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1. Did you find the exam more difficult than you expected?	#
Yes	8
No	9

2. In which area were you best prepared?	#
Medical	9
Surgical	0
Maternity	4
Pediatric	0
Psychiatric	2
Geriatric	0
Other:	1

3. In which area were you least prepared?	#
Medical	2
Surgical	0
Maternity	1
Pediatric	3
Psychiatric	8
Geriatric	1
Other:	3

4. Did you take an NCLEX-RN Review Course?	#
Yes	16
No	2

6. I would rate the review course as:	#
Extremely helpful	4
Moderately helpful	7
Mildly helpful	4
Not helpful	1

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<b>7. Would you recommend that we strongly encourage graduates to take a review course?</b>	<b>#</b>
Yes	14
No	4

<b>8. What is your current employment status?</b>	<b>#</b>
Full-time Nurse	14
Part-time Nurse	1
Employed in two or more Nursing jobs	1
Employed in non-nursing position	0
Unemployed (actively seeking work)	0
Enrolled in higher education	0
Not in labor force by choice (describe)	2

<b>9c. If you are employed in Nursing, which of the following categories best describes your area of specialization?</b>	<b>#</b>
Community Health	0
Gerontological Nursing	1
Maternal/Child Health	1
Medical/Surgical	6
Office Nursing	0
Industrial Nursing	0
Psychiatry/Mental Health	0
School Nursing	0
Nursing Service Administration	0
Other:	4

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<b>9d. If you are employed in Nursing, which of the following categories best identifies your position?</b>	<b>#</b>
Staff Nurse	13
Head Nurse	0
Charge Nurse, evenings or nights	0
Supervisor	1
Relief Charge Nurse	0
Administrative Asst.	0
Other:	1

<b>9e. If any or all of your job involves giving direct patient care, which nursing care delivery system are you primarily engaged in?</b>	<b>#</b>
Primary/Total Patient Care	12
Team	4
Functional (describe primary function)	1

<b>9f. If you are employed either full-time or part-time in a leadership/management position, do you feel that you have the necessary knowledge and skills at this point to function adequately in this role?</b>	<b>#</b>
Yes	5
No (if No, please explain reasons for accepting this role.	1

<b>9g. During your initial work experience in nursing (first three months of employment), was adequate supervision available to you?</b>	<b>#</b>
Always	13
Usually	2
Rarely	2
Never	0

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<b>9h. Your Job Schedule:</b>	<b>#</b>
Days (8-5)	4
Days (7-3)	1
Evenings (3-11)	0
Nights (11-7)	1
Rotate Shift	0
Weekends	0
12 hr. shift (7a-7p)	3
12 hr. shift (7p-7a)	2
Other	3

<b>9i. Your Current Monthly Salary(ies): Job 1: \$</b>	<b>#</b>
Includes shift differential	6
Does not include shfit differential	6

<b>(If Applicable) Job 2: \$</b>	<b>#</b>
Includes shift differential	1
Does not include shift differential	1

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	Very Poor		Poor		Average		Good		Very Good		Total #	% Satisfied
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		
10. Academic counseling, (as opposed to personal counseling) prior to and during the program, met my individual needs and contributed significantly to my successful completion of the program.	5	27.8%	2	11.1%	6	33.3%	2	11.1%	3	16.7%	18	61.1%
11. Personal counseling (as opposed to academic counseling) from ADN faculty, contributed significantly to my successful completion of the program.	3	16.7%	3	16.7%	3	16.7%	4	22.2%	5	27.8%	18	66.7%
12. If you were an LVN prior to entering the program, academic counseling enabled you to choose the approach (generic or transition track) that best met your educational abilities/needs.	1	12.5%	1	12.5%	2	25.0%	2	25.0%	2	25.0%	8	75.0%
13. General education courses in the degree plan (ie BIOL 2401, ENGL 1301, etc.) contributed positively to the overall program of study and provided an adequate foundation for success in nursing courses.	0	0.0%	1	5.6%	6	33.3%	6	33.3%	5	27.8%	18	94.4%
14. If you selected "POOR" or "VERY POOR" in #13, please indicate how the general education course offerings could be changed to strengthen the program of study.	0	0.0%	1	100.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
15. Determine the health status and health needs of clients and their families based on interpretation of health data in collaboration with clients, families, and health care professionals.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	29.4%	8	47.1%	4	23.5%	17	100.0%

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16. Formulate goals and plan of care for clients and their families based on nursing diagnoses in collaboration with clients, their families, and health care professionals.	0	0.0%	1	5.6%	3	16.7%	11	61.1%	3	16.7%	18	94.4%
17. Implement the plan of care within legal and ethical parameters in collaboration with clients, families, and members of health care professions to assist clients and their families to meet health care needs.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	22.2%	9	50.0%	5	27.8%	18	100.0%
18. Develop and implement teaching plans for clients and their families concerning the pro- motion, maintenance, and restoration of health.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	27.8%	9	50.0%	4	22.2%	18	100.0%
19. Evaluate client and family responses to therapeutic interventions.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	33.3%	8	44.4%	4	22.2%	18	100.0%
20. Provide for the care of multiple clients and their families in a variety of health care settings, either through direct care or assignment and/or delegation of care to other members of the health care team.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	27.8%	11	61.1%	2	11.1%	18	100.0%
21. Use clinical data and current literature as a basis for decision making in nursing practice.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	22.2%	9	50.0%	5	27.8%	18	100.0%
22. Coordinate human and material resources for the provision of care for clients and their families.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	27.8%	8	44.4%	5	27.8%	18	100.0%
23. Collaborate with clients, their families, and health care professionals to provide care.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	27.8%	8	44.4%	5	27.8%	18	100.0%
24. Refer clients and their families to appropriate resources when necessary to meet health needs.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	7	38.9%	6	33.3%	5	27.8%	18	100.0%

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	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		
25. Assume accountability and responsibility for the quality of nursing care provided to clients and their families.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	16.7%	7	38.9%	8	44.4%	18	100.0%
26. Act as an advocate to promote the provision of quality health care for clients and their families.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	33.3%	4	22.2%	8	44.4%	18	100.0%
27. Participate in activities that promote the development of the practice on nursing.	0	0.0%	2	11.1%	5	27.8%	9	50.0%	2	11.1%	18	88.9%
28. Function within the organizational framework of various health care settings in planning and providing care for clients and their families.	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	33.3%	9	50.0%	3	16.7%	18	100.0%
<b>29. Please rate your overall entry level job competencies.</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>29.4%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>52.9%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>94.1%</b>

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30. Have you continued your college education from the VC ADN Program?	#
a. Yes, as a part-time student planning to enter a BSN program later.	5
b. Yes, as a part-time student in a BSN program.	0
c. Yes, as a full-time student in a BSN program	0
d. If in a BSN program, Where?	
TAMU Corpus Christi	0
UTMB Galveston	0
UT Austin	0
UTHSC San Antonio	0
Other	0
e. Yes, as a full-time student, in another field: Field?	0
f. Yes, as a part-time student, in another field: Field?	0
g. No, I have not continued my college education since leaving the VC ADN Program.	12

31. Currently, my membership status in a Professional Organization is:	#
No membership	14
Member of American Nurse's Association and/or Texas Nurse's Association and/or District Nurse's Association	3
National League for Nursing	0
Other:	0

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<b>33. I regularly read (number) nursing, or related field, professional journal(s) every month. Please check the appropriate titles:</b>	<b>#</b>
American Journal of Nursing	1
Nursing (year)	0
RN	4
Nursing Outlook	0
Other:	1