

**TABLE 2 - ACC Reasons for Withdrawal by Dean Area
Academic Year 2007**

Withdrawal Category	Reason for Withdrawal	Dean Area								
		Arts & Humanities		Communications		Mathematics & Sciences		Social & Behavioral Sciences		
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Course-related	Course was too difficult	250	6.2%	304	3.9%	1,005	8.2%	620	6.1%	
	Course took up too much time	376	9.3%	480	6.2%	778	6.4%	752	7.4%	
	Course was not challenging enough	26	0.6%	35	0.5%	64	0.5%	34	0.3%	
	Disappointed in the quality of teaching	209	5.1%	302	3.9%	823	6.7%	492	4.9%	
	Course not what I expected	216	5.3%	237	3.0%	340	2.8%	500	4.9%	
	Group Total	1,077	26.5%	1,358	17.5%	3,010	24.6%	2,398	23.7%	
College-related	Inadequate information about ACC or the course	21	0.5%	45	0.6%	61	0.5%	64	0.6%	
	Inadequate counseling	14	0.3%	18	0.2%	64	0.5%	39	0.4%	
	Inadequate tutoring	3	0.1%	4	0.1%	21	0.2%	5	0.0%	
	Inadequate parking	7	0.2%	6	0.1%	18	0.1%	10	0.1%	
	Didn't like the facilities	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	12	0.1%	4	0.0%	
	Not enough student-faculty contact	5	0.1%	18	0.2%	16	0.1%	25	0.2%	
	Not enough extracurricular activities offered	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	1	0.0%	8	0.1%	
	Group Total	53	1.3%	95	1.2%	193	1.6%	155	1.5%	
Personal-related	Conflict between class and job	781	19.2%	1,343	17.3%	2,131	17.4%	2,223	22.0%	
	Transportation problems	70	1.7%	104	1.3%	141	1.2%	179	1.8%	
	Financial problems	74	1.8%	114	1.5%	194	1.6%	200	2.0%	
	Emotional problems	91	2.2%	134	1.7%	219	1.8%	217	2.1%	
	Family/Relationship problems	204	5.0%	386	5.0%	543	4.4%	553	5.5%	
	Health problems	200	4.9%	262	3.4%	490	4.0%	490	4.8%	
	Moving to another city location	76	1.9%	120	1.5%	172	1.4%	224	2.2%	
	Met my goal - no need to finish the course	53	1.3%	52	0.7%	161	1.3%	73	0.7%	
	To maintain higher GPA	212	5.2%	402	5.2%	733	6.0%	673	6.7%	
	Undecided about my major or career goals	38	0.9%	61	0.8%	153	1.2%	105	1.0%	
	Changed my major or career goals	63	1.6%	76	1.0%	252	2.1%	147	1.5%	
	Wasn't ready for college	9	0.2%	45	0.6%	32	0.3%	79	0.8%	
	Not prepared academically for the course	62	1.5%	164	2.1%	300	2.5%	195	1.9%	
	Decided college was not for me	16	0.4%	29	0.4%	31	0.3%	48	0.5%	
		Group Total	1,949	48.0%	3,292	42.4%	5,552	45.3%	5,406	53.5%
Faculty-initiated	Excessive absences	523	12.9%	1,195	15.4%	2,469	20.2%	698	6.9%	
	Disciplinary action	1	0.0%	2	0.0%	3	0.0%	4	0.0%	
	Lack of progress	43	1.1%	816	10.5%	159	1.3%	230	2.3%	
	Missed tests or assignments	136	3.3%	432	5.6%	523	4.3%	424	4.2%	
	Lacks pre-requisite	9	0.2%	38	0.5%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	
	TASP	127	3.1%	353	4.5%	119	1.0%	566	5.6%	
	Other	144	3.5%	192	2.5%	206	1.7%	224	2.2%	
		Group Total	983	24.2%	3,028	39.0%	3,488	28.5%	2,146	21.2%
	Total		4,062	100.0%	7,773	100.0%	12,243	100.0%	10,105	100.0%
No reason given/missing data*		43	.	92	.	147	.	129	.	
Grand Total		4,105	.	7,865	.	12,390	.	10,234	.	

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→ Examining total ACC reasons for withdrawal, half of all reasons given in academic year 2007 were *Personal-related* (48.6%). The number one reason for withdrawals, across seven of the eight dean areas, was "Conflict between class and job" (a *Personal-related* reason for withdrawal); Business Studies had the highest "Conflict between class and job" percentage (26.1%). *Faculty-initiated* and *Course-related* reasons for withdrawal accounted for 27.5% and 22.4%, respectively, of withdrawals in academic year 2007 at ACC.

→ Across the four withdrawal categories, the following dean areas had the highest percentage in each *Course-related* withdrawals - Arts & Humanities (26.5%); *College-related* withdrawals - Health Sciences (2.1%); *Personal-related* withdrawals - Health Sciences (64.2%); and *Faculty-initiated* withdrawals - Communications (39.0%).

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		Applied Tech, Multimedia & Public Services		Business Studies		Health Sciences		Computer Studies & Advanced Technology		ACC Total		
		N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Course-related	Course was too difficult	27	1.7%	99	4.8%	75	4.4%	61	3.9%	2,441	5.9%	
	Course took up too much time	93	5.7%	174	8.4%	129	7.6%	102	6.5%	2,884	7.0%	
	Course was not challenging enough	15	0.9%	10	0.5%	20	1.2%	13	0.8%	217	0.5%	
	Disappointed in the quality of teaching	45	2.8%	92	4.4%	49	2.9%	63	4.0%	2,075	5.0%	
	Course not what I expected	75	4.6%	91	4.4%	80	4.7%	58	3.7%	1,597	3.9%	
	Group Total	255	15.6%	466	22.5%	353	20.8%	297	18.9%	9,214	22.4%	
College-related	Inadequate information about ACC or the course	11	0.7%	16	0.8%	11	0.6%	11	0.7%	240	0.6%	
	Inadequate counseling	4	0.2%	3	0.1%	2	0.1%	5	0.3%	149	0.4%	
	Inadequate tutoring	1	0.1%	3	0.1%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	40	0.1%	
	Inadequate parking	2	0.1%	1	0.0%	9	0.5%	2	0.1%	55	0.1%	
	Didn't like the facilities	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	3	0.2%	0	0.0%	25	0.1%	
	Not enough student-faculty contact	2	0.1%	7	0.3%	7	0.4%	6	0.4%	86	0.2%	
	Not enough extracurricular activities offered	2	0.1%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	17	0.0%	
		Group Total	22	1.3%	34	1.6%	35	2.1%	25	1.6%	612	1.5%
Personal-related	Conflict between class and job	350	21.4%	539	26.1%	404	23.8%	380	24.2%	8,151	19.8%	
	Transportation problems	25	1.5%	23	1.1%	32	1.9%	18	1.1%	592	1.4%	
	Financial problems	28	1.7%	25	1.2%	53	3.1%	36	2.3%	724	1.8%	
	Emotional problems	36	2.2%	31	1.5%	46	2.7%	27	1.7%	801	1.9%	
	Family/Relationship problems	102	6.2%	119	5.8%	135	7.9%	69	4.4%	2,111	5.1%	
	Health problems	112	6.9%	97	4.7%	188	11.1%	67	4.3%	1,906	4.6%	
	Moving to another city location	35	2.1%	35	1.7%	22	1.3%	23	1.5%	707	1.7%	
	Met my goal - no need to finish the course	19	1.2%	21	1.0%	31	1.8%	15	1.0%	425	1.0%	
	To maintain higher GPA	53	3.2%	88	4.3%	55	3.2%	44	2.8%	2,260	5.5%	
	Undecided about my major or career goals	18	1.1%	36	1.7%	29	1.7%	24	1.5%	464	1.1%	
	Changed my major or career goals	39	2.4%	56	2.7%	53	3.1%	30	1.9%	716	1.7%	
	Wasn't ready for college	4	0.2%	3	0.1%	3	0.2%	6	0.4%	181	0.4%	
	Not prepared academically for the course	19	1.2%	32	1.5%	34	2.0%	17	1.1%	823	2.0%	
	Decided college was not for me	6	0.4%	4	0.2%	6	0.4%	2	0.1%	142	0.3%	
		Group Total	846	51.7%	1,109	53.6%	1,091	64.2%	758	48.2%	20,003	48.6%
Faculty-initiated	Excessive absences	261	16.0%	97	4.7%	54	3.2%	172	10.9%	5,469	13.3%	
	Disciplinary action	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	16	0.9%	0	0.0%	26	0.1%	
	Lack of progress	34	2.1%	105	5.1%	21	1.2%	75	4.8%	1,483	3.6%	
	Missed tests or assignments	50	3.1%	118	5.7%	4	0.2%	135	8.6%	1,822	4.4%	
	Lacks pre-requisite	1	0.1%	4	0.2%	1	0.1%	1	0.1%	63	0.2%	
	TASP	89	5.4%	70	3.4%	87	5.1%	50	3.2%	1,461	3.5%	
	Other	77	4.7%	66	3.2%	38	2.2%	59	3.8%	1,006	2.4%	
		Group Total	512	31.3%	460	22.2%	221	13.0%	492	31.3%	11,330	27.5%
	Total	1,635	100.0%	2,069	100.0%	1,700	100.0%	1,572	100.0%	41,159	100.0%	
No reason given/missing data*		40		36		25		21		533		
Grand Total		1,675		2,105		1,725		1,593		41,692		

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