

# The CADRE Poll: The Faculty

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I have thought, for some time, that it would be interesting for students to know what their teachers are thinking. I reasoned that asking students and faculty to come up with questions made the most sense because it would be inclusive to everyone.

We received no responses so were forced to go ahead with what we thought were appropriate questions. I had hoped to get ten responses (20%) because I thought that would be a fair sampling. We received nearly double what I had hoped for (19, 38%) so I am proud at the display of a lack of apathy.

I am hoping this can become a tradition at this newspaper and in the future it is my sincere hope that the questions will come from the constituencies most affected by academic life and not just us. Thanks to all who responded-Ed.

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## Questions and Answers

*50 surveys were delivered  
19 were returned  
A response rate of 38%.  
Percentages are an average  
total from all respondents*

- 1)a. How much time do you spend teaching/interacting with students?  
65%  
b. How much time do you spend writing/researching?  
20%  
c. How much time do you spend in meetings?  
15%
2. Do you consider teaching to be:  
a. your primary role-100%  
b. a pain-0%  
c. a necessary evil-0%
3. Is UPEI sufficient to fulfil your academic needs?  
a. yes-72%  
b. no-28%
4. How much influence do you have on your students?  
a. Personally  
i. a lot-33%  
ii. normal-67%  
iii. none-0%  
b. Academically  
i. a lot-50%  
ii. normal-50%  
iii. none-0%
5. How proud are you to teach at UPEI?  
a. very proud-71%  
b. not proud-0%  
c. proud of what you do rather than where you do it-29%
6. How rewarding has your career been at UPEI thus far?  
a. very rewarding-60%  
b. rewarding enough-40%  
c. not rewarding-0%
7. Do you read the CADRE?  
a. always-32%  
b. occasionally-53%  
c. never-15%
8. How does working on PEI-a small island province, influence your work at UPEI?  
a. positively-52%  
b. negatively-24%  
c. not at all-24%
9. Does the administration of the university help or hinder your work at UPEI?  
a. help-67%  
b. hinder-33%
10. How does your faculty administration, staff, and co-workers affect your work at UPEI?  
a. positively-95%  
b. negatively-5%  
c. not at all-0%
11. If you could work at UPEI, do research and publish work w/o teaching classes, would this be?  
a. better-21%  
b. worse-74%  
c. no difference-5%
12. Do you participate in the social, athletic or para-academic life of the university?  
a. yes-40%  
b. no-0%  
c. occasionally-55%  
d. when I have to-5%
13. How long have you taught at UPEI?  
a. 0-5 years-35%  
b. 5-10 years-20%  
c. 10 + years-45%
14. How important is tenure to you?  
a. very important-58%  
b. average-21%  
c. not important-21%
15. Based on your experiences at other universities, are the students at UPEI?  
a. average-89%  
b. above average-11%  
c. below average-0%  
d. can't say-0%