

IT Career Survey

In each of the questions below, we use the term "IT" to reflect the career paths generally associated with Information Systems, Information Technology and Computer Science.

Student ID Number _____

Class: _____

<i>In the five IT items below, please rate your commitment and motivation for an IT career.</i>	Disagree Strongly				Neutral			Agree Strongly
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
I would (do) enjoy a career in IT.								
Having a career in IT would be (is) interesting to me.								
I sometimes think about dropping out of IT.								
I am not sure that IT is really the career for me.								
I have decided I would like to have a career in IT.								

<i>In the six items below, please rate your confidence in your IT abilities.</i>	Disagree Strongly				Neutral			Agree Strongly
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
I have a lot of confidence in my abilities in IT.								
Classes in IT are hard for me.								
I can do well in IT even if I have a poor teacher.								
Sometimes it takes me a long time to do my assignments in IT.								
IT comes easily to me.								
For me, IT classes are fun.								

We all think about the future and what kind of experiences are in store for us. Some of these experiences you may be quite sure will happen and some you may be more unsure of. Let us say you decide you would like to have a career in IT. Think about what is likely or possible to happen to you in the future if you decide you want this type of career. For each of the experiences listed below, rate how confident you are that each would actually happen to you.

	Not at all confident			Neutral			Very confident
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will graduate with a college degree in IT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will get a job in IT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will stay in IT and do acceptable work in my job.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will have a strong professional career and make substantial contributions.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will become tops in my field -- one of the best in the country.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Now let us say you do enter the field of IT. What is likely to happen to you in the future after you have a career in this field? Use the following scale to rate how likely each of the following would be.

	Not at all likely			As Likely as Not			Very likely
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will not have as much contact with other people as I would like to have.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
When I introduce myself to people, they will admire me for being in IT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will have enough time to enjoy personal relationships with people I care about.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
The people close to me will never fully accept that I have a career in IT.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
My career will interfere with keeping up important personal relationships.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
I will be able to balance my roles at home and work - keeping up with my career and a full personal life, including a family (if I want one).	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
The people close to me will support me in my work.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
It will be difficult to keep up with my career and still have time for a full and enjoyable personal life, including have a family (if I want one).	1	2	3	4	5	6	7