

## 2011 FACULTY INPUT SURVEY OF PRIORITY ISSUES

In fall, 2010, the University of Memphis Faculty Senate President appointed a committee to survey all faculty members about priority issues. A brief web-based survey was designed using Qualtrics software. Invitations were sent by e-mail from the Office of the Faculty Senate President on December 3 and responses were collected through February 4. A total of 605 respondents completed the survey. This brief report summarizes which issues are most important. The first question of the survey listed eighteen (18) items and asked respondents to rank them as a high priority, low priority, or not a priority. Then within each category, respondents rank order their responses to determine which issues were most important. The table below shows the ranked priorities of faculty. The column on the far right shows the combined percentage for high and low priorities along with the overall priority rank.

ISSUES	Percentage of faculty who believe this is:			Combined PRIORITY (rank in parentheses)
	A HIGH PRIORITY	A LOW PRIORITY	NOT A PRIORITY	
Wages/benefits	86.1	12.7	1.3	98.7 (1)
Unfilled faculty positions	70.6	20.7	8.6	91.3 (7)
Campus safety	68.4	26.5	5.1	94.9 (2)
Research support services	63.9	29.0	7.0	93.0 (4)
Library funding	61.9	31.8	6.3	93.7 (3)
Academic freedom	64.2	27.5	8.3	91.7 (6)
Control over curriculum	63.3	29.3	7.4	92.6 (5)
Course loads	55.8	35.5	8.7	91.3 (7)
GA/RA/TA issues	49.6	38.1	12.3	87.7 (10)
Adjunct/PT Instructors	47.7	42.5	9.8	90.2 (9)
TBR representation	44.7	38.4	16.9	83.1 (12)
Technology/lab issues	44.2	42.4	13.4	86.6 (11)
Office trash disposal	6.7	48.7	44.6	55.4 (16)
Family related issues	20.2	48.4	31.4	68.6 (14)
Recycling	23.3	48.2	28.5	71.5 (13)
Parking issues	23.7	44.1	32.2	67.8 (15)
Institution athletic support	13.8	41.7	44.6	55.4 (16)
Post mail issues	5.8	36.0	58.3	41.7 (18)
Vendor services	5.6	39.6	54.8	45.2 (17)