

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Survey

Spring 2019

Texas Tech University

Abilene Location

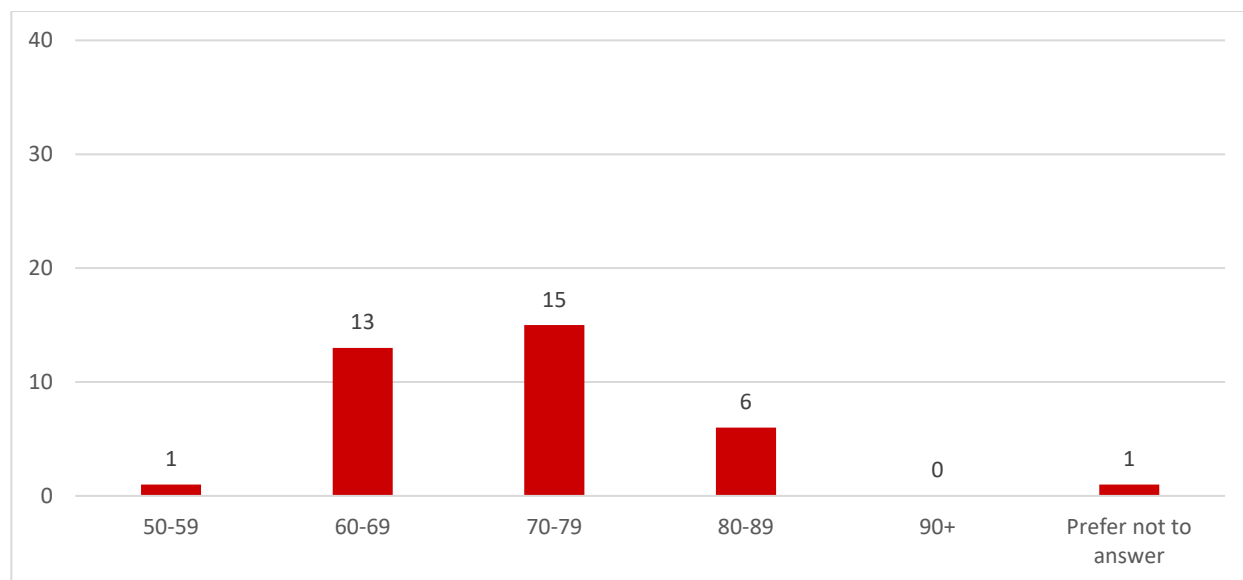
Department of Institutional Research

All OLLI current members.

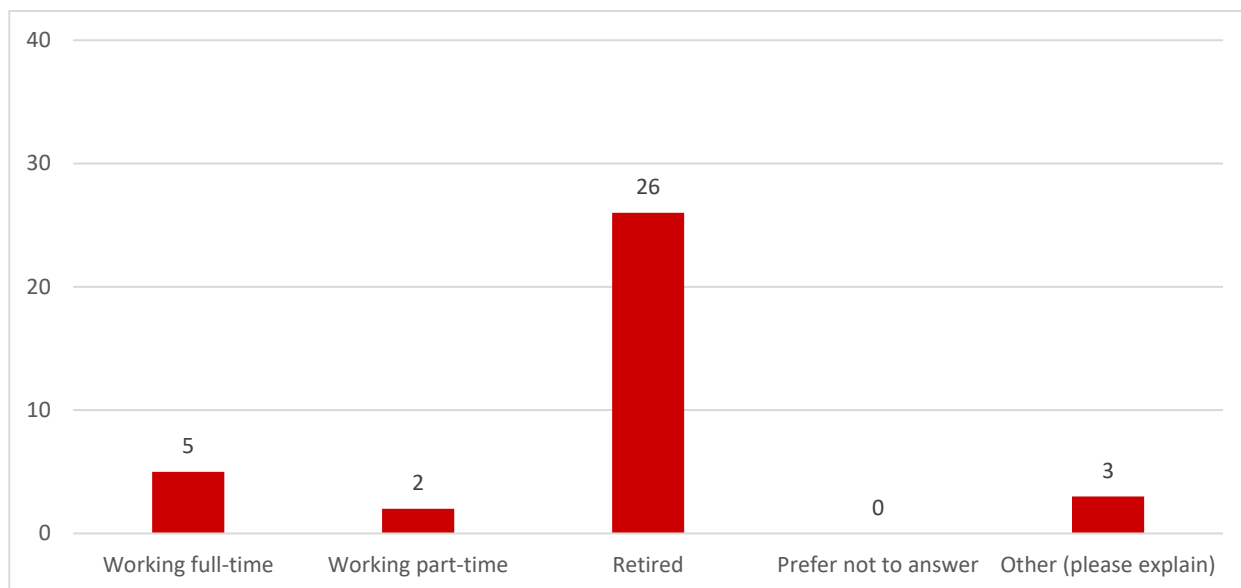
Overall Number of Respondents: 350

Overall Number of Surveys Distributed: 784

Response Rate: 44.64%

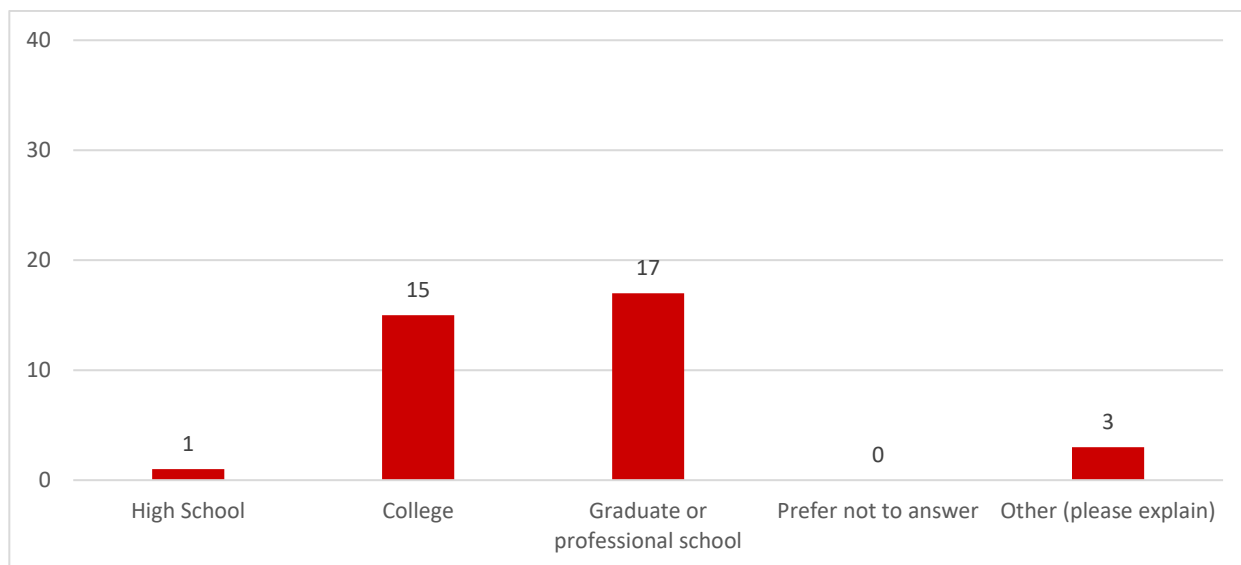
What is your age?

Answer	Responses	%
50-59	1	3%
60-69	13	36%
70-79	15	42%
80-89	6	17%
90+	0	0%
Prefer not to answer	1	3%
Total	36	100%

What is your employment status?

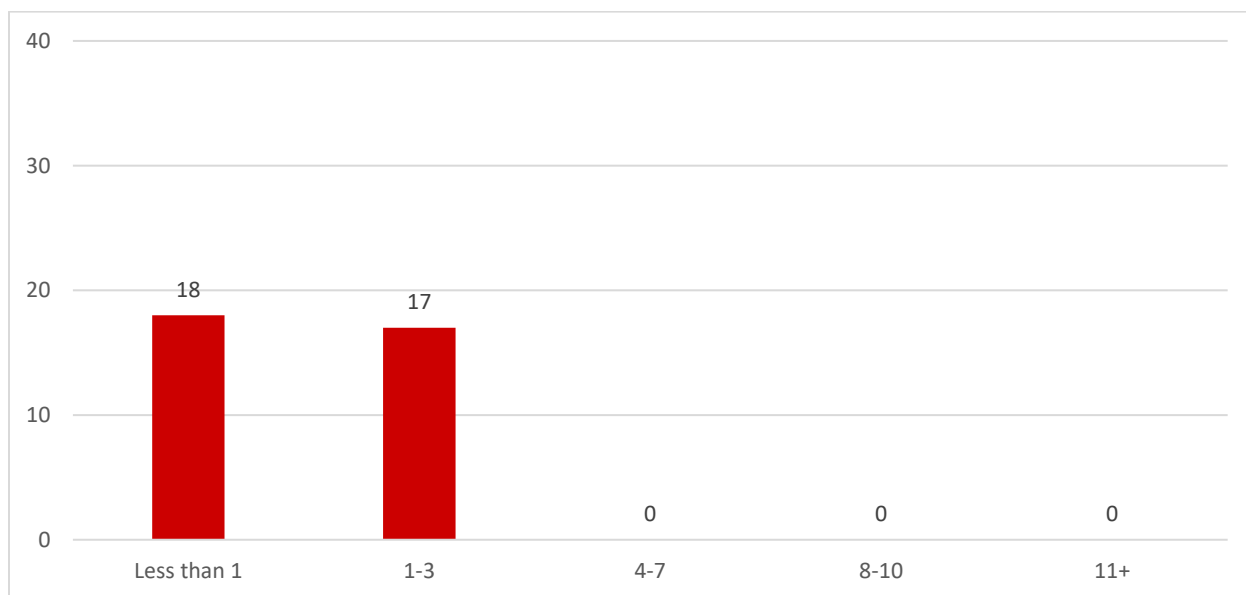
Answer	Responses	%
Working full-time	5	14%
Working part-time	2	6%
Retired	26	72%
Prefer not to answer	0	0%
Other (please explain)	3	8%
Total	36	100%

Other (Please explain)
Retired but sub occasionally.
Frontier Texas volunteer
Semi retired

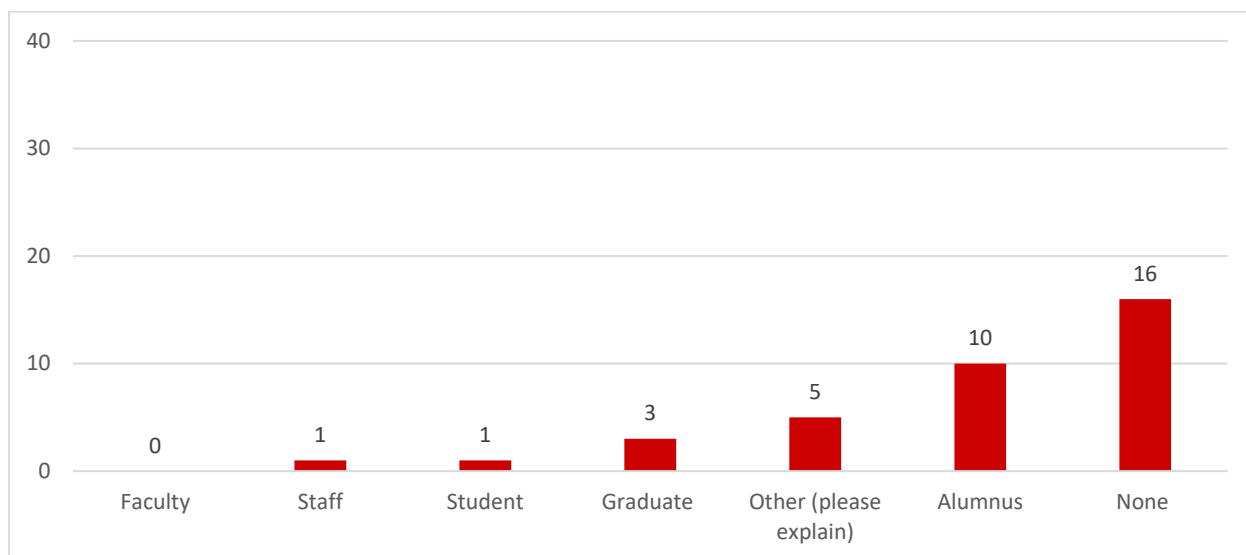
What is the highest level of formal education you have attained?

Answer	Responses	%
High School	1	3%
College	15	42%
Graduate or professional school	17	47%
Prefer not to answer	0	0%
Other (please explain)	3	8%
Total	36	100%

Other (please explain)
Some College
Associate degrees
one year college

How many years have you been an OLLI member?

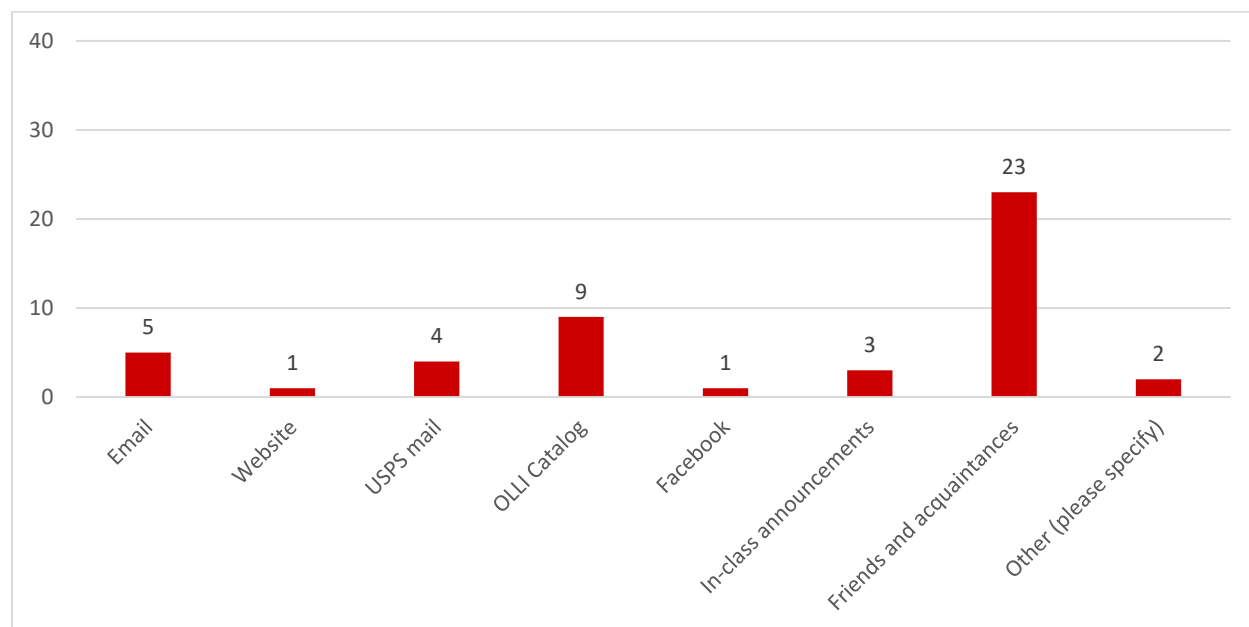
Answer	Responses	%
Less than 1	18	51%
1-3	17	49%
4-7	0	0%
8-10	0	0%
11+	0	0%
Total	35	100%

What formal connection, if any, have you had with TTU?

Answer	Responses	%
Faculty	0	0%
Staff	1	3%
Student	1	3%
Graduate	3	8%
Other (please explain)	5	14%
Alumnus	10	28%
None	16	44%
Total	36	100%

What formal connection, if any, have you had with TTU? Other (please explain)

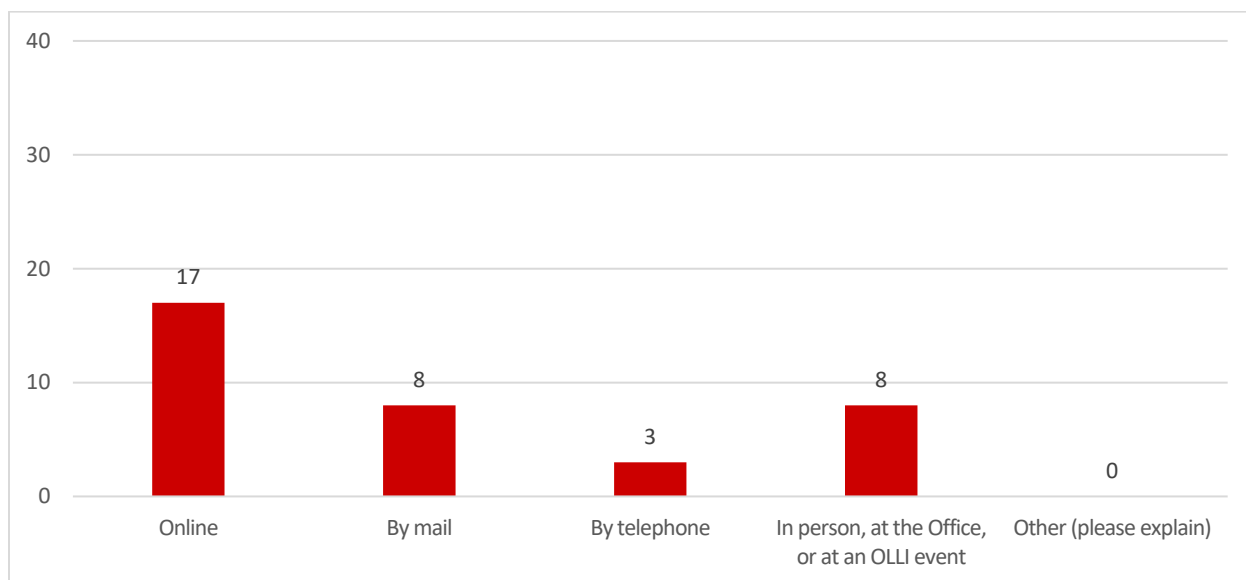
Children are Tech grads
2 children graduated from there
Wife of an alumni
My son, daughter-in-law, and grandson are alumni of TTU
Friends

How have you learned about OLLI classes and events?

Answer	Responses	%
Email	5	14%
Website	1	3%
USPS mail	4	11%
OLLI Catalog	9	25%
Facebook	1	3%
In-class announcements	3	8%
Friends and acquaintances	23	64%
Other (please specify)	2	6%

How have you learned about OLLI classes and events? Other (please specify)

Phone call from TTU member

How do you prefer to purchase your membership and register for classes?

Answer	Responses	%
Online	17	47%
By mail	8	22%
By telephone	3	8%
In person, at the Office, or at an OLLI event	8	22%
Other (please explain)	0	0%
Total	36	100%

Other (please explain)
No comments

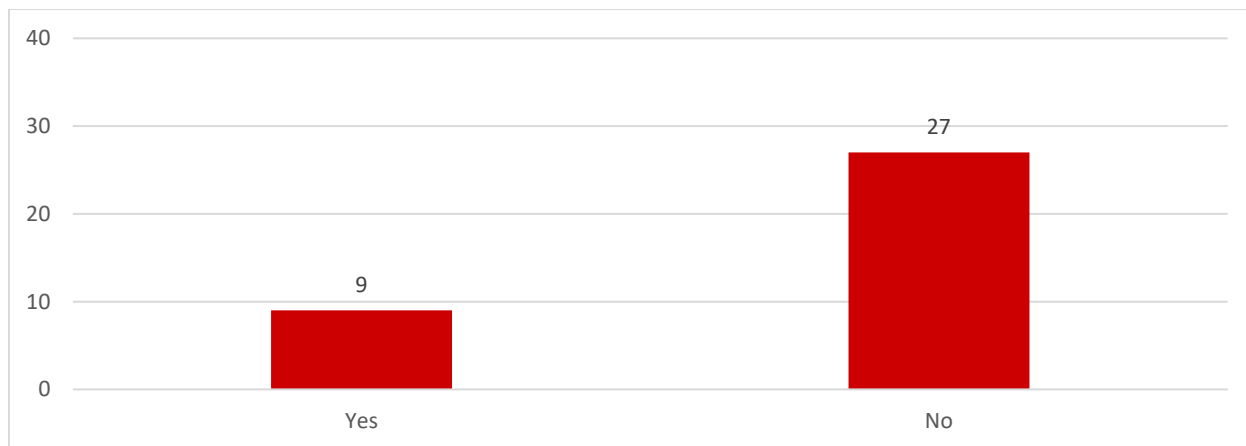
Have you ever visited the OLLI website to buy a membership?

Answer	Responses	%
Yes	15	58%
No	21	42%
Total	36	100%

Have you ever visited the OLLI website to register for a class?

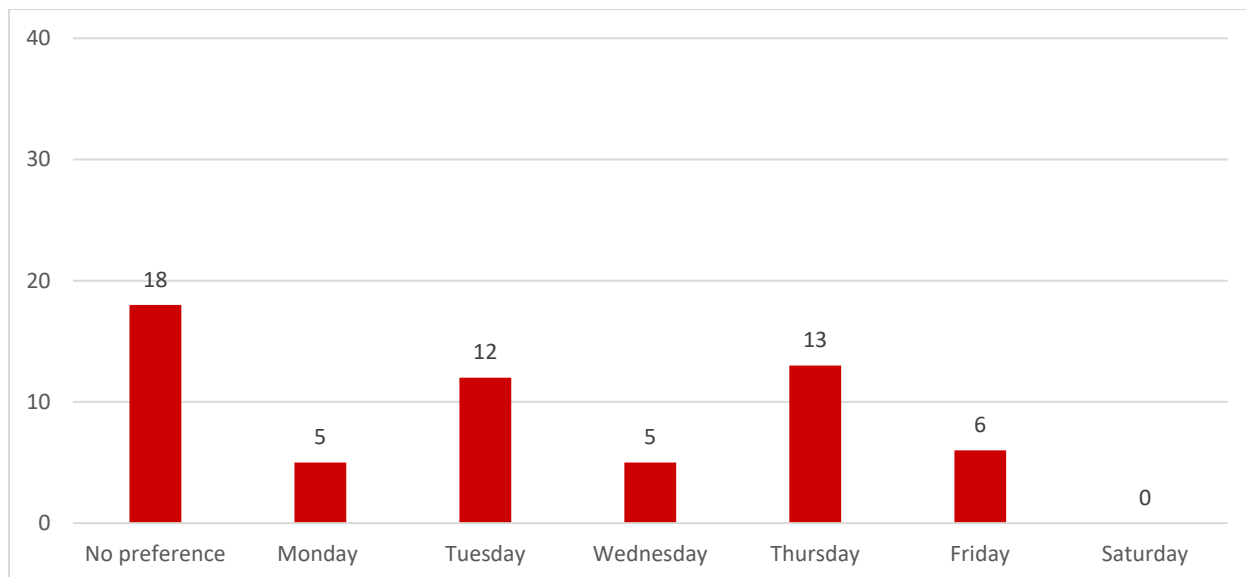
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No	21	42%
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Would you appreciate having access to hearing "assist" devices for use in classes, if provided?



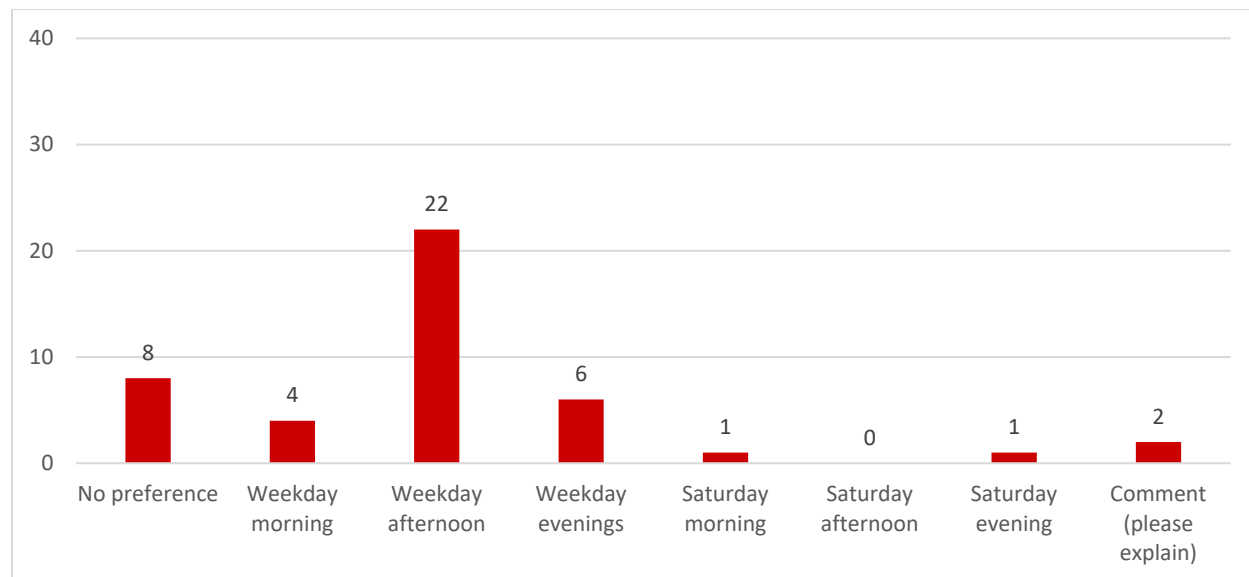
Answer	Responses	%
Yes	9	75%
No	27	25%
Total	36	100%

What days of the week do you prefer for classes to be scheduled? Please check all that apply.



Answer	Responses	%
No preference	18	50%
Monday	5	14%
Tuesday	12	33%
Wednesday	5	14%
Thursday	13	36%
Friday	6	17%
Saturday	0	0%

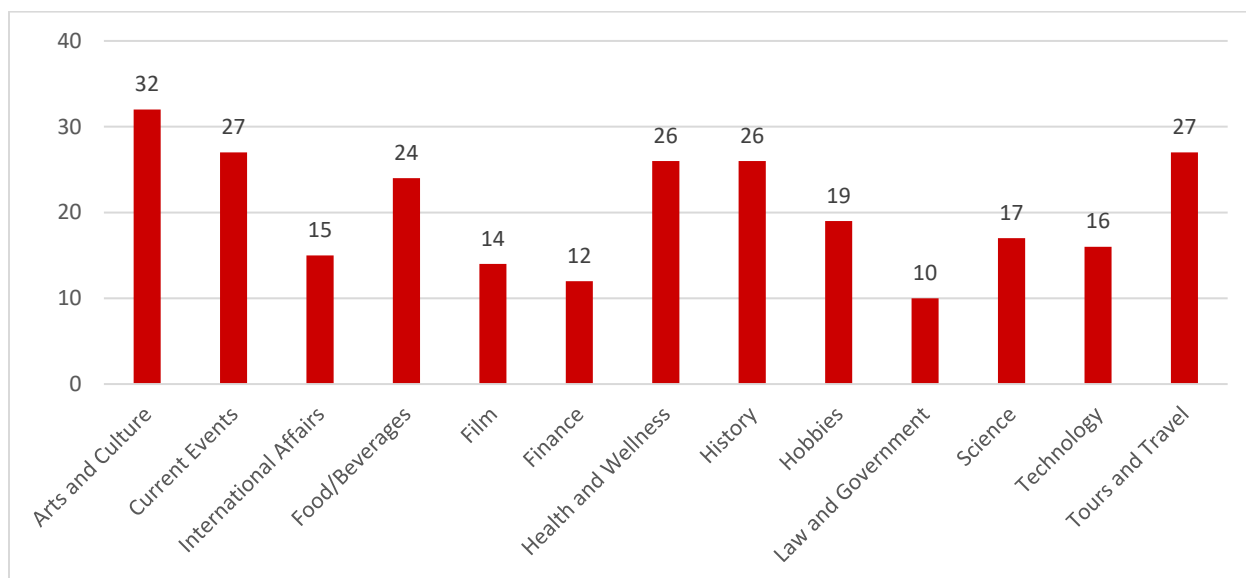
What are the most convenient times of day for you to attend classes? (Not trips or special events) Please check all that apply.



Answer	Responses	%
No preference	8	22%
Weekday morning	4	11%
Weekday afternoon	22	61%
Weekday evenings	6	17%
Saturday morning	1	3%
Saturday afternoon	0	0%
Saturday evening	1	3%
Comment (please explain)	2	6%

Comment (please explain)
Just depends on what is going on for me
Week days- most days it really doesn't matter whether morning or afternoon

OLLI currently offers courses in the following subject matter areas. Please check all of your areas of interest.

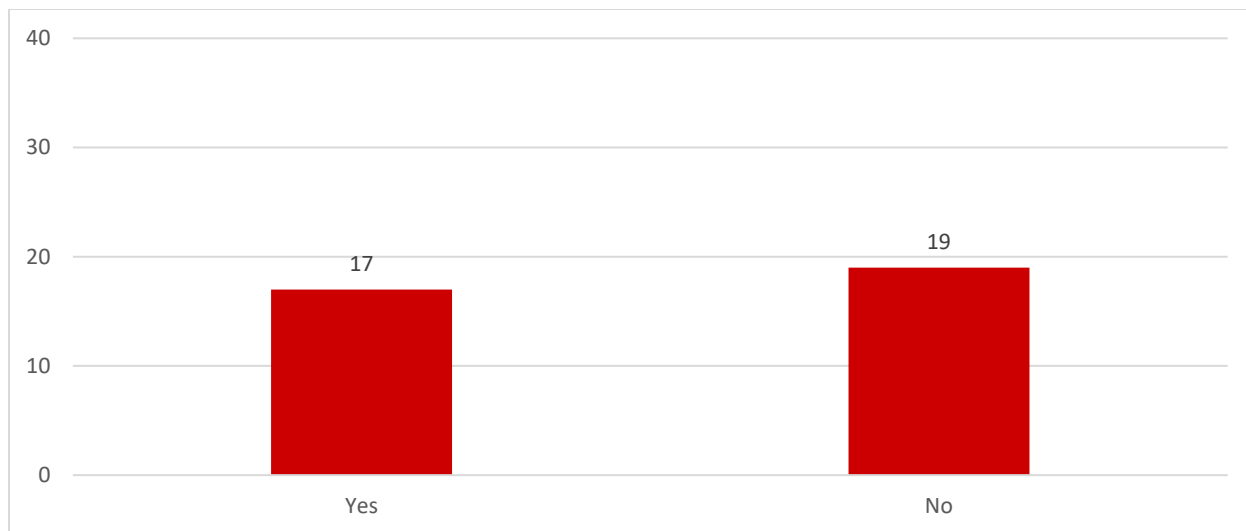


Answer	Responses	%
Arts and Culture	32	89%
Current Events	27	75%
International Affairs	15	42%
Food/Beverages	24	67%
Film	14	39%
Finance	12	33%
Health and Wellness	26	72%
History	26	72%
Hobbies	19	53%
Law and Government	10	28%
Science	17	47%
Technology	16	44%
Tours and Travel	27	75%

Please add any additional subject matter areas you would like us to consider.

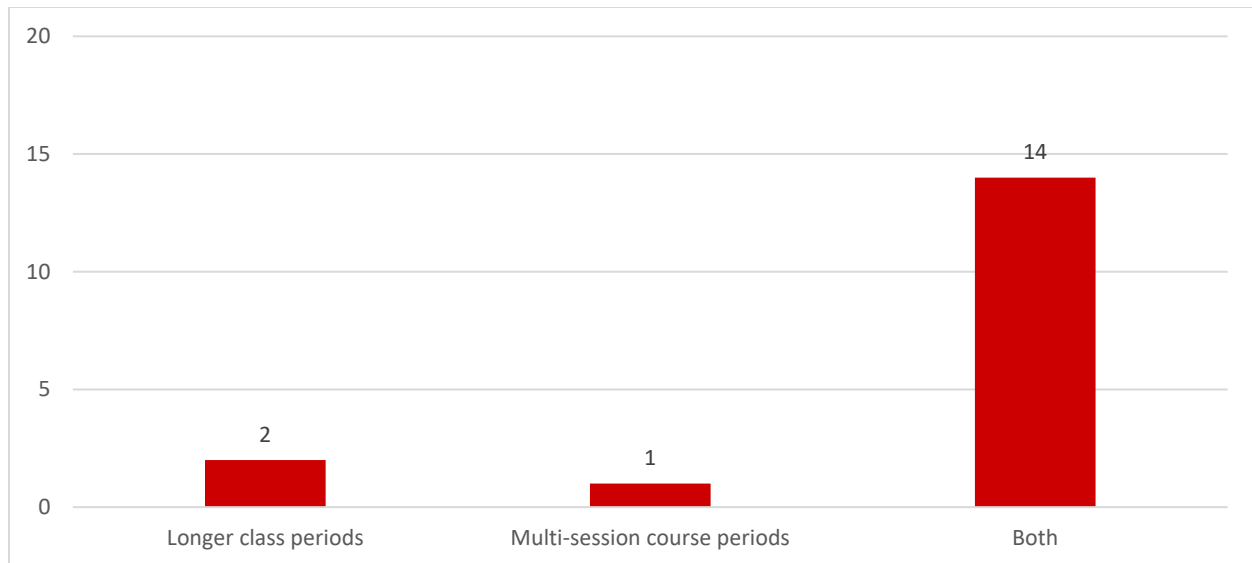
Gardening but maybe that is included in hobbies.
Music
Entertainment such as storytelling, etc.

**Currently, most OLLI classes, with the exception of trips, are one time 1.5 hour classes.
Would you like to see more "in depth" course offerings?**



Answer	Responses	%
Yes	17	47%
No	19	53%
Total	36	100%

What "in depth" course offerings would you like to see more of? Please check all that apply.

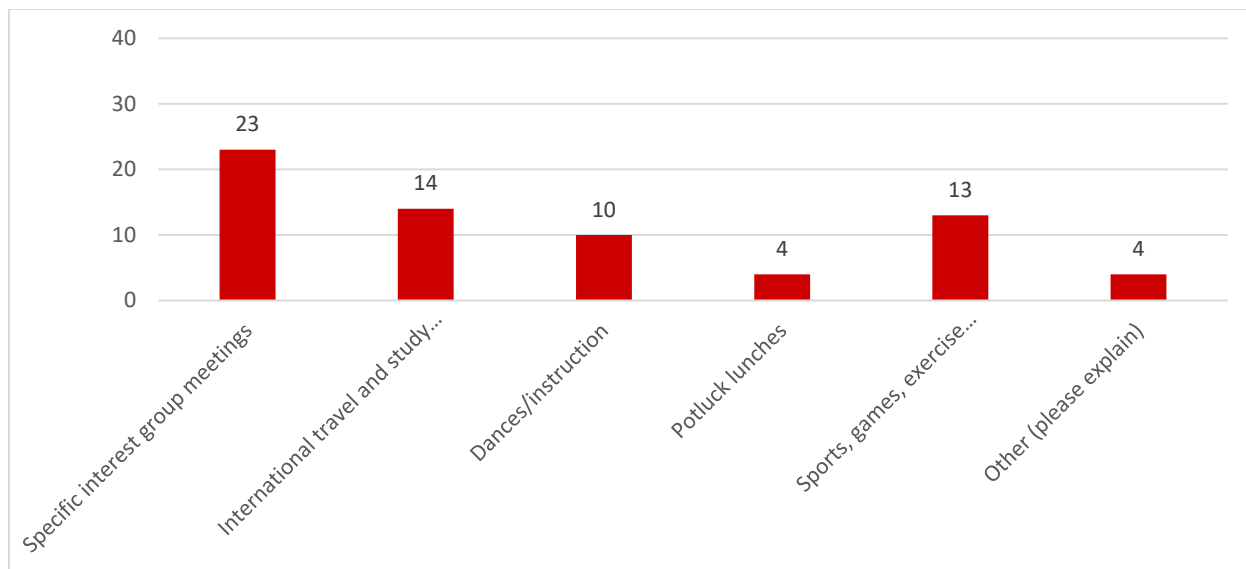


Answer	Responses	%
Longer class periods	2	6%
Multi-session course periods	1	3%
Both	14	39%

Please indicate any specific courses or subject matter areas in which you are interested in more in depth classes or courses.

Technology, science, health
History
Phone Photography, period clothing.
art,,science,technology
It just depends on the topic and whether it can be covered in one longer session or multi-sessions.

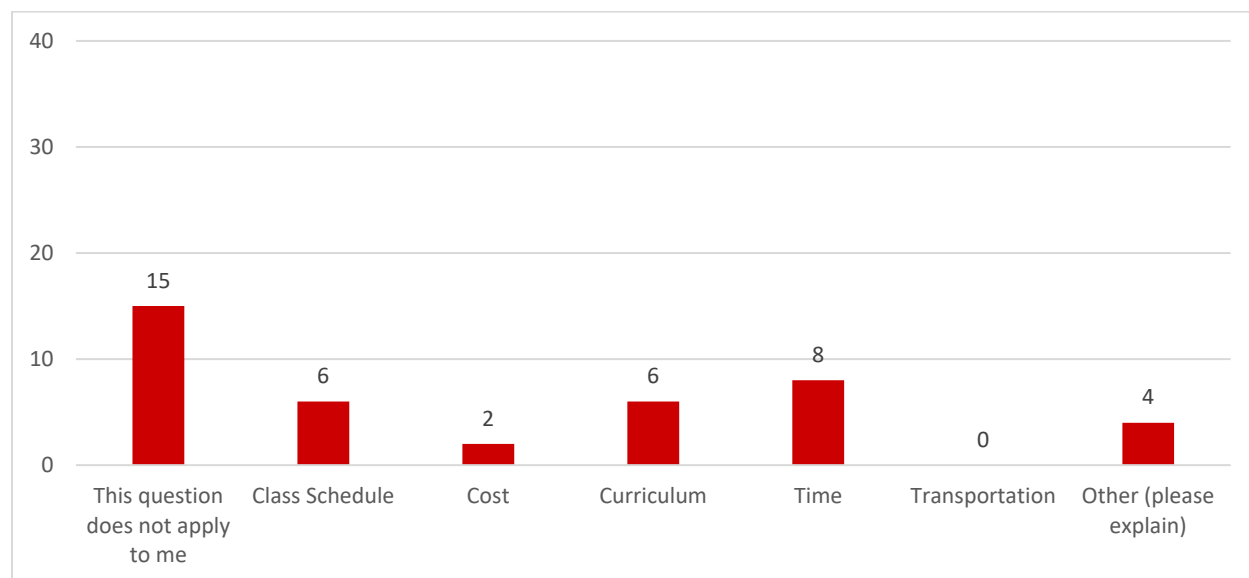
Please check all of the programs listed below that you would like to see offered in the OLLI curriculum in addition to the typical course offerings.



Answer	Responses	%
Specific interest group meetings	23	64%
International travel and study trips	14	39%
Dances/instruction	10	28%
Potluck lunches	4	11%
Sports, games, exercise participation/instruction	13	36%
Other (please explain)	4	11%

Other (please explain)
no comment
None of the above
No opinion
profession instruction,art ,science,etc

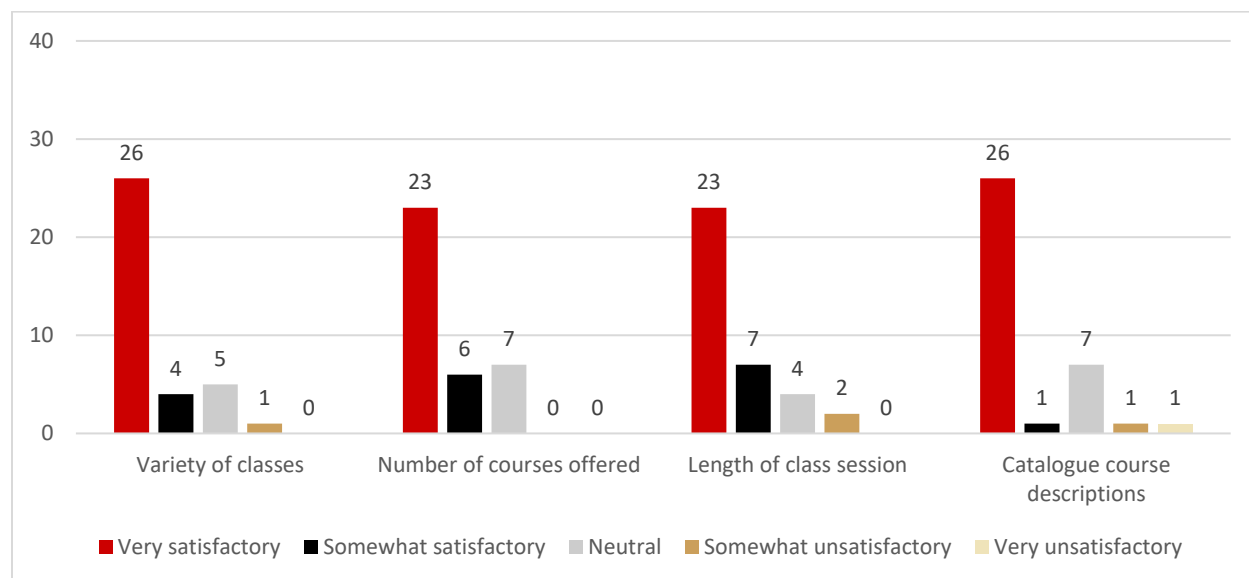
If you take only one class each semester, what circumstances keep you from taking more? Please check all that apply.



Answer	Responses	%
This question does not apply to me	15	42%
Class Schedule	6	17%
Cost	2	6%
Curriculum	6	17%
Time	8	22%
Transportation	0	0%
Other (please explain)	4	11%

Other (please explain)
I travel often to see family and for recreation.
Door is often locked at TTU campus
Personal travels and family events
Circumstances. This year my husband had appointments that conflicted with OLLI

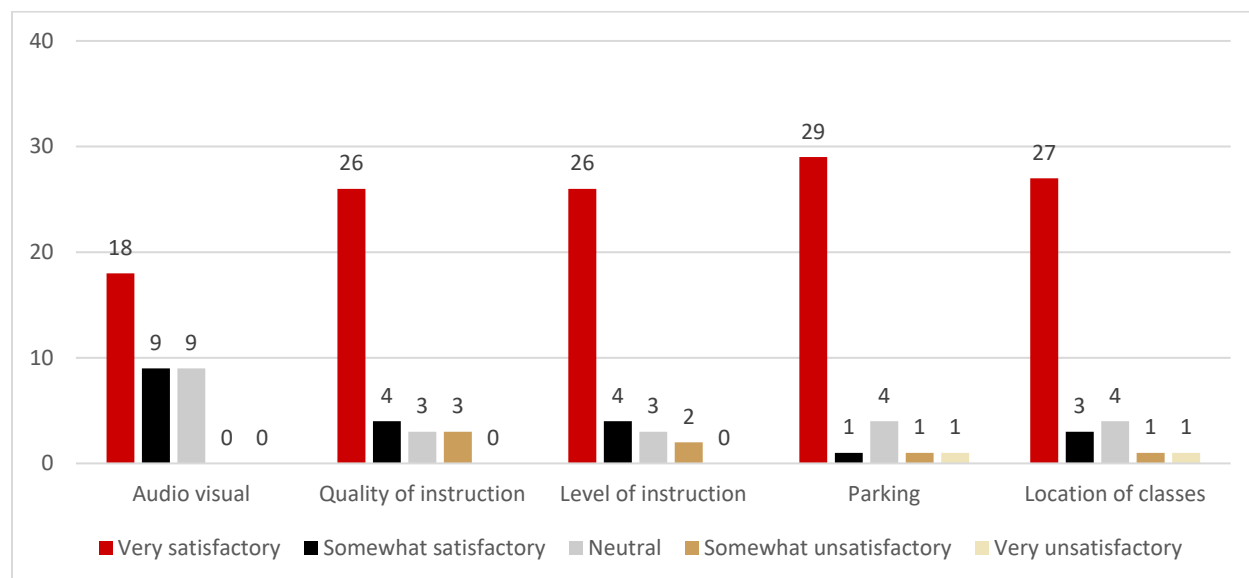
Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the following aspects of your OLLI course experiences on a scale of very satisfactory to very unsatisfactory.



	Very satisfactory	Somewhat satisfactory	Neutral	Somewhat unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory
Variety of classes	26	4	5	1	0
Number of courses offered	23	6	7	0	0
Length of class session	23	7	4	2	0
Catalogue course descriptions	26	1	7	1	1

Statistic	Average	Variance	Standard Deviation	Respondents
Variety of classes	4.53	0.71	0.84	36
Number of courses offered	4.44	0.65	0.81	36
Length of class session	4.42	0.82	0.91	36
Catalogue course descriptions	4.39	1.16	1.08	36

Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the following aspects of your OLLI course experiences on a scale of very satisfactory to very unsatisfactory.

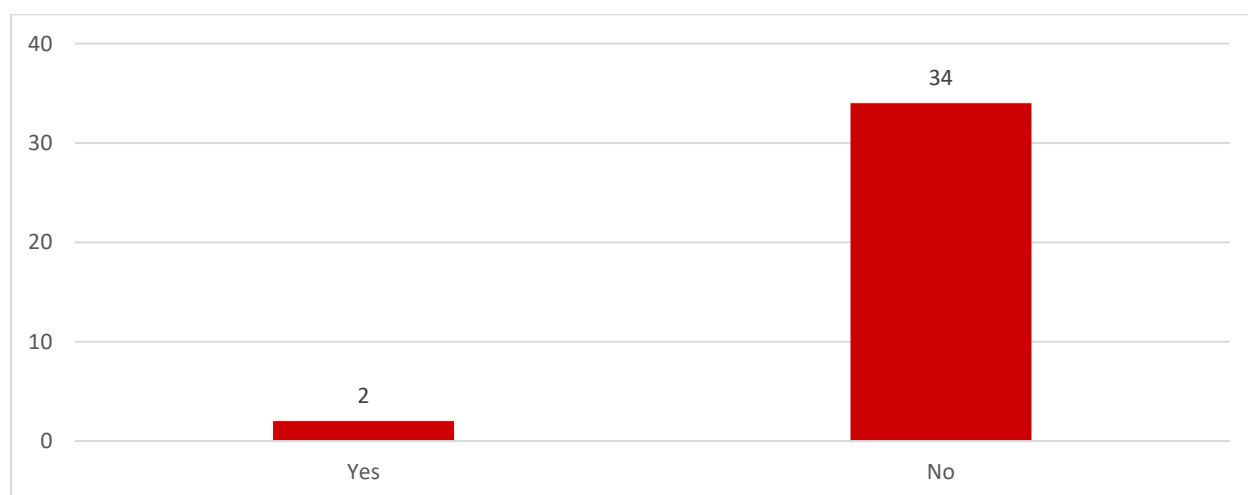


	Very satisfactory	Somewhat satisfactory	Neutral	Somewhat unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory
Audio visual	18	9	9	0	0
Quality of instruction	26	4	3	3	0
Level of instruction	26	4	3	2	0
Parking	29	1	4	1	1
Location of classes	27	3	4	1	1

Statistic	Average	Variance	Standard Deviation	Respondents
Audio visual	4.25	0.71	0.84	36
Quality of instruction	4.47	0.94	0.97	36
Level of instruction	4.54	0.78	0.89	36
Parking	4.56	1.00	1.00	36
Location of classes	4.50	1.00	1.00	36

Do you have any additional comments? (Optional)

Door often locked at TTU campus
Sometimes you couldn't enter the door to the building. Also audio video wasn't set up and we would have to wait
We could have utilized more time in the tips with smart phone class.
More time may allow for greater depth of topic coverage.
learning by doing.
sometimes visual and audio equipment not ready and this takes up meeting time
Joined late and out of town for 2; liked variety

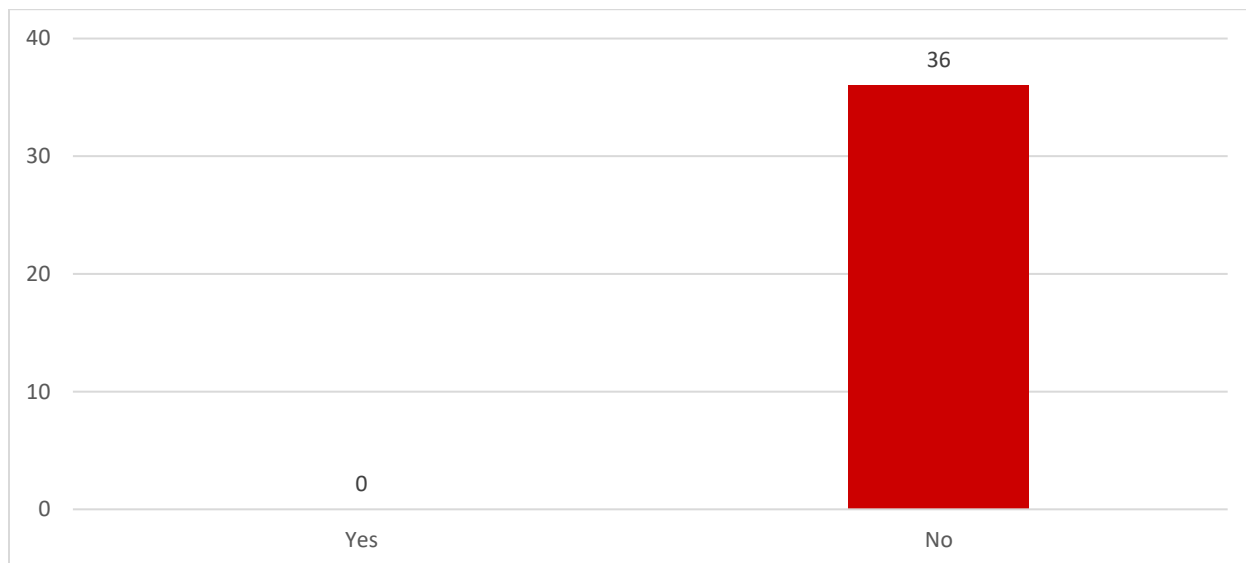
Do you have areas of special interest in which you could: Teach a course?

Answer	Responses	%
Yes	2	6%
No	34	94%
Total	36	100%

Do you have areas of special interest in which you could: Teach a course?

Subject
Art, music, historic preservation
9-1-1 instructor, silver alerts, cpr, basic first aid

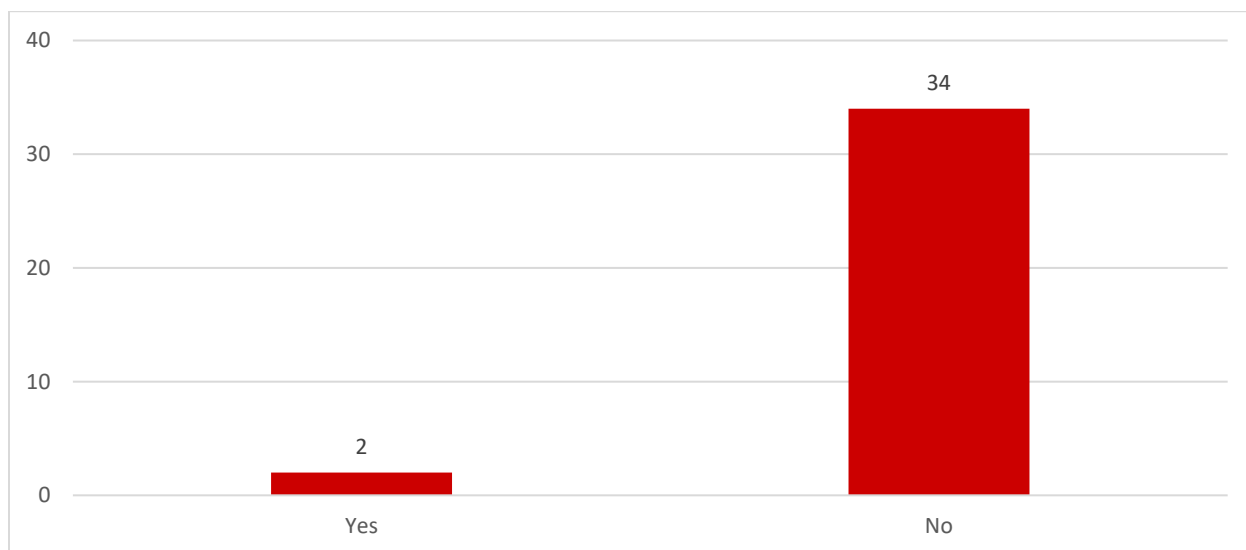
Do you have areas of special interest in which you could: Moderate a discussion?



Answer	Responses	%
Yes	0	0%
No	36	100%
Total	36	100%

Do you have areas of special interest in which you could: Moderate a discussion?

Subject
No comments.

Do you have skills that you are willing to share with OLLI?

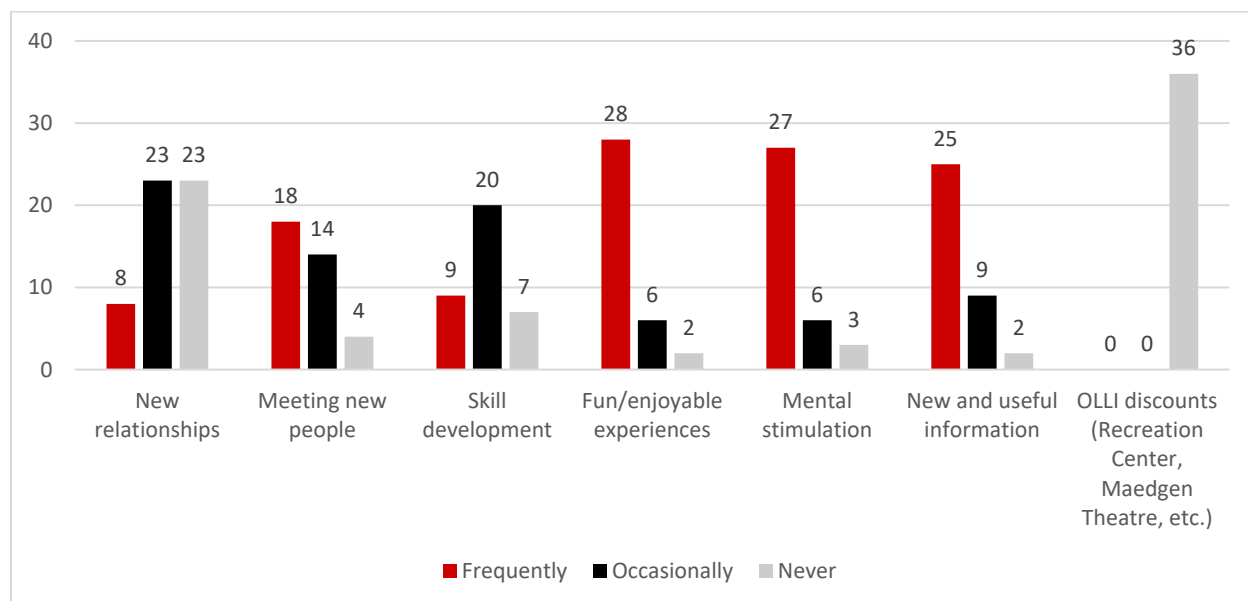
Answer	Responses	%
Yes	2	6%
No	34	94%
Total	36	100%

What skills are you willing to share with OLLI? Please check all that apply.

Answer	Responses
Office staffing, phone	0
Computer	0
Photography	1
Writing	0
A/V equipment	0
Marketing	0
Other (please explain)	1

Other (please explain)
Teaching a cookbook class in Sept.

Please indicate how often you have experienced the following potential benefits of OLLI membership.



	Frequently	Occasionally	Never	Respondents
New relationships	8	23	23	36
Meeting new people	18	14	4	36
Skill development	9	20	7	36
Fun/enjoyable experiences	28	6	2	36
Mental stimulation	27	6	3	36
New and useful information	25	9	2	36
OLLI discounts (Recreation Center, Maedgen Theatre, etc.)	0	0	36	36

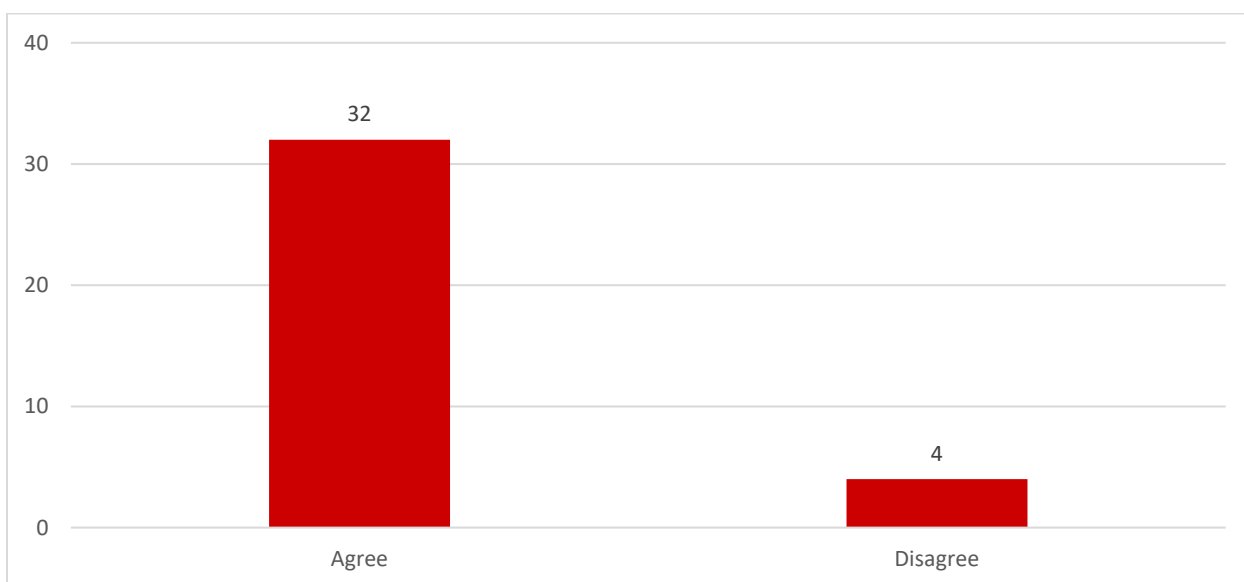
What other benefits of membership would you like to see OLLI offer? (Optional)

Discounts in Abilene - restaurants, Paramount Theatre, etc.
I have been unable to attend a class so far for various reasons.
Online classes or discounts
Transportation (even with a fee) for out of town classes

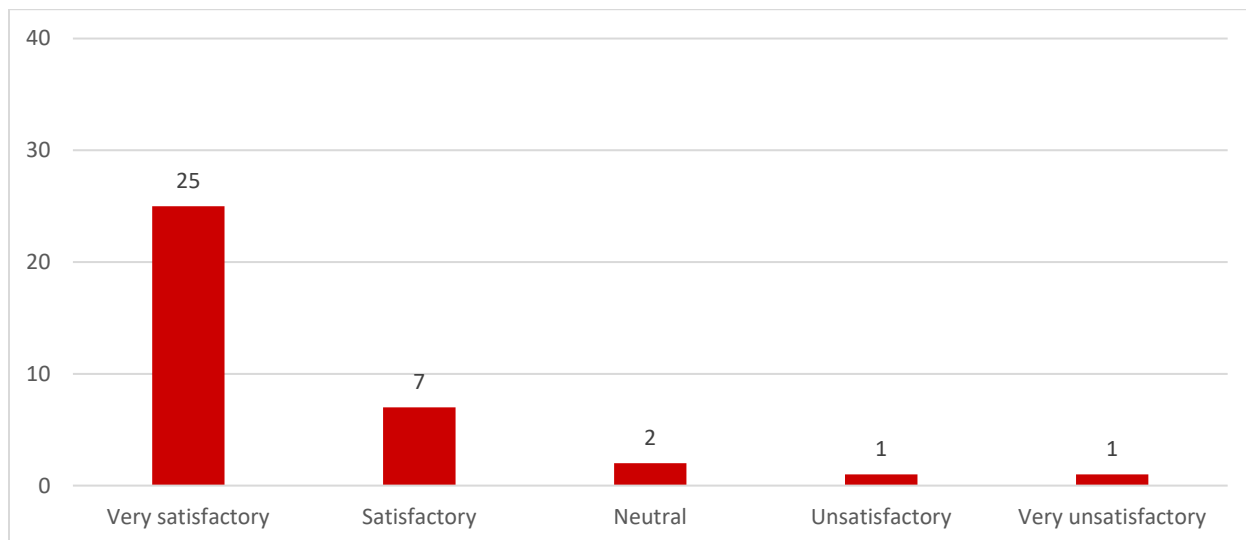
**How could we make OLLI more attractive to current and prospective members?
(Optional)**

Improve offerings, instruction
Perhaps having another class on same subject (experience at Cordell's), etc. Visit and lunch at TSTC culinary center.
skills instruction: art, technology, science, field trip activities,
classes at later times to allow attendance by those that still work
Offer some free events/activities

Please rate your level of agreement with the following statement: "OLLI is a good value for my investment of time and money."



Answer	Responses	%
Agree	32	89%
Disagree	4	11%
Total	36	100%

My overall evaluation of the OLLI program is:

	Very satisfactory	Satisfactory	Neutral	Unsatisfactory	Very unsatisfactory
My overall evaluation of the OLLI program is:	25	7	2	1	1

Statistic	Average	Variance	Standard Deviation	Respondents
My overall evaluation of the OLLI program is:	4.5	0.89	0.94	36

Please add any other comments you may have about OLLI programs. (Optional)

This survey is a little long.
Even though I have not been able to attend ANY of the offerings in Abilene, I am looking forward to see "What's next!"
I absolutely love OLLI. I couldn't go to Tuesday classes and sadly had to miss those. I am telling everyone I know or meet about it.
Although the programs looked very appealing, I was only able to attend 1 this spring semester.
Isolation is a major & increasing concern for this age group. Socialization opportunities are of major value. An inclusion of this element in all OLLI classes would well serve the community.
I feel classes could be 2 or 2 1/2 hrs. By the time we get to discussion it's over.
Abilene needs more assistance from Lubbock to help us get better established. At times there is no follow through on things that the board suggests.

If you wish to discuss your thoughts further with someone, please call the office at 806-742-6554...Name (optional)

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