RMIT UNIVERSITY

HDR Onshore & Offshore

STUDENT EXPERIENCE SURVEY - HDR

2018

365H - Global, Urban & Social Studies	**Survey Population: 138**
DSC	**Respondents: 43**
	Response Rate: 31.2%

Demographics (% of total sample size)

Commencement Year	
Pre 2013	**2**
2013	**4**
2014	**3**
2015	**7**
2016	**7**
2017	**13**
2018	**7**

Age	
<20	**0%**
21-24	**0%**
25-34	**30%**
35-44	**35%**
45+	**35%**

Gender	
Male	**0%**
Female	**0%**

Citizenship	
Australian	**53%**
International onshore	**0%**
International offshore	**2%**

Program Type	
Master by research	**0%**
Doctorate by research	**95%**

Attendance Type	
Full time	**58%**
Part time	**42%**

Location	
On-campus	**77%**
Off-campus	**23%**

Milestones	
Comfirmation of candidature	**65%**
Completion seminar	**21%**

LOTE	
Yes	**53%**
No	**47%**

Rural Relocatee	
Yes	**5%**
No	**95%**

Main Funds Source	
Employment	**33%**
Cadetship	**0%**
Family	**5%**
AusAid/IDP	**2%**
Home Government	**0%**
Scholarship	**49%**
Loan	**2%**
Savings	**7%**
Other	**0%**

Employment	
Part time (1-14 hrs)	**12%**
Part time (15-20 hrs)	**9%**
Part time (21-34 hrs)	**7%**
Full time (35+ hrs)	**23%**
Not at all	**49%**

Research Degree Included	
Working for industry	
Yes	**5%**
No	**84%**
Working with industry	
Yes	**16%**
No	**74%**
Industry internship	
Yes	**14%**
No	**72%**

Snapshot Scales 2018	
Supervision	**80.8%**
Intellectual Climate	**65.4%**
Skill Development	**85.1%**
Overall Satisfaction	**83.7%**

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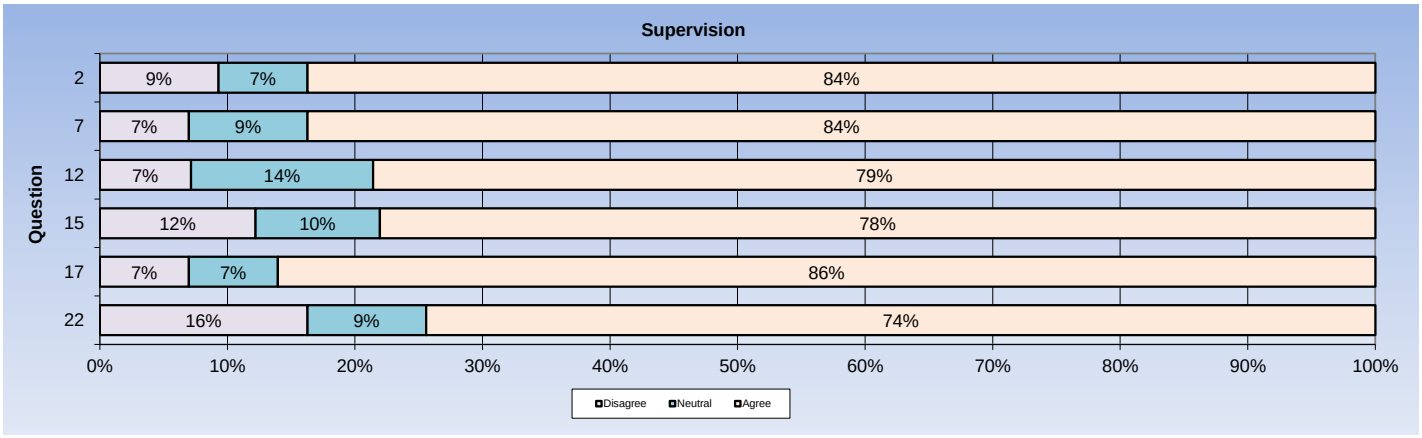
Section One - Student Experience

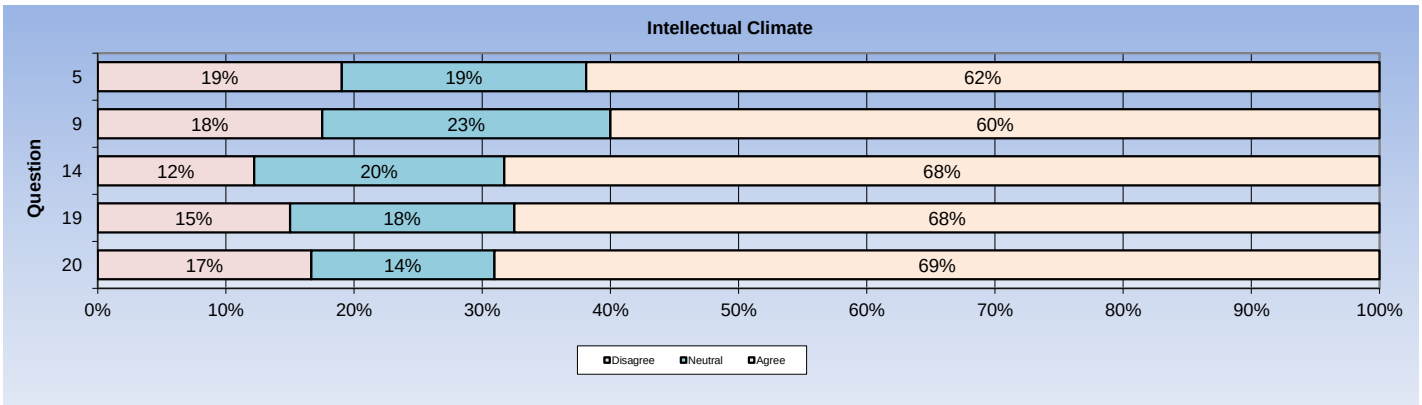
Supervision

	% AGREE	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
	80.8%						
2. Supervision is available when I need it		5%	5%	7%	26%	58%	43
7. My supervisor(s) are making a real effort to understand difficulties that I face		5%	2%	9%	23%	60%	43
12. My supervisor(s) provide me with additional information relevant to my topic		7%	0%	14%	29%	50%	42
15. I have been given good guidance in topic selection and refinement		7%	5%	10%	46%	32%	41
17. My supervisor(s) are providing helpful feedback on my progress		5%	2%	7%	30%	56%	43
22. I received good guidance in my literature search		7%	9%	9%	42%	33%	43



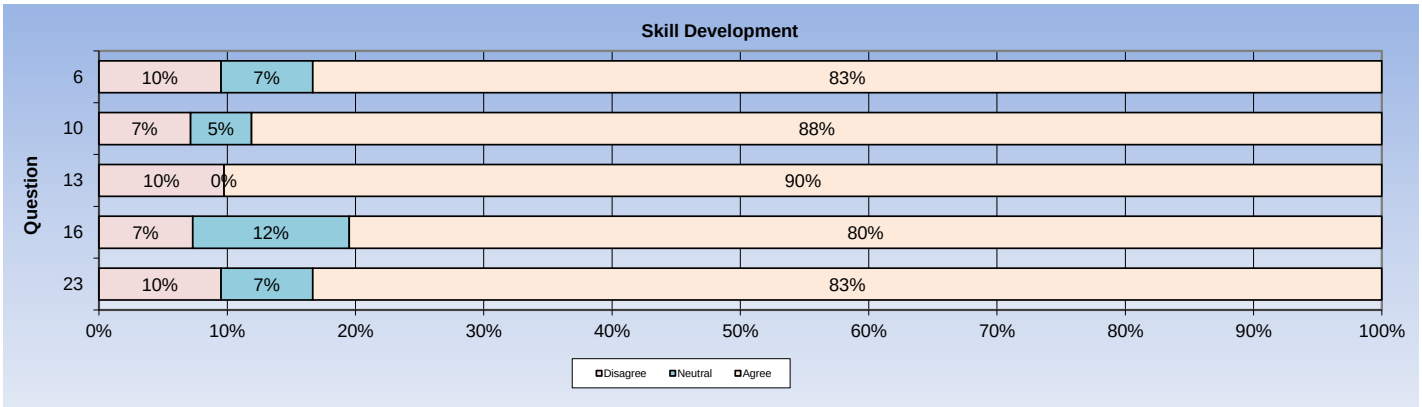
Intellectual Climate

	% AGREE	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
	65.4%						
5. The school is providing opportunities for social contact with other postgraduate students		14%	5%	19%	36%	26%	42
9. I am becoming integrated into the school's community		10%	8%	23%	43%	18%	40
14. The school is providing opportunities for me to become involved in the broader research culture		5%	7%	20%	46%	22%	41
19. A good seminar program is being provided for postgraduate students		10%	5%	18%	50%	18%	40
20. The research context in my school is stimulating my work		10%	7%	14%	48%	21%	42



Skill Development

	% AGREE	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
	85.1%						
6. My research is developing my problem-solving skills		**5%**	**5%**	**7%**	**26%**	**57%**	**42**
10. I am learning to develop my ideas and present them in written work		**5%**	**2%**	**5%**	**31%**	**57%**	**42**
13. My research is sharpening my analytical skills		**7%**	**2%**	**0%**	**37%**	**54%**	**41**
16. Doing my research is helping me to develop my ability to plan my own work		**7%**	**0%**	**12%**	**27%**	**54%**	**41**
23. As my research progresses, I am feeling more confident about tackling unfamiliar problems		**7%**	**2%**	**7%**	**45%**	**38%**	**42**



Overall Satisfaction

	% AGREE	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
	83.7%						
26. Overall, I am satisified with the quality of my higher degree research		**5%**	**2%**	**9%**	**40%**	**44%**	**43**

Others

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
3. I have access to suitable working space	**8%**	**18%**	**10%**	**28%**	**36%**	**39**
8. I have good access to the technical support I need	**5%**	**2%**	**14%**	**37%**	**42%**	**43**
11. I am able to organise good access to necessary equipment	**8%**	**3%**	**15%**	**43%**	**33%**	**40**
24. I have appropriate financial support for my research project	**24%**	**7%**	**20%**	**32%**	**17%**	**41**
1. I am satisfied with the supervision I am receiving	**5%**	**5%**	**5%**	**19%**	**67%**	**43**
4. I am developing an understanding of the standard of work required for my research degree and the examination process	**5%**	**0%**	**5%**	**40%**	**50%**	**40**
18. I am being encouraged and supported to publish my research	**8%**	**3%**	**15%**	**45%**	**30%**	**40**
21. I am benefiting from having more than one supervisor	**5%**	**7%**	**5%**	**23%**	**60%**	**43**
25. I am developing transferable skills that will enable me to work in a broad range of contexts after I complete my degree	**10%**	**0%**	**5%**	**46%**	**39%**	**41**

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Section Two - Campus Life

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Administration

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. I find it easy to check my enrolment status and invoices online	**5%**	**9%**	**14%**	**28%**	**44%**	**43**
2. I'd know what to do if I had a problem with my student administration	**9%**	**5%**	**19%**	**33%**	**35%**	**43**
3. RMIT effectively resolves any student administration issue I might have	**8%**	**10%**	**20%**	**18%**	**45%**	**40**

Learning Support

Library - I am satisfied with…	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. The Library's e-resources collection	**2%**	**10%**	**5%**	**41%**	**41%**	**41**
2. The Library's book collections	**2%**	**12%**	**5%**	**44%**	**37%**	**41**
3. The quality of service provided by Library staff	**2%**	**0%**	**0%**	**31%**	**67%**	**42**
4. The Library's facilities	**2%**	**0%**	**5%**	**36%**	**57%**	**42**
5. Library opening hours	**3%**	**0%**	**8%**	**35%**	**55%**	**40**

Computing Facilities - I am satisfied with…	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. Access to computer facilities at RMIT	**5%**	**8%**	**18%**	**37%**	**32%**	**38**
2. Access to the specialist software that I require	**3%**	**10%**	**10%**	**38%**	**40%**	**40**
3. The availability of computer printing facilities	**3%**	**0%**	**13%**	**23%**	**62%**	**39**
4. The standard of service from computing support staff	**5%**	**3%**	**11%**	**24%**	**57%**	**37**

Learning Support Services - I am satisfied with...	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. Study and Learning Centre services	**7%**	**0%**	**7%**	**36%**	**50%**	**28**
2. Language support	**10%**	**0%**	**24%**	**33%**	**33%**	**21**
3. RMIT's academic and professional development workshops	**8%**	**6%**	**8%**	**39%**	**39%**	**36**
4. Statistical Consultancy	**18%**	**6%**	**24%**	**35%**	**18%**	**17**

Online Services

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. I am satisfied with the Internet access provided by RMIT	**2%**	**0%**	**12%**	**32%**	**54%**	**41**
2. I find the online environment useful to collaborate with other staff or students about my research	**8%**	**8%**	**20%**	**35%**	**30%**	**40**

Communication

I have enough…	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. Opportunities to discuss my academic work with my supervisor(s)	**2%**	**0%**	**16%**	**19%**	**63%**	**43**
2. Opportunities to work with other research students	**15%**	**5%**	**15%**	**41%**	**23%**	**39**
3. Contact with students in other diciplines	**24%**	**3%**	**35%**	**27%**	**11%**	**37**

Information Access

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. I know how and where to access information regarding management of and support for my candidature	**5%**	**5%**	**23%**	**40%**	**28%**	**43**
2. I know who the key HDR academic and administrative contacts are in my school	**5%**	**0%**	**14%**	**44%**	**37%**	**43**
3. The RMIT website is easy to navigate to find information I need	**19%**	**10%**	**29%**	**29%**	**14%**	**42**

Campus Life and Environment

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. The RMIT campus is a good place to spend time	**7%**	**5%**	**17%**	**36%**	**36%**	**42**
2. RMIT is friendly to people from all backgrounds	**2%**	**2%**	**7%**	**33%**	**56%**	**43**
3. I feel personally safe on campus	**2%**	**2%**	**5%**	**26%**	**64%**	**42**
4. I am treated fairly at RMIT	**5%**	**5%**	**9%**	**23%**	**58%**	**43**
5. I can balance my research with my work and home commitments	**7%**	**10%**	**24%**	**31%**	**29%**	**42**

Building and Facilties

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
The following areas are well maintained…						
1. Classrooms	**3%**	**9%**	**15%**	**35%**	**38%**	**34**
2. Lecture theatres	**3%**	**3%**	**20%**	**33%**	**40%**	**30**
3. Laboratories	**6%**	**0%**	**24%**	**35%**	**35%**	**17**
4. General access computer labs	**4%**	**0%**	**19%**	**38%**	**38%**	**26**
5. Lounge spaces	**9%**	**6%**	**21%**	**35%**	**29%**	**34**
6. Toilets	**7%**	**5%**	**15%**	**49%**	**24%**	**41**
7. Lifts	**5%**	**5%**	**17%**	**34%**	**39%**	**41**

Services and Programs for Students

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
I am satisfied with the service or program…						
1. School of Graduate Research	**5%**	**10%**	**8%**	**33%**	**44%**	**39**
2. RMIT Connect	**7%**	**7%**	**10%**	**47%**	**30%**	**30**
3. Health promotion	**13%**	**7%**	**7%**	**27%**	**47%**	**15**
4. Scholarship and financial advice	**13%**	**6%**	**19%**	**23%**	**39%**	**31**
5. Career planning and advice	**10%**	**10%**	**25%**	**30%**	**25%**	**20**
6. Housing advice and assistance	**36%**	**0%**	**21%**	**21%**	**21%**	**14**
7. International student advisory services	**13%**	**0%**	**13%**	**47%**	**27%**	**15**
8. Legal Advice	**8%**	**8%**	**25%**	**33%**	**25%**	**12**
9. Counselling services	**18%**	**6%**	**12%**	**35%**	**29%**	**17**
10. Disability support	**8%**	**17%**	**25%**	**17%**	**33%**	**12**
11. Student leadership programs	**6%**	**6%**	**0%**	**50%**	**38%**	**16**
12. Religious/spiritual services	**21%**	**0%**	**14%**	**21%**	**43%**	**14**

	Yes	No	No. of Students
This service is important to me…			
1. School of Graduate Research	**97%**	**3%**	**34**
2. RMIT Connect	**84%**	**16%**	**32**
3. Health promotion	**63%**	**37%**	**30**
4. Scholarship and financial advice	**76%**	**24%**	**34**
5. Career planning and advice	**70%**	**30%**	**30**
6. Housing advice and assistance	**50%**	**50%**	**30**
7. International student advisory services	**60%**	**40%**	**30**
8. Legal Advice	**57%**	**43%**	**30**
9. Counselling services	**65%**	**35%**	**31**
10. Disability support	**41%**	**59%**	**29**
11. Student leadership programs	**60%**	**40%**	**30**
12. Religious/spiritual services	**53%**	**47%**	**30**

RMIT Link

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
I am satisfied with the service or program…						
1. Sport programs, sport clubs and recreation activities	**6%**	**6%**	**6%**	**47%**	**35%**	**17**
2. Visual arts, performing arts and gallery activities	**11%**	**5%**	**21%**	**42%**	**21%**	**19**

	Yes	No	No. of Students
This service is important to me…			
1. Sport programs, sport clubs and recreation activities	**67%**	**33%**	**30**
2. Visual arts, performing arts and gallery activities	**60%**	**40%**	**30**

Student Union

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
I am satisfied with the service or program…						
1. Representation of student interests to the University	**7%**	**7%**	**10%**	**41%**	**34%**	**29**
2. Campaigns, information and resources to improve conditions for students	**10%**	**3%**	**10%**	**52%**	**24%**	**29**
3. Advice and support if I had a problem with the University	**8%**	**4%**	**17%**	**42%**	**29%**	**24**
4. Social activities, bands and competitions	**11%**	**6%**	**17%**	**39%**	**28%**	**18**
5. Clubs and collectives	**6%**	**0%**	**12%**	**47%**	**35%**	**17**
6. Student media, such as Catalyst and RMITV	**14%**	**0%**	**29%**	**36%**	**21%**	**14**

	Yes	No	No. of Students
This service is important to me…			
1. Representation of student interests to the University	**80%**	**20%**	**35**
2. Campaigns, information and resources to improve conditions for students	**79%**	**21%**	**33**
3. Advice and support if I had a problem with the University	**84%**	**16%**	**31**
4. Social activities, bands and competitions	**63%**	**38%**	**32**
5. Clubs and collectives	**60%**	**40%**	**30**
6. Student media, such as Catalyst and RMITV	**50%**	**50%**	**30**

Outcomes

	Strongly Disagree				Strongly Agree	No. of Students
1. As an RMIT graduate I will be highly employable	**3%**	**5%**	**26%**	**38%**	**28%**	**39**
2. My research training experience at RMIT will improve my career prospects	**2%**	**2%**	**17%**	**39%**	**39%**	**41**
3. RMIT generally responds well to student feedback	**8%**	**10%**	**18%**	**33%**	**31%**	**39**
4. I would recommend higher degree research programs at RMIT to others	**5%**	**5%**	**15%**	**28%**	**48%**	**40**

Notes

The scale % AGREE is calculated by adding up all the items scored Agree/Strongly Agree across all respondents
This is divided by the total number of items answered across all respondents. Blanks or N/A's are excluded
Percentages represent the %age of the total valid responses per question, with the exception of the demographics section which represent the %age of total responses.
Charts are rescaled on valid responses to total 100%.
Values may round to 101 %.
Valid responses exclude N/A and blank responses.