

Academic Calendar Study

Objective & Scope

- Objective
 - Understand & aggregate opinions relating to the academic calendar
 - Topics include
 - Length of winter break
 - Specific holidays
 - Deadlines
 - Others
- Scope
 - Survey student, faculty and staff
 - Comparability study

Methodology – Survey Distribution

- Student

- Email distribution to around 4400 students (Monday the 13th & Friday the 17th)
 - Currently enrolled (as of Feb 9th) in a for-credit Spring semester class
 - Dual credit and credit by exam not included
- Incentive: Drawing for two 25\$ visa cash cards
- 343 Total Responses
 - 268 Completed
 - 80 Partial

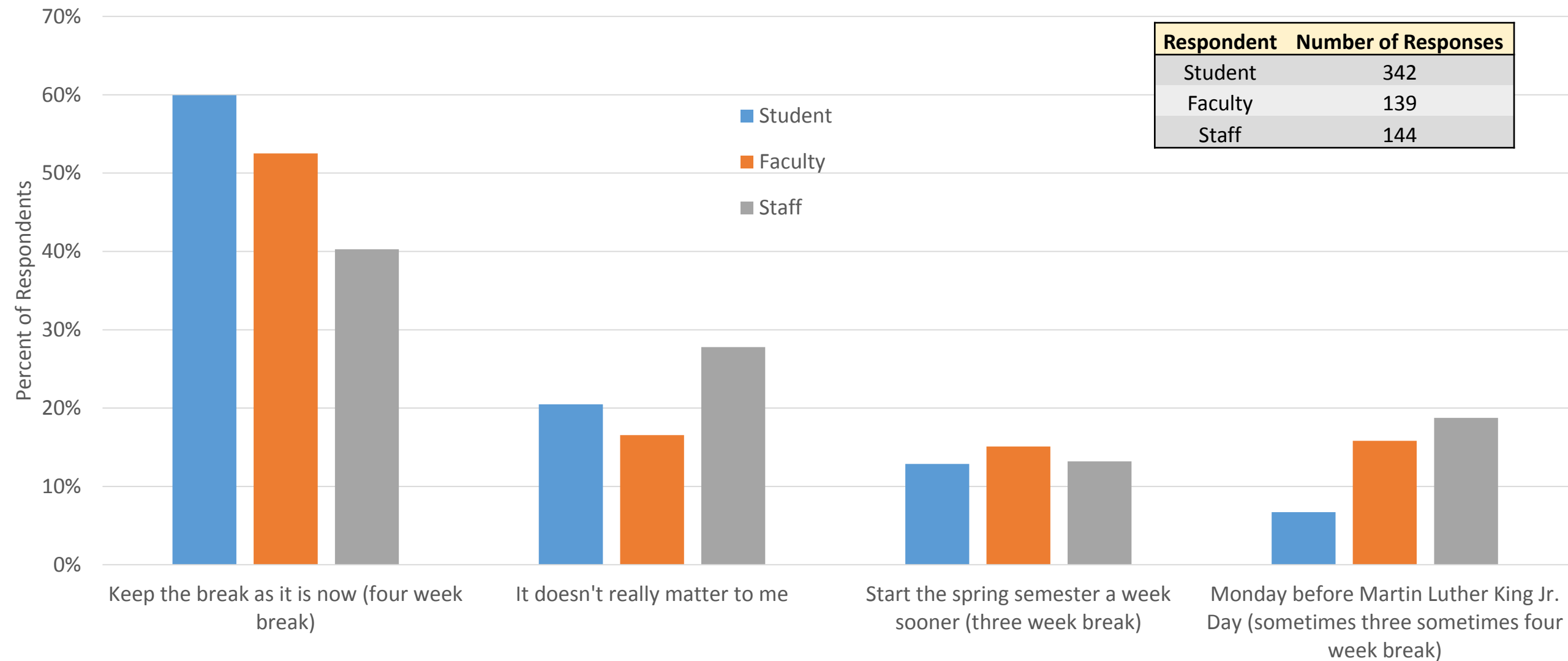
- Faculty & Staff

- Email distribution to faculty, part-time instructors and staff email list (Tuesday the 21st and Friday the 24th)
- 282 Total Responses
 - 247 Completed
 - 35 Partial

Methodology – Analysis

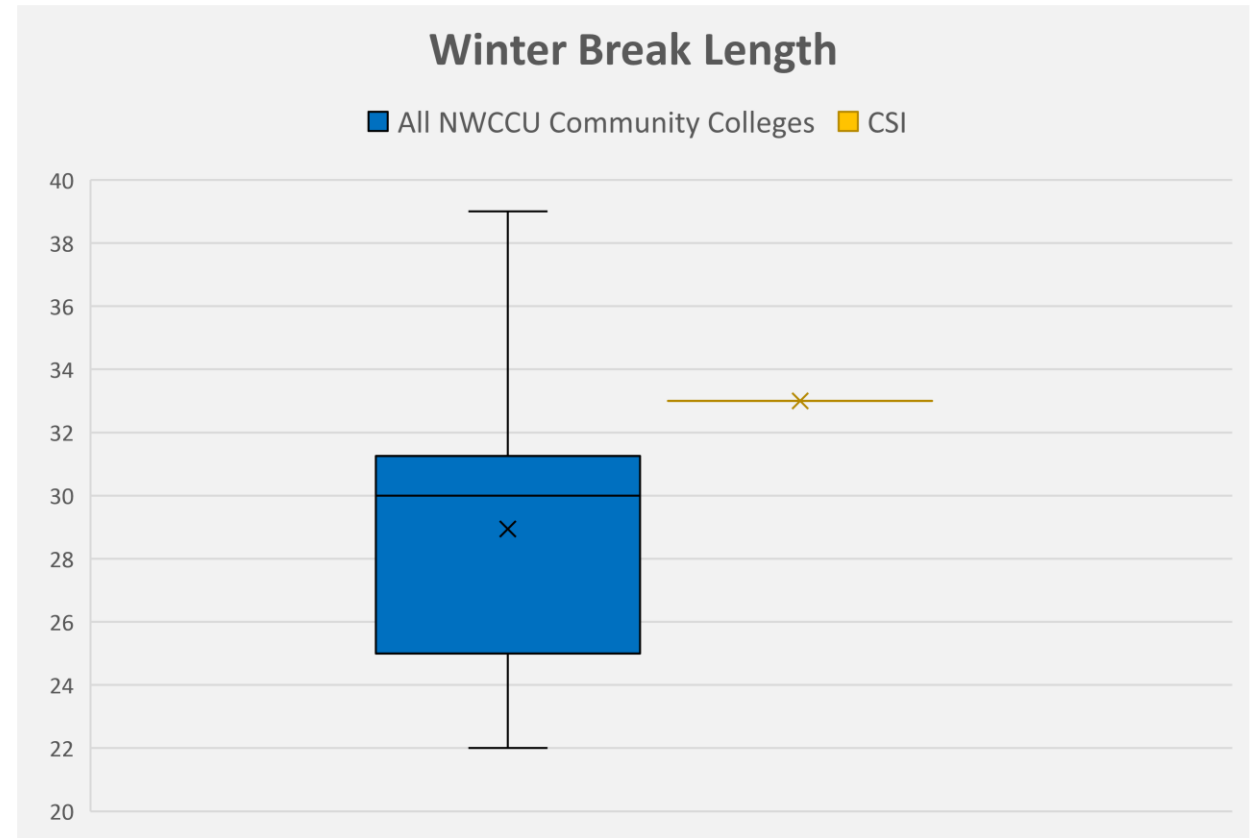
- Multiple choice questions
 - Visualizations disaggregated by response group (Student, Faculty, Staff)
- Open-ended questions
 - Content analysis
 - Included in presentation: Roughly 5% or more of response group gave reason
- Comparability study
 - Topics
 - Length of Winter Break
 - Columbus Day, Veterans Day and Thanksgiving Week
 - Schools
 - 34 Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) Community Colleges

Winter Break Duration - Survey



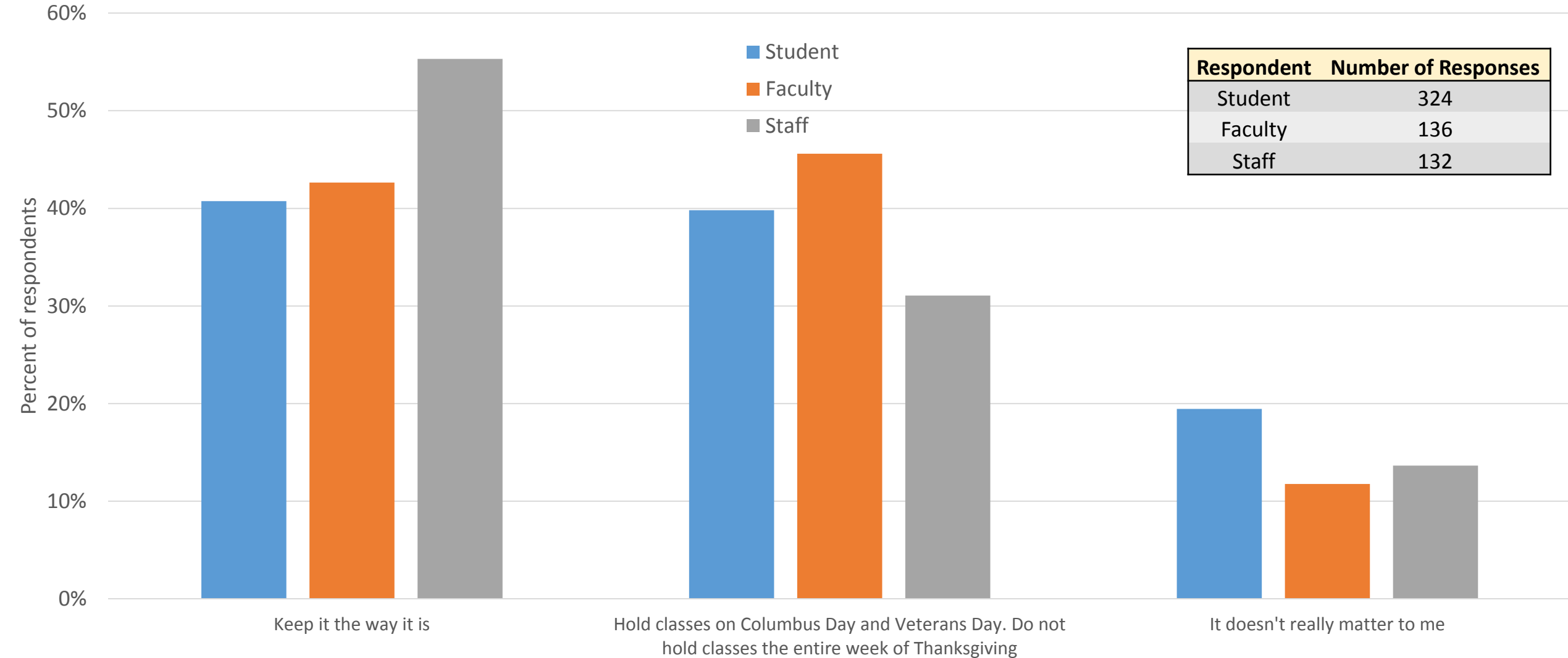
Winter Break – NWCCU Community Colleges

| Start Date | Count |
|------------|-------|
| 1/9/2017 | 19 |
| 1/3/2017 | 6 |
| 1/17/2017 | 3 |
| 1/18/2017 | 3 |
| 1/11/2017 | 1 |
| 1/8/2017 | 1 |
| 1/2/2017 | 1 |



Many NWCCU Community Colleges operate with four quarters per year

Columbus/Veterans Day & Thanksgiving Week



NWCCU Community Colleges & Holidays

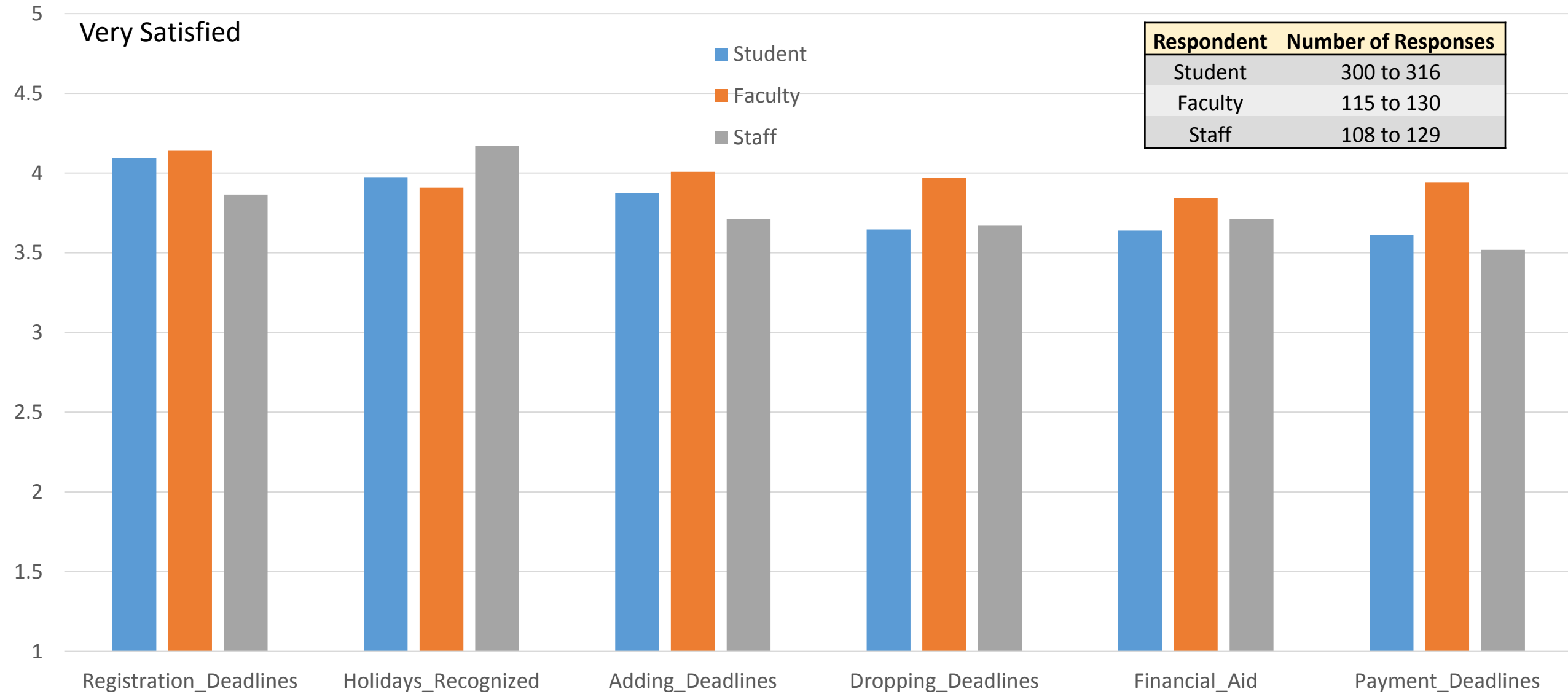
| Status | Columbus Day | Veterans Day |
|--------|--------------|--------------|
| Open | 30 | 3 |
| Closed | 2 | 28 |

- **Columbus Day**
 - CSI & Central Oregon Community College “Closed”
 - Central Oregon just has class cancelled
 - Campus open for “Assessment Day”
- **Veterans Day**
 - CWI, NIC and Salt Lake Community college open

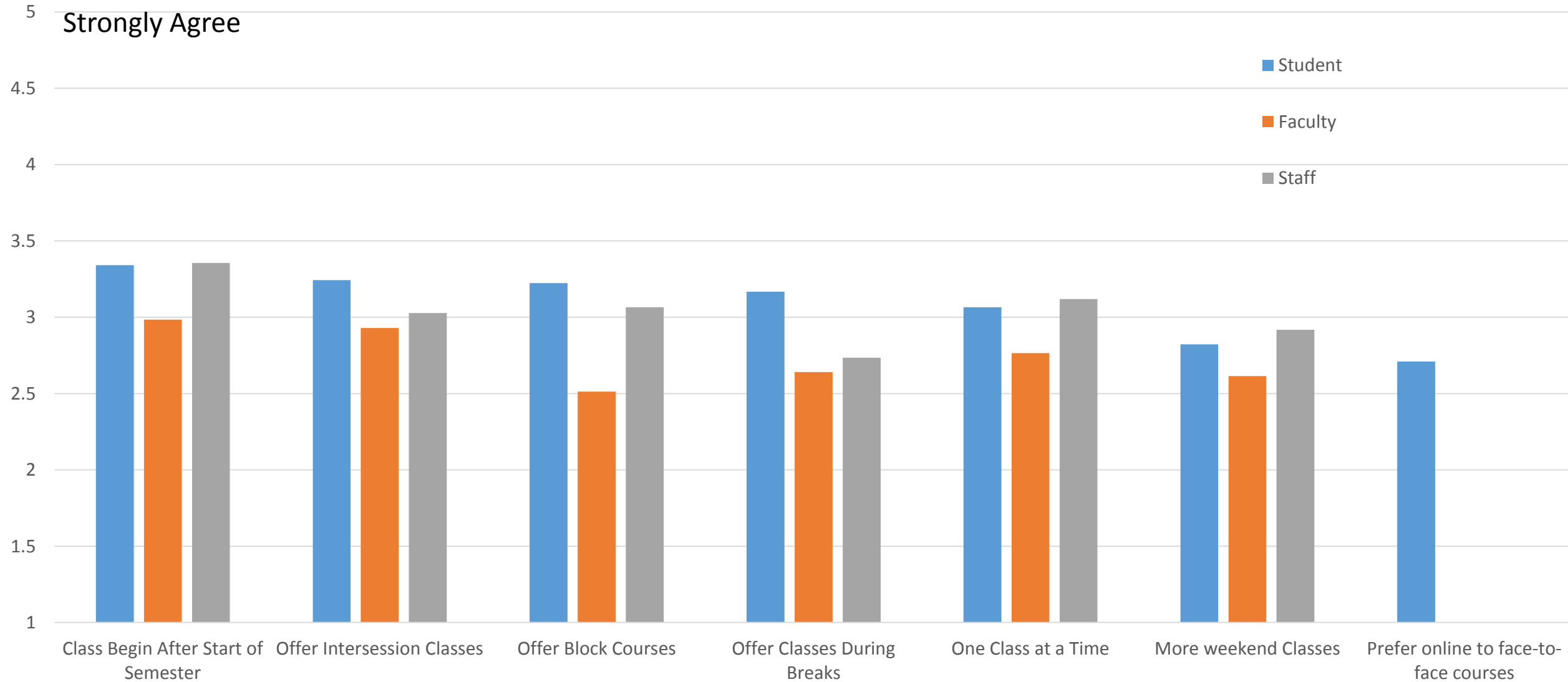
| Thanksgiving Break | Count |
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| Thur - Fri | 22 |
| Wed - Fri | 9 |
| Mon - Fri | 1 |

- Some of the Thur-Fri schools closed early on Wednesday
- Mon – Fri: CWI

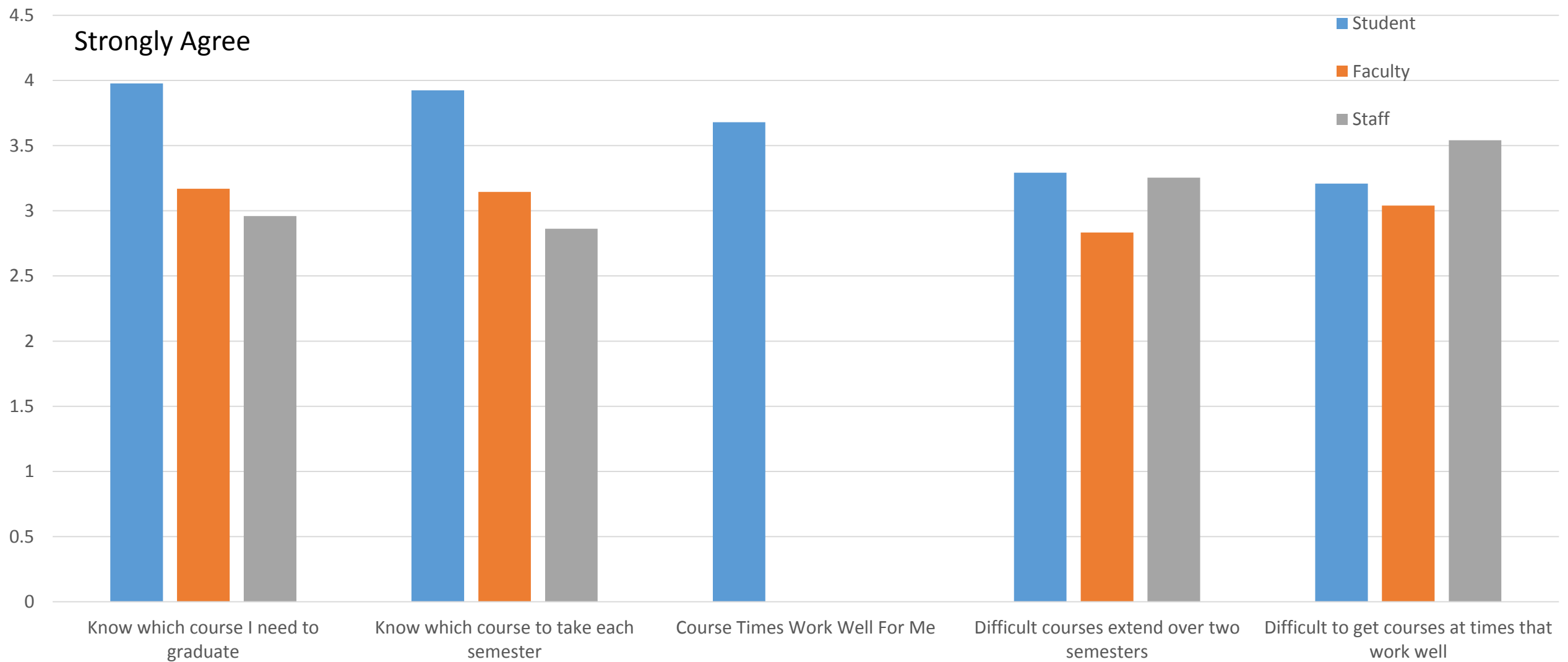
Deadlines & Holidays



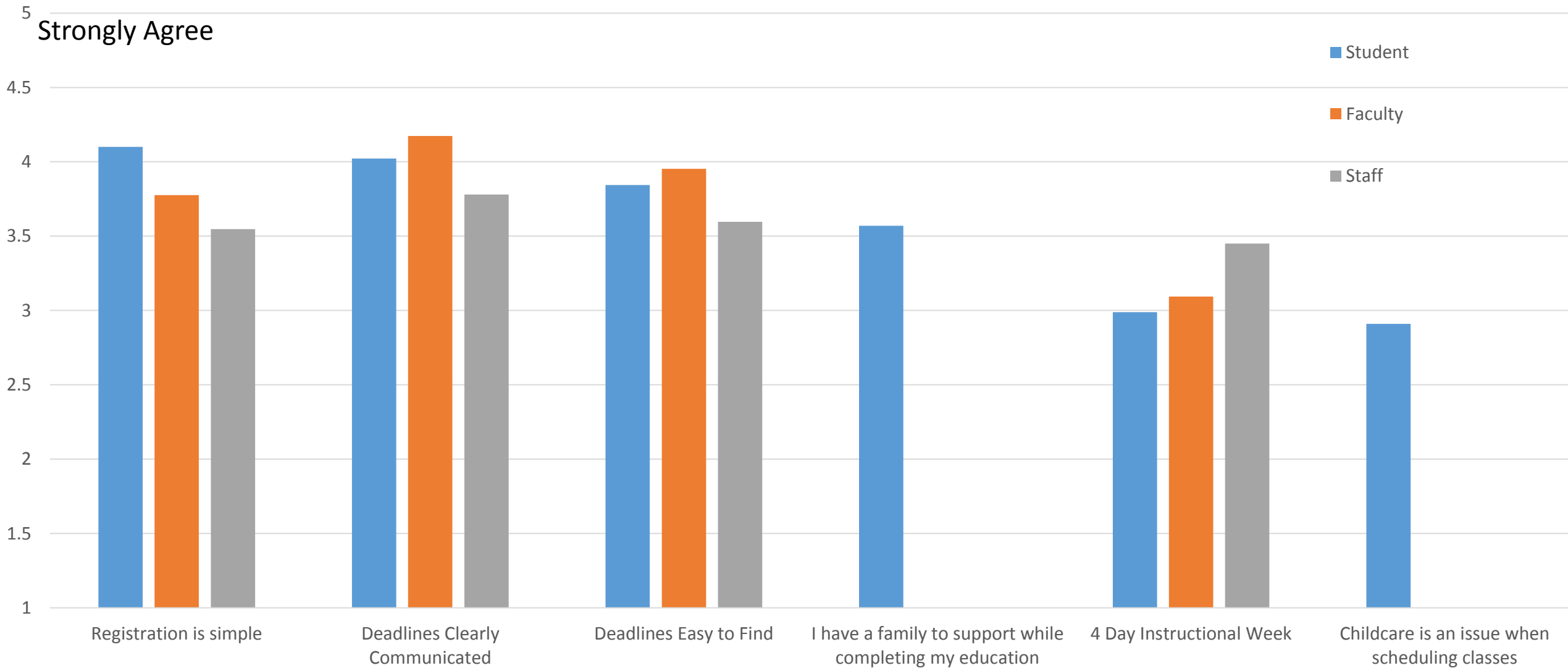
Course Offerings



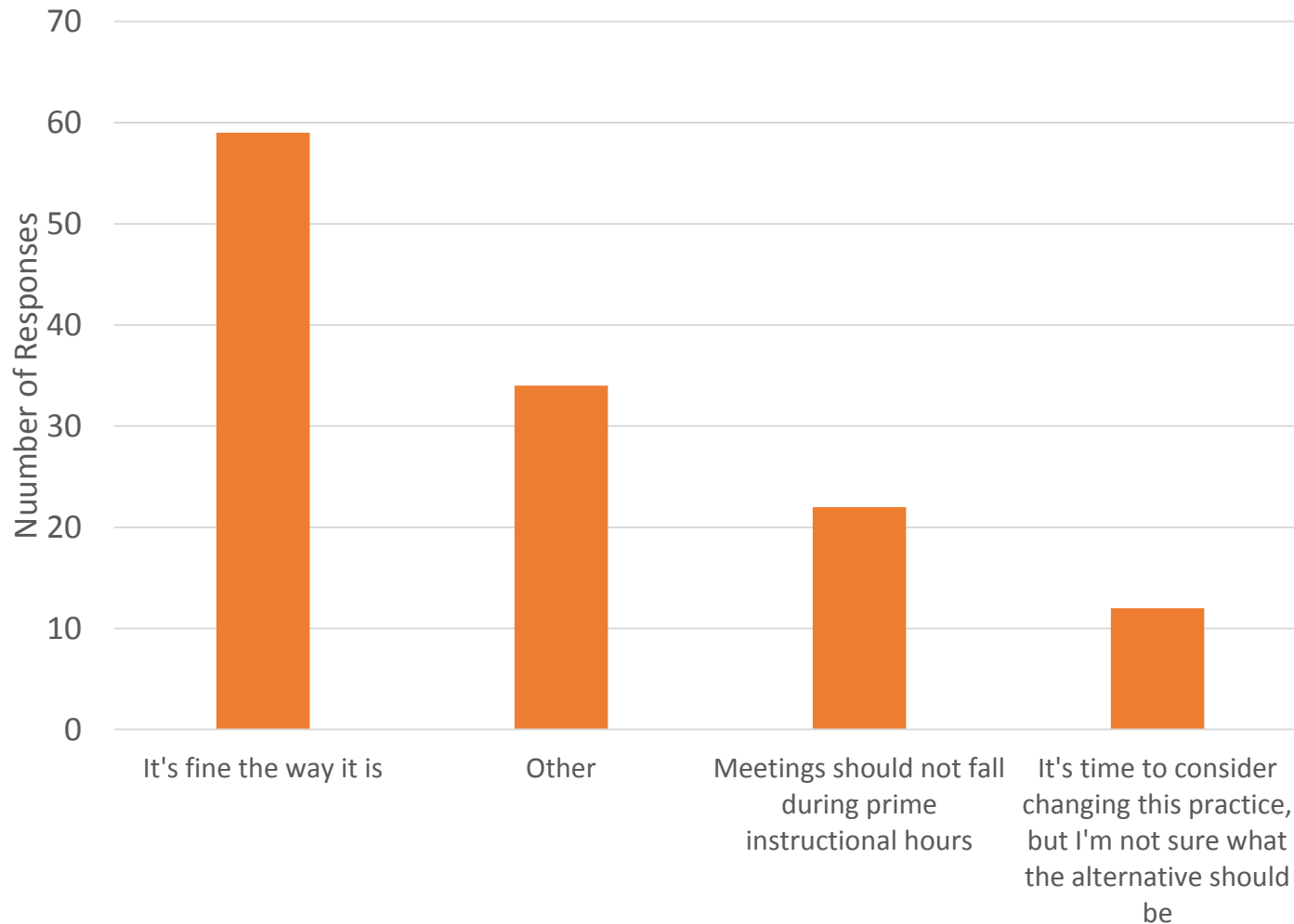
Students & Courses



Additional questions



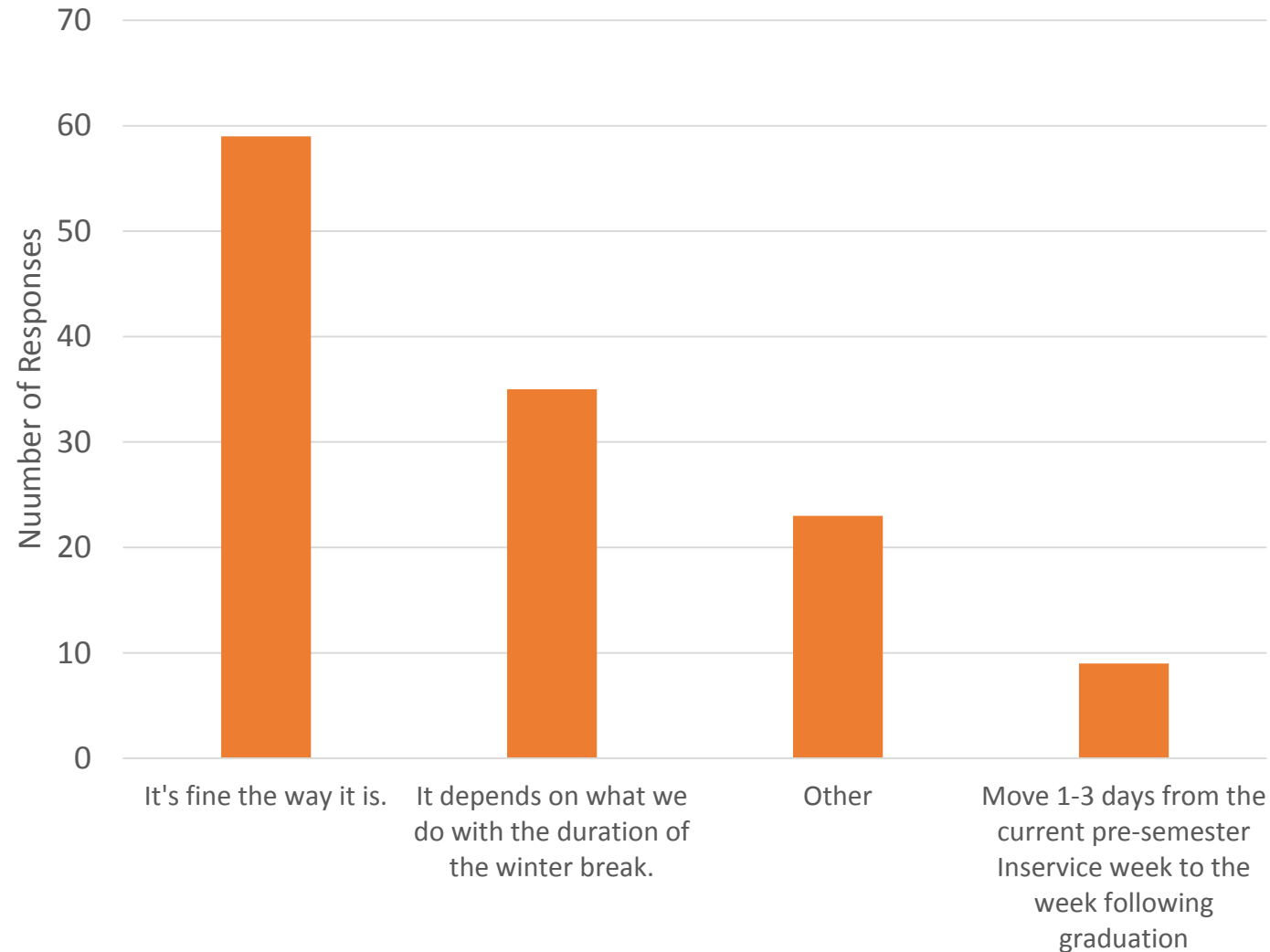
Tuesdays at 1PM – Faculty Only



• Top Other Comments

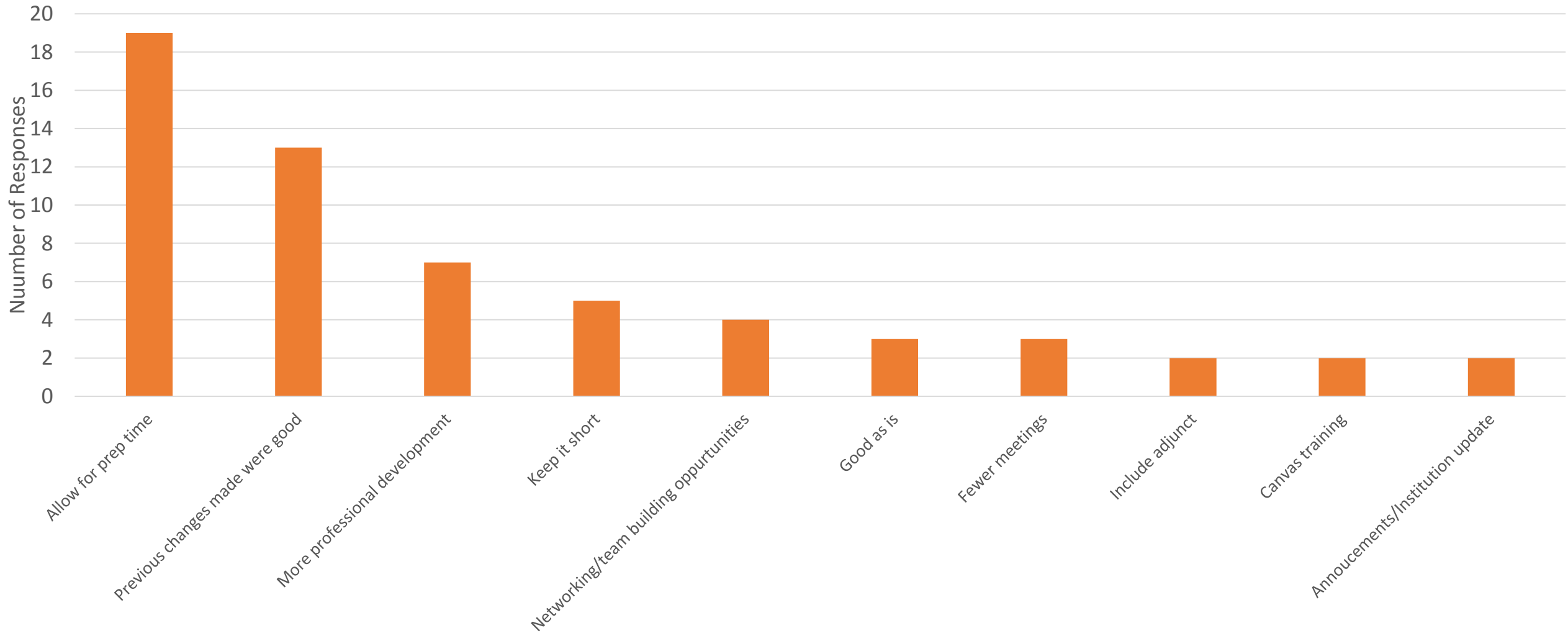
- Teach/work during current time (7)
- Its good, issue with departments/individuals (6)
- Schedule in afternoon (3)
- Other meeting conflicts (3)
- Keep the time (3)
- Need additional meeting and/or time (2)

Spring In-service Timing– Faculty Only



- Top Other Comments
 - Don't move to week after grad (5)
 - Don't change (5)
 - Shorten In-service (4)
 - Fewer meetings (3)
 - No Spring In-service (2)

General In-service Comments– Faculty Only



Dead Week – Faculty Only

