**COFHE 2013 Recent Alumni Survey: Question Selection**  Updated 1/27/2013

There are a **few** optional items in the Recent Alumni Student Survey. Please review and complete this document to tell us which items you wish to add, keep, or remove. The areas you should review to make choices are highlighted in yellow. Additional instructions are in green.

**After completing the form, please send it to** [cofhe-surveys@mit.edu](mailto:cofhe-surveys@mit.edu) **by your group’s due date:**

Alumni Group 1 MATERIALS DUE Friday, February 15, 2013, LAUNCH Tuesday, March 05, 2013

Alumni Group 2 MATERIALS DUE Monday, March 11, 2013, LAUNCH Tuesday, March 26, 2013

Alumni Group 3 MATERIALS DUE Monday, April 01, 2013, LAUNCH Tuesday, April 16, 2013

All optional items must be explicitly included to be part of your school’s survey. Slots for local items in batteries are available to support local needs to track specific items--please do not feel obligated to use these slots. Please be careful when adding your own text. We will review your submission for obvious errors and overall appropriateness, but you will be responsible for the wording.

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| **Name of school to list in survey:** Please list school name as you would like it listed in the survey instead of [INSTITUTION], e.g., MIT, not Massachusetts Institute of Technology. |  |
| **Your Name** |  |
| **Your Email Address** |  |
| **Is MIT hosting your survey?** | \_X\_ Yes \_\_ No |
| **How would you like your email invitations and reminders sent out?**  **If you need more detail to answer this question, please contact cofhe-surveys@mit.edu.** | \_X\_ I want **MIT to send the email** invitations and reminders from MIT, WITHOUT loading the alumni email addresses to Qualtrics. Any bounces to the message will be delivered to me.  \_\_ I want to send emails using my own campus’ email system.  \_\_ I want MIT to load email addresses to a Qualtrics panel, and have the Qualtrics system **send the emails from Qualtrics**. Any bounces to the emails will be dropped irretrievably by Qualtrics. |
| **Which class year will you include in the sample, and roughly how many alumni total will you invite?** |  |
| **Is there anything else you need to tell us about your survey administration?** |  |
| **Does your office use Qualtrics to administer campus surveys?** | \_\_ Yes \_\_ No \_\_ Not sure |

The welcome page text is completely editable, but must include some language on the survey being voluntary and confidential, as well as who to contact if a person has questions.

Welcome ${m://FirstName},

Thank you for participating in the [INSTITUTION] Alumni Survey. The survey is entirely voluntary and you may answer as few or as many questions as you wish. All of your responses to the first several sections will be kept strictly confidential and reported only in aggregate. **At the end of the survey, you will be given the opportunity to update your alumni record, if you wish [optional].** The survey consists of several linked sections. It is important that you complete all sections for our research. Once you submit each page by hitting the next button, your answers will be saved from that page. You will be able to complete part of the survey and return at a later date to complete the rest of the survey. If you return to the survey, your previously submitted answers will be displayed for you to leave or edit. Your participation is very important and greatly appreciated! If you encounter any problems while taking the survey, please contact [].

# zxp1 Education Since College

enrdegr Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program since graduating from [INSTITUTION]?

Yes (1) No (2)

Answer If Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree pr... Yes Is Selected

# zxp2 Education Since College

Answer If 1. Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree... Yes Is Selected

enroll 1. Are you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree program now?

Yes, I am a full time student (1) Yes, I am a part time student (2) No (3)

gradgoals 1a. How confident are you in your ability to achieve current and future graduate or professional school goals?

Very confident (1) Confident (2) Somewhat confident (3) Slightly confident (4) Not confident at all (5)

Answer If 1. Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree... Yes Is Selected

advdeg 2. Please tell us about the graduate and professional degrees you have either already received or those for which you are currently enrolled. Mark all that apply.

Master of Arts (e.g., MA) (1) Master's in Fine Arts (MFA) (2)

Master of Science (MS) (3) Master's degree in Business (MBA) (4)

Master's degree in Engineering (5) Professional Masters (e.g., MEd, MPA, MSW, MSN, MAT, MPH, MFA) (6)

Other Master's Degree (7) Law degree (e.g., JD, LLB) (8)

Medical degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM) (9) Doctorate (e.g., PhD, ScD, EdD, PsyD) (10)

Other degree (11) [textbox]

advdoc 2a. Please tell us about the doctorate degrees you have either already received or for which you are currently enrolled. Mark all that apply.

Doctoral Degree: Biological sciences (1) Doctoral Degree: Engineering, other applied sciences (2)

Doctoral Degree: Humanities or arts (3) Doctoral Degree: Physical sciences (4)

Doctoral Degree: Social sciences (5) Doctoral Degree: Education (6)

Other doctorate, please specify: (7) [textbox]

Answer If Enrolled in degree program since graduating Yes Is Selected

advschool 2b. Please tell us the names of the institutions where you have/will earn the degree(s) marked above and the (expected) year of the award. [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ] NOTE: COFHE DOES NOT PLAN TO RECODE THIS ITEM FOR THE NORM FILE.

Answer If Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree pr... Yes Is Selected

pursue 3. Do you have any plans to pursue additional degrees in the future? [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

Yes (1) No (2)

Answer If Have you enrolled in a graduate or professional degree pr... No (add question on future degrees if say no) Is Selected

futuregrad Future Education Plans Are you planning to enroll in a graduate or professional degree program in the future?

Yes (1) No (2)

futuredeg Which, if any, degrees do you plan to pursue in the future? Mark all that you expect to pursue.  
 [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

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| Master's degree in the Arts & Sciences (e.g., MA, MS) (14)  Master's degree in Engineering (15)  Master's degree in Business (MBA) (16)  Other/Prof. Masters (e.g., MEd, MPA, MSW, MSN, MAT,MPH, MFA) (17)  Doctoral Degree: Biological sciences (18)  Doctoral Degree: Engineering, other applied sciences (19)  Doctoral Degree: Humanities or arts (20) | Doctoral Degree: Physical sciences (21) Doctoral Degree: Social sciences (22)  Doctoral Degree: Education (23)  Other doctorate (82)  Medical degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM) (83)  Law degree (e.g., JD, LLB) (84)  Other degree or certificate (85)  Undecided about advanced degree (86) |

# zxp2a Jobs and Careers

workpaynow 1. Are you employed right now?

Yes, employed full time (1)

Yes, employed part time (2)

Yes, employed, but currently on leave (e.g., sabbatical, maternity) (3)

No, but I am looking for employment at this time (4)

No, and I am not looking for employment at this time (5)

primactr 1a. If you are not employed right now, what is your primary activity?

* Furthering my education (1)
* Family and other caregiving (2)
* Internship (3)
* Fellowship (4)
* Volunteer, service, or unpaid work (e.g., Peace Corps, CityYear, Teach for America) (5)
* Taking time for your own health (6)
* Planning/starting a business (7)
* Working on a personal project (e.g., book, artistic endeavor) (8)
* Traveling or taking time off (9)
* Other (10) [textbox]

# zxp3 Current Position

Answer If Employed or Intern or Fellowship or Volunteer

employer 1. Please provide the name of your firm or organization, and your job title, if applicable.

Employer / Name of Company (1) Full job title (2)

Answer If Employed or Intern or Fellowship or Volunteer

salary 1a. What is your current salary, if applicable? Current salary in US $ (1)

Answer If Employed or Intern or Fellowship or Volunteer

sector 2. In what sector are you employed? Mark the best answer.

* Self-employed in own business or professional non-group practice (1)
* For-profit corporation/company/group-practice (2)
* Government or other public institution or agency, including military (3)
* Non-profit organization, institution or NGO (e.g., arts/human services/international organizations) (4)

Answer If Employed or Intern or Fellowship or Volunteer

industry 3. Please select the industry that best describes your employer.

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| Agriculture (1)  Biotech/Pharmaceutical (2)  Business Services (3)  Communications/Marketing/PR (4)  Computer Science/Technology (5)  Education: Higher education (public or private) (6)  Education: Elementary or secondary education, adult education (public or private) (7) | Engineering (8)  Environment (9)  Financial Services (10)  Fine/Performing Arts (11)  Hospitality, Tourism, Travel (12) Information Technology (13)  Law/Legal Services (14)  Manufacturing (15) | Media/Journalism/Publishing (16)  Medicine (17)  Military/Defense (18)  Politics, Public Policy, Advocacy (19)  Retail (20)  Science (21)  Social Services (22)  Other. Please specify. (23) [textbox] |

Answer If Employed

level 4. Which of the following best describes your current position?

Entry level (1) Mid-level (2) Senior level (3) Executive level (except chief executive) (4)

Chief executive (CEO, COO, CFO, GM or principal in a business or other organization) (5)

zxp3a Principal Occupation and Career

occup 1. Whether or not you are currently employed, what is your principal occupation?

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| Administrator (1)  Administrative support, clerical worker, secretary (2)  Architect or planner (3)  Clergy or other religious ministry worker (4)  Consultant (5)  Economist (6)  Educator: Faculty (tenured or tenure-track) (7)  Educator: Teacher or Instructor (8)  Engineer (9)  Financial analyst (10)  Fundraiser (11)  Human resources or labor relations professional (12) | Journalist (13)  Lawyer or judge (14)  Other legal professional (15)  Performing artist, entertainer, or professional athlete (16)  Writer or editor (17)  Visual artist or designer (18)  Other creative professional (19)  Physician or surgeon (20)  Psychiatrist (21)  Psychologist (clinical), therapist or other mental health professional (22)  Other health services professionals (23)  Programmer, computer scientist, or systems analyst (24) | Sales, marketing, advertising or public relations manager (25)  Salesperson, broker, or agent (26)  Scientist: Life scientist (27)  Scientist: Physical scientist (28)  Social scientist or psychologist (excluding counselor and clinician) (29)  Statistician, mathematician, actuary, or related analyst (30)  Other occupation, please specify (31) [textbox]  Not yet determined (32) |

Answer If Employed or Intern or Fellowship or Volunteer

majrel 1a. Is your current position related to your undergraduate field(s) of study?

* Yes, same field as major(s) (1)
* Yes, related to major(s) (2)
* No, not related (3)
* Not yet determined (4)

profact 2. About your professional activities since graduating from [INSTITUTION]:

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|  | Yes (1) | No (2) |
| Is your current employer a "start-up" company? [suppress for not employed] (1) |  |  |
| Are you currently developing a "start-up" company? (2) |  |  |
| Have you ever started a company? (3) |  |  |
| Are you on a corporate board of directors? (4) |  |  |
| Are you a member of a professional, academic, or business association? (5) |  |  |
| Text of local item, if adding: (6) | | |
| Text of local item, if adding: (7) | | |

jobprep 3. How well did [INSTITUTION] prepare you for your current position?

* Very well (5)
* More than adequately (4)
* Adequately (3)
* Less than adequately (2)
* Very poorly (1)
* Not applicable (6)

# zxp7 Keeping in Touch [entire section optional]

connect 1. Today, how connected do you feel to [INSTITUTION]? [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

* Very connected (4)
* Moderately connected (3)
* Somewhat connected (2)
* Not very connected (1)

intouch 2. Are you regularly in touch with people you met at [INSTITUTION]? (Mark all that apply) [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

* Yes, with my advisor(s) (1)
* Yes, with other professors or staff (2)
* Yes, with members of my team or club (3)
* Yes, with classmates/friends I met at [INSTITUTION] (4)
* No (5)

giving 3. Which of the following statements best describes your financial contributions to [INSTITUTION]?   
[opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

* I have not contributed financially and do not plan to in the future. (1)
* I have not contributed financially but plan to in the future. (2)
* I have contributed financially but plan to give less or not at all in the future. (3)
* I have contributed financially and plan to continue giving at the same level in the future. (4)
* I have contributed financially and plan to increase my giving in the future. (5)

# zxp8 Your Major

majorgen 1. In which of the following areas was your undergraduate major? Please mark all that apply.[This is the GENERIC LIST of majors schools may opt to use in their survey instead of major by CIP.]

* Biological Sciences (1)
* Business & Management (2)
* Engineering or Applied Sciences (3)
* Fine Arts (4)
* Humanities (5)
* Physical Sciences or Mathematics (6)
* Social sciences (7)
* Other (8) [textbox]

MAJOR1 1. What was your undergraduate major? Mark more than one field ONLY if you had a double major across two fields listed below. Schools may provide a school-specific list of majors with six digit CIP 2010 code. Majors may be provided from system of record data by schools and not asked on the survey; provided the sample file includes a six digit CIP 2010 code for all alumni invited.]

MAJOR2 Please select your second major, if applicable:

I did not have a second major. (1) Major 1 (2)…

finaid 2. Did you receive any financial aid from [INSTITUTION] (e.g., grant, scholarship, student loan, or work-study job) while you were an undergraduate? Yes (1) No (2)

debt 3. What was the total amount you borrowed to finance your education?

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|  | No loans (1) | $1 to 9,999 (2) | $10,000 to 19,999 (3) | $20,000 to 29,999 (4) | $30,000 to 39,999 (5) | $40,000 to 49,999 (6) | $50,000 to 74,999 (7) | $75,000 to 99,999 (8) | $100,000 to 149,999 (9) | $150,000 or more (10) | More than $0, but unable to estimate amount (11) |
| UNDERGRADUATE (1) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GRADUATE If you are still in school, please estimate the total amount you will borrow. (2) | | | | | | | | | | | |

worth 4. Did the benefits you received from attending [INSTITUTION] outweigh the financial costs to you and your family? Mark the best answer. [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

Yes, definitely (1) Maybe (2) No, definitely not (3)

# zxp9 A Little More About You

paredu 1. What is the highest level of education completed by your parents or stepparents?

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|  | This parent's relationship to you | | | This parent's education | | | | | | |
| Parent 1 / Parent 2 | Mother or Stepmother (1) | Father or Stepfather (2) | Other (3) | No high school diploma (1) | High school diploma or equivalent (2) | Post-secondary school other than college (3) | Some college or associate's degree (4) | Bachelor's degree (5) | Graduate or Professional degree (6) | Unsure/Don't Know (7) |

uscitpr 2. Were you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (held a permanent Visa) when you attended [INSTITUTION]? Yes (1) No (2)

gender 3. What is your gender? Female (1) Male (2) 3 (3) [textbox]

sexornt 3b. What is your sexual orientation? [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

Heterosexual (1) Gay/lesbian (2) Bisexual (3) Unsure (4) (5) [textbox]

status 4. Do you have a spouse or partner? Yes (1) No (2)

racethnic 5. What is your race or ethnic group? Mark all that apply. American Indian or Alaskan Native (1) Asian (2) Black or African American (3) Hispanic or Latino (4) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (5) White (6)

standlive 6. Thinking back to when you started college, how would you say your family's standard of living compared to all American families? Just give your best estimate. Mark the best answer. [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

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|  | Far below average (1) | Below average (2) | Average (3) | Above average (4) | Far above average (5) |
| My family, when I started college (1) | | | | | |

slworry 7. How worried are you about not being able to maintain the standard of living you now enjoy?  
[opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

Not worried at all (1) Not too worried (2) Moderately worried (3) Very worried (4)

liveinout 8. Are you living inside or outside the U.S.? In U.S. (including Puerto Rico, territories, etc.) (1) Outside U.S. (2)

liveus 8a. In which state do you reside?

homezip 8a. What is your 5 digit home ZIP code? (US Residents Only) (1)  
For schools who need additional detail, can substitute ZIP code for state [opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

livenonus 8b. In which country or region do you reside?

# zxp10 Last Section

comment Thank you for your assistance. Please use the space below to elaborate further on any of the questions in this survey or to comment on any aspect of the college. Your comments are of great interest to administrators at your school. They will be reported to officials confidentially.

Schools may choose to have the survey thanks page direct alumni to a school site which allows them to update their directory listing. If you would prefer to ask permission to disclose specific confidential items from the respondent’s survey in your school systems, please contact [cofhe-surveys@mit.edu](mailto:cofhe-surveys@mit.edu) to discuss options.   
[opt] [\_\_X\_\_ Exclude \_\_\_ Include ]

That concludes our survey. Thank you so much for participating.

Would you be willing to take a few moments and update your alumni record as well?

To go to the [alumni directory], visit http:// [textbox] \_\_.

thatsall This is the last page of the survey. If you wish to review your responses, please use the "Back" button below, or select "Submit Survey" to save and complete your survey. Once you select “Submit Survey” you will not be able to review or change your responses.