BYUH Student Perspectives Survey – 2026

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Introduction

Aloha!

As a current student of BYU–Hawaii, your experiences and perspectives matter to us. This is our annual "Student Perspectives Survey" and will take you roughly 10–15 minutes to complete. It includes questions related to the university's new capstone initiative – faith, leadership, intellect, self-reliance, and resilience – as well as your overall experience.

NOTE: By completing the survey questions, you agree to allow your responses to be shared with academic and administrative departments for research purposes of the University. Your responses will remain confidential and only reported in aggregate. If you have any questions about this survey, please contact Institutional Research at iresearch@byuh.edu.

Thank you for your support and willingness to assist us in this effort.

Mahalo piha,
President Kauwe

Faith Pillar

Faith Indicator – Religious Well-Being Subscale & Current Spirituality

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement based on your current experience.

1. I believe that God and Jesus Christ love me and care about me.
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

2. My relationship with God and Jesus Christ helps me not feel lonely.
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

3. I have a personally meaningful relationship with God and Jesus Christ.
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

4. I find comfort in my faith or spiritual beliefs.
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

5. I have a strong sense of God and Jesus Christ's presence in my life.

a. Strongly disagree
b. Disagree
c. Neutral
d. Agree
e. Strongly agree

6. I have strong faith in Jesus Christ
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

7. I have a strong testimony of living prophets and apostles
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

Faith Indicator – BYUH Impact (CES)

1. How has your experience at BYU–Hawaii impacted your faith in Jesus Christ?
    a. Strong negative impact
    b. Negative impact
    c. Neither positive nor negative impact
    d. Positive impact
    e. Strong positive impact

2. How has your experience at BYU–Hawaii impacted your testimony of living prophets and apostles?
    a. Strong negative impact
    b. Negative impact
    c. Neither positive nor negative impact
    d. Positive impact
    e. Strong positive impact

Faith Indicator – Student Experiences (Counts)

1. During your time at BYUH, have you participated in temple worship?
    a. Yes
    b. No

2. During your time at BYUH, did you receive your endowment in the temple?
    a. Yes
    b. No
    c. I received my endowment in the temple prior to coming to BYUH

3. During your time at BYUH, did you serve as an ordinance worker?
    a. Yes, I am currently a temple ordinance worker
    b. Yes, I was previously a temple ordinance worker while at BYUH
    c. No, I did not serve as a temple ordinance worker while at BYUH

4. During your time at BYUH, were you sealed to your spouse in the temple?
    a. No, I am single
    b. Yes, I was sealed to my spouse in the temple during my time at BYUH
    c. I was married during my time at BYUH, but not in the temple
    d. I was sealed to my spouse in the temple prior to coming to BYUH
    e. I was married to my spouse, but not in the temple prior to coming to BYUH

Leadership Pillar

Leadership Indicator – Operational Talents***Balanced random assignment of 6 operational talents**

The following questions are based on one of the six Operational Talents from the Leadership Pattern. The Operational Talents represent principles and behaviors used to develop capable leaders and accomplish the Lord's work. Please reflect on the statements below and assess your current leadership behaviors.

DEFINE DIRECTION

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you define and communicate a clear vision.

1. I anticipate the needs of those I serve.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

2. I envision what the future looks like and can articulate it.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

3. I articulate clearly how to achieve the defined vision.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

4. I am willing to change direction when needed.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

<u>COUNSEL TOGETHER</u>

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you build unity and seek inspiration with others.

1. I invite input from and sincerely listen to others.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

2. I focus on asking the right questions.
    a. Sometimes

   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

3. I speak up and share my perspective.
   a. Sometimes
   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

4. I am receptive and humble when receiving
   a. Sometimes
   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

5. I put the interests of the council above my personal interests.
   a. Sometimes
   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

6. I involve others across organizations in my work.
   a. Sometimes
   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

BUILD CAPABILITY

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you help yourself and others develop and grow.

1. I lead others to become better than they know they can become.
   a. Sometimes
   b. Often
   c. Almost Always

2. I help myself and others improve upon and gain new talents.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

3. I stretch myself and others to achieve greater results.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

4. I am receptive and humble when receiving counsel.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

5. I help self and others learn from their experiences.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

ORGANIZE THE WORK

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you identify, prioritize, and plan the work.

1. I use data to plan my work more effectively.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

2. I identify my most important work.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

3. I create meaningful plans.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

4. I enable work through proper structure, processes, and tools.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

5. I clearly define accountabilities and how performance is measured.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

ACCOMPLISH THE WORK

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you take action and accomplish the work.

1. I lead meaningful change.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

2. I match people's strengths to the work that needs to be done.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

3. I take the initiative to act and I enable others to act for themselves.

a. Sometimes
b. Often
c. Almost Always

4. I quickly identify solutions to challenges.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

5. I get results.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

RENDER AN ACCOUNT

While seeking the Spirit, humbly read, reflect on, and evaluate yourself on how you set expectations, build trust, and demonstrate personal accountability.

1. I render an account for my performance regularly.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

2. I help others to continuously progress.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

3. I represent the truth clearly and accurately.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

4. I hold myself and others accountable.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

5. I express appreciation for accomplishments.
    a. Sometimes
    b. Often
    c. Almost Always

Leadership Indicator – Student Experience (Counts)

1. During your time at BYU–Hawaii, in which of the following areas have you participated in a leadership opportunity? (select all that apply)
    a. Academic
    b. Employment
    c. Church
    d. Service
    e. Club
    f. Other: _____
    g. I have not participated in a leadership opportunity

*** Display logic: If "Item a–f" is selected in the previous question, display the next question.

2. Please briefly specify the leadership opportunity or opportunities in which you participated (select all that apply)
    a. Class project
    b. Work/internship project
    c. Student club officer
    d. Intramural or sports team captain
    e. Ward calling
    f. Other: _____

Intellect Pillar

Intellect Indicator – NSSE Reflective & Integrative Learning

During your time at BYUH, about how often have you done the following?

1. I have combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often

2. I have connected my learning to societal problems or issues
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often

3. I have examined the strengths and weaknesses of my own views on a topic or issue
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often

4. I have tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from their perspective
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often

5. I have learned something that changes the way I understand an issue or concept
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often

6. I have connected ideas from my courses to my prior experiences and knowledge
    a. Never
    b. Sometimes
    c. Often
    d. Very often
    a. Strongly agree

Intellect Indicator – Student Experiences (Counts)

1. During your time at BYUH, have you participated in local, regional, or international competitions related to your studies?
    a. Yes
    b. No

2. During your time at BYUH, have you participated in local, regional, or international conference presentations?
    a. Yes
    b. No

3. During your time at BYUH, have you authored or co-authored any scholarly research papers?
    a. Yes
    b. No

4. During your time at BYU–Hawaii, have you participated in a mentored academic experience with a faculty member?
    a. Yes
    b. No

Self-Reliance Pillar

Self-Reliance Indicator – NACE Career Readiness Competency

Please rate your level of proficiency in the following areas. Use the scale provided below:

1. I actively manage my career development and pursue opportunities for personal and professional growth.
    a. Not at all proficient
    b. Slightly proficient
    c. Moderately proficient
    d. Very proficient
    e. Extremely proficient

2. I am able to clearly and effectively express ideas to others in both written and verbal formats.
    a. Not at all proficient

   b. Slightly proficient
   c. Moderately proficient
   d. Very proficient
   e. Extremely proficient

3. I can understand a situation and use information to respond to needs.
   a. Not at all proficient
   b. Slightly proficient
   c. Moderately proficient
   d. Very proficient
   e. Extremely proficient

4. I demonstrate the awareness, attitude, knowledge, and skills required to include people from different cultures or backgrounds.
   a. Not at all proficient
   b. Slightly proficient
   c. Moderately proficient
   d. Very proficient
   e. Extremely proficient

5. I recognize and use the strengths of others to achieve common goals.
   a. Not at all proficient
   b. Slightly proficient
   c. Moderately proficient
   d. Very proficient
   e. Extremely proficient

6. I use interpersonal skills to coach and develop others.
   a. Not at all proficient
   b. Slightly proficient
   c. Moderately proficient
   d. Very proficient
   e. Extremely proficient

7. I demonstrate personal accountability and effective work habits (e.g., punctuality, integrity, time management).
   a. Not at all proficient
   b. Slightly proficient

c. Moderately proficient
d. Very proficient
e. Extremely proficient

8. I build collaborative relationships with others and work well in a team environment.
    a. Not at all proficient
    b. Slightly proficient
    c. Moderately proficient
    d. Very proficient
    e. Extremely proficient

9. I am proficient in using technologies ethically and efficiently to complete tasks and solve problems.
    a. Not at all proficient
    b. Slightly proficient
    c. Moderately proficient
    d. Very proficient
    e. Extremely proficient

Self-Reliance Indicator – Student Experiences (Counts)

1. During your time at BYU–Hawaii, have you participated in an internship
    a. No
    b. Yes

*** Display logic: If "Yes" is selected in the previous question, display the next 3 questions.

2. Was your internship job function related to your chosen field of study?
    a. No
    b. Yes

3. What is the name of the company that you interned with?
    a. Open response

4. Where was your internship located?
    a. Open response

5. Do you currently have a student job?
    a. No
    b. Yes

*** Display logic: If "Yes" is selected in the previous question, display the next question.

6. Is your current student job related to your chosen field of study?
    a. Yes, it is related to my **major**
    b. Yes, it is related to my **minor**
    c. Yes, it is related to my **major and minor**
    d. No

7. During your time at BYU–Hawaii, which of the following Career Services resources, programs, or areas of support have you used? Select all that apply. (select all that apply)
    a. I have not utilized Career Services
    b. Peer Counselor
    c. Cover Letters
    d. Curriculum Vitae (CV)/Resume
    e. LinkedIn
    f. Interviews
    g. Networking
    h. Elevator Pitch
    i. Handshake
    j. Big Interview
    k. VMock
    l. The Ohana Network
    m. Career Interest Assessment Test
    n. Project-Based Experiential Learning (PBEL)
    o. Career and Graduate Fair
    p. Other (please specify)

Self-Reliance Indicator – Post Graduation

1. After you graduate do you plan to live and lead in Asia, the Philippines, the Pacific Islands, or Hawaii?
    a. No
    b. Yes

*** Display logic: If "Yes" is selected in the previous question, display the next 2 questions.

2. Is the location you plan to live and work in after you graduate from BYUH your home country?
    a. No

b. Yes

3. Why do you want to live and work in your desired country after you graduate from BYUH? (select all that apply)
    a. My spouse is from there
    b. My spouse wants to live there
    c. I want to be close to my family and/or community
    d. I want to contribute to the development of that specific area
    e. I want to find better job or career opportunities
    f. I want to have access to a higher standard of living or better quality of life
    g. I want to continue my education or professional training
    h. I want to live in a place where my values, culture, or lifestyle are better supported
    i. Other: _____

Resilience Pillar

Resilience Indicator – Brief Resilience Scale & PROMIS Global Physical Health

Please indicate how much you agree with each statement:

1. I tend to bounce back quickly after a failure or set back
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

2. It does not take me long to recover from a stressful event
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

3. I usually come through difficult times with little trouble
    a. Strongly disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neutral

   d. Agree
   e. Strongly agree

Please respond to each item by selecting the option that best describes your response.

1. In general, would you say your overall health is:
   a. Poor
   b. Fair
   c. Good
   d. Very good
   e. Excellent

2. In general, would you say your overall quality of life is:
   a. Poor
   b. Fair
   c. Good
   d. Very good
   e. Excellent

3. In general, how would you rate your physical health:
   a. Poor
   b. Fair
   c. Good
   d. Very good
   e. Excellent

4. In general, how would you rate your mental health, including your mood and ability to think:
   a. Poor
   b. Fair
   c. Good
   d. Very good
   e. Excellent

5. In general, how would you rate your satisfaction with your social activities and relationships:
   a. Poor
   b. Fair
   c. Good

d. Very good
e. Excellent

6. In general, please rate how well you carry out your usual social activities and roles. (This includes activities at home, at work and in your community, and responsibilities as a parent, child, spouse, employee, friend, etc.)
    a. Poor
    b. Fair
    c. Good
    d. Very good
    e. Excellent

7. To what extent are you able to carry out your everyday physical activities such as walking, climbing stairs, carrying groceries, or moving a chair?
    a. Not at all
    b. A little
    c. Moderately
    d. Mostly
    e. Completely

In the past 7 days,

8. In general, how often are you bothered by emotional problems such as feeling anxious, depressed, or irritable?[1]
    a. Never
    b. Rarely
    c. Sometimes
    d. Often
    e. Always

9. How would you rate your fatigue on average?
    a. None
    b. Mild
    c. Moderate
    d. Severe
    e. Very severe

[1] Order of last two questions switched to match PROMIS Scale

Resilience Indicator – Student Experience (Counts)

1. During your time at BYU–Hawaii, which of the following health and well-being programs, services, or experiences have you participated in? Select all that apply.
    a. Seasider Wellness (e.g., sports, Fitness Center, Wellness Coach, BodPod, wellness activities)
    b. Other: _____
    c. None of the above

Overall Experience

To what extent do you agree/disagree with the following statements?

1. If I had to start over again, I would choose to attend BYUH.
    a. Strongly Disagree
    b. Disagree
    c. Neither agree nor disagree
    d. Agree
    e. Strongly agree

*** Display logic: If “strongly disagree” or “Disagree” is selected in the previous question, display the next question.

2. If you would not choose BYUH again, what could have made your experience better?
    a. Open response

Demographic

1. Are you a seminary graduate?
    a. Yes
    b. No

Raffle Prize

1. Would you like to participate in the raffle drawing to have a chance to win an electric scooter, JBL speaker, or Beats earbuds?
    a. Yes
    b. No

Mahalo nui for completing our Student Perspectives Survey!