

**FINANCES OF FORMER STUDENTS  
(Left Douglas College in 2003)**

|  | <b>ARTS &amp;<br/>SCIENCES</b><br>Completed 24 or more<br>credits | <b>APPLIED PROGRAMS</b><br>Completed 45 or more credits |                    |                    |                                    | <b>Child, Fam. &amp;<br/>Com. Studies</b> | <b>ALL<br/>SURVEY<br/>RESPONDENTS</b> |
|--|---|---|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
|  |   | <b>Perf. Arts &amp;<br/>Print Futures</b>               | <b>Criminology</b> | <b>Health Sci.</b> | <b>Comm. &amp; Bus.<br/>Admin.</b> |   |                                       |
| Number of Respondents  | 602   | 27  | 57                 | 71                 | 143                                | 75  | 975                                   |
| Received government student financial assistance while attending Douglas | 29%   | 36%   | 39%                | 53%                | 21%                                | 50%                                       | 32%                                   |
| Median amount of student loan (of those who received assistance)         | \$6,000   | Too few to report                                       | \$6,000            | \$17,500           | \$7,300                            | \$8,400                                   | \$7,000                               |
| Had previous outstanding debt from postsecondary education               | 7%  | 7%  | Too few to report  | 16%                | 9%                                 | 17%                                       | 8%                                    |
| Interrupted studies for financial reasons                                | 23%   | 7%  | 23%                | 11%                | 10%                                | 19%                                       | 19%                                   |
| Family Situation:  |   |   |                    |                    |                                    |   |                                       |
| Single, no children  | 85%   | 79%   | 84%                | 53%                | 79%                                | 54%                                       | 79%                                   |
| Couple, no children  | 9%  | 7%  | 13%                | 11%                | 10%                                | 23%                                       | 10%                                   |
| Single or Couple, with children  | 7%  | 14%   | 3%                 | 34%                | 11%                                | 23%                                       | 0%                                    |
| Other  | 0%  | 0%  | 0%                 | 3%                 | 0%                                 | 0%  | 0%                                    |
| Relocated from home community to attend program                          | 9%  | 29%   | 13%                | 21%                | 11%                                | 17%                                       | 12%                                   |

Developmental, Adult Special Education and English as a Second Language programs are beyond the scope of the survey.

Source: B.C. College and Institute Student Outcomes, 2004: Special section on finances of former students