## Survey of Faculty Interaction with Undergraduate Students

The Research and Evaluation Committee of the West Campus Council is conducting a survey of Cornell faculty members. The purpose of the survey is to obtain a picture of the nature and frequency of faculty members' out-of-class interactions with undergraduate students, the factors that support or inhibit these interactions, and the impacts of these interactions for faculty members. Out-of-class interactions may encompass a wide range of activities such as academic advising, supervising independent study, working with student clubs or organizations, and dining or attending extracurricular events with undergraduate students.

Several of our questions ask about your interactions with **undergraduate** students during the **2003 Fall Term**. However, even if you were not teaching or were not on campus last semester, we are still interested in your responses.

Survey results will only be reported in the aggregate. Your individual responses will remain confidential. The survey typically takes 10 to 15 minutes to complete. While we encourage you to complete the entire survey, you may skip any questions you do not wish to answer.

## 1) In which of the following roles have you been involved with undergraduate students at Cornell? Mark all roles that apply.

Role	Have never been involved	Involved in 2003 Fall Term	Involved prior to but not during 2003 Fall Term
Faculty Advisor	0	0	0
Advise or supervise undergraduate students working on faculty research project	0	0	0
Advise or supervise undergraduate students working on student research project (e.g., Honors thesis or independent study)	0	0	0
Supervise undergraduate students employed in non-research-related jobs (e.g., administrative tasks)	0	0	0
Serve on campus committee that includes undergraduate students	0	0	О
Freshman book discussion group leader	0	0	0
Supervisor of undergraduate teaching assistants	0	0	0
Affiliated with student organization or club (e.g., advisor or board member)	Ο	О	О
Affiliated with student athletic team (e.g., advisor or board member to intercollegiate or intramural team or club sports)	0	0	0
Affiliated with fraternity or sorority (e.g., advisor or board member)	0	0	0
Affiliated with student religious group (e.g., advisor or board member)	0	0	0
Faculty in Residence	0	0	0
Faculty Fellow	0	0	0
Dining Discussion Faculty Fellow	0	0	0
Other role(s) outside classroom context (please list): Other Role #1:	0	0	0
Other Role #2:	0	0	0

If you have <u>never</u> been involved in any of these roles, skip to <u>question 4</u>.

If you had prior involvement in one or more of those roles, but had no involvement during the 2003 Fall term, skip to <u>question 3</u>.

2) For each applicable role (as indicated in question 1), on average, how frequently did you interact with undergraduate students during the 2003 Fall Term? For roles involving multiple students (e.g., faculty advisor), please estimate the total frequency and weekly hours associated with this role.

Please Estimate									
		ency o	of			Aver Wee	_	lours	per
Role	Once or twice a term	Once or twice a month	Once a week	Several times a week or more		Less than 1 hour	1 to 2 hours	3 to 5 hours	More than 5 hours
Faculty Advisor:  How many undergraduate advisees did you have in Fall 2003?	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Advise or supervise undergraduate students working on faculty research project	0	0	O	0		0	0	0	0
Advise or supervise undergraduate students working on student research project (e.g., Honors thesis or independent study)	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Supervise undergraduate students employed in non-research-related jobs (e.g., administrative tasks)	0	0	O	0		О	0	0	0
Serve on campus committee that includes undergraduate students	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	O
Freshman book discussion group leader	0	0	0	Ο		0	0	0	О
Supervisor of undergraduate teaching assistants	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Affiliated with student organization or club (e.g., advisor or board member)	0	0	O	0		0	0	0	0
Affiliated with student athletic team (e.g., advisor or board member to intercollegiate or intramural team or club sports)	0	0	0	О		0	0	0	0
Affiliated with fraternity or sorority (e.g., advisor or board member)	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Affiliated with student religious group (e.g., advisor or board member)	0	0	О	0		0	0	0	0
Faculty in Residence	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	О
Faculty Fellow	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Dining Discussion Faculty Fellow	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Other Role #1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Other Role #2	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0

3) What factors influenced your decision to become involved in these out-of-class roles with undergraduate students? Selecting up to two roles in which you have been involved, please check all the factors that apply to each role.

Ro	Role 1 (please choose only one):				
0	Faculty advisor				
0	Supervise undergrads on faculty research				
О	Supervise undergrads on student research				
О	Supervise undergraduates on non- research work				
0	Serve on campus committee				
О	Book discussion leader				
0	Supervise undergrad TAs				
0	Affiliate student organization				
О	Affiliate athletic team				
0	Affiliate Greek organization				
0	Affiliate research group				
О	Faculty in Residence				
0	Faculty Fellow				
0	Dining Discussion Fellow				
0	Other Role 1				
0	Other Role 2				

Fact	Factors Influencing Role 1				
Yes	No	Factor			
0	0	Departmental assignment			
0	0	Department expectation			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell faculty member			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell staff member			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell student(s)			
0	0	As an undergraduate, I benefited from this type of interaction with faculty			
0	0	I view it as an important part of my role as a faculty member			
0	0	I want to make a contribution to the undergraduate experience			
0	О	Other factors (please list):			
0	0				
0	0				

Ro	Role 2 (please choose only one):				
О	Faculty advisor				
О	Supervise undergrads on faculty research				
0	Supervise undergrads on student research				
0	Supervise undergraduates on non- research work				
О	Serve on campus committee				
О	Book discussion leader				
0	Supervise undergrad TAs				
0	Affiliate student organization				
0	Affiliate athletic team				
О	Affiliate Greek organization				
0	Affiliate research group				
О	Faculty in Residence				
0	Faculty Fellow				
О	Dining Discussion Fellow				
0	Other Role 1				
0	Other Role 2				

Fact	Factors Influencing Role 2				
Yes	No	Factor			
0	0	Departmental assignment			
0	0	Department expectation			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell faculty member			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell staff member			
0	0	Was recruited by Cornell student(s)			
0	0	As an undergraduate, I benefited from this type of interaction with faculty			
0	0	I view it as an important part of my role as a faculty member			
0	0	I want to make a contribution to the undergraduate experience			
О	0	Other factors (please list):			
0	0				
О	0				

4) Were you on campus in Fall 2003?

0	Yes
0	No

5) Did you have any out-of-class contact with undergraduate students in the Fall 2003 term?

0	Yes
0	No (please skip to question 10)

During the 2003 Fall Term, how often were you involved in the following specific out-of-class activities with undergraduate students? Include only those activities in which you had substantial interaction with one or more students. Do not include activities involving undergraduate students that you engaged in solely for your own purposes (e.g., attending a student theater production as a general member of the audience)

Activity	Not involved	One or twice a term	Once or twice a month	Once a week	Several times a week or more
Had coffee or dined with undergraduate students in cafe or restaurant	0	0	0	0	0
Attended departmental functions for undergraduate students (e.g., meals, meetings)	0	0	О	0	0
Organized or participated in orientation activities	0	0	0	0	0
Chaperoned a student social function (e.g., party or Slope Day)	0	0	0	0	0
Participated in meetings of student clubs or organizations	0	0	0	0	0
Hosted students in your home (e.g., for a meal or social function)	0	0	0	0	0
Organized or attended an extracurricular field trip with a student group or organization	0	0	0	0	0
Participated in an extracurricular presentation or workshop with undergraduate students (e.g., organized, spoke at or attended event)	0	0	О	0	0
Accompanied undergraduate students to an athletic competition	0	0	0	0	0
Attended an arts or cultural event with undergraduate students	0	О	О	0	0
Other activity outside the classroom context (please list):	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	О	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

7) Considering the out-of-class interactions you had with undergraduate students in the 2003 Fall Term, is this more, less or about an average amount of interaction than is typical for you?

О	More interaction than is typical				
О	About an average amount of interaction				
О	Less interaction than is typical				

8) Given the out-of-class interactions you had with undergraduate students in the 2003 Fall Term, would you prefer to have more, less or about the same amount of interaction?

0	Would prefer more interaction
0	Would prefer current amount of interaction
0	Would prefer less interaction

9) For each of the following, please indicate the level of impact you have experienced as a result of your out-of-class interactions with undergraduate students.

Impact	None at all	A little	Some	A great deal	Not applicable
I have a better understanding of the undergraduate students with whom I have interacted	0	0	0	0	0
I have a better understanding of undergraduate students in general	0	0	0	0	0
I have modified my approach to teaching	0	0	0	0	0
I have modified my approach to advising	0	0	0	0	0
I have enhanced my dossier for tenure or promotion	0	0	0	0	0
I have enriched my life	0	0	0	0	0
I feel more a part of the Cornell community	0	0	0	0	0
I have been professionally rewarded for this involvement	0	0	0	0	0
I have increased the difficulty of balancing personal and professional demands on my time	0	0	0	0	0
Other impacts (please list):	0	0	0	0	О
	0	0	0	0	0
	Ο	Ο	0	0	0

## 10) To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about out-ofclass interaction with undergraduate students.

	Completely disagree	Generally disagree	Neutral	Generally agree	Completely agree
My teaching obligations leave little or no time for out-of-class contact with students.	0	0	0	0	0
My research obligations leave little or no time for out-of-class contact with students.	О	0	0	0	0
I am primarily involved with graduate students.	0	0	0	0	0
I am not familiar with opportunities for out-of-class involvement.	0	0	0	0	0
My family and/or personal responsibilities leave little or no time for out-of-class contact with students.	О	0	0	0	0
My travel and consulting responsibilities leave little or no time for out-of-class contact with students.	О	0	0	0	0
In my personal view, out-class contact with undergraduate students is a less important part of the faculty role than research or teaching.	O	0	0	0	0
My department is not supportive of this type of involvement	О	Ο	0	0	О
I have offered opportunities for out-of- class interaction but students have not taken me up on them	О	0	0	0	0
I have not received adequate orientation for participating in out-of-class roles with undergraduate students	О	0	0	0	0
I find it difficult to facilitate a meaningful informal exchange with students (e.g., contact that goes beyond "small talk")	О	0	0	0	0
Cornell ignores or only minimally rewards faculty efforts at out-of-class interaction with undergraduates	O	0	0	0	0
It is difficult to see students in person; they prefer to communicate via e-mail or the Internet	О	0	0	0	0
Faculty peers would assess my professional performance negatively if I spent too much time on out-of-class contact with undergraduate students	O	0	0	0	0
Other factors (please list):	О	0	0	О	0
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0

11) Did you teach any credit classes at Cornell during the 2003 Fall Term?

(	)	Yes
(	)	No (please skip to question 12)

For each course that you taught at Cornell during the 2003 Fall Term, please answer the following questions. Include classes taught to graduate and/or undergraduate students. Do not include the lab or discussion section of a course as a separate class. Do not include individualized instruction (e.g., independent study) or non-credit instruction.

	Class A	Class B	Class C	Class D	Class E
Number of students enrolled					
Number of <b>Graduate</b> teaching assistants					
Number of <b>Undergraduate</b> teaching assistants					
Primary level of students (Mark one per course):					
Undergraduate	0	0	0	0	0
Graduate	0	0	0	0	0

12) How many of each of the following have you published or presented during the last two years? For publications, please include only works that have been accepted for publication. Count multiple presentations or publications of the same work only once.

	None	1-2	3-4	5-10	11-20	21+
Articles published in academic or professional journals.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Published reviews of books, articles, or creative works; chapters in edited volumes.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Textbooks, other books; monographs; research or technical reports or manuals.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Presentations at conferences, workshops, etc; exhibitions or performances in the fine or applied arts.	0	0	0	0	0	0

13) How would you characterize your interests at present – equally divided between research and teaching or inclining more toward one than the other? (Include extension and outreach activities within teaching.)

0	Heavily toward research
0	Interested in both, lean toward research
0	Equally interested in teaching and research
0	Interested in both, lean toward teaching
0	Heavily toward teaching

14) What is your relationship status?

0	Single (never married, separated, divorced, or widowed)
0	Married or living with partner

15) Do you have any children?

0	Yes
0	No (please skip to question 19)

16) How many children do you have in the following age ranges?

	0	1	2	3 or more
0 to 4 years old	0	0	0	0
5 to 12 years old	0	0	0	0
13 to 17 years old	0	0	0	0
18 to 23 years old	0	0	0	0
24 years old or older	0	0	0	0

17) Do you have any children who have attended or are currently attending college?

0	Yes
О	No (please skip to question 19)

18) Did or do any of your children attend Cornell?

0	Yes
0	No

- 19) Please use this space to add comments about your out-of-class interactions with undergraduate students or about this survey.
- 20) Would you be willing to participate in a follow-up interview concerning your outof-class interactions with undergraduate students?

0	Yes
0	No

Thank you for your participation in this study.

Please return your survey by March 30<sup>th</sup> in the self-addressed envelope provided by campus mail to: Survey Research Institute, B12 Ives Hall
Or fax it to: 607-255-7118