



Rudolf Steiner College

A Center for Transformative Education

OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATE ACADEMIC DEAN

April 22, 2009

Dear Friends,

We would like to inform you of one of the most exciting changes at Rudolf Steiner College. The 33rd year of the college's existence is being marked with a sign of maturity in its development. In December of 2008 we were given eligibility status from the Western Schools and Colleges Association. Not only were we given eligibility status, we were also commended for submitting an exemplary eligibility application. This has given us added confidence that we are on a solid track toward WASC accreditation. When we are granted candidacy our students will be eligible for federal student loans.

The accreditation process has catalyzed plans that have been under consideration at the college for some time to redesign program and course offerings. A Master's Degree in Waldorf Education with three different delivery models has been designed. Embedded within this 48-unit Master's Degree is both Waldorf Certification and course requirements for a California Teaching Credential. A 24-unit Master's completion MA program for experienced teachers is also planned to launch soon. Degree programs in other fields are also being developed; such as in psychology, the arts, therapeutic education, biodynamic gardening, and foundation studies in Anthroposophy. These programs are in the long-range planning process.

As we gear up for entering into the circle of higher education institutes, we are simultaneously involved in a long-range strategic plan. Both efforts require us to execute a rigorous self-examination of our institutional integrity and educational effectiveness. This cannot be done without your support and help. We would like to form an Alumni Association. To do this we need members who are willing to participate in its shaping and its potential service to both its members and the college. Your ideas are welcomed.

Below is the link to a survey that addresses a wide spectrum of the college's mission, functions, services, and programs—http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=yt1B7qY9xjrLKfuURHz1Vw_3d_3d (if you would like this link emailed to you, please send your request to jeanette.arch@steinercollege.edu.) Please take a few minutes to complete the survey and submit it to us via the web. You may also request a hard copy of the survey by contacting the Academic Office (916) 961-8727 x110. Please return the survey by mail to:

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Thank you for your continued support!

Respectfully,

William Bento, Ph.D

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Rudolf Steiner College Alumni Survey

Placed on Survey Monkey

I am willing to be listed in a Directory as an Alumni member of Rudolf Steiner College: YES NO

I am willing to be a member of the Alumni Committee Task Force: YES NO

I attended Rudolf Steiner College from_____ to_____

I was enrolled in the_____Program.

I completed all course work & graduated with a certificate &/or diploma: YES NO

I am currently employed as a_____@ the_____

I continue to attend programs, courses, workshops, &/or conferences at Rudolf Steiner College: YES NO

How did you learn about the existence of Rudolf Steiner College?

Rate your level of satisfaction with the Admissions Process

Rate your level of satisfaction with the Financial Aid Office

Do you have a loan that you are still making payments on: YES NO

Rate your level of satisfaction with Student Services (Dormitory/Housing, Food, Bookstore, Library, Technology Availability, etc.)

Please give specific comments to areas you had direct experience with

Rate your level of satisfaction with the physical environment of the campus

Rate your level of satisfaction with your education & training

What courses did you find the most helpful to you_____

What courses were the least helpful to you_____

What courses do you wish were offered to better prepare you for your vocation_____

How did you experience the level of social inclusion among the students, staff, administration, and faculty?

What would you suggest to improve the social life at the college?

Would you refer prospective students to the college: YES NO

Explain your reasons.

Rate the level of performance the college exhibited in fulfilling its mission

Do you think it is important for the college to be able to grant accredited degrees?

YES NO

What programs do you wish the college would develop?

What services do you wish the college could provide?

Results from aggregation at survey site :

Rudolf Steiner College 2009 Alumni Survey

1. I attended Rudolf Steiner College during the following dates:	
	Response Count
	16
answered question	16
skipped question	1


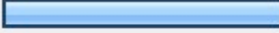
2. I was enrolled in and I completed and graduated from the following program(s) List programs in order of graduation

	First Training/Course	Second Training/Course	Third Training/Course	Fourth Training/Course	Training/Cot
Foundation Year, on campus, year long residency	100.0% (4)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Community Learning Center Courses in fulfillment of Foundation Year Equivalencies	0.0% (0)	100.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Full Time Waldorf Teacher Education Program, on campus, Sept-May	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	100.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	
Weekend/Summer Waldorf Teacher Training Program, San Francisco	100.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Weekend/Summer Waldorf Teacher Training, Los Altos	100.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Summer Teacher Education	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	50.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	
Summer High School Teacher Training	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Waldorf Administrators Program	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Subject Teacher Program	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Eurythmy	50.0% (1)	50.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Consciousness Studies	75.0% (3)	25.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Remedial Education	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Early Childhood Inservice Program	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	
Lifeways Training	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	






3. I enrolled in but did not complete the following program(s). (Enter answer only if applicable).		Response Count
		9
	answered question	9
	skipped question	8

4. Please let us know where you are working:								
	teacher	administrator	teaching assistant	subject teacher	remedial teacher	other	Rating Average	Response Count
Independent Waldorf School	40.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	40.0% (2)	0.0% (0)	20.0% (1)	3.20	
Public School inspired-by Waldorf Education	100.0% (3)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	1.00	
Homeschool	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.00	
Home/Preschool	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	100.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	3.00	
Private Kindergarten	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.00	
other	20.0% (1)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	80.0% (4)	5.00	
If you marked "other" please tell us where and what:								
							answered question	
							skipped question	




5. I continue to attend conferences, workshops or programs at Rudolf Steiner College.

	Response Percent	Response Count
YES 	56.3%	9
NO 	43.8%	7
Can you tell us what was the last event you attended?		13
answered question		16
skipped question		1






6. How did you first learn about Rudolf Steiner College?

	Response Percent	Response Count
friend 	25.0%	4
advertisement 	6.3%	1
comment from an acquaintance 	12.5%	2
I attended a talk or lecture 	6.3%	1
other (please let us know in text box below) 	50.0%	8
How I found RSC		13
answered question		16
skipped question		1



7. Rate your level of satisfaction with the admissions process at RSC.

		Response Percent	Response Count
highly satisfied		12.5%	2
very satisfied		50.0%	8
satisfied		37.5%	6
unsatisfied		0.0%	0
very unsatisfied		0.0%	0
		answered question	16
		skipped question	1


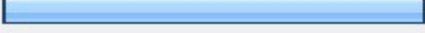
8. Rate your satisfaction with the financial aid office.

		Response Percent	Response Count
highly satisfied		12.5%	2
very satisfied		12.5%	2
satisfied		12.5%	2
unsatisfied		6.3%	1
very unsatisfied		0.0%	0
not applicable		56.3%	9
		answered question	16
		skipped question	1




9. Did you take out a loan for your education at RSC?

	Response Percent	Response Count
YES 	31.3%	5
NO 	68.8%	11
answered question		16
skipped question		1






10. If you took out a loan, are you still paying on it?

	Response Percent	Response Count
YES 	33.3%	2
NO 	66.7%	4
answered question		6
skipped question		11




11. Rate your level of satisfaction with dormitory/housing.

	Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied 	18.8%	3
satisfied 	31.3%	5
it was OK	0.0%	0
not satisfied	0.0%	0
not applicable 	50.0%	8
answered question		16
skipped question		1






12. Rate your satisfaction with the food services

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		43.8%	7
satisfied		37.5%	6
it was OK		6.3%	1
not satisfied		6.3%	1
not applicable		6.3%	1
answered question			16
skipped question			1




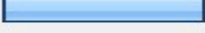
13. Rate your satisfaction with the Bookstore.

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		56.3%	9
satisfied		25.0%	4
it was OK		18.8%	3
not satisfied		0.0%	0
not applicable		0.0%	0
answered question			16
skipped question			1





14. Rate your satisfaction with the library.

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		18.8%	3
satisfied		25.0%	4
it was OK		12.5%	2
not satisfied		25.0%	4
not applicable		18.8%	3
		answered question	16
		skipped question	1

15. Rate your satisfaction with technology availability.

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		0.0%	0
satisfied		12.5%	2
it was OK		12.5%	2
not satisfied		43.8%	7
not applicable		31.3%	5
		answered question	16
		skipped question	1


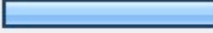
16. Rate your level of satisfaction with the physical environment of the campus.

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		56.3%	9
satisfied		25.0%	4
it was OK		12.5%	2
not satisfied		0.0%	0
not applicable		6.3%	1
answered question			16
skipped question			1

17. Rate your level of satisfaction with your education and training. (please use comment box provided below)

		Response Percent	Response Count
very satisfied		18.8%	3
satisfied		56.3%	9
it was OK		6.3%	1
not satisfied		18.8%	3
Anything you want to tell us?			8
answered question			16
skipped question			1

18. Do you feel that Rudolf Steiner College prepared you for your vocation?

	Response Percent	Response Count
YES 	66.7%	10
NO 	33.3%	5
	comment optional	7
	answered question	15
	skipped question	2

19. Please list the course(s) that were the most helpful to you: Please tell us why ...






	Response Count	
	16	
	answered question	16
	skipped question	1

20. What courses were the least helpful to you and please tell us why if possible?

	Response Count	
	10	
	answered question	10
	skipped question	7

21. What courses do you wish were offered to better prepare you for your vocation (if applicable)?


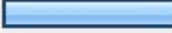
	Response Count	
	9	
	answered question	9
	skipped question	8

22. How would you rate the level of social inclusion on the campus?			Response Percent	Response Count
high level			40.0%	6
acceptable level			26.7%	4
OK with some issue			13.3%	2
not as healthy as I would wish			13.3%	2
not applicable			6.7%	1
			answered question	15
			skipped question	2



23. What would you suggest to improve the social life at the college?		Response Count
		7
		answered question
		7
		skipped question
		10

24. What would you suggest to improve the social life of the College?		Response Count
		3
		answered question
		3
		skipped question
		14

25. Would you refer prospective students to the College?

		Response Percent	Response Count
YES		73.3%	11
NO		26.7%	4
could you tell us why you answered as you did?			11
answered question			15
skipped question			2

26. Do you think it is important for the College to grant accredited degrees?

		Response Percent	Response Count
YES		80.0%	12
NO		20.0%	3
answered question			15
skipped question			2

27. The College is considering new degrees once it has achieved accreditation. Please rate your sense of importance of the following degrees.

	very important	important	could be useful	not important	don't go there	Rating Average	Response Count
Masters degree in Waldorf Education (Waldorf Teacher Training)	60.0% (9)	20.0% (3)	13.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	6.7% (1)	1.73	15
Masters degree in advanced studies of Waldorf Education	28.6% (4)	35.7% (5)	28.6% (4)	0.0% (0)	7.1% (1)	2.21	14
Masters degree in Anthroposophically extended psychology	21.4% (3)	21.4% (3)	28.6% (4)	21.4% (3)	7.1% (1)	2.71	14
Masters degree in Eurythmy	21.4% (3)	28.6% (4)	35.7% (5)	7.1% (1)	7.1% (1)	2.50	14
Masters degree in Green Business Administration	35.7% (5)	35.7% (5)	21.4% (3)	0.0% (0)	7.1% (1)	2.07	14
B.A. completion in Political Science	30.8% (4)	7.7% (1)	30.8% (4)	15.4% (2)	15.4% (2)	2.77	13
B.A. completion in Biodynamic Agriculture	57.1% (8)	21.4% (3)	14.3% (2)	0.0% (0)	7.1% (1)	1.79	14
B.A. completion in Fine Arts	35.7% (5)	21.4% (3)	35.7% (5)	0.0% (0)	7.1% (1)	2.21	14
B.A. completion in Anthroposophical Studies	35.7% (5)	14.3% (2)	28.6% (4)	14.3% (2)	7.1% (1)	2.43	14
answered question							15
skipped question							2

28. What alumni services do you wish the College to provide?

		Response Percent	Response Count
access to library services online?		83.3%	10
access to library services on site?		50.0%	6
access to research-level data bases?		66.7%	8
discounts on programs and events?		75.0%	9
other? please explain in comment box provided...		0.0%	0
What the College could provide for alumni:			3
answered question			12
skipped question			5