were valuable to me at the time.*
- * *Academic advisors very available. Instructors helpful and available as well as knowledgeable. Difficult to get into certain classes (TE - A&P). Lack of staff in Students First available to help students - long wait time.*
- * *I thought that their computer labs were top notch. Their hours were cut toward the end there, but that was understandable with the budget cuts.*
- * *Lane is a good school! I'm glad I went. A lot of the problems at Lane was old equipment or overheads that didn't work very well. And there always seemed to be a white board marker shortage. Having classes out in the trailers was also not all that great and I had multiple classes out there. Buildings should be put out there instead of those. The library was an okay place to be but for studying or anything of that sort there were not too many comfortable spaces. The little lounges were always full and it felt sometimes that there was no place that was truly quiet and comfortable to study. My favorite lab was the Science lab - they had the nicest people and a comfortable environment. Having healthier/less expensive options for food would be nice. Because once you're at Lane there is no leaving for lunch. Especially if you take the bus (as I did) this made lunch expensive and inconvenient. Maybe have a less expensive daily special. I found if I only had a couple or few dollars for lunch, I was pretty much out of luck. The business/education counselor was wonderful! I saw her all the time - good communication and worth waiting in line to talk to.*
- * *Excellent tutor facilities, SRC, MRC and English writing help! Amazing people!*
- * *The Math and Science Resource Centers are invaluable. Having tutors available for help is wonderful. Faculty are knowledgeable, patient and kind. I had an overall great experience attaining my AAOT. In the Nursing program, the faculty again are wonderful. However, the space, ancient equipment, and some of the guidance counselors to get into the program need some updating.*
- * *Overall I was pleased with my experience despite a few frustrations. The disabilities office was very helpful in lending a hand of assistance, so to speak, so I could graduate quickly due to my personal struggles. Thank you for helping me to achieve something after all my years of attending college part-time - right before I turned 30 and right after the birth of my 1st child.*

Class Size

- * I was really happy with my experience at Lane. I dropped out of school and Lane was so helpful at getting me comfortable and helping me figure out how to be in school again. The one on the teachers was fabulous. They were understanding and helpful.*
- * I really liked the small classrooms and the attention the teachers gave to the students. You knew that they cared. It was excellent.*
- * I loved being in small intimate classes where I had a personal relationship with each teacher. The worst thing I can think of was trying to find a parking space.*
- * Good class sizes.*
- * It was a good experience; I liked the small class sizes and the fact that they have a lot of different kinds of classes being offered.*
- * I think it's a great place. It's more nurturing and supportive because it's smaller and they make the effort to keep it that way.*

Suggestions

- * My overall experience was good. I would suggest that there were night classes and an educated helper for lab classes in the diesel tech program. I also think graduates should have access to tech info through the library repair manuals for life.*
- * Transportation was difficult - like the fact that I had to go out there to get the bus pass, instead of having it come in the mail. They could do better with the food options up there.*
- * I wish they had more room to accept more students in some of the programs.*
- * More student spirit. U of O and OSU develops school spirit that you feel. I never noticed that at Lane. Educational wise Lane is great.*
- * Great teachers. Need more programs (multimedia) etc. Great having student health access on campus. The bathrooms need attention in Center building. Always a mess. I was very comfortable at Lane, loved every minute! I will be back for 2 years of Spanish starting Fall 2009. I believe ASL (American sign language) would have helped out a lot in the social work/human service field. I plan on working in Alaska not too many Spanish up there but I'm not interested in learning French either.*
- * I am used to Navy schools and Lane is a little soft on their students. They need to be tougher. It's a tough world and they need to get that across.*
- * There should be linguistics classes at Lane.*
- * More on line classes. It helps a lot of people in the community. I wish they had more weekend or night classes.*