

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai

Feedback Report

Stakeholders: Alumni

2018-19

Introduction:

An institute's alumni represent its face in the outside world. St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai, is known for its illustrious alumni who have made a mark in the fields they chose to pursue – be it the humanities, theatre, journalism, science, environmental and social activism, administrative services, defence and many others. They hold positions of repute not just in India, but abroad as well. Having spent their formative years in this college, they are the best people to go back to, for feedback on the positives and areas of improvement for the college. Their perception of college through the years will mark the changing trends, its highs and lows. Hence, the college sought feedback from its alumni in India and abroad, and analysed the data obtained to continue with and implement updated measures and actions, in line with the changing global educational scenario.

Mechanism of feedback:


- A Google Form was created with pertinent questions related to college alumni.
- The weblink of the online form was shared with alumni with a request to complete the form in the stipulated time.
- The form was kept active for one month (February 2019).
- Data collected was analysed to implement suggestions provided.

Aspects of the questionnaire:

Feedback was sought in the following areas -

- Programme studied
- Alumni interaction and association
- Professional details
- Perception
- Current activities on campus
- Teaching learning method
- Involvement with institute
- Campus visit
- Recommendations
- Opinion




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Summary of Results:

2,107 alumni responded to the feedback questionnaire that was shared with the college alumni. They spanned an entire spectrum from those who studied in the college in 1967 to the freshly minted graduates of 2018.

Among the respondents, 85% had completed their graduation, 37.4% their junior college, 15.4% their postgraduate degree and 0.7% their doctoral degree, across all the disciplines offered by the college. Their current status varied from being postgraduate and doctoral students or post-doctoral fellows in India or abroad, to being employed and several of them being self-employed entrepreneurs.

Only 31% of the responding alumni were members of the college Alumni Association, and the rest 69% were mostly willing to be a part of it.

88% of alumni state that the college was known for its high academic standards and fests (79%) like Malhar, Ithaca etc. during their times. More than 50% agree to having a good student-teacher interaction and freedom of speech. Their current perception of the college remains somewhat similar with the percentage values varying only slightly. 80% of alumni agree that they were highly satisfied with their education and academic growth in the college, the quality of teaching and campus life including extracurricular activities. A common point of contention was that the technological resources were satisfactory.

40% of alumni felt their degree of awareness about current activities in college to be good and above, followed by 36% with moderate awareness and 24% with poor and very poor awareness. Their source of information about college events was through friends (74%), social media (65%), emails from the college alumni association (28%) and the college website (17%) or news media (16%). Out of the respondents, only 48% were aware of the current teaching-learning-evaluation methods being used in the college. 86% of alumni had visited the college after having completed their course, 51% in the last 5 years itself. The ones who did not, could not do so because they are currently living in either another city or country (41%), did not come to know of the event in time (32%) or because they were very busy (21%).

96% of college alumni were in touch with their batch mates and more than 62% expressed their desire to connect with the current students, faculty, and management in the capacity of trainers in their area of expertise, by providing internship and observership opportunities to students and faculty members, as potential employers and as philanthropists.

19% of the respondents had siblings or children studying in the college. 96% of alumni rated the college as being in the good and top 20% category as compared to other educational institutions in India, and a whopping 97% stated that they would recommend St Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai, to the current generation of learners.

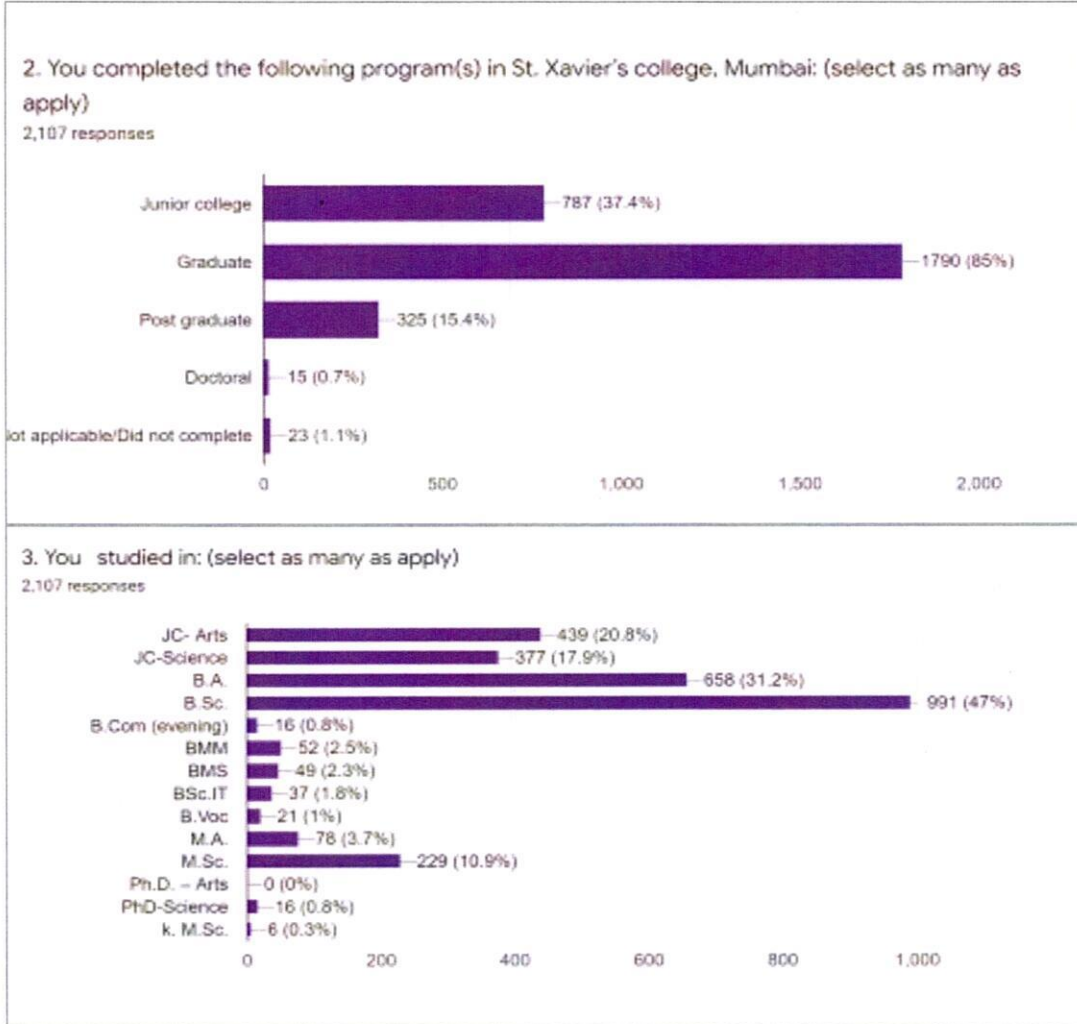
The common suggestions from alumni were to have a more interactive Alumni Cell, regular reunion events and a quarterly newsletter informing them about the current events in college.



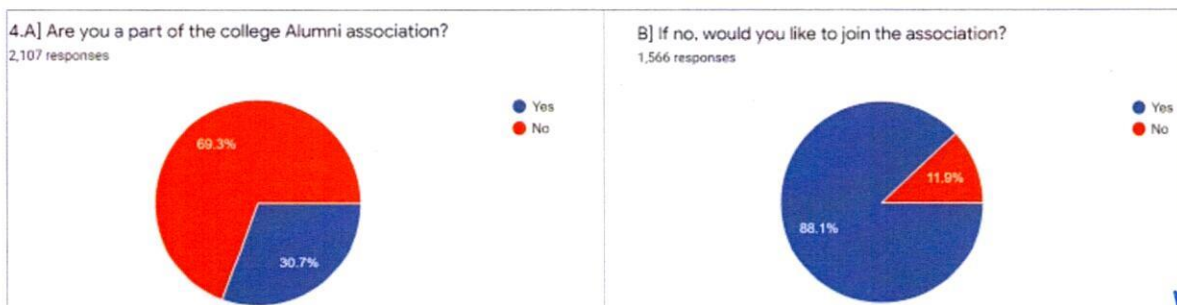
Results:

2,107 Alumni members from different disciplines participated in the feedback session. The response obtained for specific questions are shown in the graphs.

Programme studied:

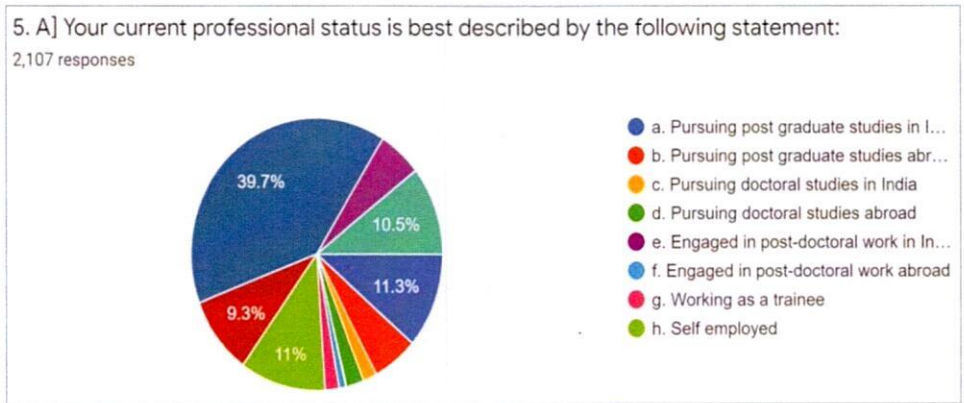


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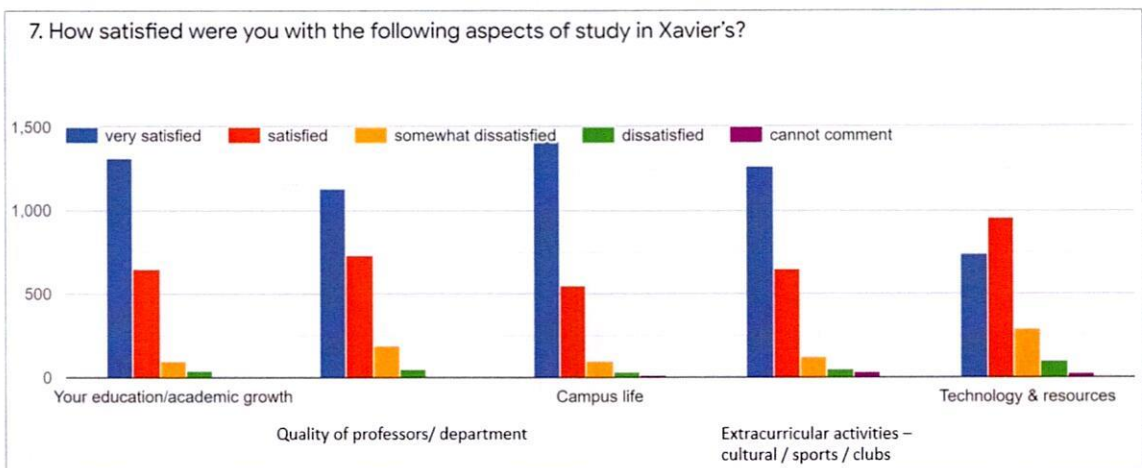
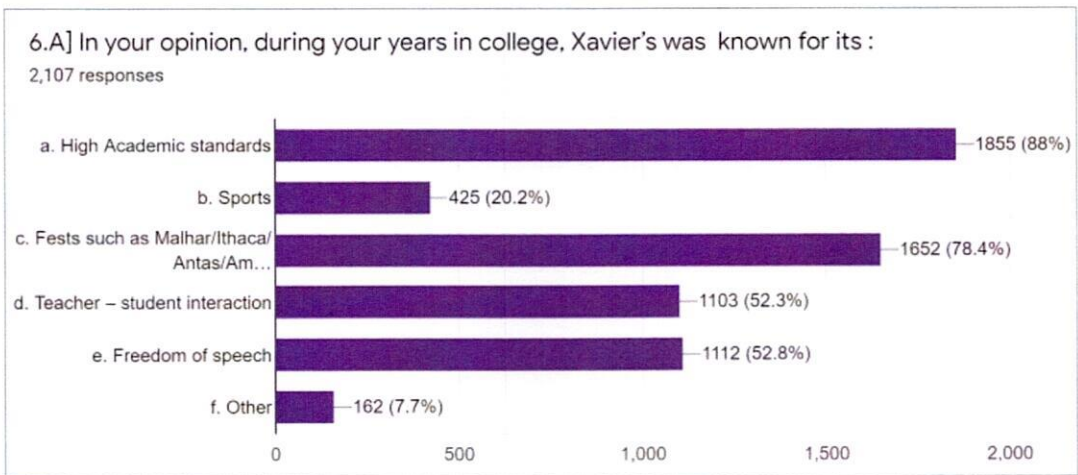


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Professional details:

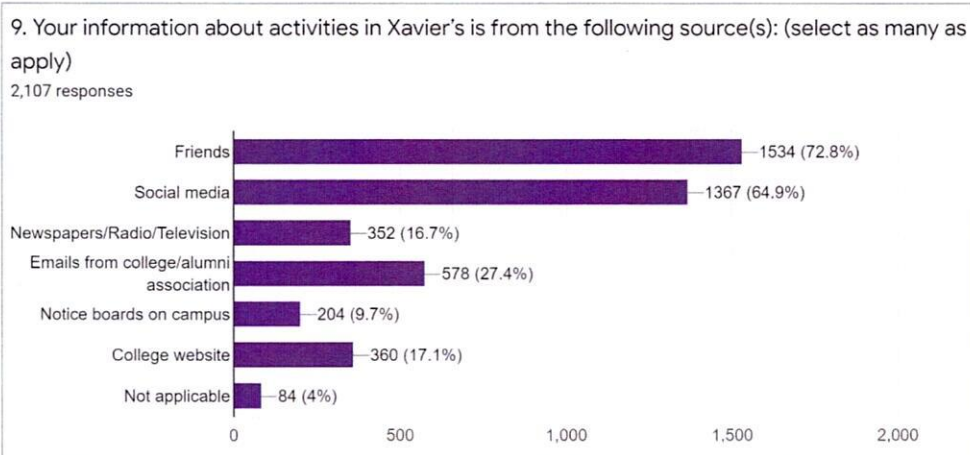
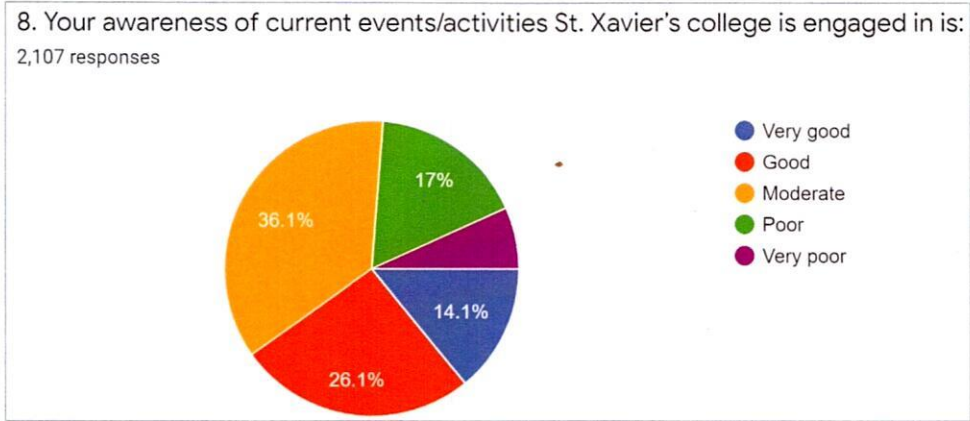


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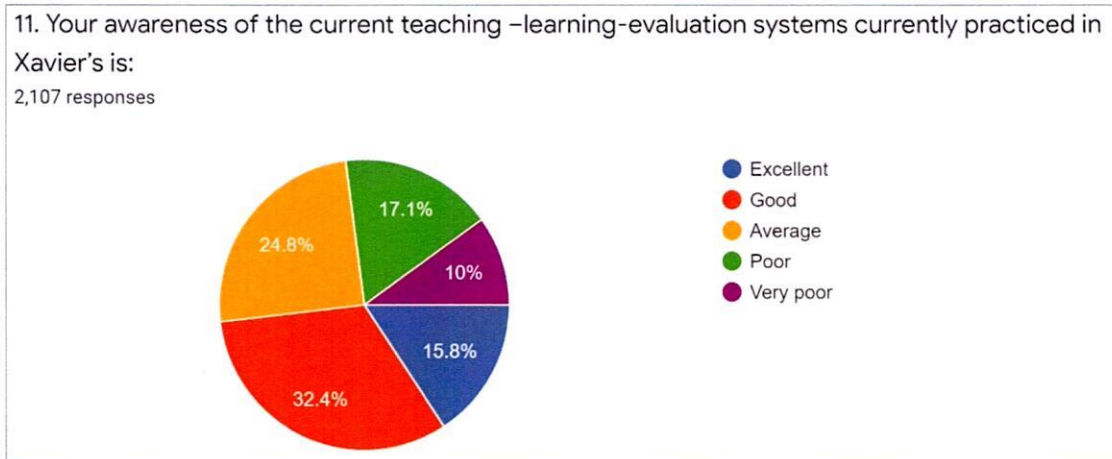


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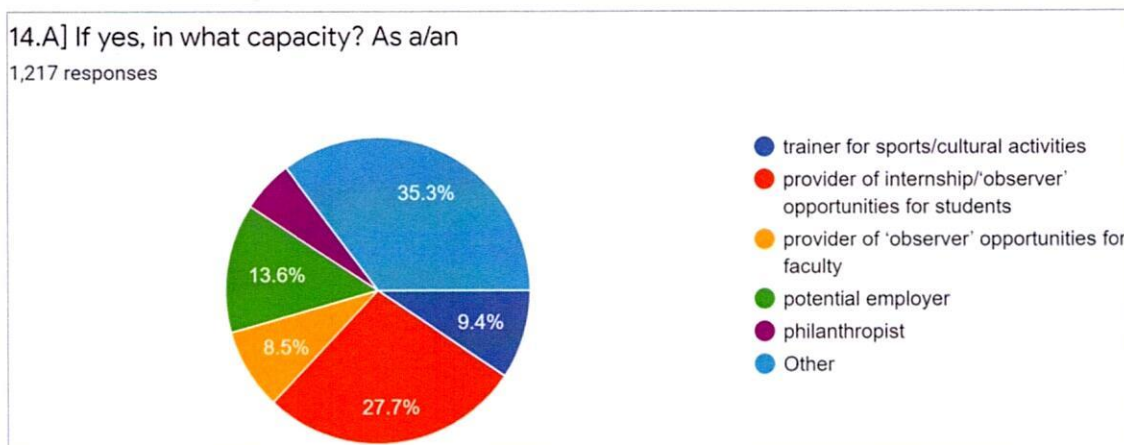
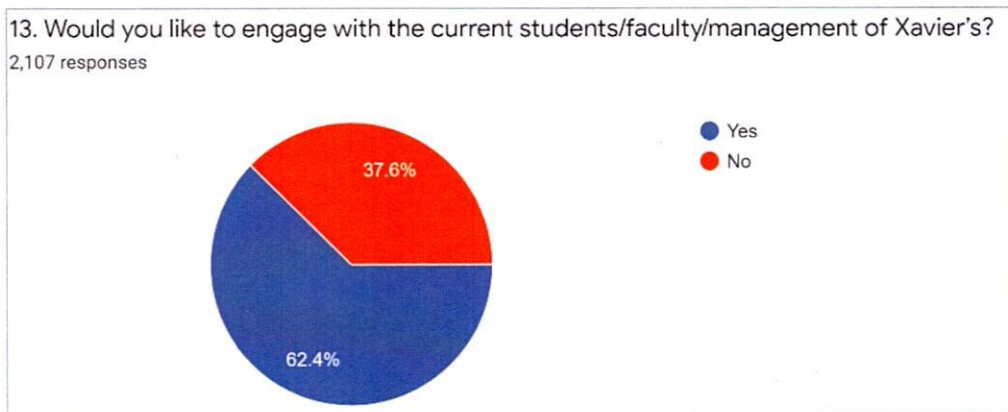
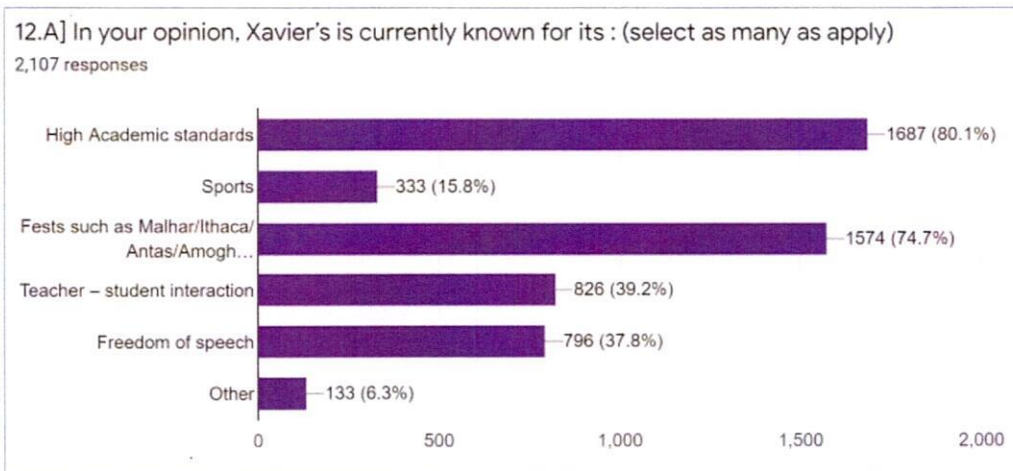


Teaching-Learning:



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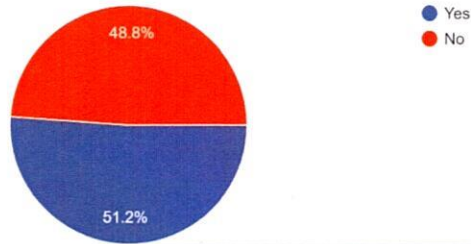
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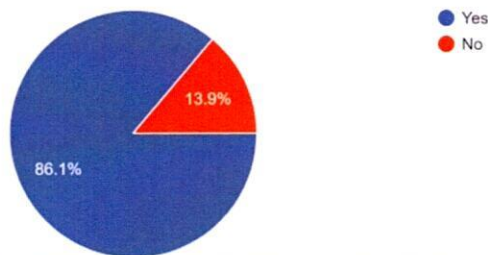
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Campus visit:

15.A) Have you attended any activity conducted by Xavier's in the last five years?
2,107 responses

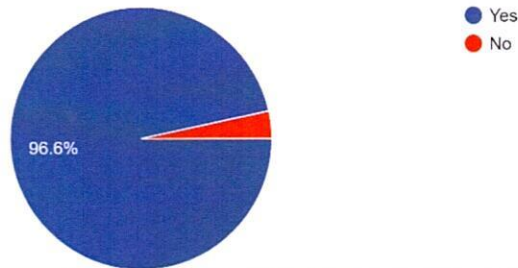


16. Have you ever visited the campus after you finished with your academic work there?
2,107 responses

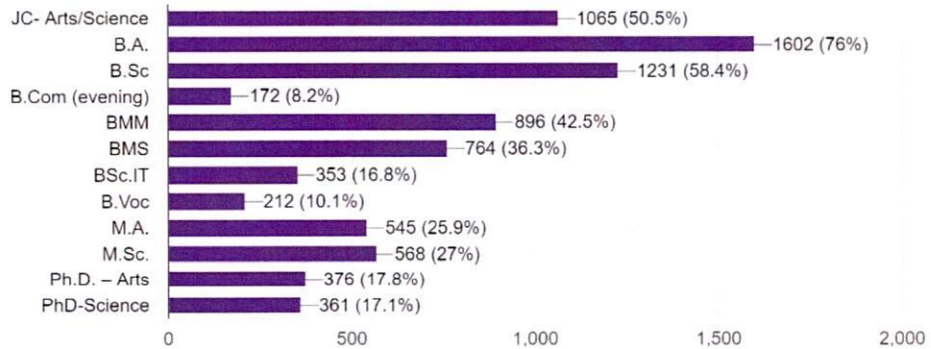


Recommendations:

19. A) Would you recommend Xavier's to the current generation of learners?
2,107 responses



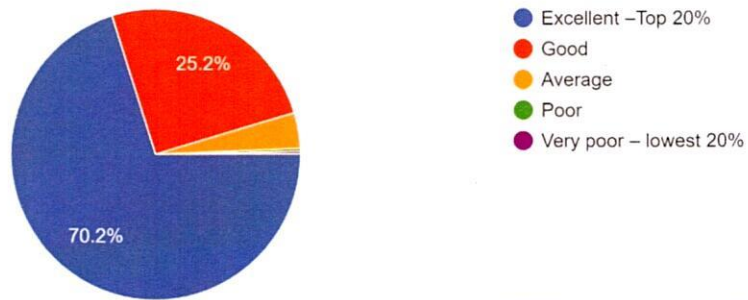
19. B) If yes, to what programme? (select as many as apply)
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20. How would you rank the Xavier's of today when compared with other undergraduate institutions across the country?

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ALUMNI FEEDBACK ANALYSIS: 2018-19

ALUMNI PERCEPTION

Xavier's best known for high academic standards **88%** & fests **79%**

99% alumni ranked St. Xavier's as good & above

80% are highly satisfied with their academic growth, quality of professors, campus life & extra curricular activities

97% would recommend St. Xavier's to others



REVERTING BACK TO XAVIER'S

Alumni

Awareness

76% are aware about current activities through friends & social media

Networking

Almost **96%** are in contact with their batch mates

Contribution to Xavier's

62% expressed their desire to contribute towards Xavier's (by providing internship, employment, training)



SUGGESTIONS

Alumni



More interactive XDP cell



Alumni Reunions



Quarterly Newsletters



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