

***San Joaquin Delta College  
Graduates Survey Results  
Summer 2011***

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## Background and Methodology

In order to assess campus-wide student learning experiences at Delta College, all students eligible to graduate in spring 2011 were sent a letter from the Vice President of Student Services (via email and via U.S. Mail) in May 2011 to confirm their participation in the 2011 commencement ceremonies and to share information about their Delta College experience through a brief online survey. The graduates' responses were collected electronically by the Office of Planning, Research and Institutional Effectiveness for analysis. A total of 757 surveys were completed and returned for a response rate of 49%. Items on the survey were derived from the District's mission statement and were intended to serve as preliminary indicators of institutional student learning outcomes.

Specific items on the survey pertained to students' perceptions of skills and abilities gained while at Delta College, personal development, preparation for future course work or employment, and appreciation for art, history and culture. Instructions on the survey asked students to rate each item as it related to their experiences with general education courses, courses in their programs or majors, and the student services they received. The survey consisted of 10 five-point Likert scale items, with a response of 5 indicating 'not at all' and a response of 1 indicating 'to a great degree.'

A final item asked students if a particular instructor, counselor, librarian or staff member helped to inspire or encourage them during their experiences at Delta College. It should be noted that no demographic or personally identifying items were included on the survey; therefore, it cannot be determined whether the students who completed and returned the survey are representative of the larger graduating student population. The survey instrument is available at

<http://survey.deltacollege.edu/graduatesurvey.htm>.

## Results

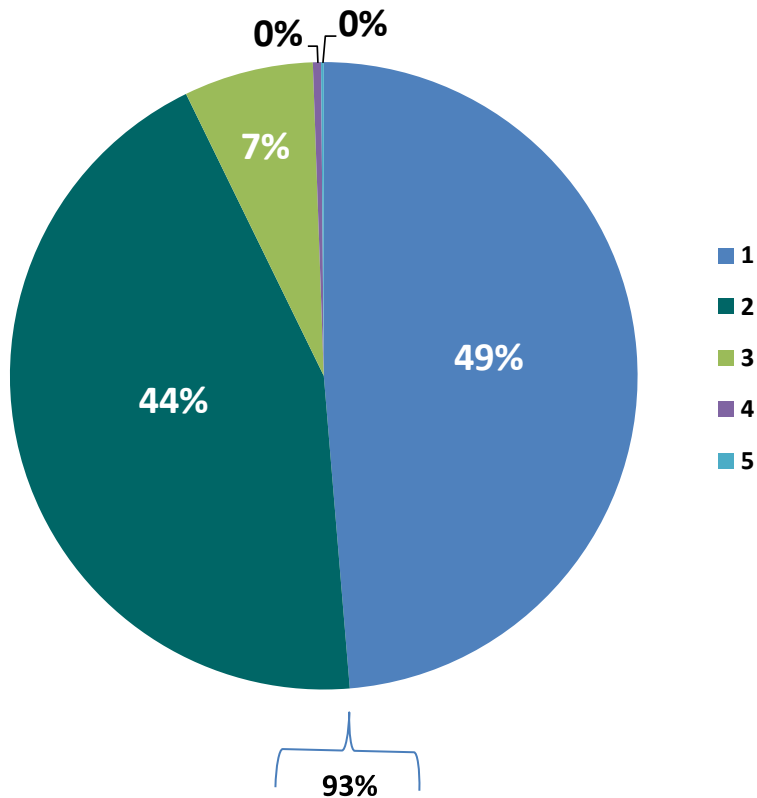
Overall, results from the 2011 survey were extremely positive, and the graduates who completed the survey rated their learning experiences at Delta College highly.

*The Class of 2011 included 13 students that earned perfect 4.0 GPAs during their Delta College academic careers:*

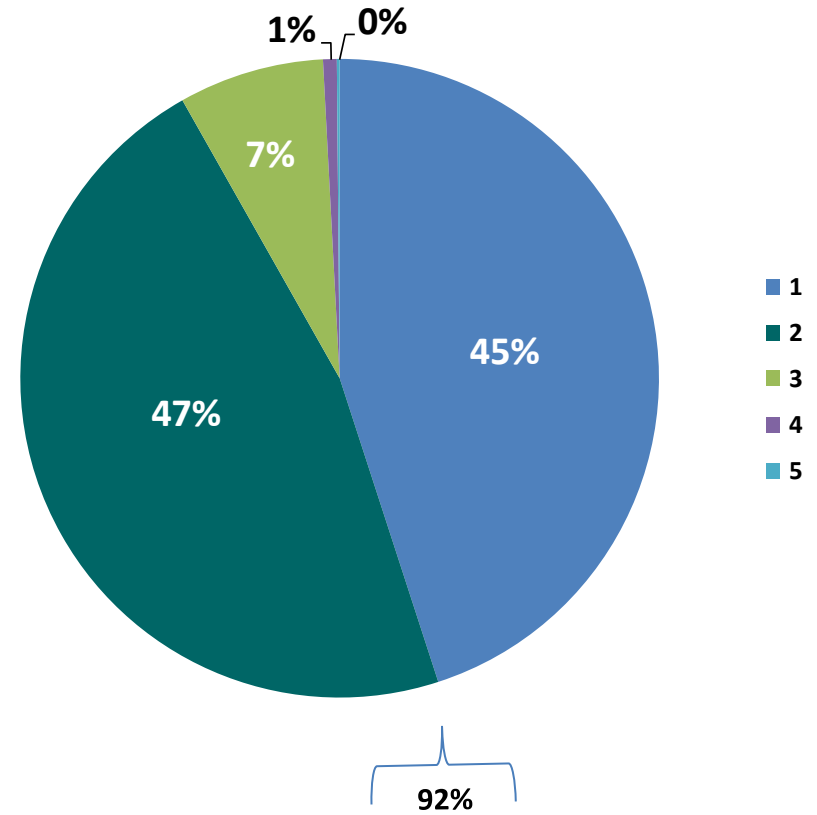
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The majority of graduates indicated their experiences at the College enhanced their critical thinking and analytical skills. Forty-nine percent of students believed their experiences at the College developed their ability to critically analyze principles, theories, beliefs and knowledge to a great degree. More than 93% rated this survey item with a 1 or 2. A similar number said their experiences at the College developed their ability to evaluate information for accuracy and validity, (47% said this fit them to a “great degree,” and 92% rated this statement with a 1 or 2).

Q1 - Increased my ability to critically analyze principles, theories, beliefs and knowledge



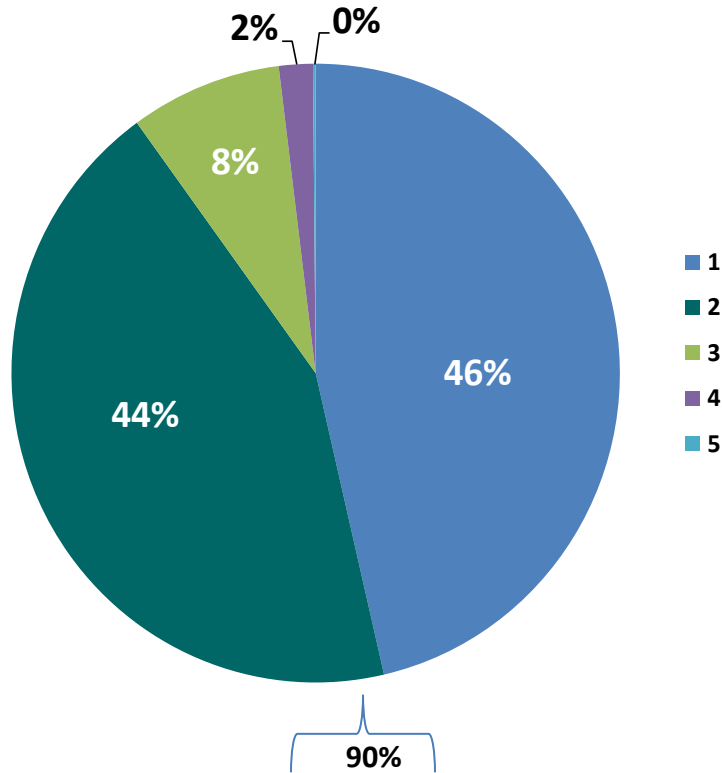
Q6 - Developed my ability to evaluate information for accuracy and validity



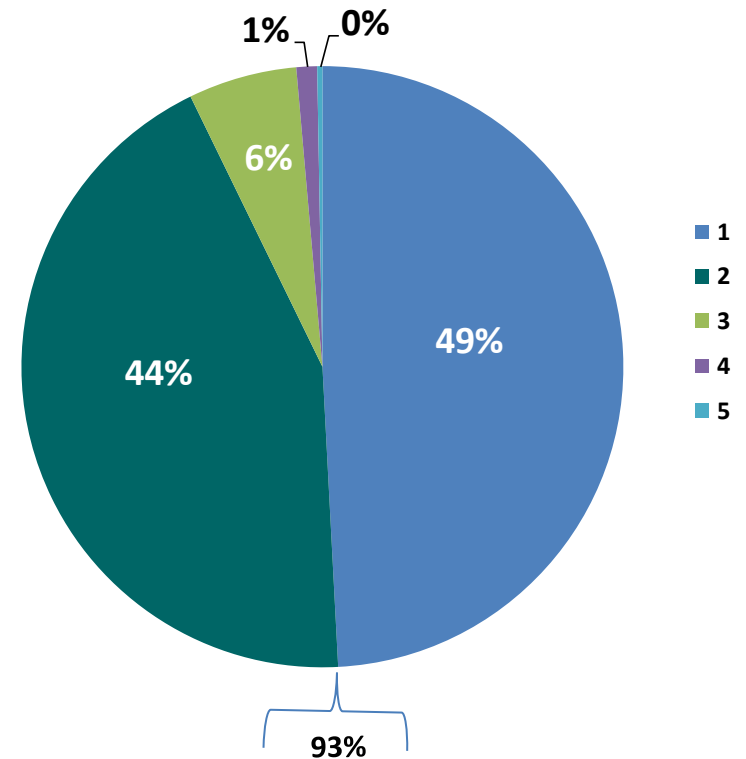
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5 = Not At All

**Q2 - Prepared me for upper division college work or to get a job in my chosen field**



**Q9 - Developed my ability to think and communicate clearly and effectively through the use of oral, written, and mathematical skills**



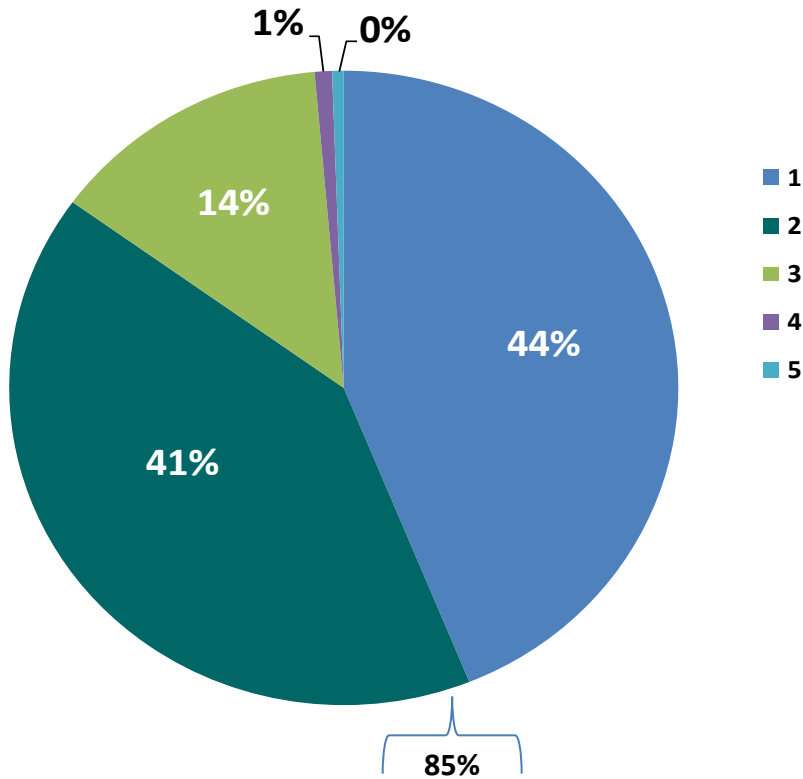
**Graduates indicated that their experiences at Delta College helped them prepare for future endeavors. Ninety percent of students rated the College well for preparing them for upper division college work or for a job in their chosen field. An even higher number (93 percent) of students believed that their experiences at the College developed their abilities to think and communicate effectively using oral, written and mathematical skills.**

**1 = To A Great Degree**

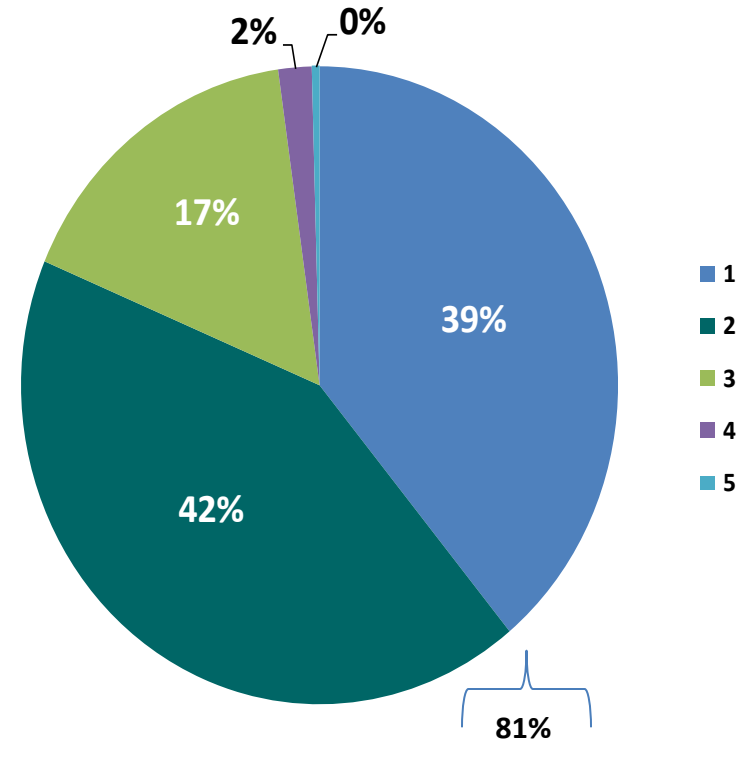
**5 = Not At All**

Eighty-five percent of the graduates gave strong marks to the College for helping them to achieve a deeper understanding about ethical choices that individuals face in contemporary society; and 81% indicated that their education had given them an appreciation for the value and importance of history.

Q8 - Helped me to achieve a deeper understanding about ethical choices that individuals face in contemporary society



Q4 - Gave me an appreciation for the value and importance of history

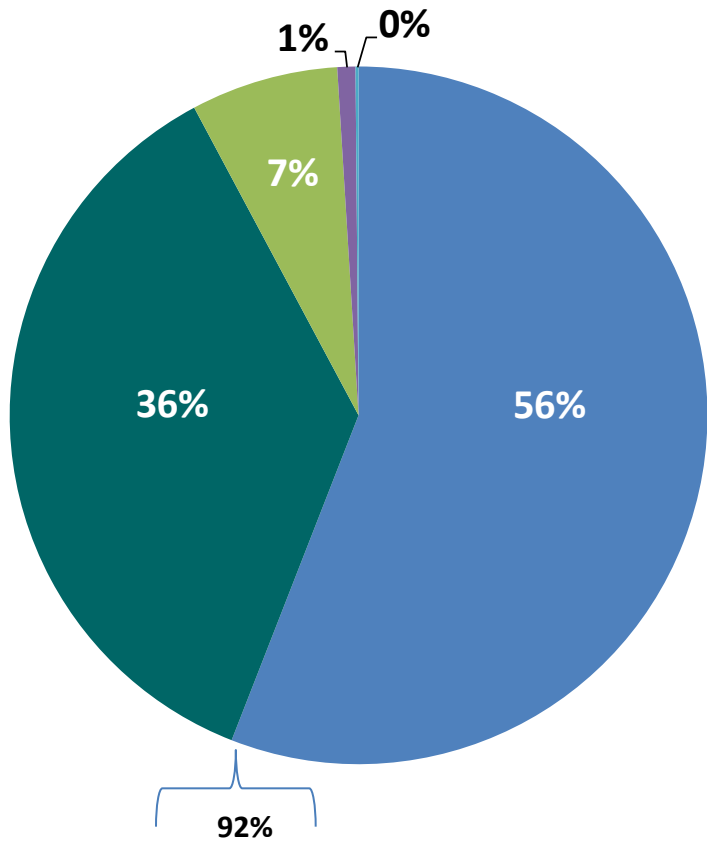


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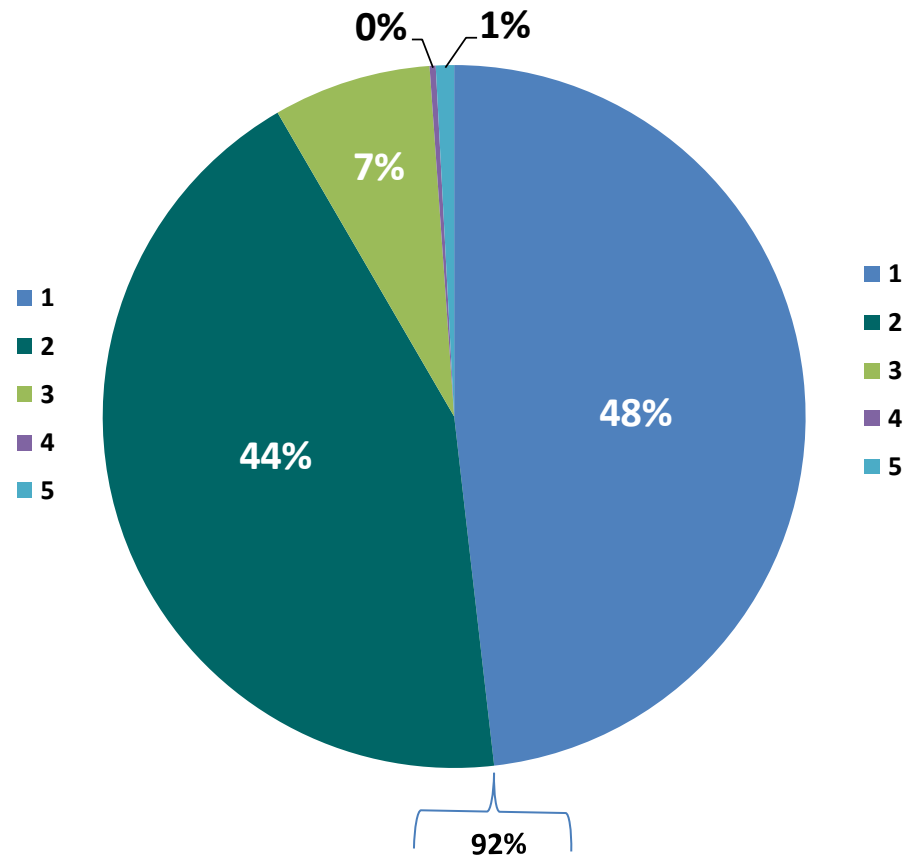
5 = Not At All

Students indicated their experiences at the College had enhanced their own personal development. The overwhelming majority of graduates (92%) gave 1 or 2 ratings on a statement indicating that their experiences at Delta College gave them an appreciation for lifelong learning. The same number gave the College high ratings for developing their capacity for self-understanding.

Q5 - Gave me an appreciation for lifelong learning



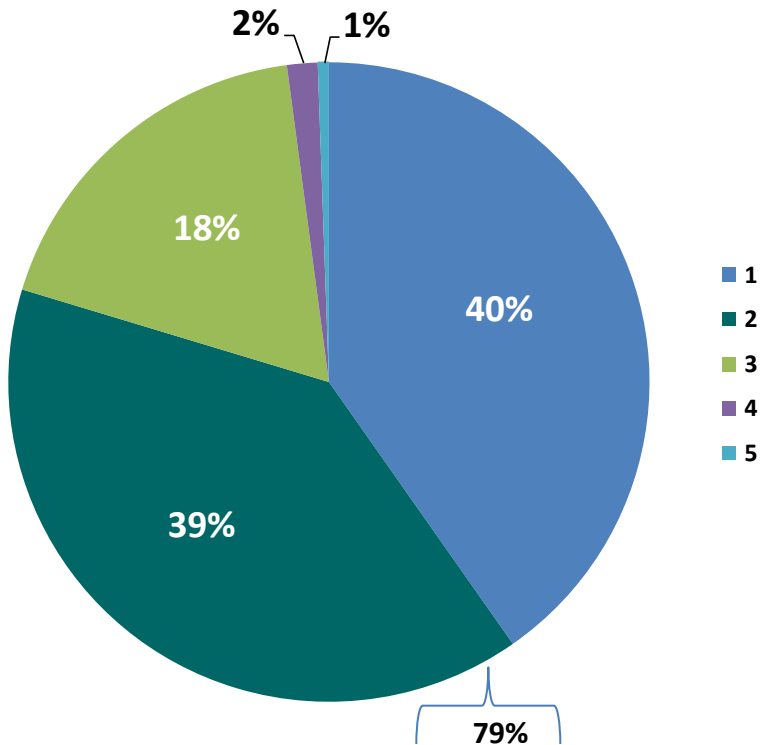
Q7 - Developed my capacity for self-understanding



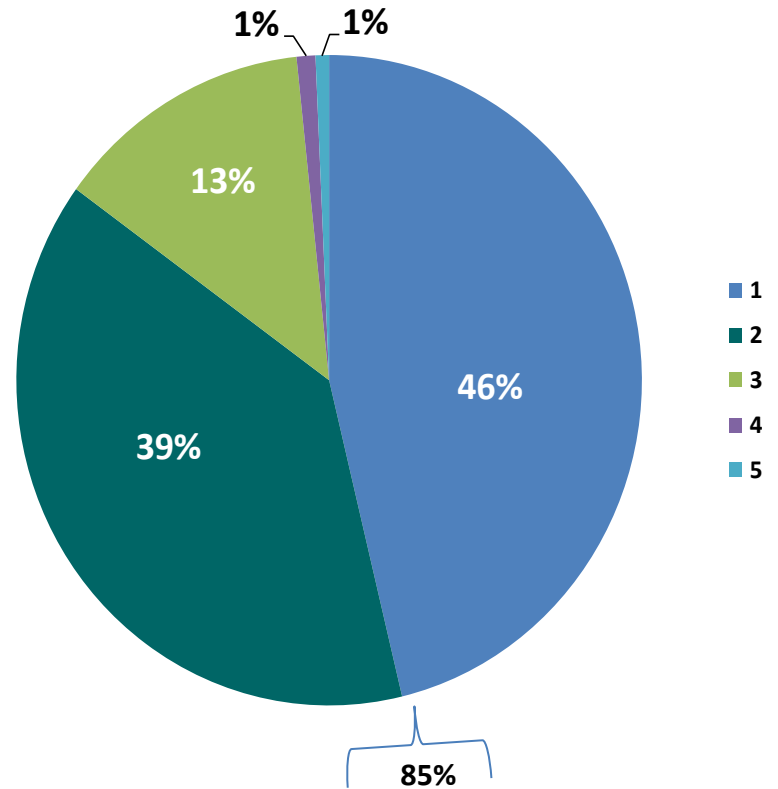
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Q10 - Helped me gain an appreciation for the arts



Q3 - Increased my respect for cultural diversity

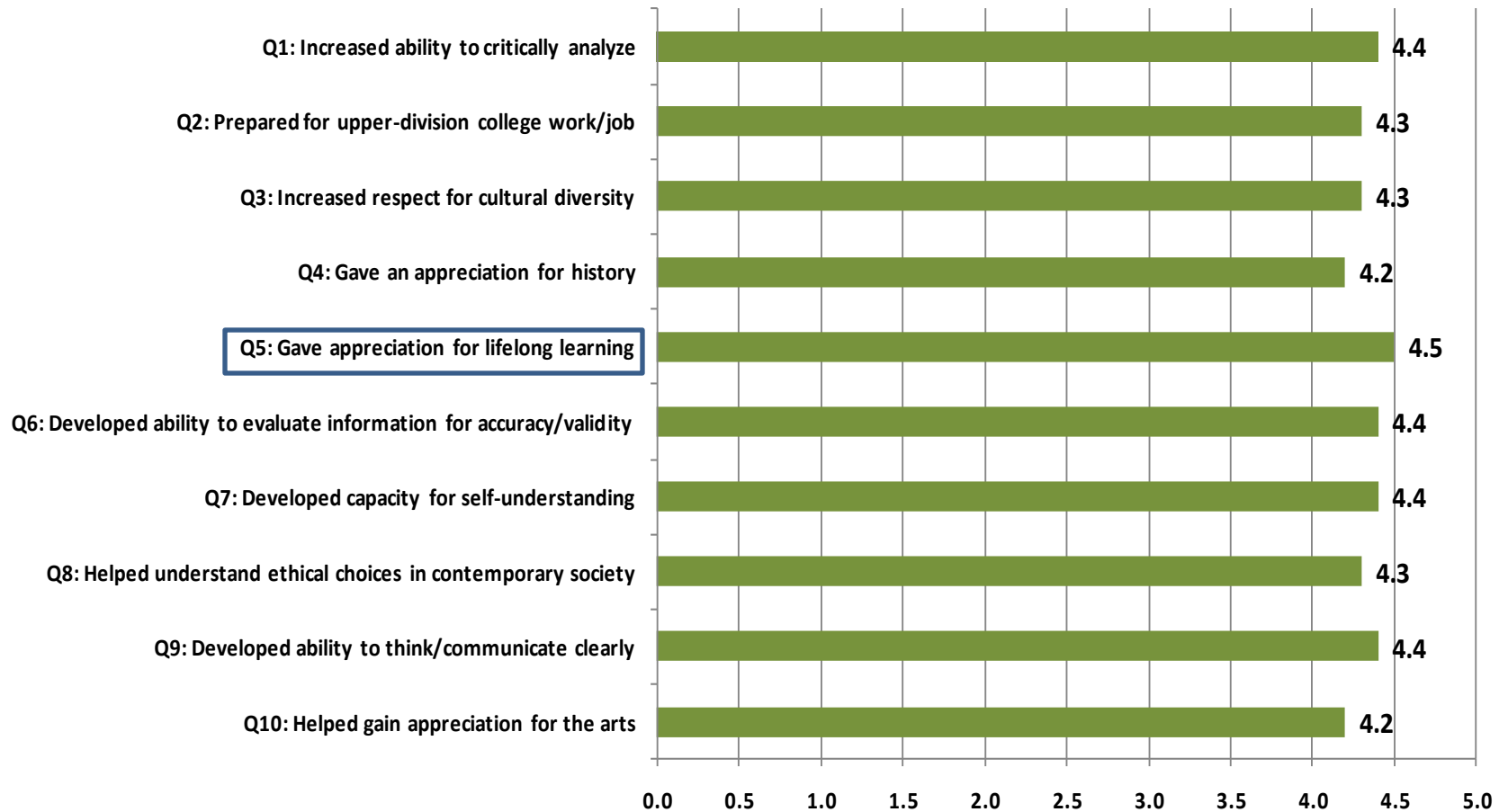


Seventy-nine percent of the graduates indicated that their Delta College experiences helped them gain appreciation for the arts to a great degree, and 85% expressed that their experiences increased their respect for cultural diversity. The arts question received the lowest overall percentages for 1 and 2 rankings in the survey (79%).

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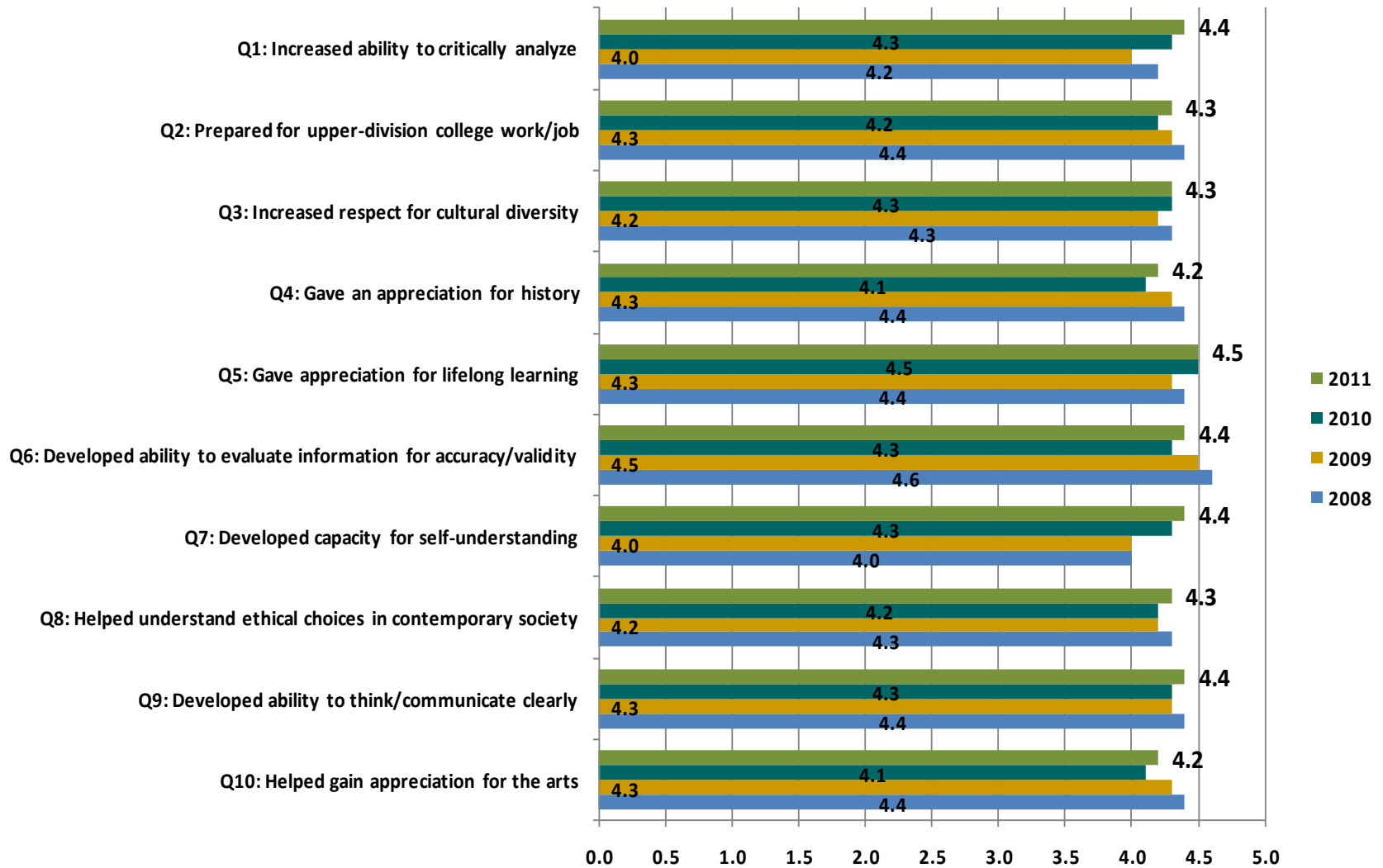
5 = Not At All

## Mean Survey Item Response 2011



Mean ratings for each of the key items were extremely positive. On average graduates rated Question 5 most highly (Mean = 4.5 ), consistent with 2010 survey results. Note, survey instrument scores are re-scaled in this bar graph to provide higher point values to the “great degree” end of the scale versus “not at all.”

## Mean Survey Item Response 2008 - 2011



***Faculty and Staff Members Acknowledged by 2011 Graduates  
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