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GRADUATING STUDENT SURVEY (GSS) DATA ANALYSIS
FOR ACADEMIC YEARS 2006-2010

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Executive Summary
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey (GSS) Data Analysis
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Introduction:

The Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey (GSS), a locally developed, 40-item survey, is designed to provide student feedback regarding the quality of educational programs, services, and overall student experience at Lincoln University. The survey is divided into four sections. Section 1 (survey items 1-10) collects background and demographic information. Section 2 (survey items 11-20) asks students to rate the degree to which their college education has contributed to their knowledge, skills, and/or personal development in several areas using the following scale: A=Very Much; B=Somewhat; C=Very Little; and D=Not At All. Section 3 (survey items 21-37) asks students to rate their satisfaction with various aspects of their LU education using the following scale: A=Very Satisfied; B=Satisfied; C=Dissatisfied and D=Very Dissatisfied. Section 4 (survey items 38-40) asks students to answer general questions regarding their attendance at LU. To maximize response rate, the survey is administered to students in conjunction with the Major Field Test during Assessment Week in the fall and spring semesters. The Education Department, Nursing Department, and the Office of Graduate Studies also assist with administering the GSS to their respective graduates, thus, students completing the survey are primarily graduating students.

The Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey (GSS) Data Analysis, prepared by the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment (OIRA) provides information regarding the students that have completed the GSS during academic years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2010. All information used to complete this analysis was obtained from the GSS database that is maintained by the OIRA.

Methodology:

This analysis is focused on the responses of 1476 students that completed the GSS during academic years 2006 (330 students), 2007 (280 students), 2008 (287 students), 2009 (293 students) and 2010 (286 students). In order to provide Lincoln University with the most useful information, data in the GSS database is analyzed using two different methods: Method 1: Comparison of Percentages; Method 2: Comparison of Means.

Method 1: Comparison of Percentages

For the purpose of this analysis, a five-year average is computed for survey items 11-20 (contribution items). The five-year average of students responding very much/somewhat is then compared to the five-year average of students responding very little/not at all to determine levels of contribution. Survey items contribute the most to students education if the percentage responding very much/somewhat is equal to or greater than 85% **and** the percentage responding very little/not at all is less than 15%. Survey items contribute the least to students education if the percentage responding very much/somewhat is less than 85% **and** the percentage responding very little/not at all is equal to or greater than 15%. The percentage of students not responding to survey items 11-20 are excluded from this analysis.

Five-year averages are also computed for survey items 21-37 (satisfaction items). The five-year average of students responding very satisfied/satisfied is then compared to the five-year average of students responding dissatisfied/very dissatisfied to determine levels of student satisfaction. Students are most satisfied with survey items if the percentage responding very satisfied/satisfied is equal to or greater than 80% **and** the percentage of students responding dissatisfied/very dissatisfied is less than 20%. Students are least satisfied with survey items if the percentage responding very satisfied/satisfied is less than 80% **and** the percentage responding dissatisfied/very dissatisfied is equal to or greater than 20%. The percentage of students not responding to survey items 21-37 are excluded from this analysis. Section 1-A reports the summary of this analysis. In Section 1-B results are broken down by individual survey items and are displayed graphically. See Appendix 1 for computation of 5-year averages.

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Method 2: Comparison of Means

For the purpose of this analysis, the survey scale is changed to a 4-point Likert-scale. For questions 11-20, Survey scale A=Very Much is changed to 4; Survey scale B=Somewhat is changed to 3; Survey scale C=Very Little is changed to 2 and Survey Scale D=Not At All is changed to 1. For questions 21-37, Survey scale A=Very Satisfied is changed to 4; Survey Scale B=Satisfied is changed to 3; Survey scale C=Dissatisfied is changed to 2 and Survey scale D=Very Dissatisfied is changed to 1. A five-year average is computed for survey items 11-20 and the items are ranked by their means (highest to lowest). Survey items with the highest means contribute the most to students education and survey items with the lowest means contribute the least to students education. A five-year average is also computed for survey items 21-37 and the items are ranked by their means (highest to lowest). Students are most satisfied with survey items with the highest means and are least satisfied with survey items with the lowest means. Section 2-A reports the summary of this analysis. In Section 2-B results are broken down by individual survey items and are displayed graphically. See Appendix 2 for computation of 5-year averages and ranking of survey items by means.

Findings:

Contribution Items

Analysis of the contribution items (survey items 11-20) reveals that GSS respondents believe their LU education has contributed the most to their ability to write clearly and logically; ability to give oral presentations; openness to new ideas and practices; understanding and appreciation of other cultures; tolerance of people with different beliefs; leadership skills; ability to work with others in a group and ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds. See Tables 1 and 45. The analysis also reveals that GSS respondents believe their LU education has contributed the least to their ability to use computer technology and awareness of global issues and events. See Tables 2 and 46.

Satisfaction Items

Analysis of the satisfaction items (survey items 21-37) reveals that GSS respondents are most satisfied with their academic major; clarity of degree requirements; instruction in their major courses; instruction in elective courses; instruction in general education courses; interaction with faculty in or out of class; professional competence of faculty in their major and overall quality of LU education. See Tables 3 and 47. The analysis also reveals that GSS respondents are least satisifed with availability of courses required for degree; career advisement; preparation for the job market; sense of "belonging" at this university and personal safety on campus.See Tables 4 and 48.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

Analysis of the GSS data reveals a number of significant findings that are present regardless of the data analysis method employed: GSS respondents believe their education has contributed the most to their ability to write clearly and logically; ability to give oral presentations; openness to new ideas and practices; understanding and appreciation of other cultures; tolerance of people with different beliefs; leadership skills; ability to work with others in a group and ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds while their education has contributed the least to their ability to use computer technology and awareness of global issues and events. Also, GSS respondents are most satisfied with their academic major; clarity of degree requirements; instruction in their major courses; instruction in elective courses; instruction in general education courses; interaction with faculty in or out of class; professional competence of faculty in their major and overall quality of LU education while they are least satisfied with availability of courses required for degree; career advisement; preparation for the job market; sense of "belonging" at this university and personal safety on campus.

The students that complete the GSS are not a representative sample of the entire student body; therefore, the results of this analysis cannot be generalized to the entire student population. However, five years worth of survey data does provide Lincoln University with a pretty clear picture regarding the satisfaction level of our graduating students. The CAIRP recommends the continued administration of the GSS and analysis of the data to determine if future analyses will yield the same results.

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Table 1: GSS Items That Contribute the Most To Students Education Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Percentage

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Very Much/Somewhat	Very Little/Not At All
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		Average	Average
19	Ability to work with others in a group	91.7	7.6
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	90.9	8.7
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	90.6	9.0
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	90.1	8.0
18	Leadership skills	88.7	10.7
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	88.1	11.5
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	87.5	11.7
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	86.6	12.6

Note: GSS items contribute the most to students education if the percentage responding very much/somewhat is equal to or greater than 85% **and** the percentage responding very little/not at all is less than 15%.

Note: Percentages will not equal 100 due to exclusion of No Responses from this table.

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 2: GSS Items That Contribute the Least To Students Education Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Percentage

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Very Much/Somewhat	Very Little/Not At All
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		Average	Average
14	Awareness of global issues and events	76.8	22.7
13	Ability to use computer technology	81.5	18.0

Note: GSS items contribute the least to students education if the percentage responding very much/somewhat is less than 85% **and** the percentage responding very little/not at all is equal to or greater than 15%.

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Table 3: GSS Items Students Are Most Satisfied With Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Percentage

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Very Satisfied/Satisfied	Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied
How satisfied are you with:		Average	Average
21	Your academic major	88.8	4.2
25	Instruction in your major courses	86.7	6.3
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	86.7	5.9
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	85.0	8.0
37	Overall quality of your LU education	83.9	9.1
26	Instruction in elective courses	83.2	9.8
27	Instruction in general education courses	82.2	10.5
22	Clarity of degree requirements	80.4	12.2

Note: Students are most satisfied with survey items if the percentage responding very satisfied/satisfied is equal to or greater than 80% **and** the percentage responding dissatisfied/very dissatisfied is less than 20%.

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Table 4: GSS Items Students Are Least Satisfied with Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Percentage

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Very Satisfied/Satisfied	Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied
How satisfied are you with:		Average	Average
32	Career advisement	58.4	32.9
33	Preparation for the job market	65.4	26.6
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	66.1	26.2
34	Personal safety on campus	69.2	22.7
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	69.6	23.1

Note: Students are least satisfied with survey items if the percentage responding very satisfied/satisfied is less than 80% **and** the percentage responding dissatisfied/very dissatisfied is equal to or greater than 20%.

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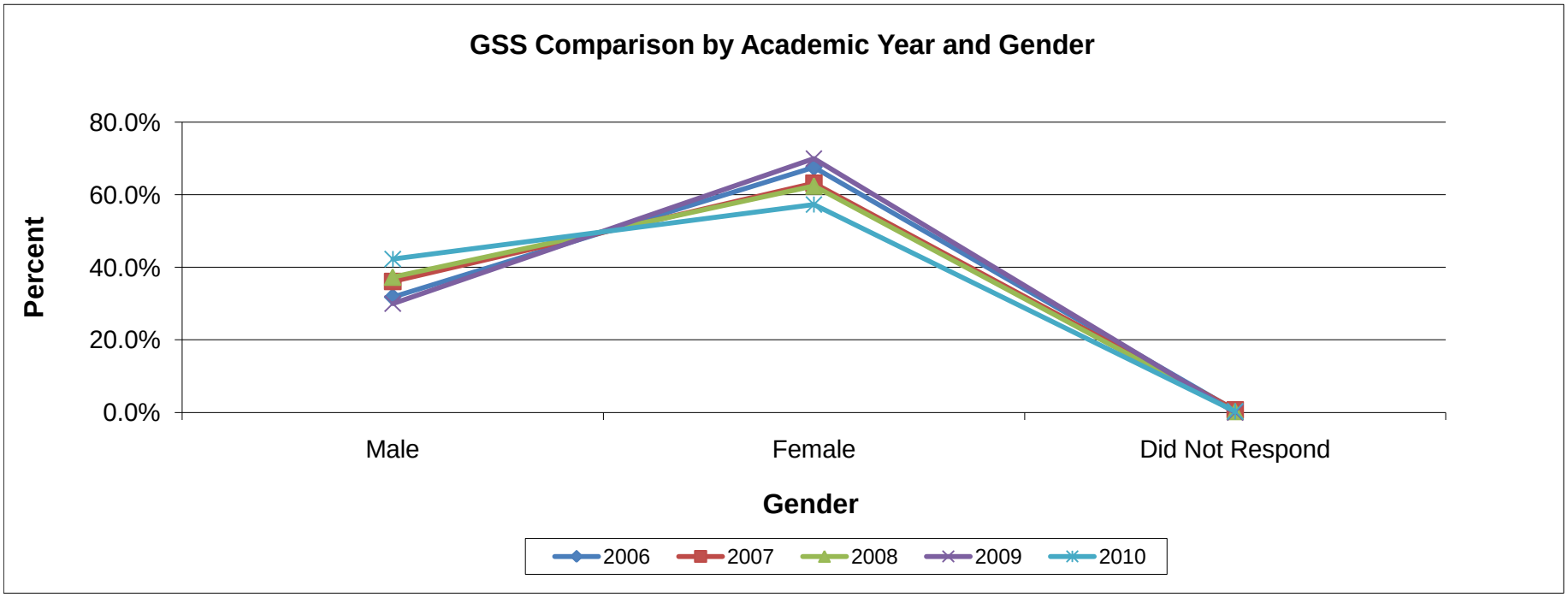
Lincoln University GSS Comparison
by Academic Year and Percentage of Survey Respondents

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Gender

Table 5

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Male	31.8%	36.1%	37.3%	30.0%	42.3%	35.5%
Female	67.6%	63.2%	62.4%	70.0%	57.3%	64.1%
Did Not Respond	0.6%	0.7%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

NOTE: Percentages may not equal 100 due to rounding and/or multiple responses.



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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Age

Table 6

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
16-22	28.2%	28.2%	31.4%	30.4%	33.9%	30.4%
23-29	44.2%	48.6%	42.2%	44.7%	44.1%	44.8%
30-39	18.5%	16.1%	16.4%	13.7%	15.0%	15.9%
40-49	7.0%	5.4%	7.3%	8.9%	5.6%	6.8%
50 or older	1.8%	1.1%	2.4%	2.4%	1.0%	1.7%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.7%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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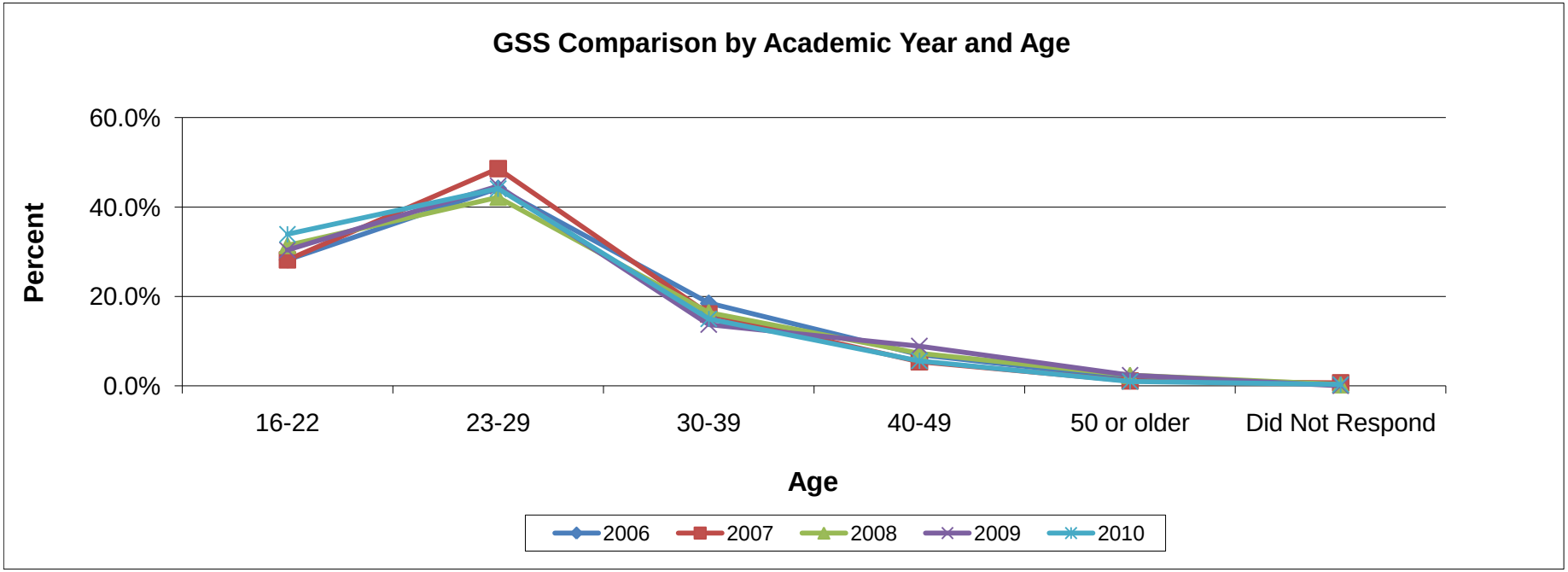

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Ethnic Background

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Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Asian/Native American	1.5%	2.1%	1.0%	2.0%	2.4%	1.8%
African-American	27.9%	29.3%	30.3%	34.5%	30.8%	30.6%
Caucasian	61.2%	56.1%	58.9%	58.4%	58.0%	58.5%
Hispanic	1.5%	0.7%	3.5%	1.0%	1.4%	1.6%
Non-Resident Alien	5.8%	10.0%	3.8%	3.1%	6.6%	5.9%
Did Not Respond	2.1%	1.8%	2.4%	1.0%	0.7%	1.6%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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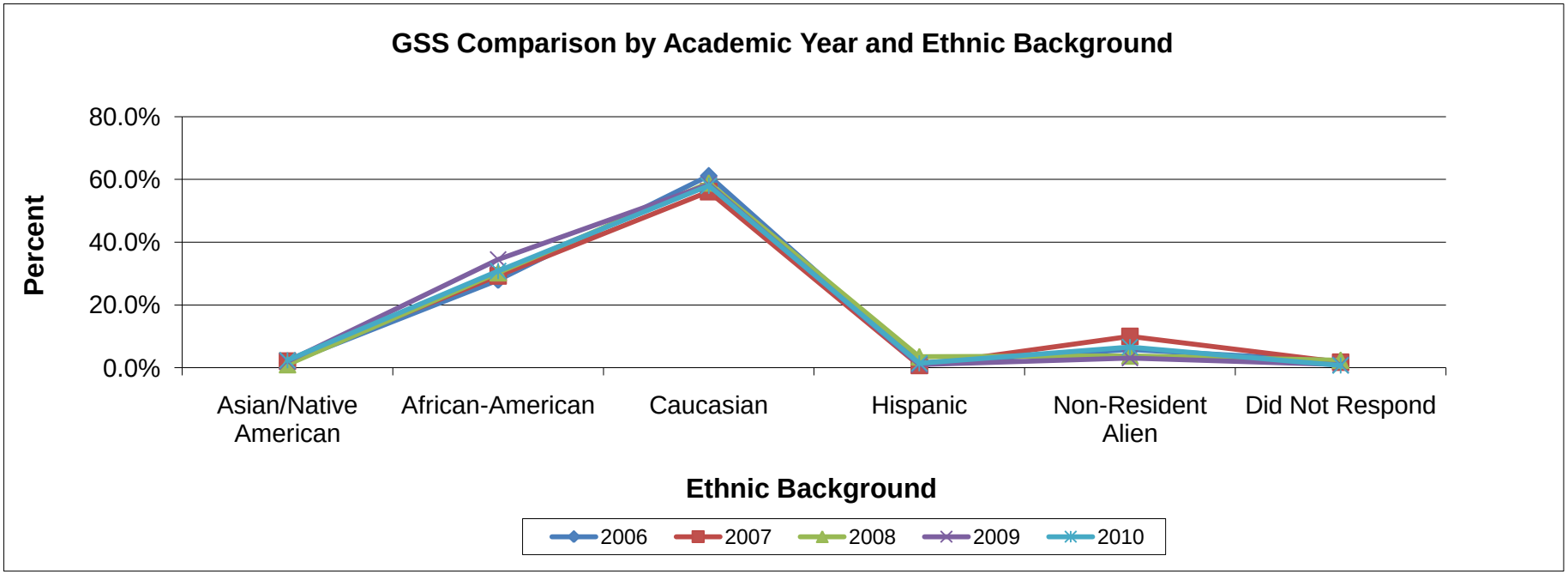

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Permanent Home

Table 8

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
St. Louis area	10.0%	11.8%	8.0%	11.9%	7.3%	9.8%
Kansas City area	2.7%	2.9%	2.4%	3.1%	4.5%	3.1%
Central MO	66.7%	62.9%	65.5%	63.8%	65.7%	64.9%
Other MO area	5.8%	3.9%	4.9%	6.5%	2.8%	4.8%
Out of State	14.5%	17.5%	18.8%	14.7%	19.2%	16.9%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	1.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**99.8%**	**100.0%**

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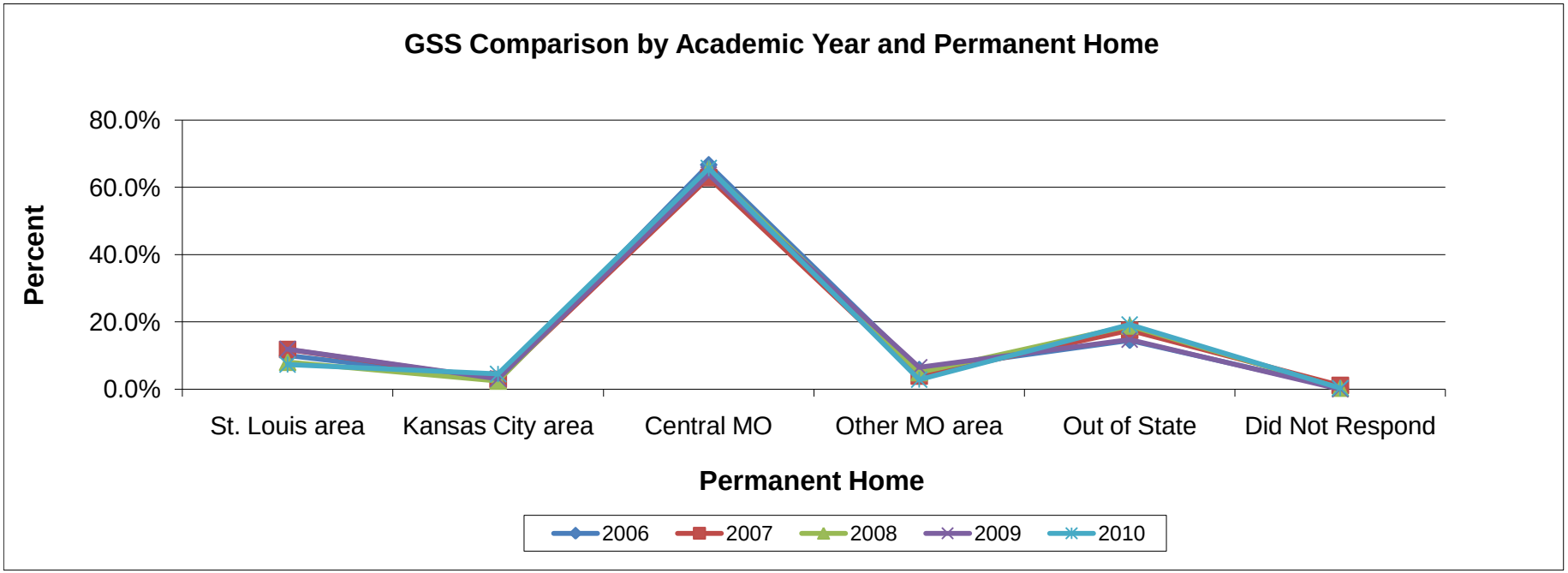

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Current Enrollment Status

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Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Full-Time	73.6%	75.0%	72.8%	75.1%	75.9%	74.5%
Part-Time	26.1%	24.3%	25.8%	24.6%	23.1%	24.8%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.7%	1.4%	0.3%	1.0%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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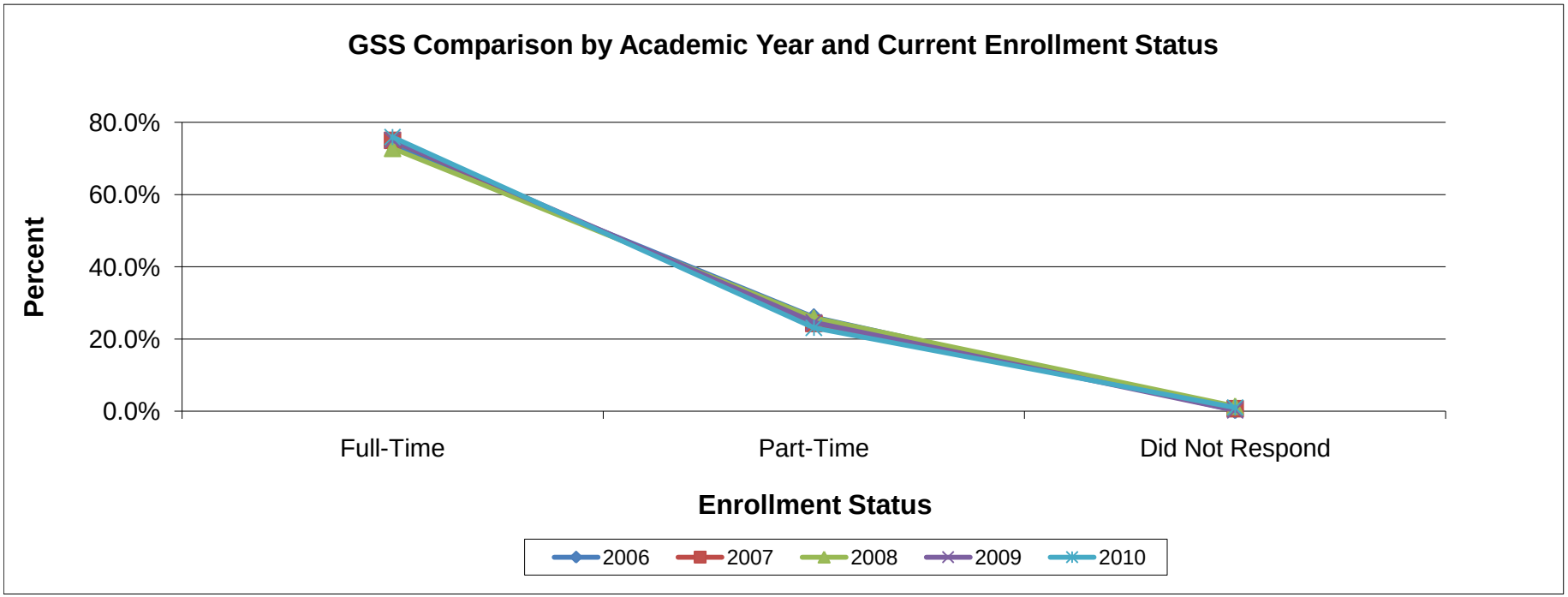

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Degree Seeking

Table 10

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Associate's	24.2%	16.4%	16.7%	19.1%	14.7%	18.2%
Bachelor's	62.1%	69.6%	68.6%	69.6%	74.5%	68.9%
Master's	11.5%	13.6%	13.6%	10.6%	10.5%	12.0%
Specialist's	0.6%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%
Did Not Respond	1.5%	0.4%	0.7%	0.7%	0.3%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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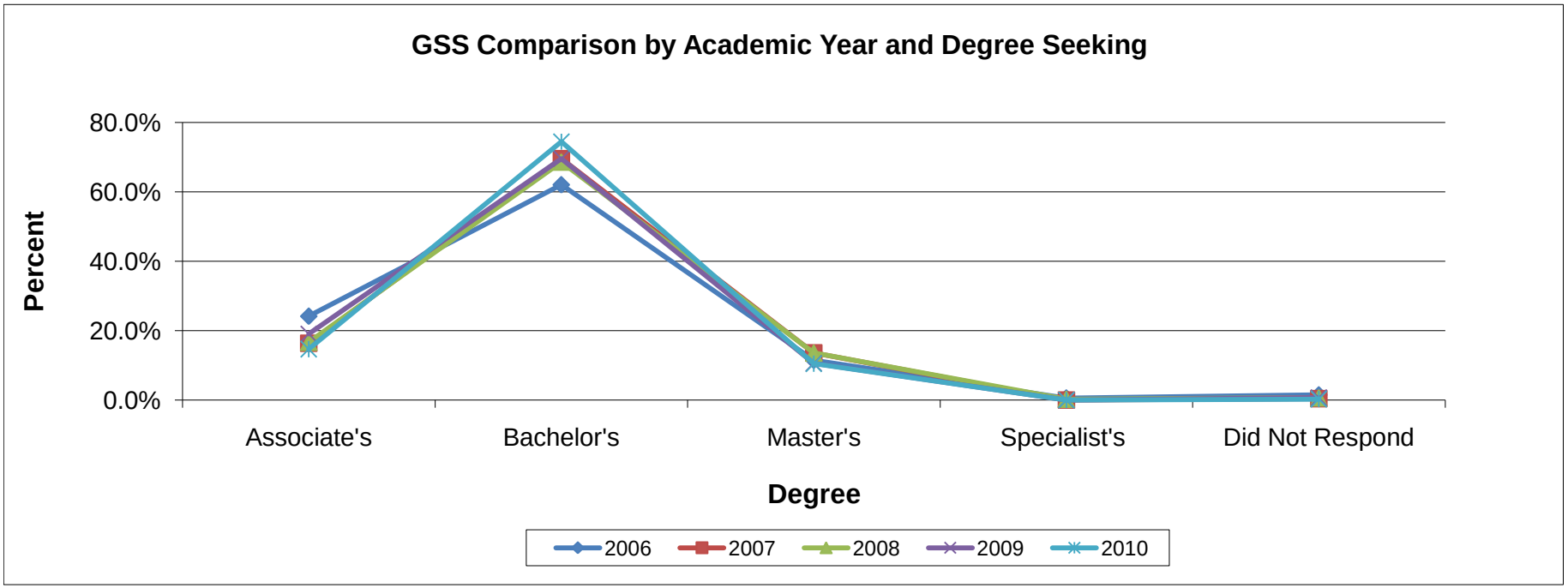

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Transfer of Credit Hours

Table 11

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Transferred Credits	56.4%	54.6%	52.3%	60.4%	53.1%	55.4%
Did Not Transfer Credits	43.3%	45.0%	47.0%	39.6%	46.2%	44.2%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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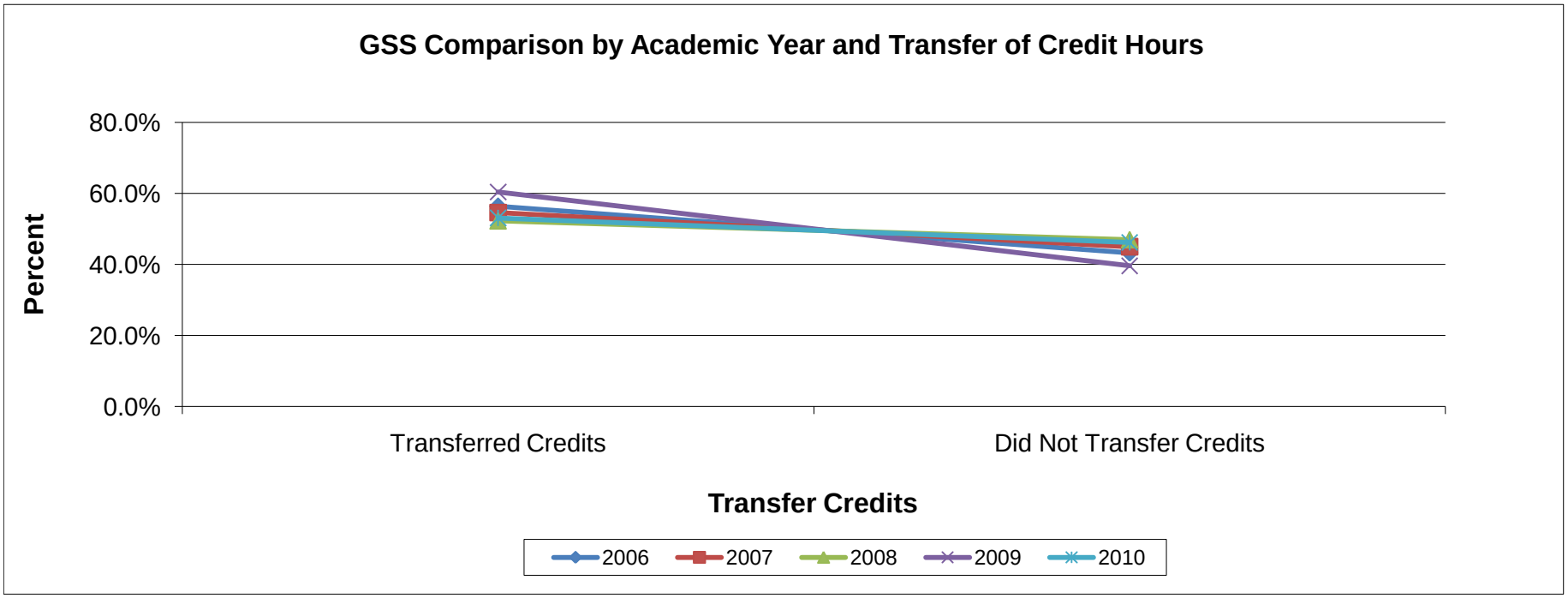

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Time to Complete Degree

Table 12

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
1	6.7%	2.5%	3.1%	2.7%	4.5%	3.9%
2	20.0%	20.0%	22.6%	14.7%	11.9%	17.8%
3	18.8%	22.1%	15.3%	16.4%	15.0%	17.5%
4	27.9%	29.6%	34.8%	38.6%	38.8%	33.9%
5 or more	26.1%	25.0%	23.3%	27.0%	29.4%	26.2%
Did Not Respond	0.6%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	0.3%	0.6%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**99.8%**	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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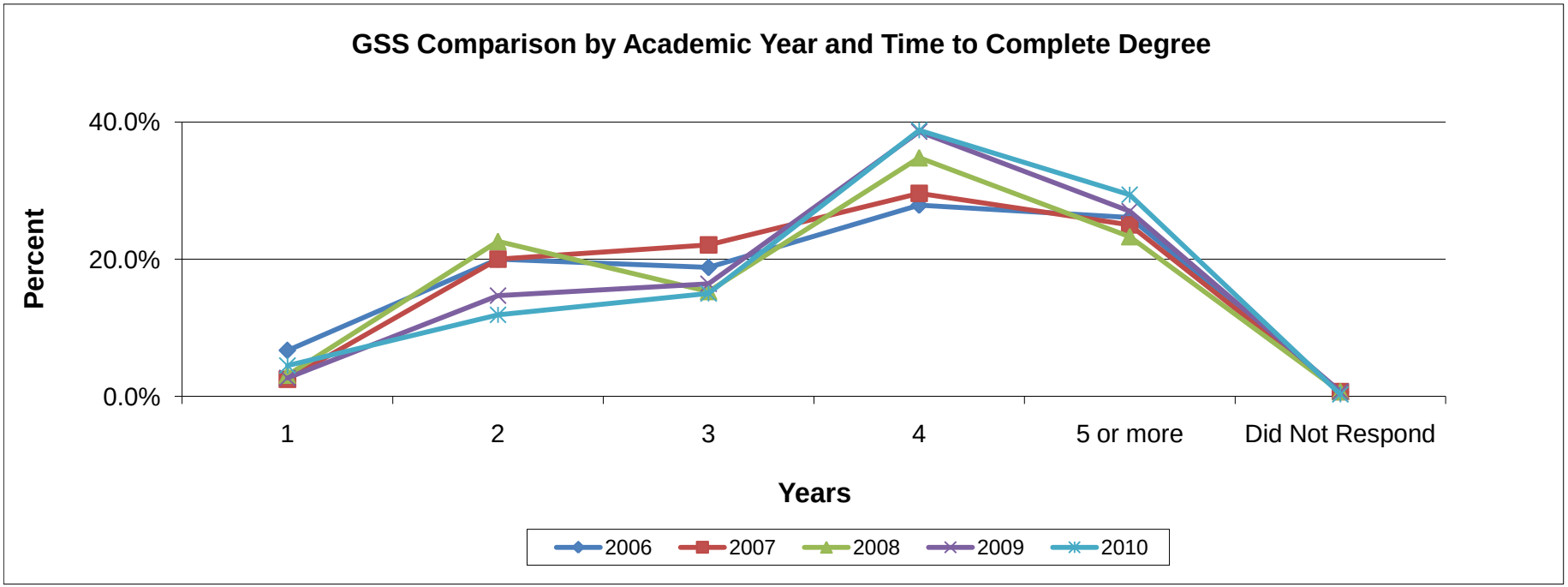

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Highest Degree Plan to Earn

Table 13

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Bachelor's	30.9%	23.6%	26.1%	25.9%	26.6%	26.6%
Master's	48.5%	52.1%	50.5%	56.0%	49.0%	51.2%
Education Specialist	0.6%	2.9%	3.5%	0.3%	0.7%	1.6%
Professional	5.2%	6.4%	3.1%	4.1%	4.5%	4.7%
Doctorate	14.8%	14.6%	16.0%	13.7%	18.9%	15.6%
Did Not Respond	0.0%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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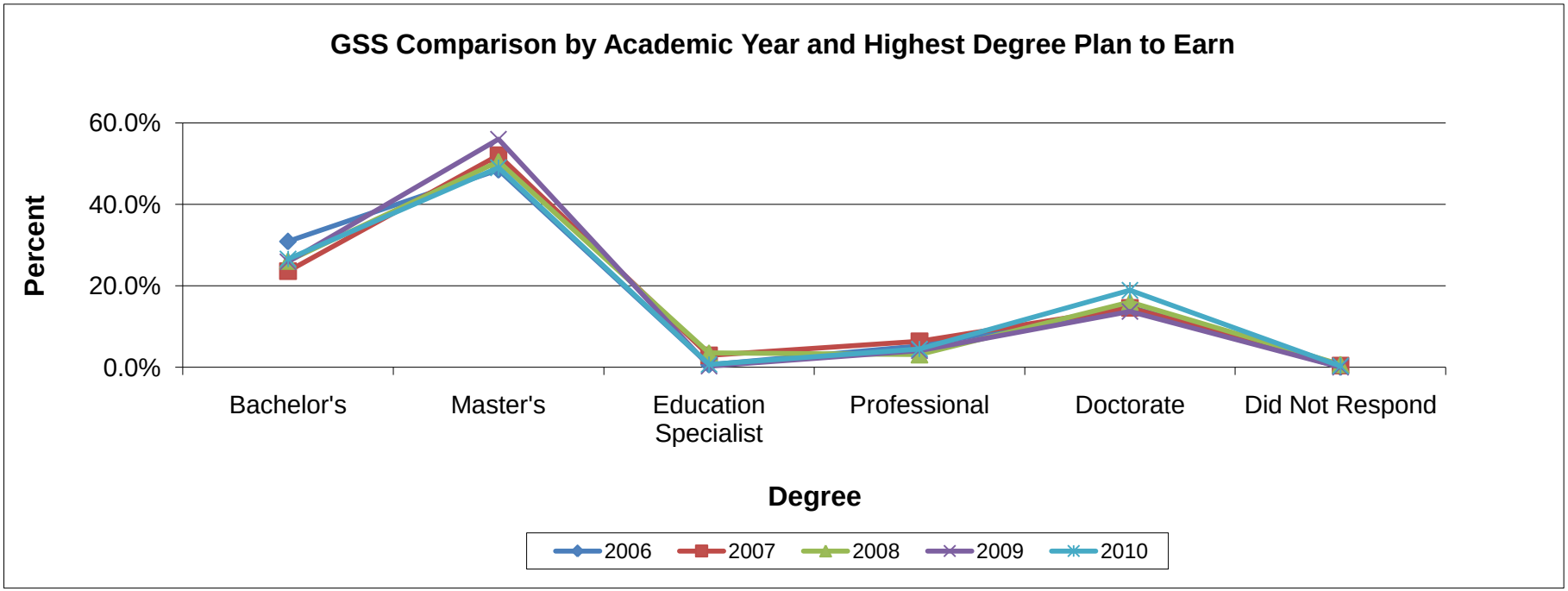

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Plans After Graduation

Table 14

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Work Full-Time	68.5%	63.9%	69.7%	69.9%	62.2%	66.8%
Work Part-Time	1.8%	1.4%	1.0%	2.4%	2.1%	1.7%
Continue UG Studies	3.6%	4.6%	2.8%	2.7%	3.5%	3.4%
Attend Grad/Prof School	23.6%	25.6%	23.7%	20.8%	28.0%	24.3%
Other	4.5%	4.6%	2.4%	4.4%	3.8%	3.9%
Did Not Respond	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.1%
PERCENT TOTAL	**102.0%**	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**100.2%**	**99.9%**	**100.4%**

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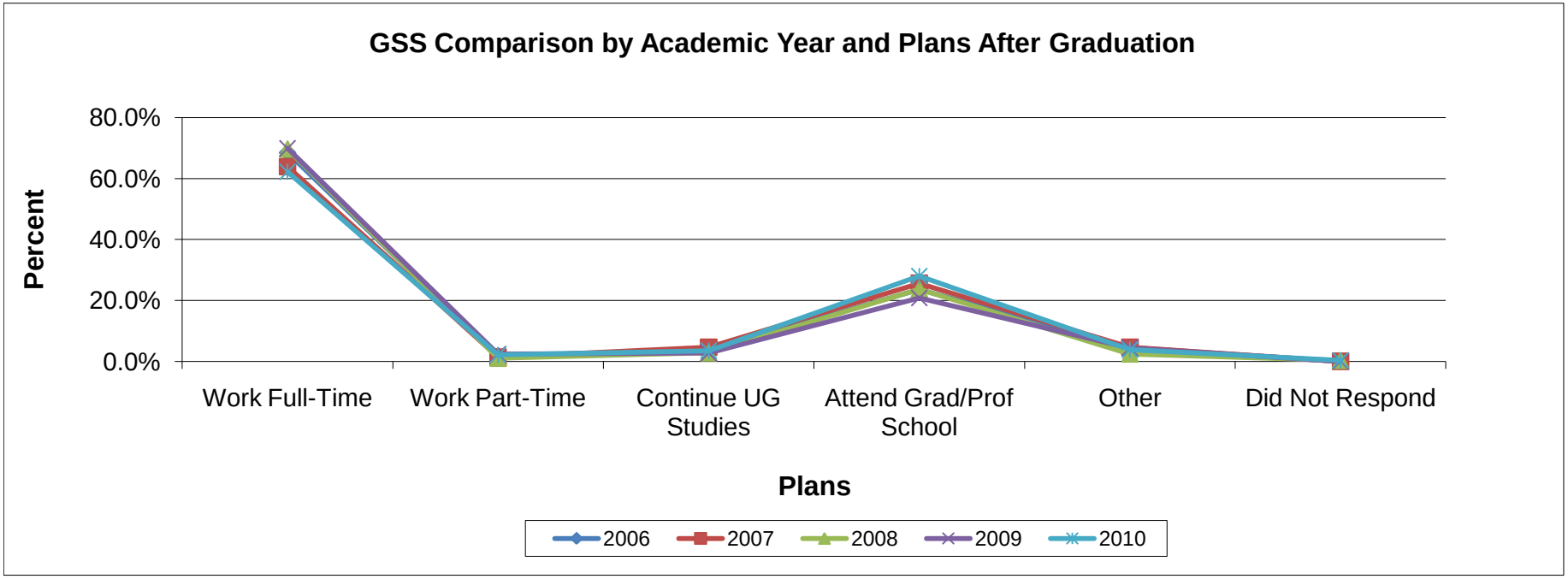

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #11
"Ability to write clearly and logically"

Table 15

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	89.4%	92.1%	88.5%	89.4%	93.4%	90.6%
Very Little/Not At All	10.3%	7.9%	10.8%	10.6%	5.6%	9.0%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	1.0%	0.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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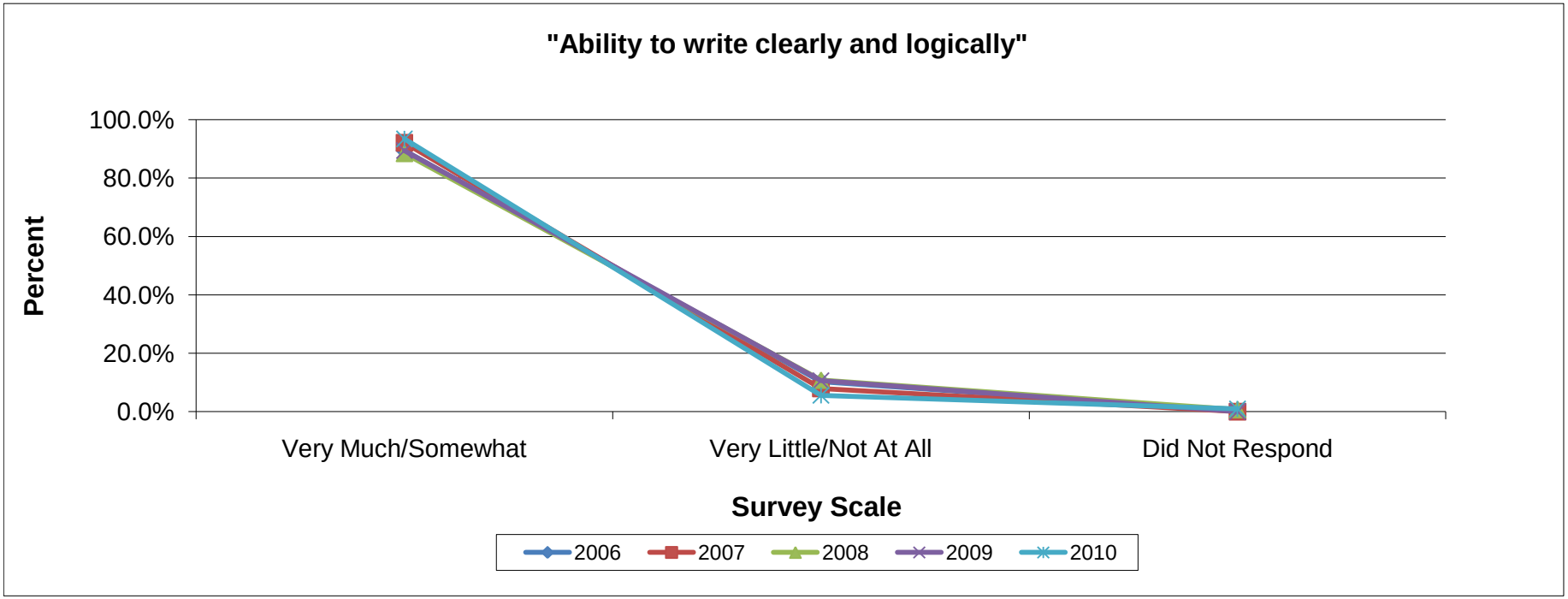

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #12
"Ability to give effective oral presentations"

Table 16

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	87.9%	91.1%	87.5%	84.0%	89.9%	88.1%
Very Little/Not At All	11.8%	8.9%	11.5%	16.0%	9.1%	11.5%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.0%	1.0%	0.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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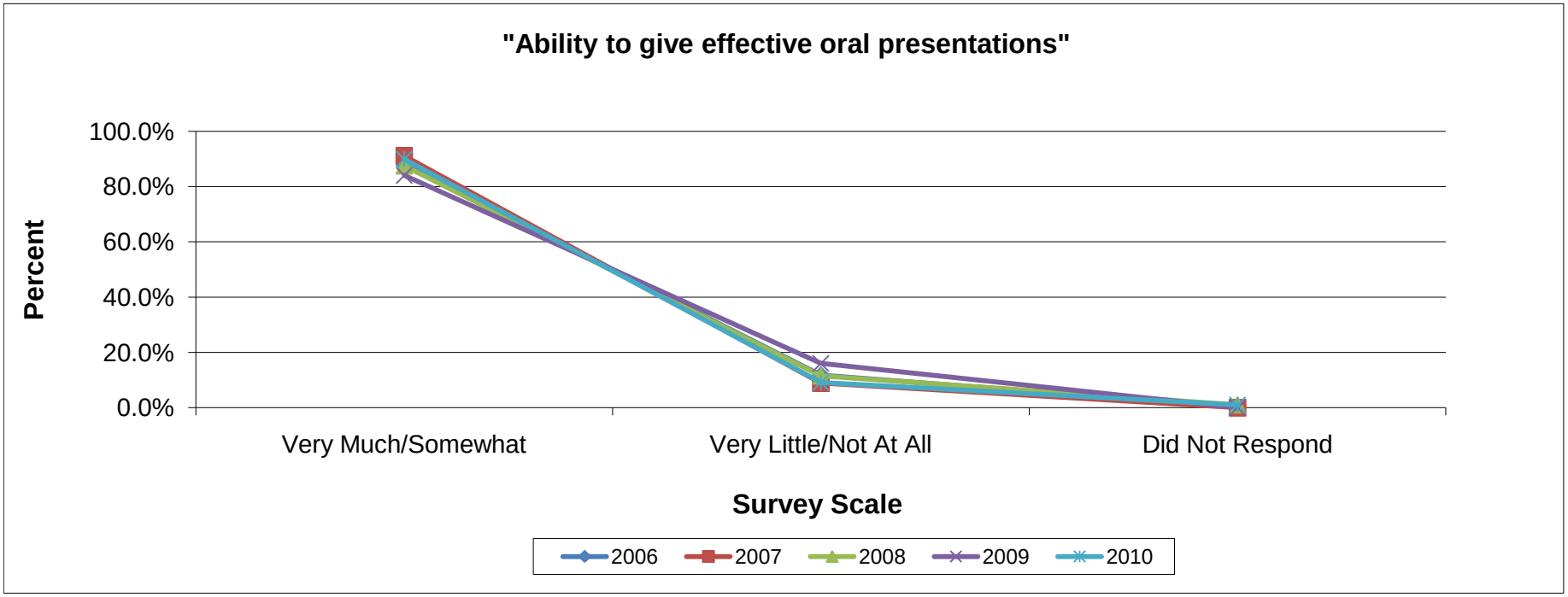

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #13
"Ability to use computer technology"

Table 17

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	82.1%	84.6%	77.7%	79.9%	83.2%	81.5%
Very Little/Not At All	17.6%	15.4%	21.3%	19.8%	15.7%	18.0%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.3%	1.0%	0.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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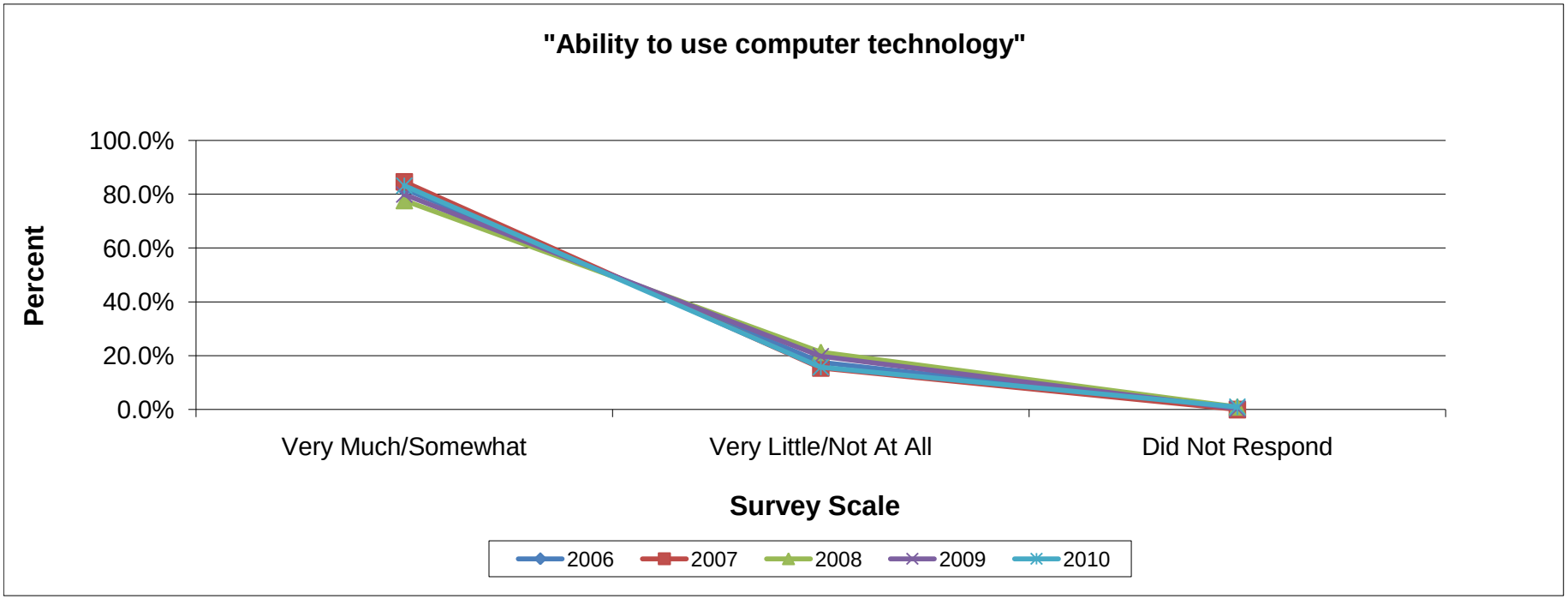

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #14
"Awareness of global issues and events"

Table 18

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	75.2%	81.4%	75.3%	76.5%	75.5%	76.8%
Very Little/Not At All	24.8%	18.6%	24.0%	23.5%	22.7%	22.7%
Did Not Respond	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.0%	1.7%	0.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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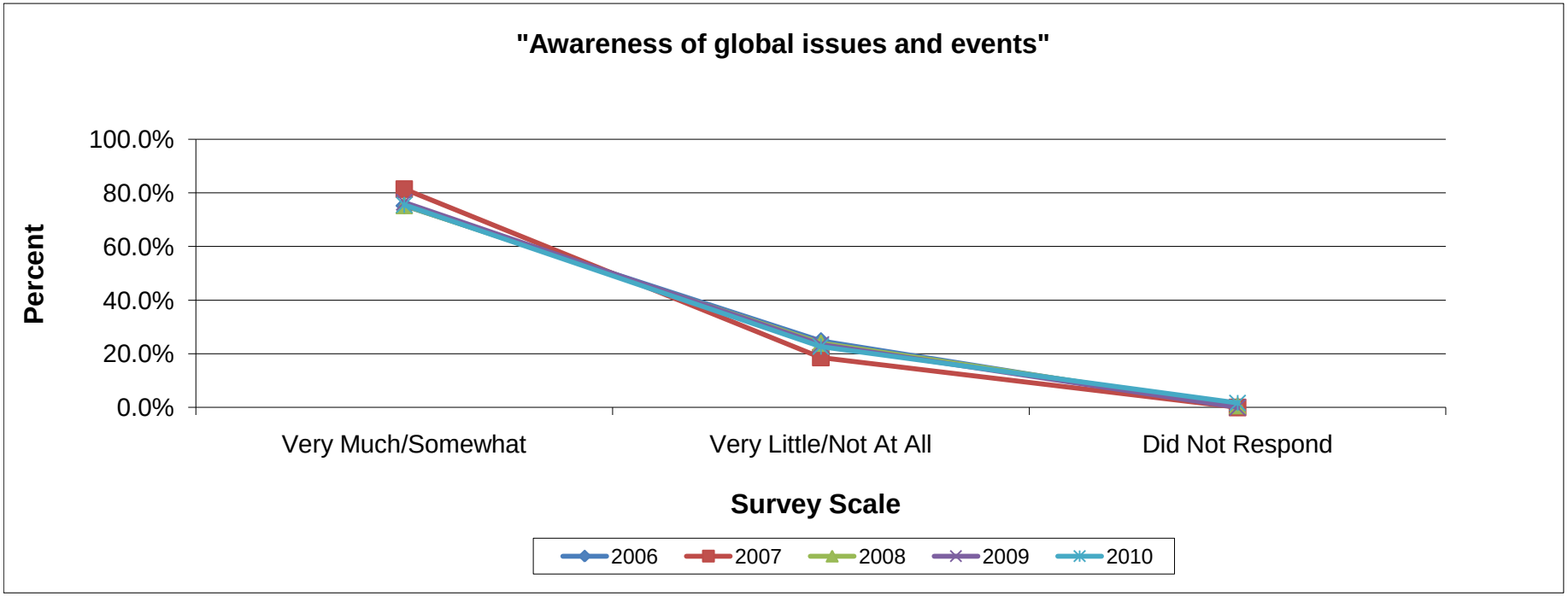

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #15
"Openness to new ideas and practices"

Table 19

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	91.5%	92.1%	88.9%	89.1%	93.0%	90.9%
Very Little/Not At All	8.2%	7.9%	10.8%	10.9%	5.9%	8.7%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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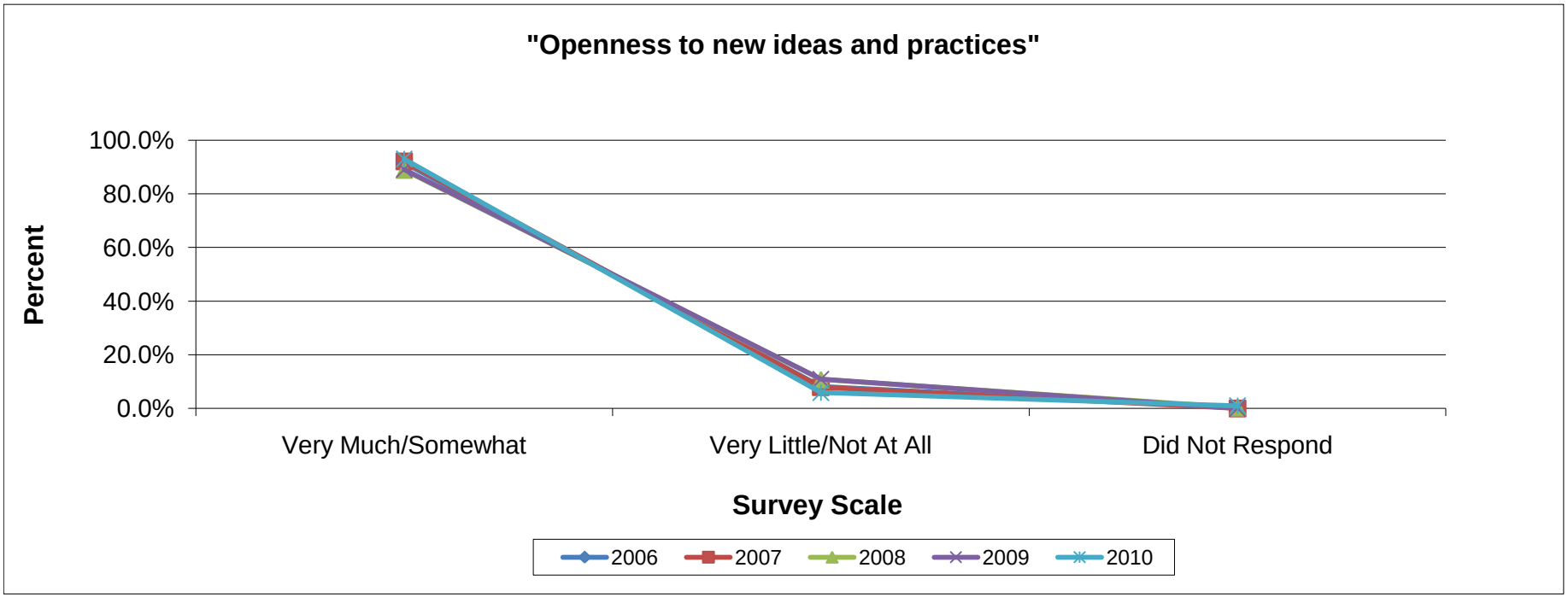

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #16
"Understanding and appreciation of other cultures"

Table 20

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	86.7%	89.3%	85.0%	85.0%	87.1%	86.6%
Very Little/Not At All	12.7%	10.7%	13.6%	14.3%	11.9%	12.6%
Did Not Respond	0.6%	0.0%	1.4%	0.7%	1.0%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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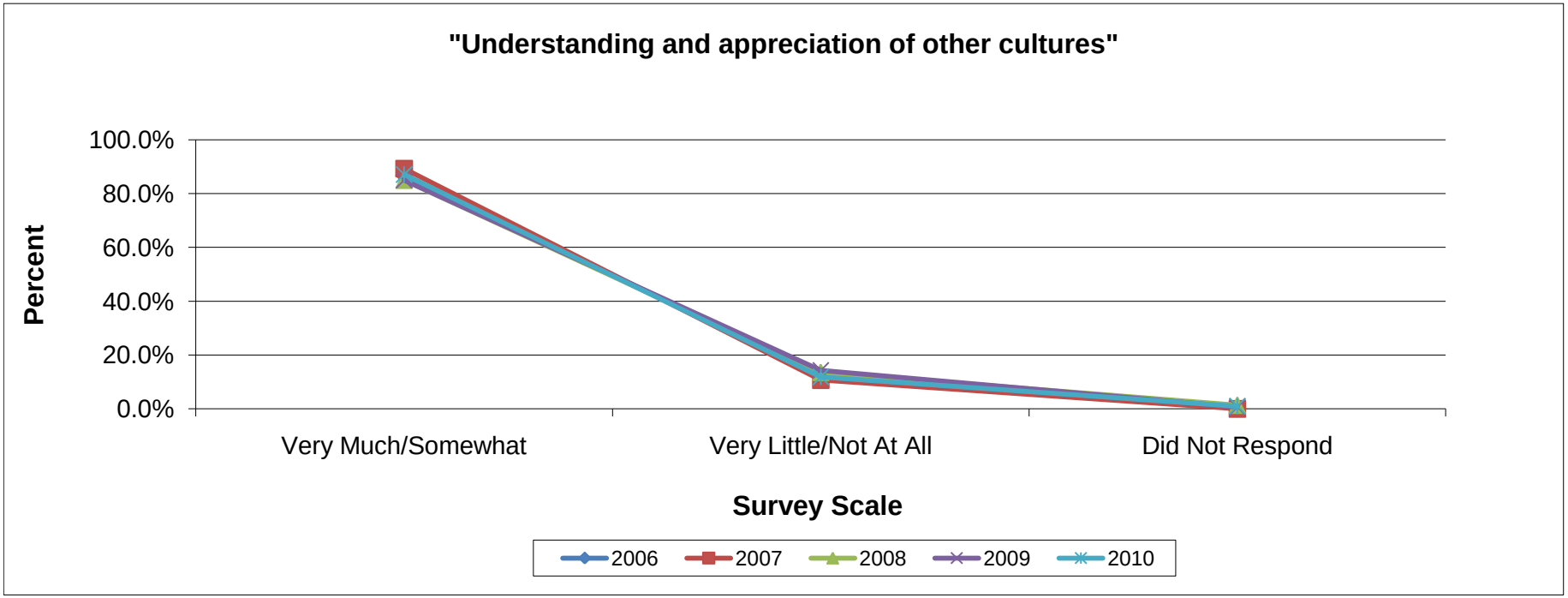

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #17
"Tolerance of people with different beliefs"

Table 21

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	88.2%	90.7%	85.7%	85.3%	87.8%	87.5%
Very Little/Not At All	11.5%	9.3%	13.2%	14.0%	10.5%	11.7%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.0%	1.0%	0.7%	1.7%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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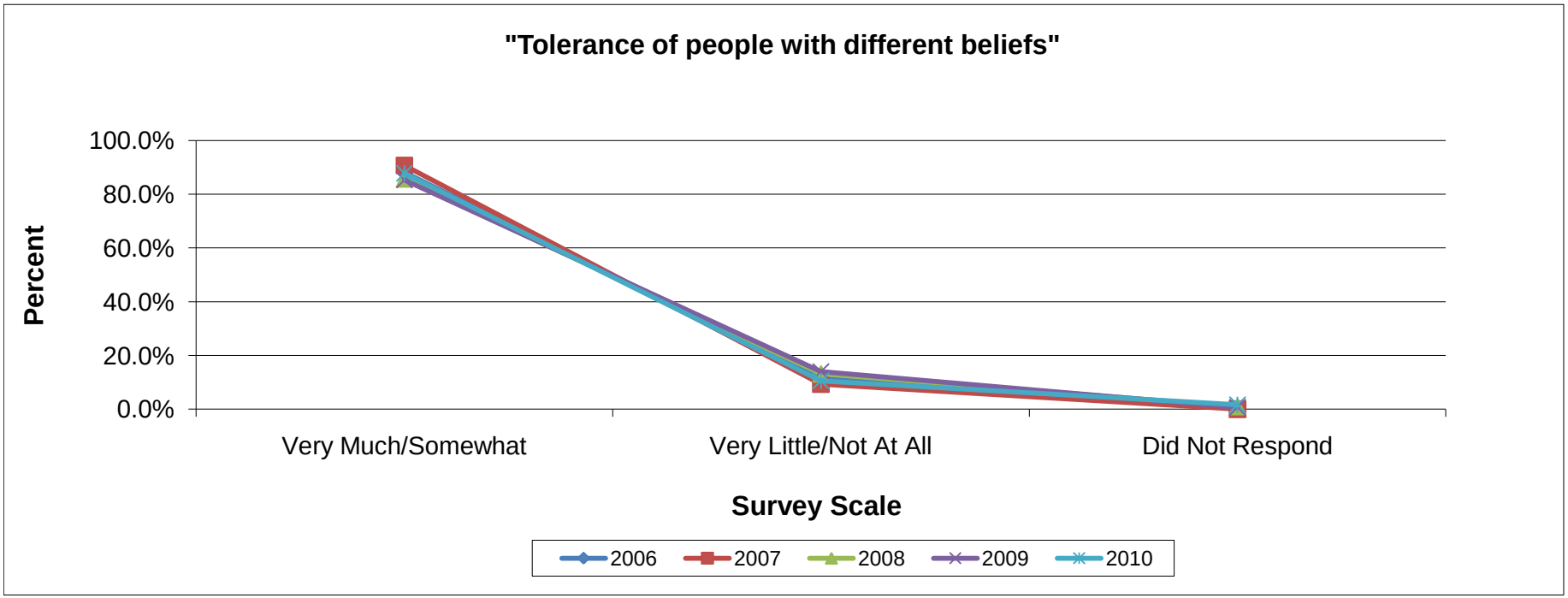

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #18
"Leadership skills"

Table 22

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	90.3%	89.3%	86.1%	88.1%	89.5%	88.7%
Very Little/Not At All	9.4%	10.4%	12.2%	11.9%	9.4%	10.7%
Did Not Respond	0.3%	0.4%	1.7%	0.0%	1.0%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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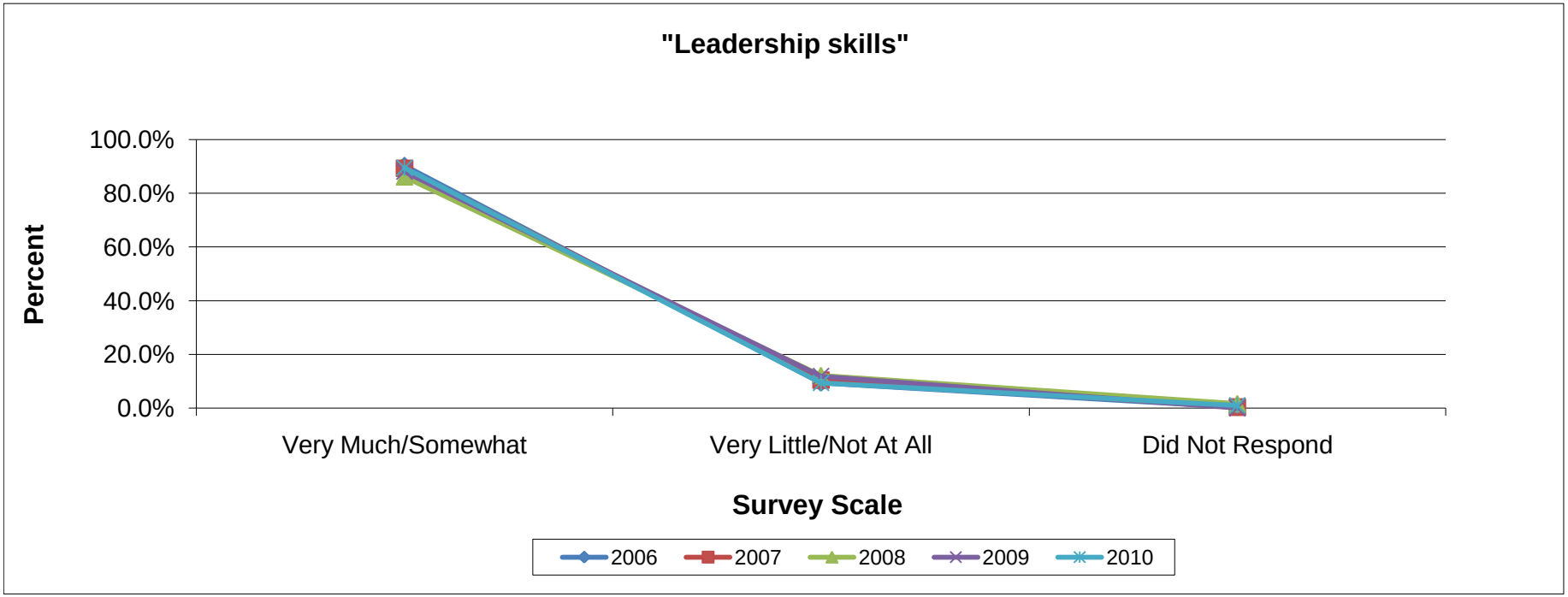

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #19
"Ability to work with others in a group"

Table 23

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	92.1%	94.3%	90.9%	89.1%	92.0%	91.7%
Very Little/Not At All	7.3%	5.4%	7.7%	10.6%	7.0%	7.6%
Did Not Respond	0.6%	0.4%	1.4%	0.3%	1.0%	0.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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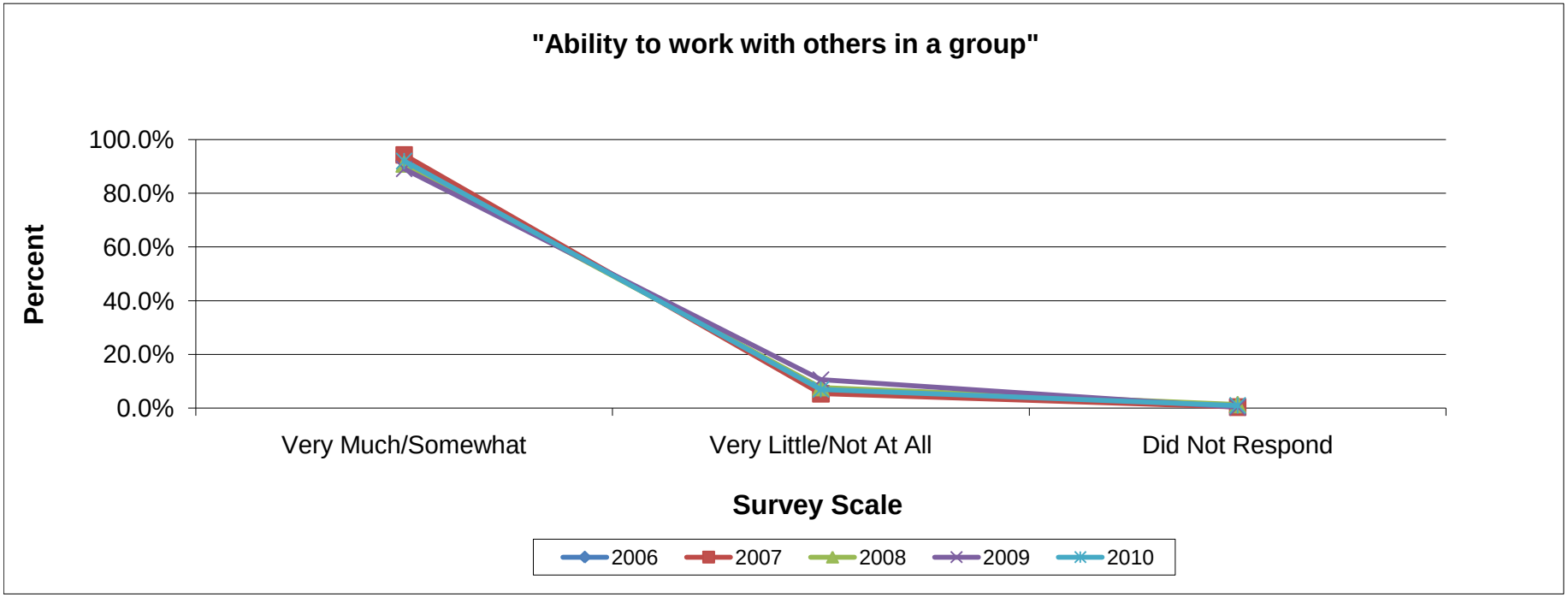

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #20
"Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds"

Table 24

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Much/Somewhat	89.1%	91.8%	92.3%	86.7%	90.6%	90.1%
Very Little/Not At All	10.0%	6.4%	4.9%	11.6%	7.3%	8.0%
Did Not Respond	0.9%	1.8%	2.8%	1.7%	2.1%	1.9%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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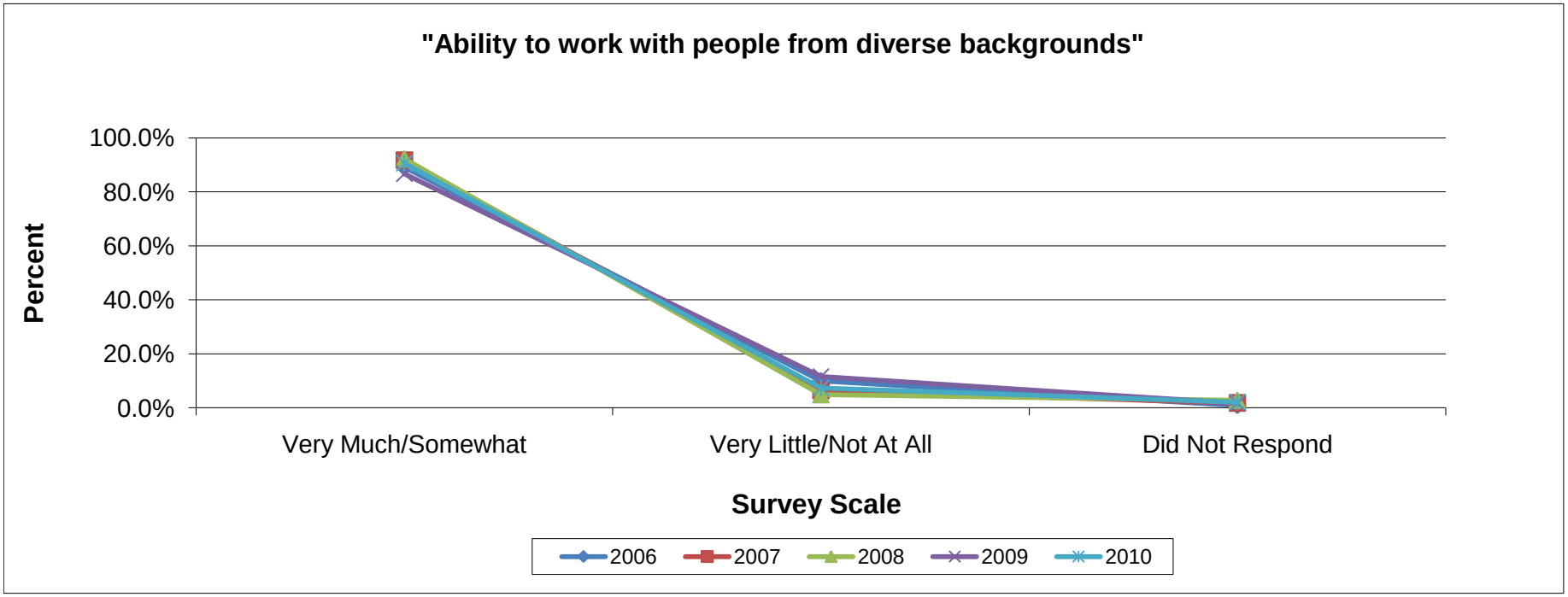

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #21
"Your academic major"

Table 25

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	87.9%	87.5%	88.9%	86.3%	88.8%	87.9%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	3.6%	4.3%	2.8%	3.8%	4.2%	3.7%
Did Not Respond	8.5%	8.2%	8.4%	9.9%	7.0%	8.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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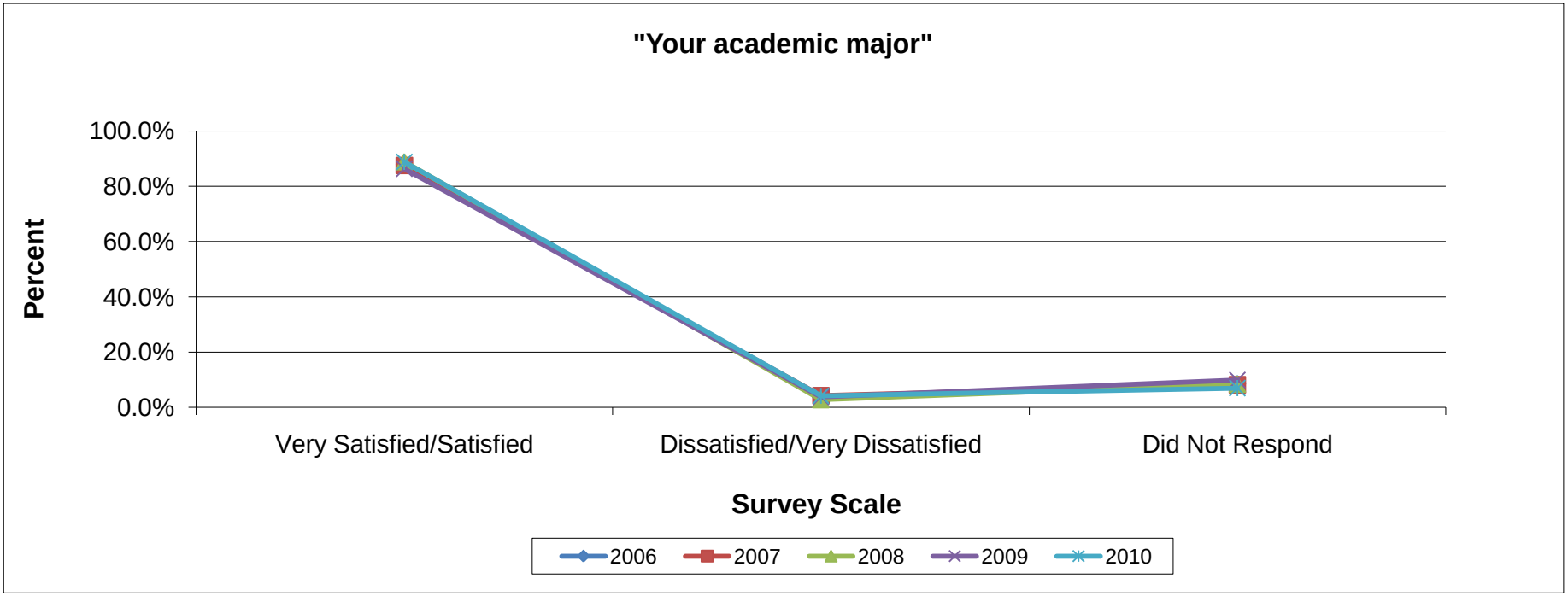

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #22
"Clarity of degree requirements"

Table 26

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	76.7%	76.1%	77.0%	76.1%	80.4%	77.3%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	14.2%	16.1%	13.9%	14.7%	12.2%	14.2%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	7.9%	9.1%	9.2%	7.3%	8.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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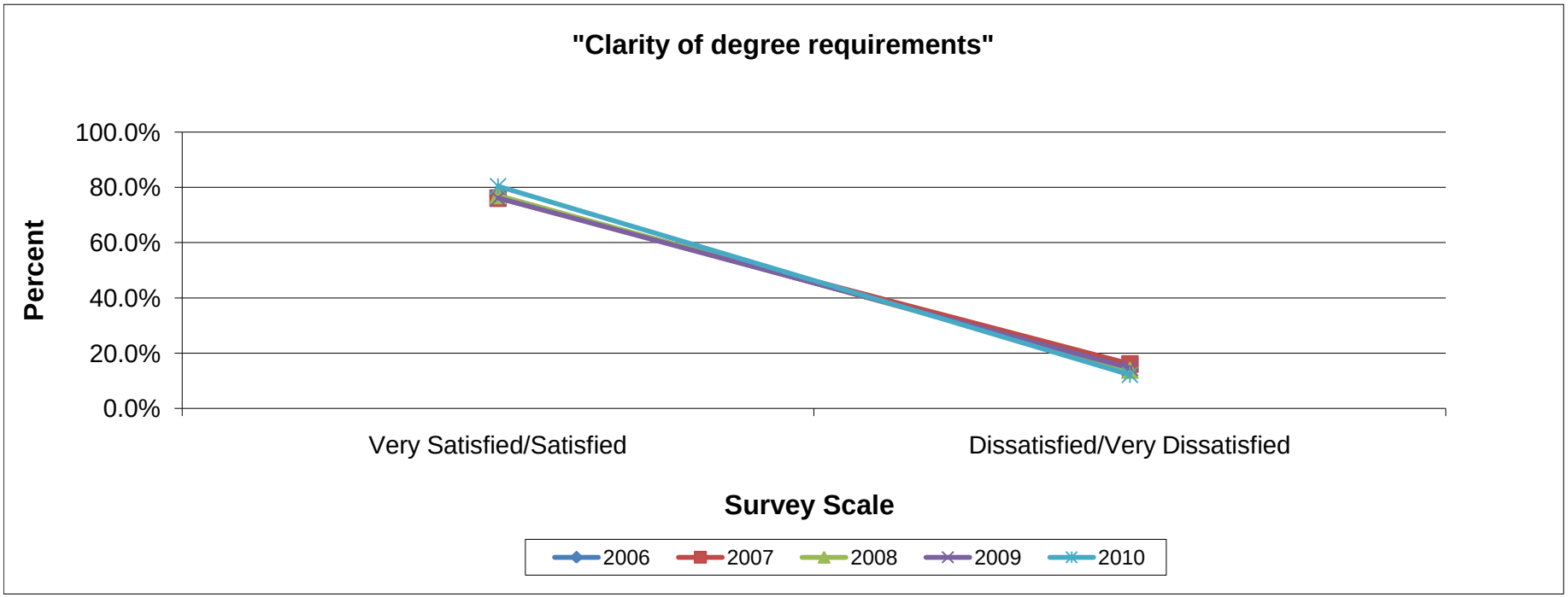

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #23
"Availability of courses required for your degree"

Table 27

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	67.9%	65.7%	63.1%	67.2%	69.6%	66.7%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	23.3%	21.8%	27.5%	22.2%	23.1%	23.6%
Did Not Respond	8.8%	12.5%	9.4%	10.6%	7.3%	9.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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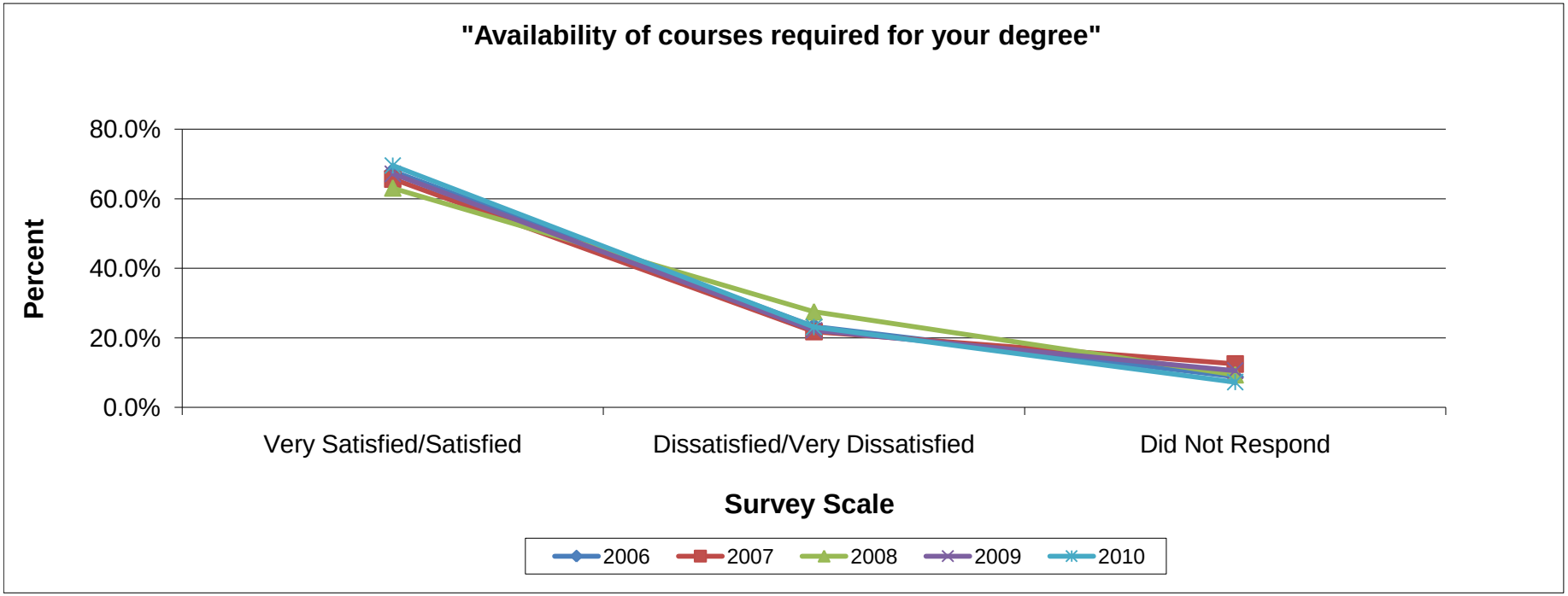

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #24
"Availability of elective courses"

Table 28

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	73.6%	57.5%	75.3%	71.3%	75.2%	70.6%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	17.0%	14.6%	15.3%	18.1%	16.8%	16.4%
Did Not Respond	9.4%	27.9%	9.4%	10.6%	8.0%	13.1%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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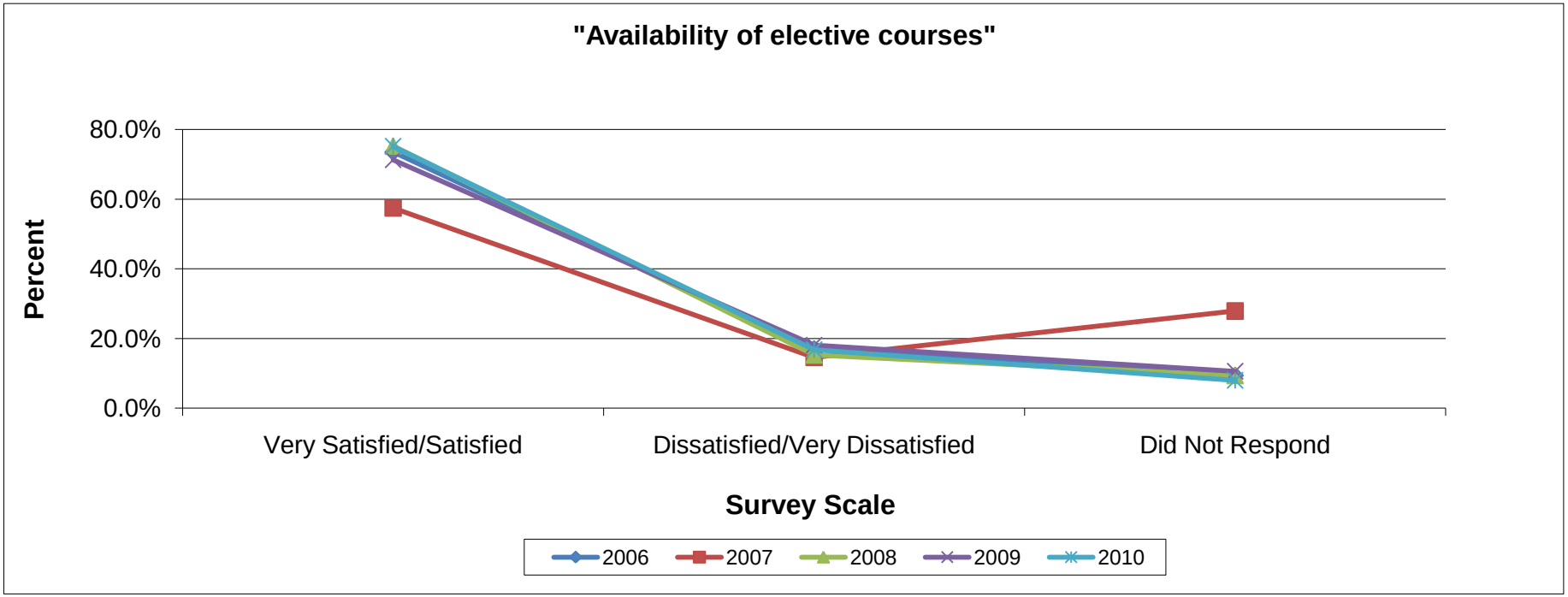

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #25
"Instruction in your major courses"

Table 29

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	83.0%	83.6%	85.7%	80.9%	86.7%	84.0%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	8.5%	8.6%	5.6%	9.6%	6.3%	7.7%
Did Not Respond	8.5%	7.9%	8.7%	9.6%	7.0%	8.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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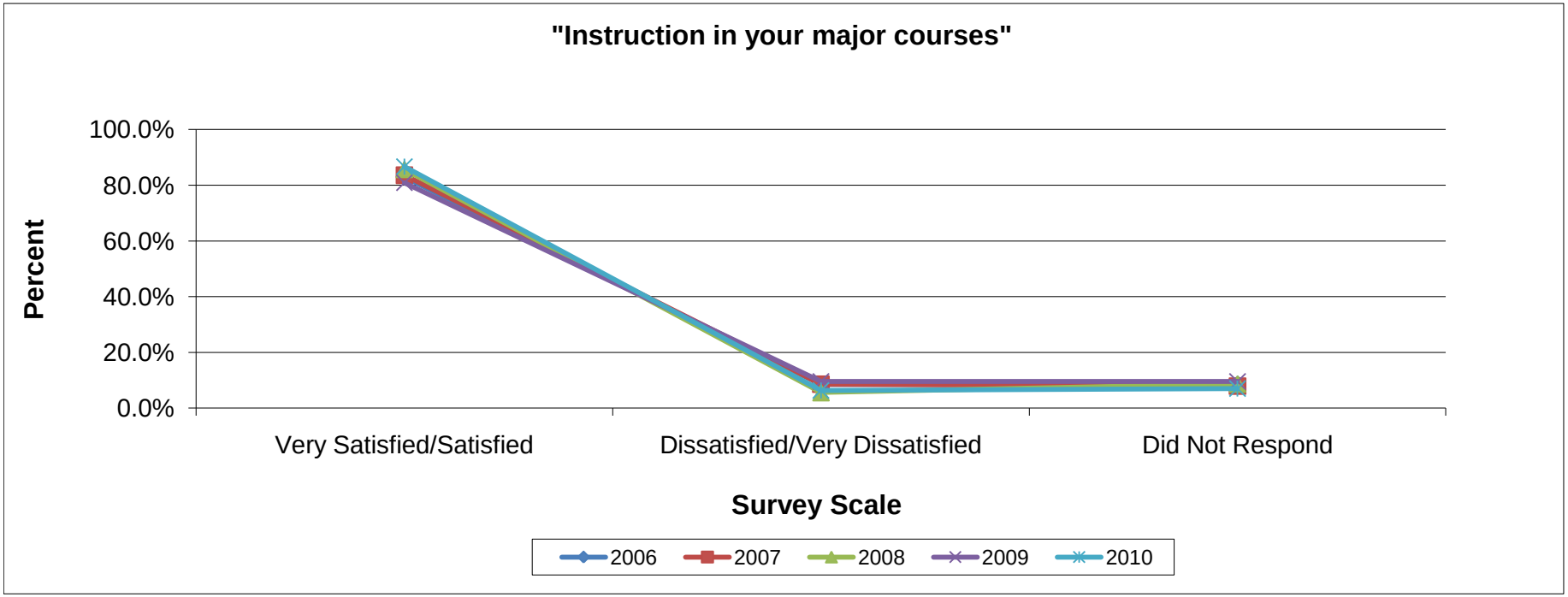

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #26
"Instruction in elective courses"

Table 30

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	80.0%	78.9%	80.1%	80.9%	83.2%	80.6%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	10.9%	10.0%	10.8%	9.2%	9.8%	10.1%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	11.1%	9.1%	9.9%	7.0%	9.2%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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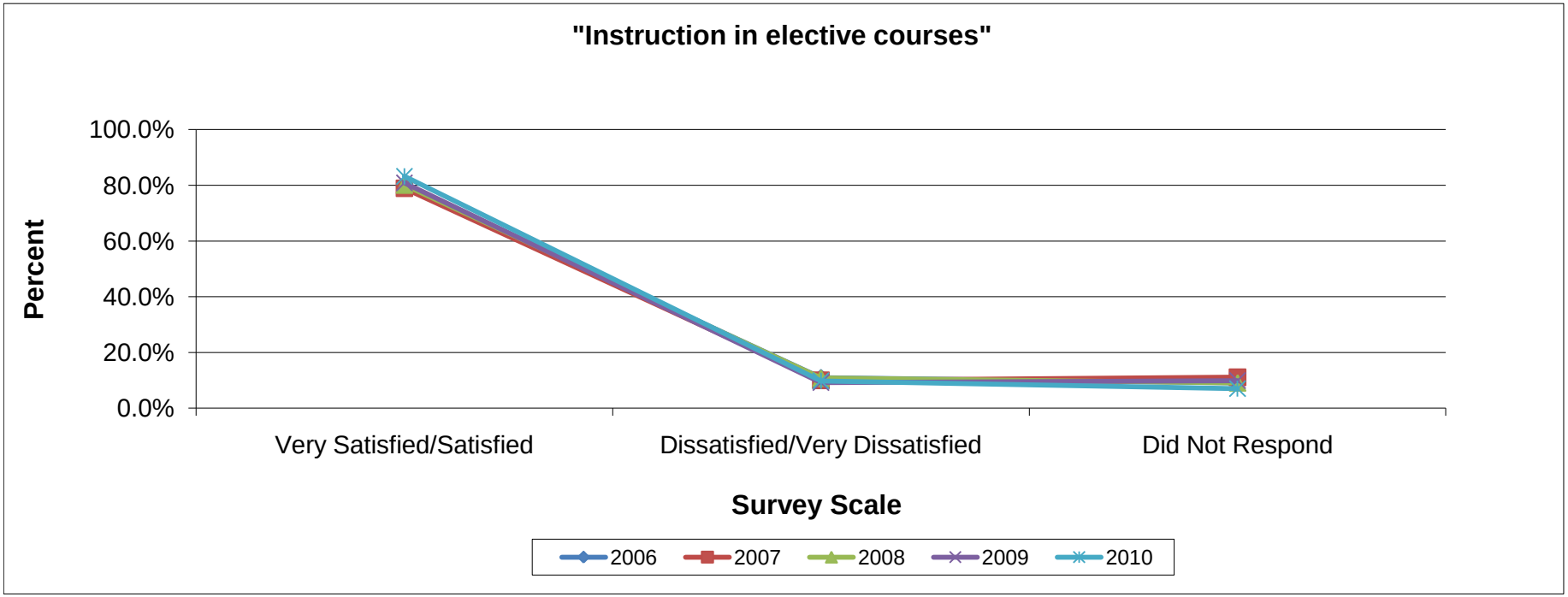

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #27
"Instruction in general education courses"

Table 31

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	77.0%	76.1%	80.5%	75.4%	82.2%	78.2%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	12.7%	13.9%	9.8%	13.7%	10.5%	12.1%
Did Not Respond	10.3%	10.0%	9.8%	10.9%	7.3%	9.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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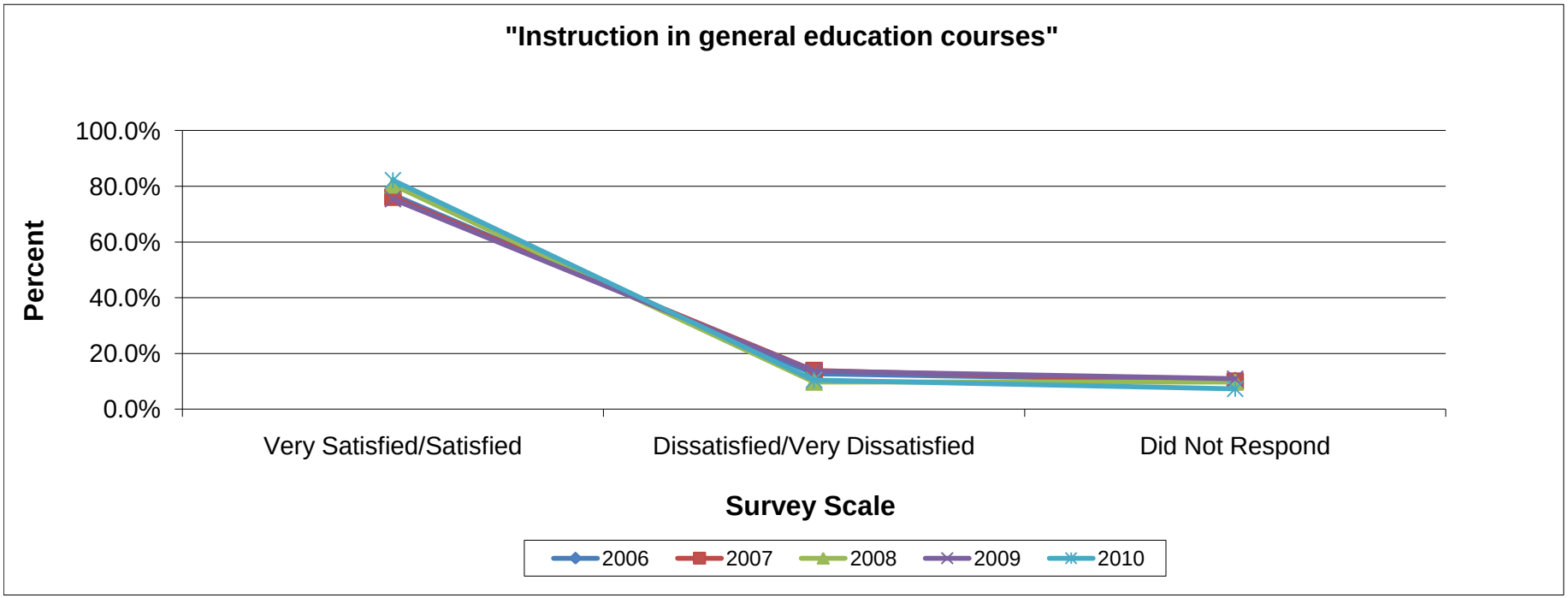

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #28
"Interaction with faculty in or out of class"

Table 32

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	83.9%	86.4%	85.0%	82.3%	85.0%	84.5%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	7.6%	5.0%	7.0%	8.2%	8.0%	7.2%
Did Not Respond	8.5%	8.6%	8.0%	9.6%	7.0%	8.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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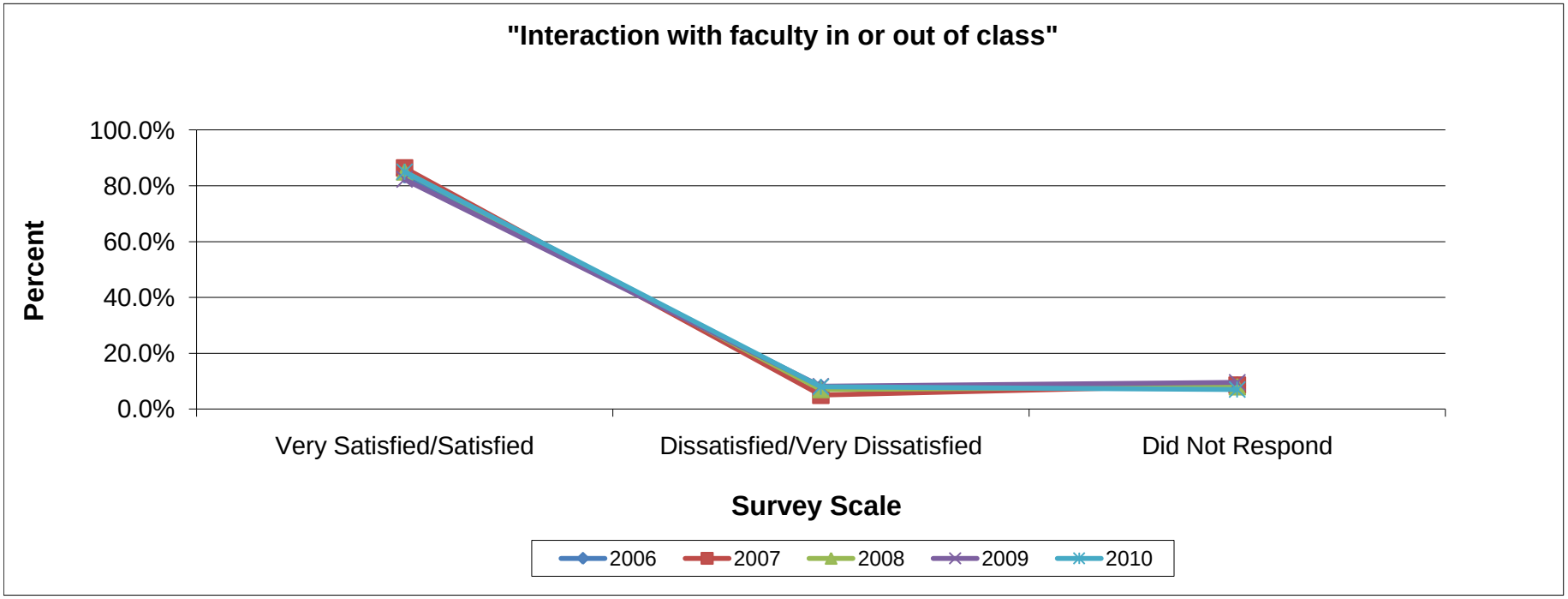

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #29
"Professional competence of faculty in your major"

Table 33

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	82.4%	85.4%	86.4%	82.6%	86.7%	84.7%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	8.2%	6.1%	5.2%	7.8%	5.9%	6.6%
Did Not Respond	9.4%	8.6%	8.4%	9.6%	7.3%	8.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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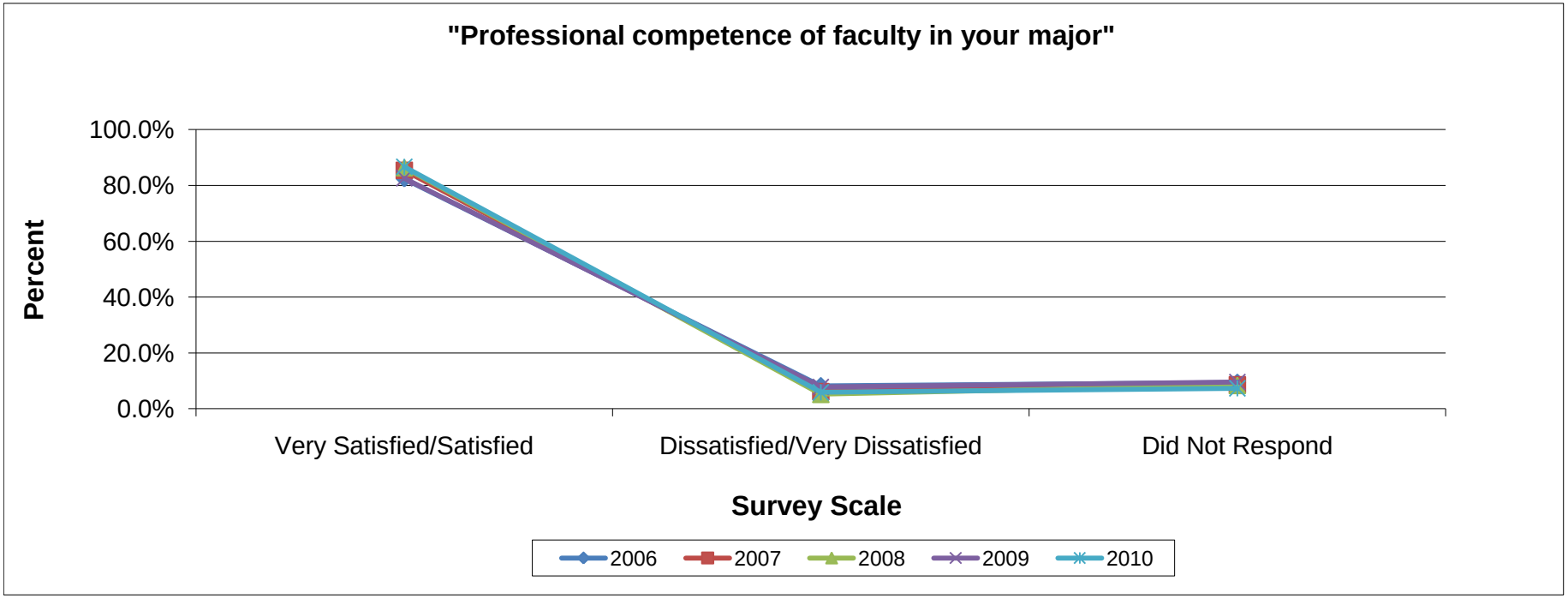

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #30
"Academic advising"

Table 34

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	65.2%	74.3%	71.4%	74.7%	74.8%	72.1%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	25.8%	17.9%	19.5%	15.4%	17.5%	19.2%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	7.9%	9.1%	9.9%	7.7%	8.7%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.1%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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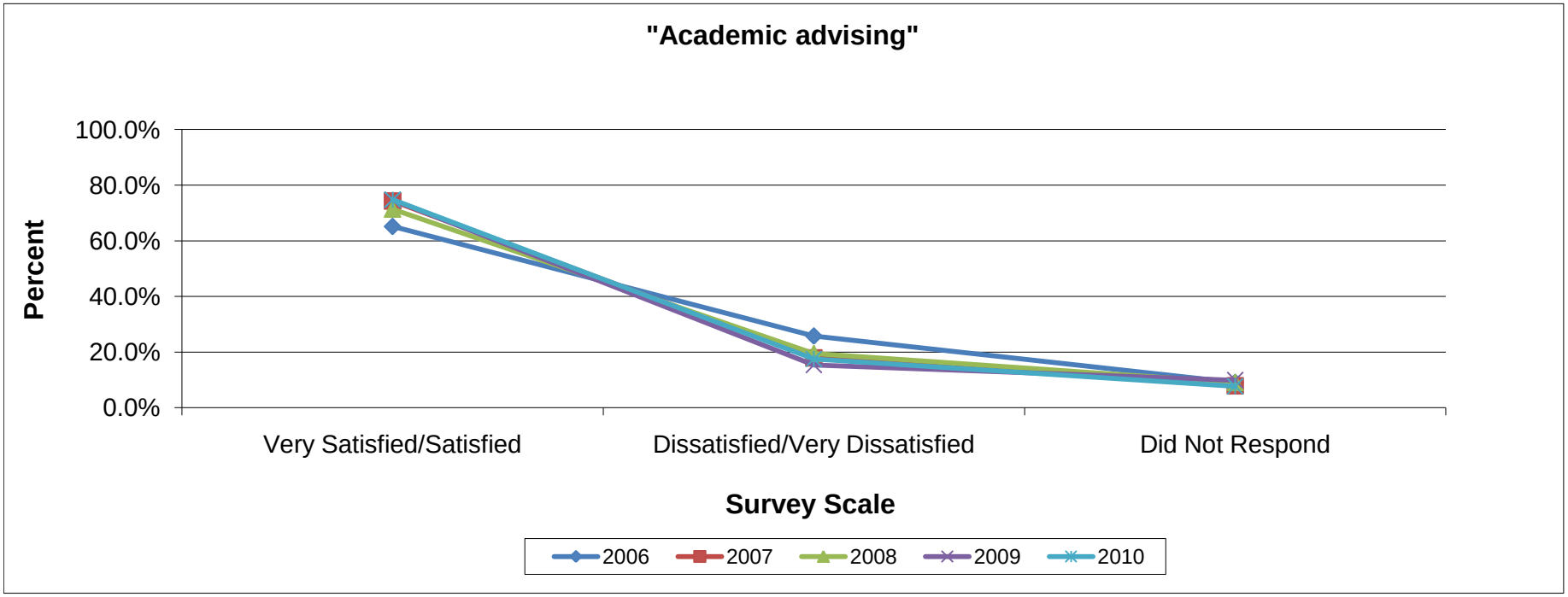

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #31
"Faculty concern for your academic progress"

Table 35

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	70.9%	76.4%	75.6%	73.0%	78.7%	74.9%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	20.3%	15.0%	15.7%	16.4%	12.9%	16.1%
Did Not Respond	8.8%	8.6%	8.7%	10.6%	8.4%	9.0%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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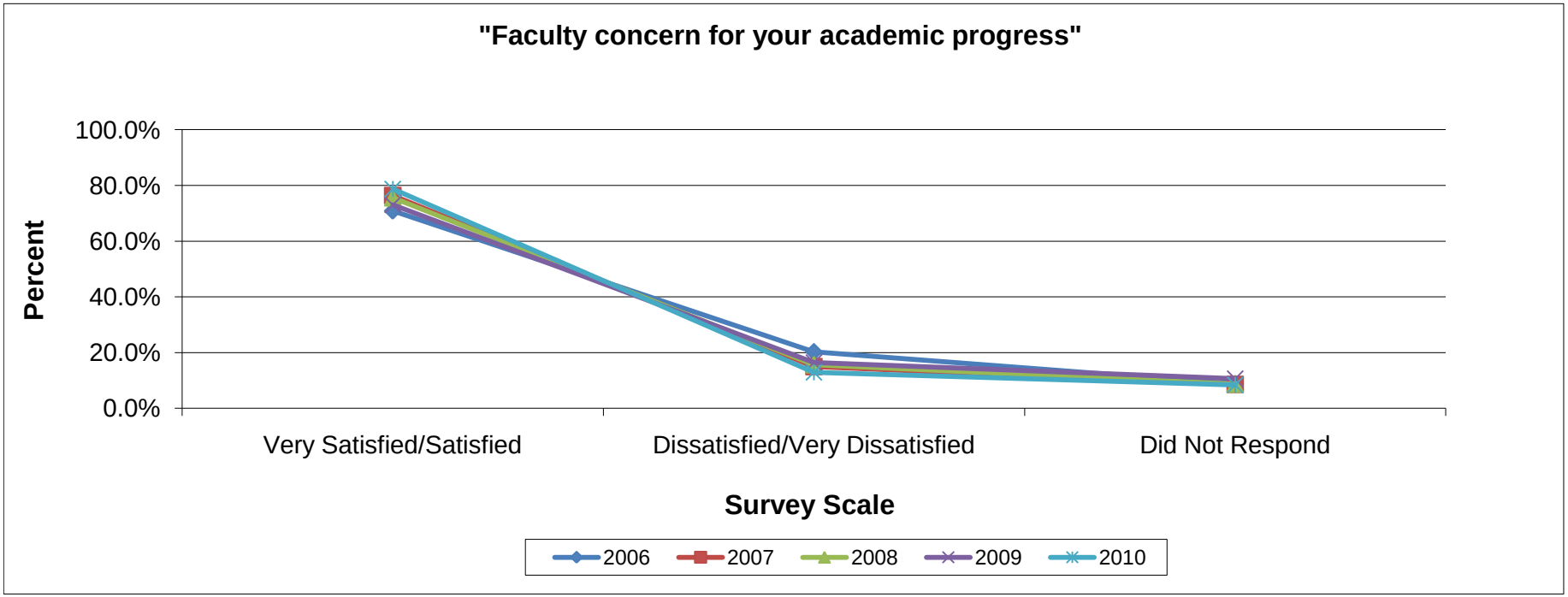

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #32
"Career advisement"

Table 36

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	59.1%	62.1%	61.7%	60.4%	58.4%	60.3%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	30.9%	27.9%	28.2%	28.7%	32.9%	29.7%
Did Not Respond	10.0%	10.0%	10.1%	10.9%	8.7%	9.9%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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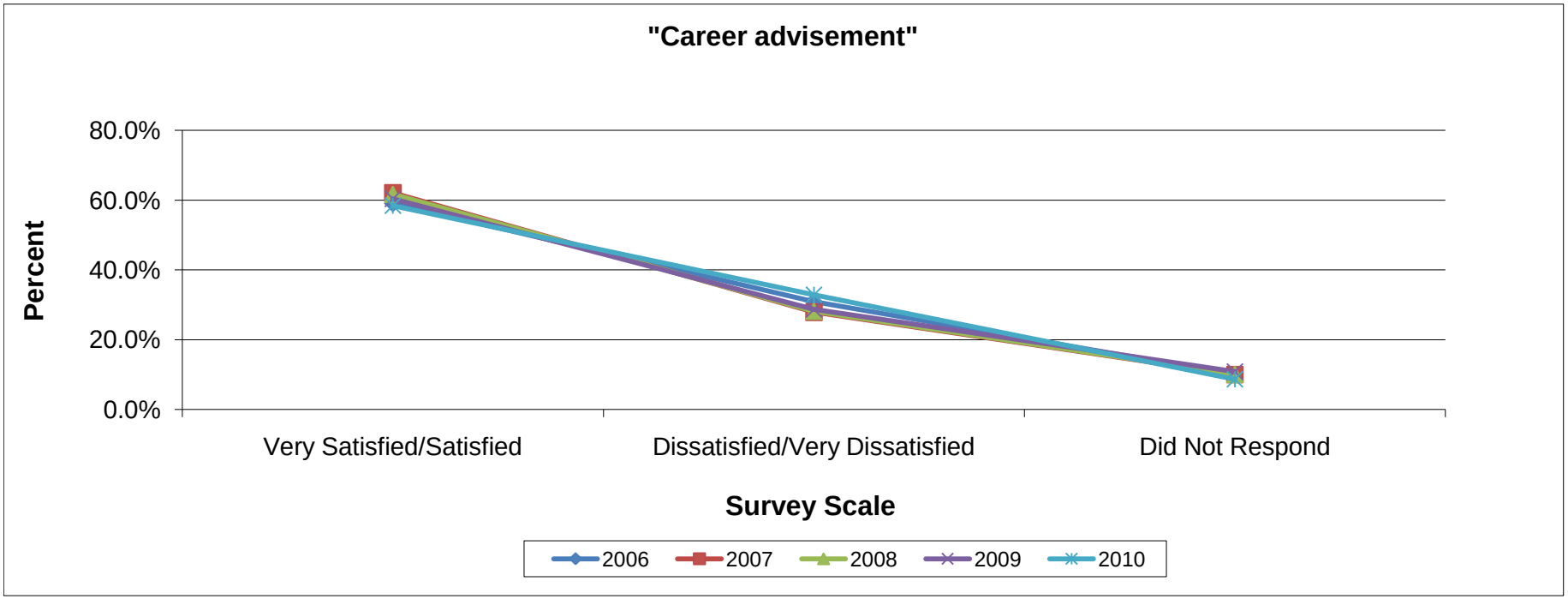

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #33
"Preparation for the job market"

Table 37

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	61.8%	65.0%	63.4%	64.8%	65.4%	64.1%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	28.8%	26.8%	26.8%	23.2%	26.6%	26.4%
Did Not Respond	9.4%	8.2%	9.8%	11.9%	8.0%	9.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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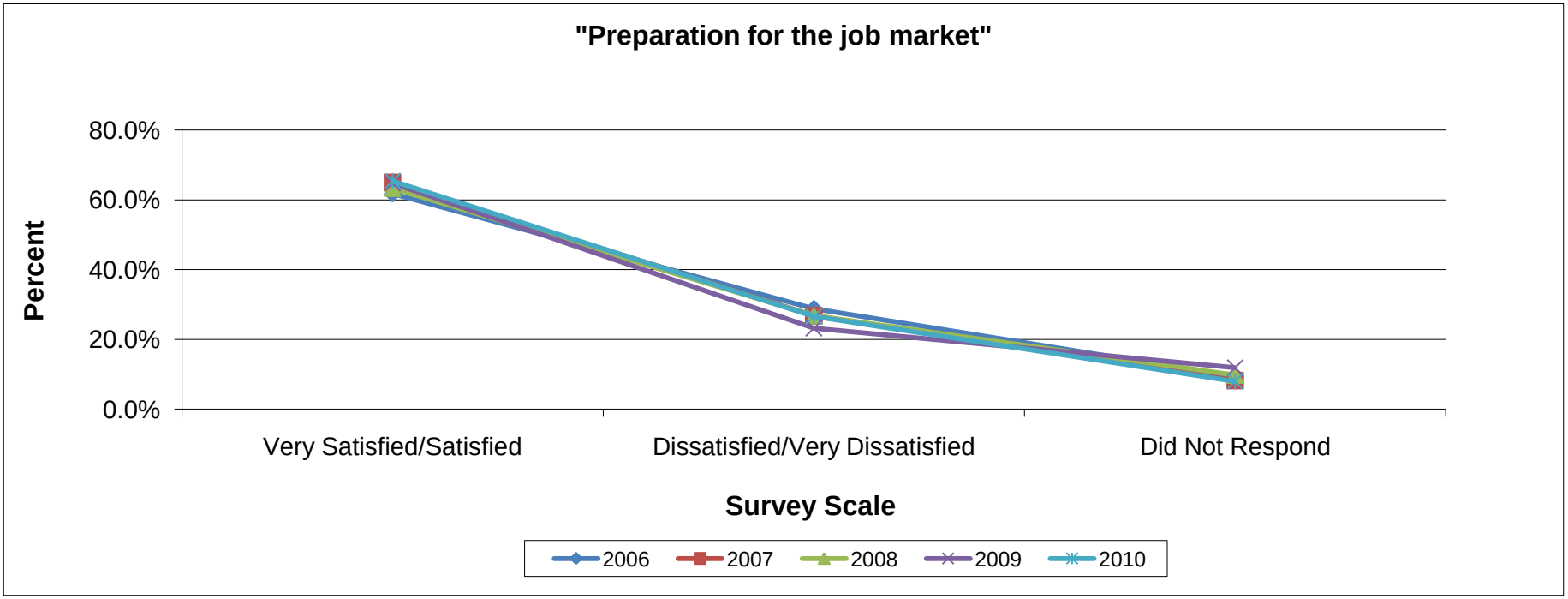

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #34
"Personal safety on campus"

Table 38

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	72.7%	73.6%	72.1%	72.0%	69.2%	71.9%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	18.2%	16.4%	17.8%	17.1%	22.7%	18.4%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	10.0%	10.1%	10.9%	8.0%	9.6%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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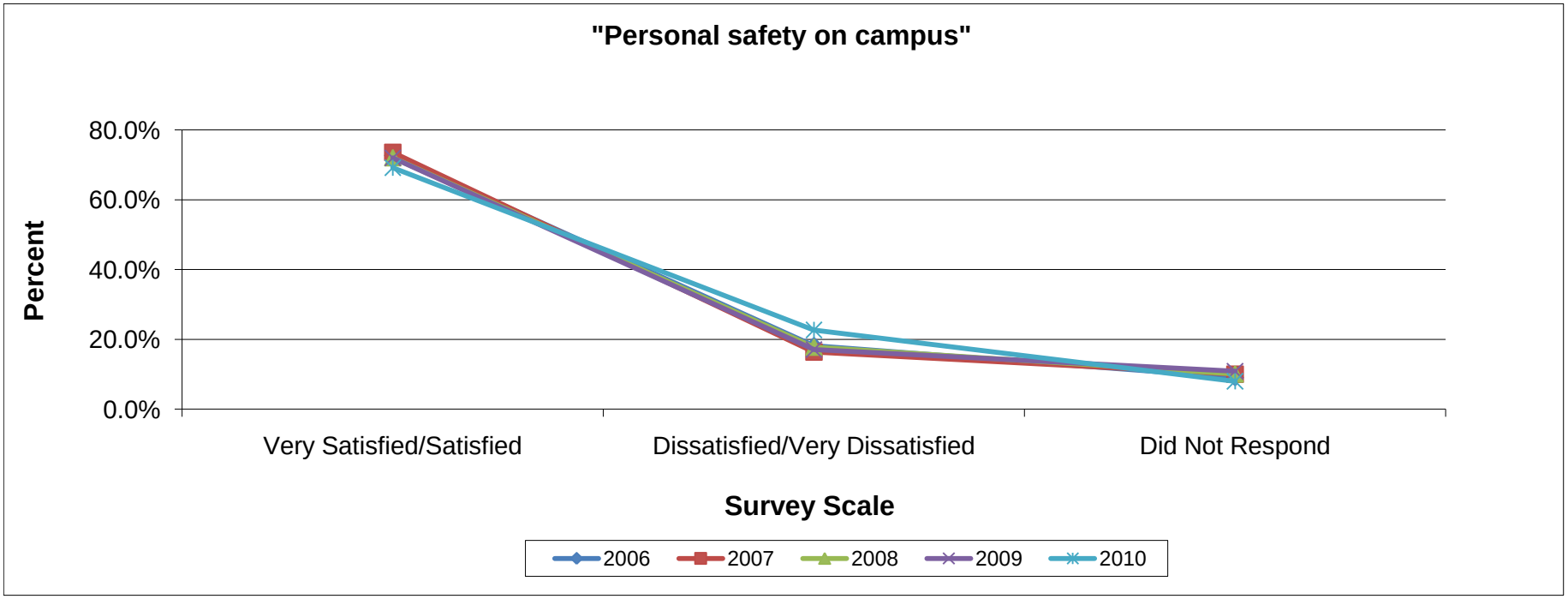

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #35
"Campus appearance"

Table 39

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	71.8%	74.3%	73.2%	77.8%	79.4%	75.3%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	19.1%	15.7%	17.1%	11.9%	13.3%	15.4%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	10.0%	9.8%	10.2%	7.3%	9.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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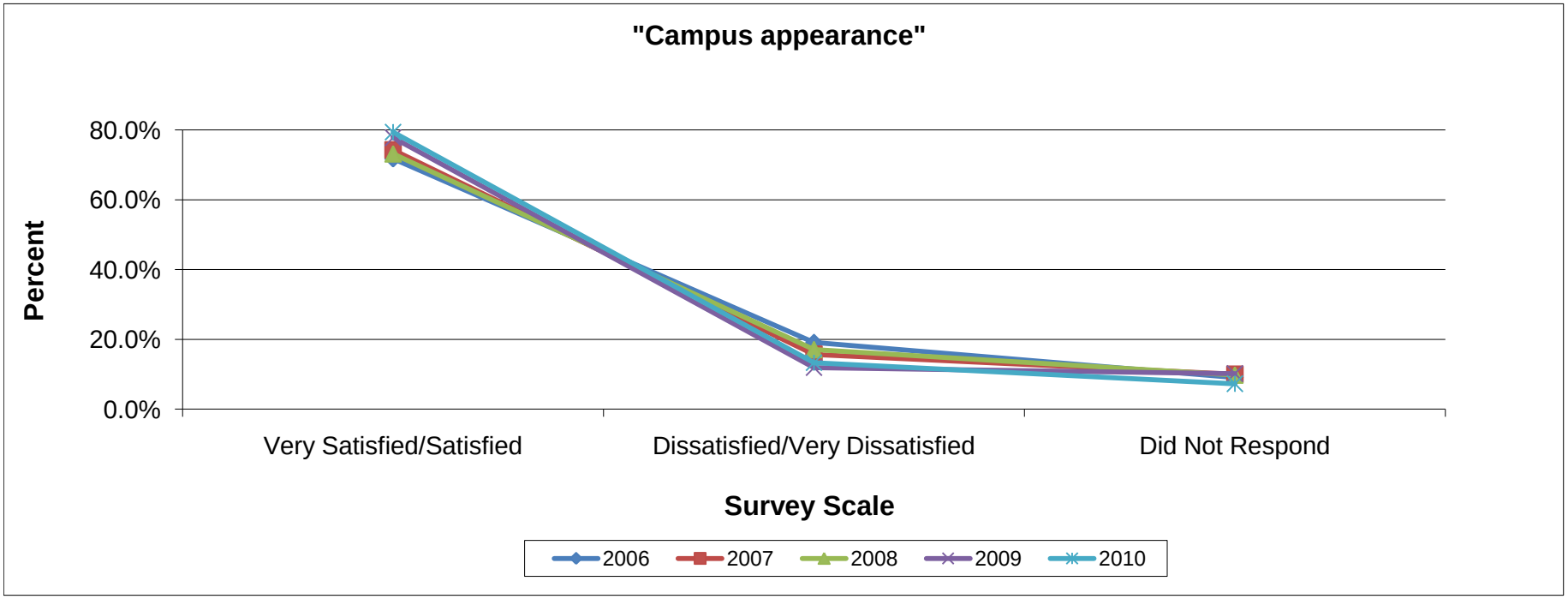

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #36
"Sense of belonging at this university"

Table 40

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	52.4%	63.6%	63.4%	62.8%	66.1%	61.7%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	37.0%	26.4%	26.1%	26.6%	26.2%	28.5%
Did Not Respond	10.6%	10.0%	10.5%	10.6%	7.7%	9.9%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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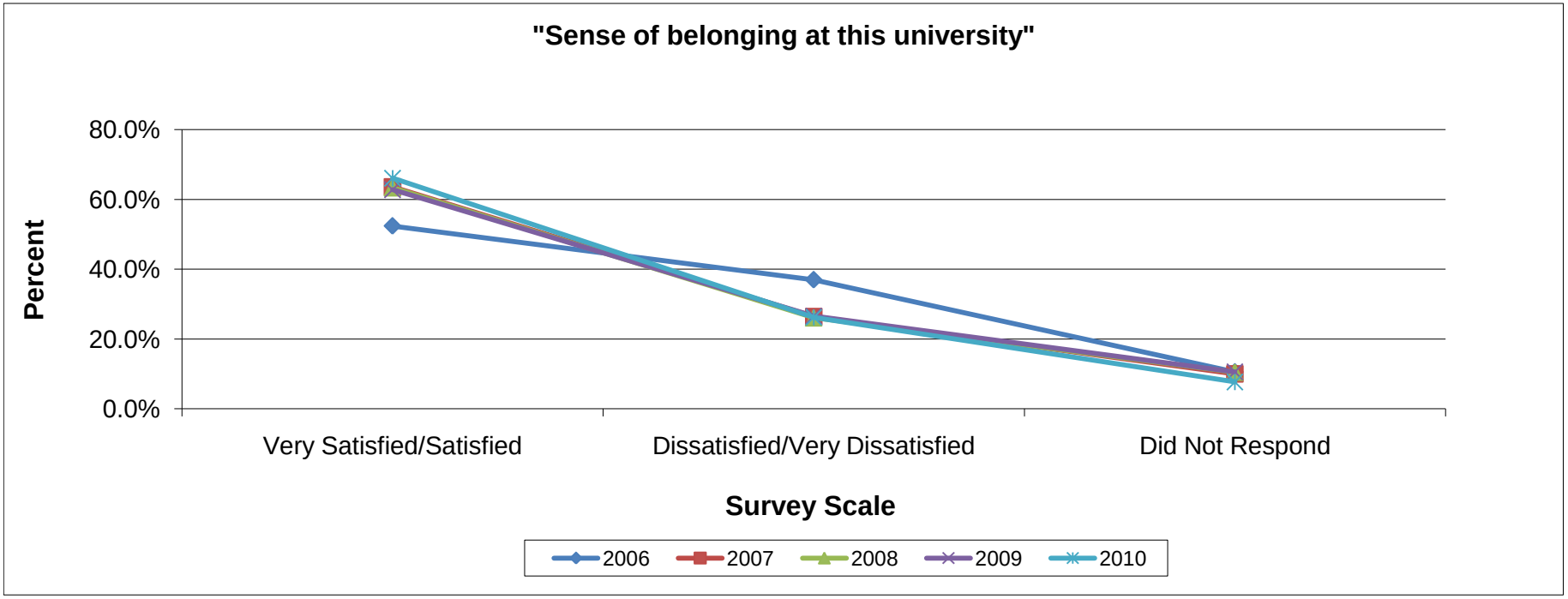

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #37
"Overall quality of your LU education"

Table 41

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Very Satisfied/Satisfied	78.5%	83.6%	80.1%	77.8%	83.9%	80.8%
Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	12.7%	8.6%	11.5%	11.9%	9.1%	10.8%
Did Not Respond	8.8%	7.9%	8.4%	10.2%	7.0%	8.5%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.1%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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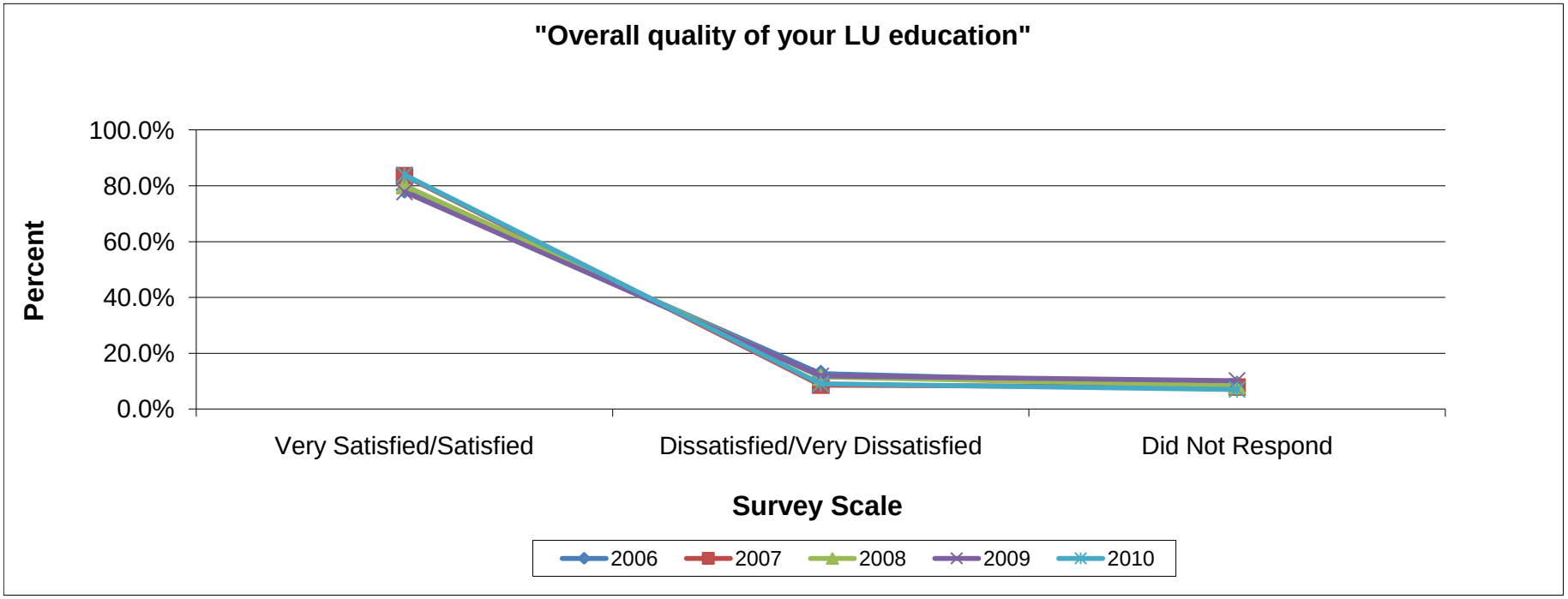

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #38
"If you could start college over again, would you still choose to attend LU"

Table 42

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Yes	52.1%	61.4%	57.5%	61.1%	57.3%	57.9%
No	39.1%	28.2%	33.1%	28.3%	34.6%	32.7%
Did Not Respond	8.8%	10.4%	9.4%	10.6%	8.0%	9.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**99.9%**	**100.0%**

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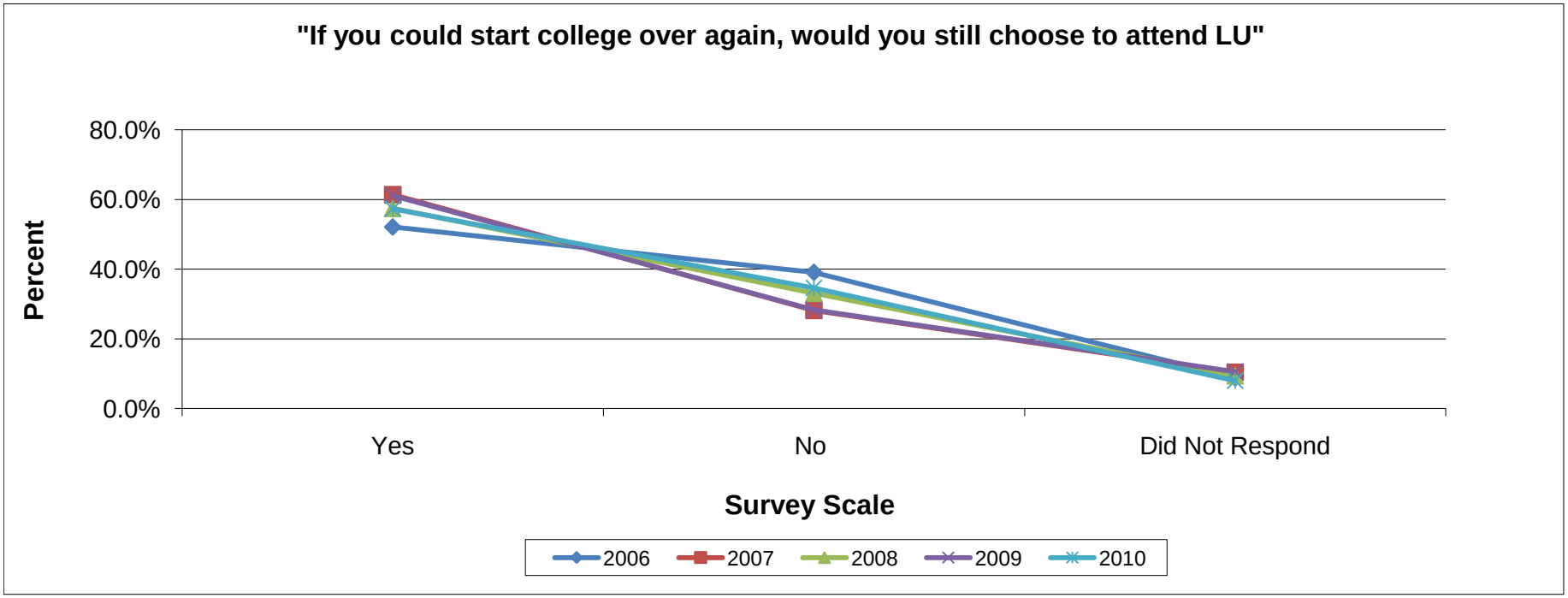

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #39
"Would you recommend LU to a friend/family member who is considering college"

Table 43

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Yes	57.3%	70.7%	66.6%	65.9%	68.2%	65.7%
No	32.1%	21.1%	24.7%	23.2%	23.8%	25.0%
Did Not Respond	10.6%	8.2%	8.7%	10.9%	8.0%	9.3%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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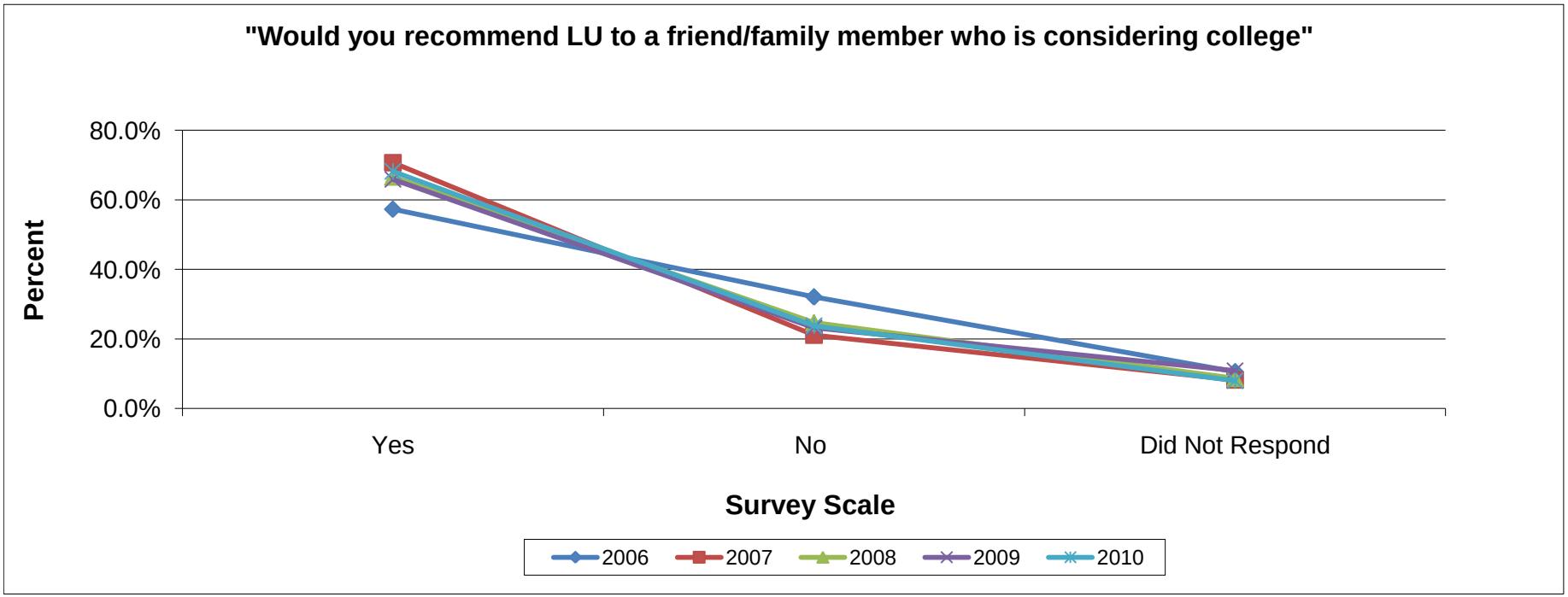

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Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Response to Question #40
"How many faculty members do you feel comfortable enough to approach for a letter of recommendation"

Table 44

Survey Response	Academic Year					
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	5-Yr Avg
Two or less	30.0%	28.6%	30.3%	32.8%	28.0%	29.9%
Three or more	60.9%	63.2%	61.7%	57.3%	65.4%	61.7%
Did Not Respond	9.1%	8.2%	8.0%	9.9%	6.6%	8.4%
PERCENT TOTAL	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**	**100.0%**

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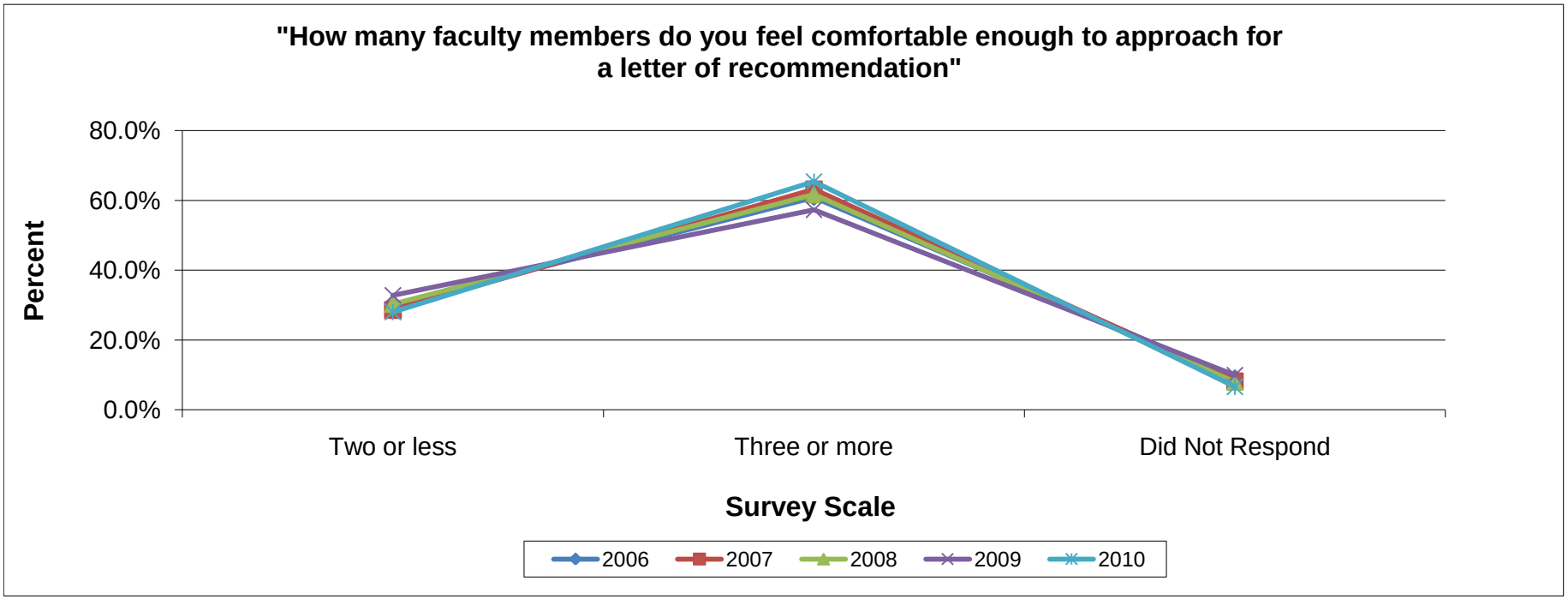


SECTION 2-A

Lincoln University GSS Comparison
Most Satisfied and Least Satisfied by Mean

Table 45: GSS Items That Contribute the Most to Students Education Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey **To what degree has your college education contributed to your:**		**Mean**
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	3.52
19	Ability to work with others in a group	3.51
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	3.45
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	3.44
18	Leadership skills	3.42
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	3.38
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	3.36
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	3.34

Table 46: GSS Items That Contribute the Least to Students Education Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey **To what degree has your college education contributed to your:**		**Mean**
14	Awareness of global issues and events	3.11
13	Ability to use computer technology	3.24

Table 47: GSS Items Students Are Most Satisfied with Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey How satisfied are you with:		Mean
21	Your academic major	3.44
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	3.39
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	3.33
25	Instruction in your major courses	3.32
26	Instruction in elective courses	3.15

Table 48: GSS Items Students Are Least Satisfied with Based on 5-Year Average in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey How satisfied are you with:		Mean
32	Career advisement	2.78
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	2.79
33	Preparation for the job market	2.83
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	2.94
34	Personal safety on campus	2.97

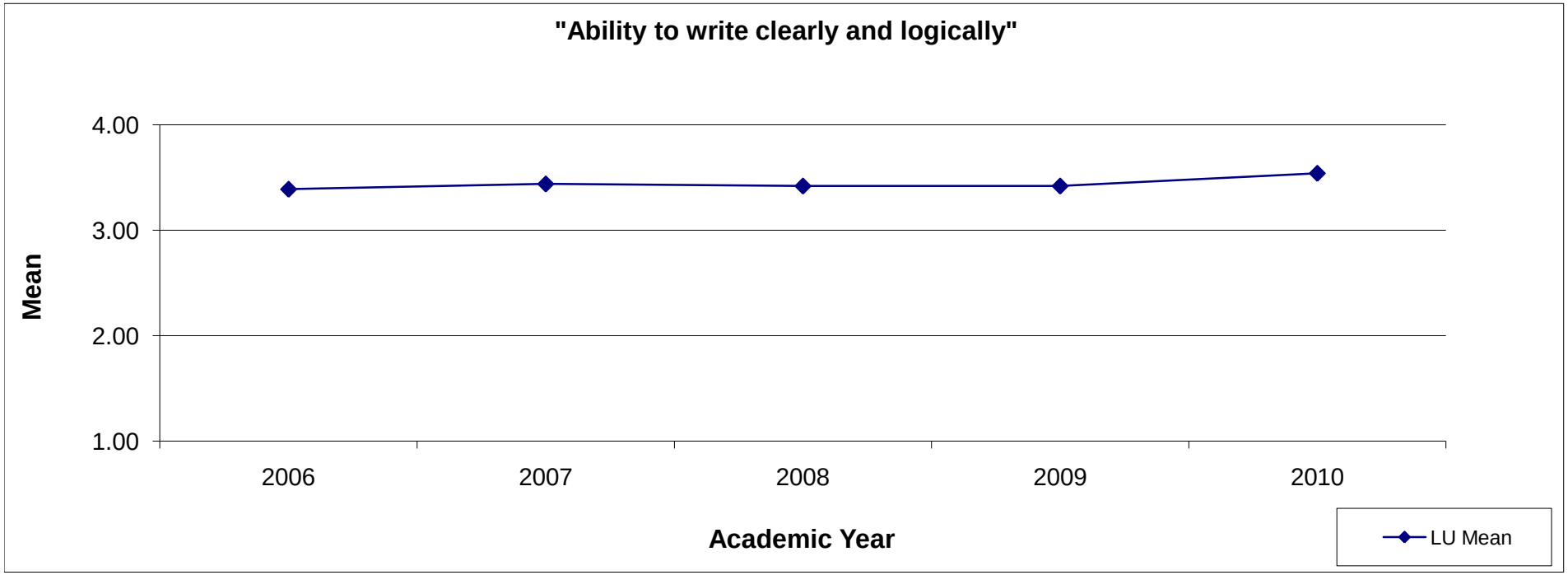
SECTION 2-B

Lincoln University GSS Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Survey Questions 11-37

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #11
"Ability to write clearly and logically"

Table 49

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.39
2007	3.44
2008	3.42
2009	3.42
2010	3.54
5-Year Average	**3.44**



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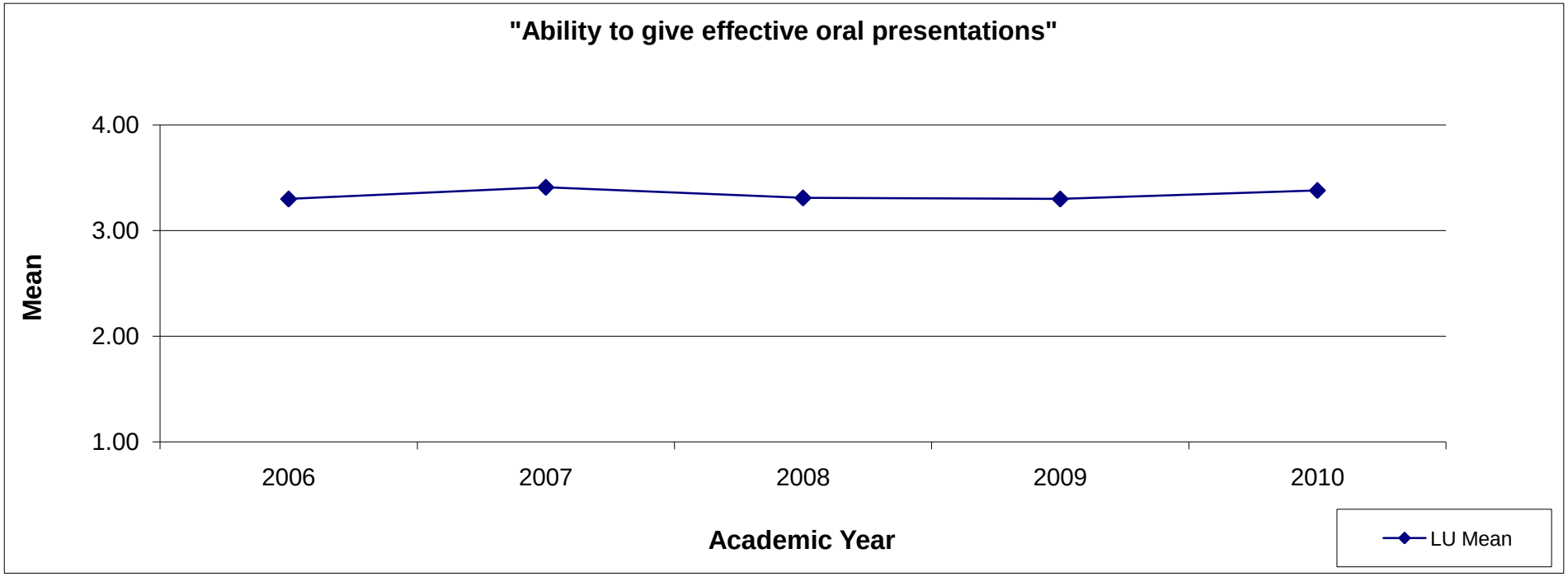
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #12
"Ability to give effective oral presentations"

Table 50

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.30
2007	3.41
2008	3.31
2009	3.30
2010	3.38
5-Year Average	**3.34**



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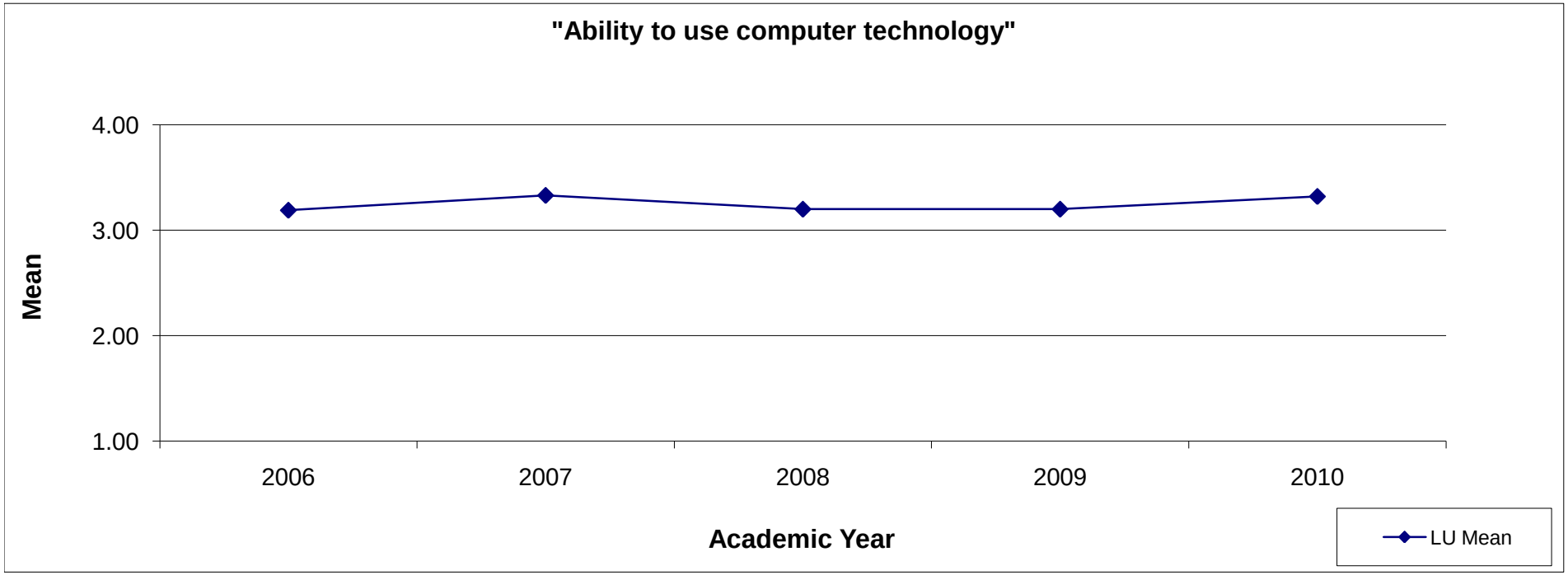
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #13
"Ability to use computer technology"

Table 51

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.19
2007	3.33
2008	3.20
2009	3.20
2010	3.32
5-Year Average	**3.24**



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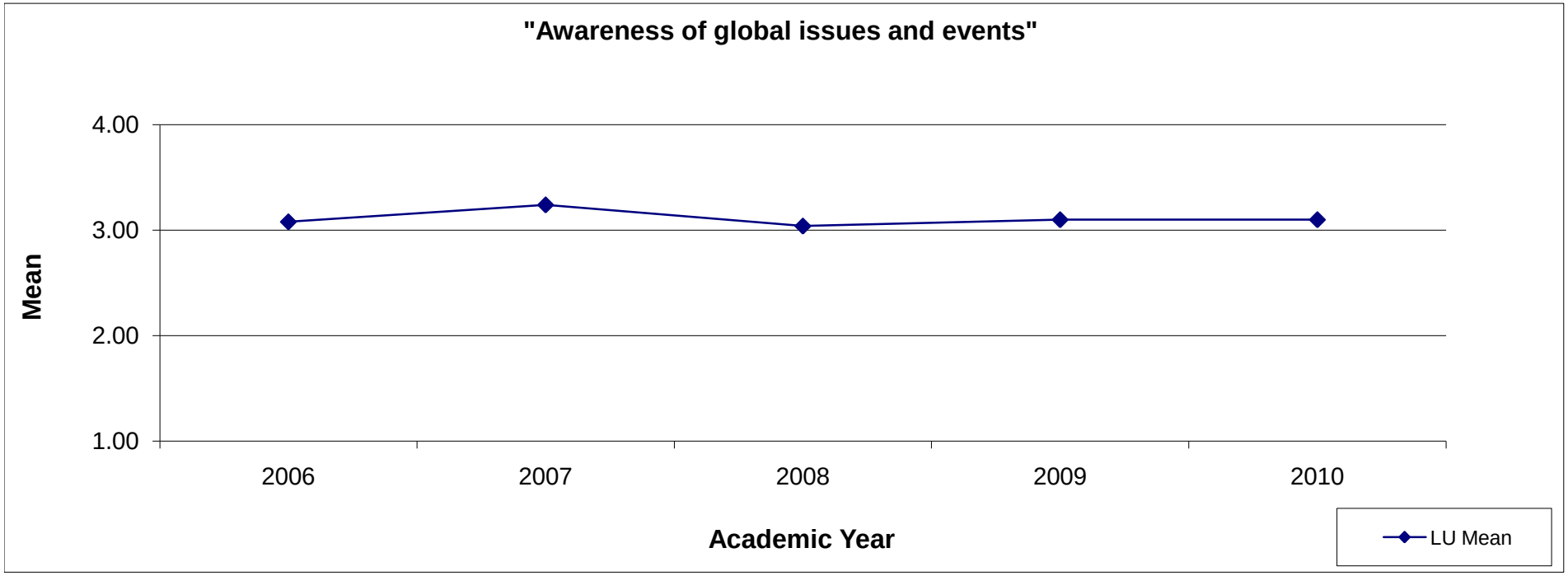
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #14
"Awareness of global issues and events"

Table 52

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.08
2007	3.24
2008	3.04
2009	3.10
2010	3.10
5-Year Average	**3.11**



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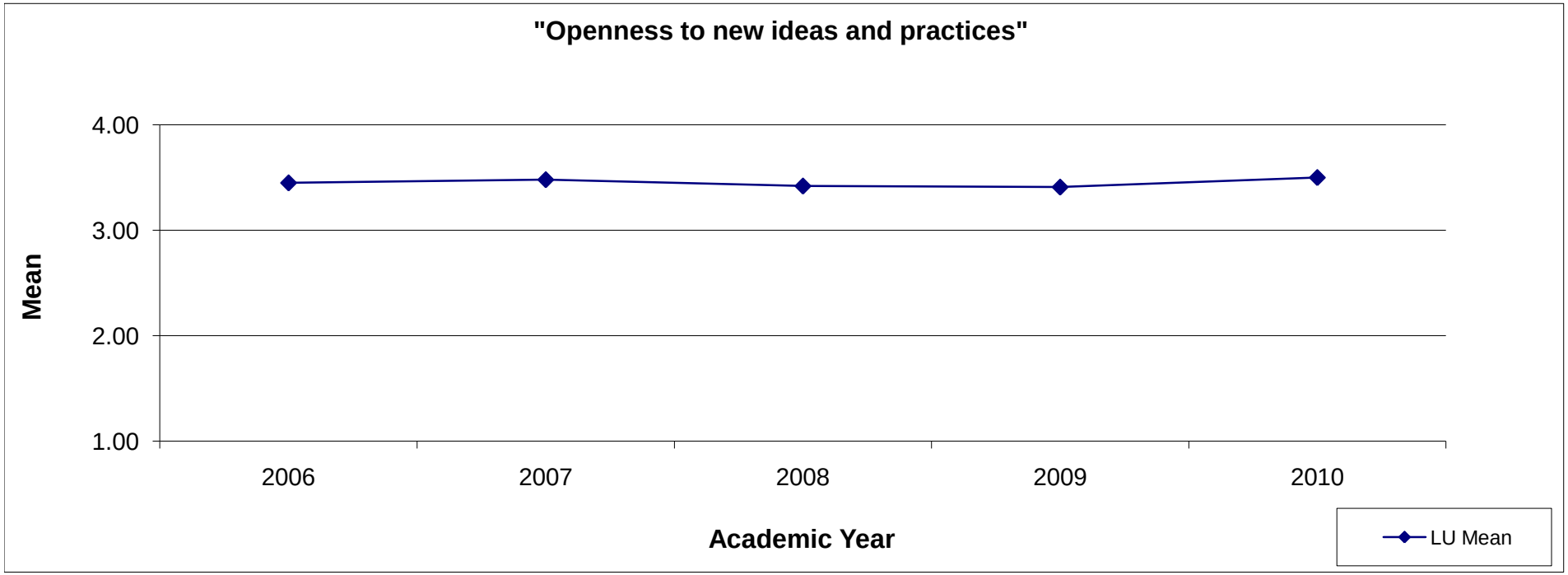
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #15
"Openness to new ideas and practices"

Table 53

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.45
2007	3.48
2008	3.42
2009	3.41
2010	3.50
5-Year Average	**3.45**



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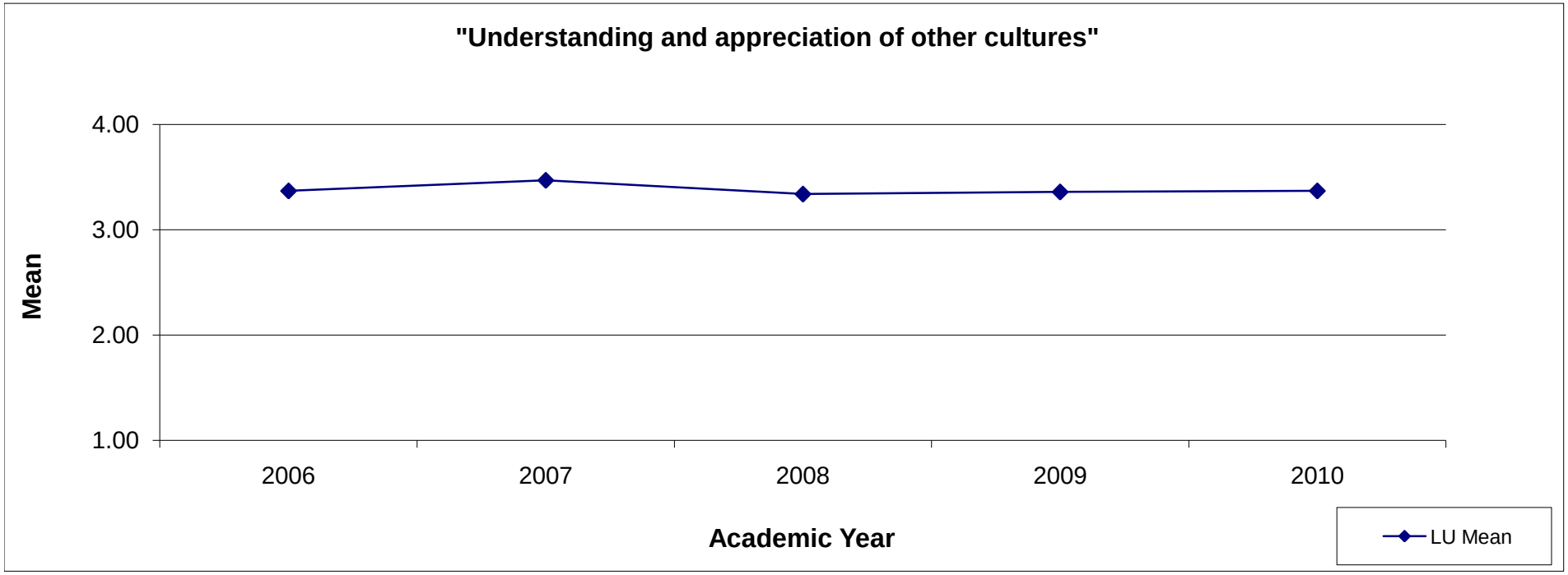
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #16
"Understanding and appreciation of other cultures"

Table 54

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.37
2007	3.47
2008	3.34
2009	3.36
2010	3.37
5-Year Average	**3.38**



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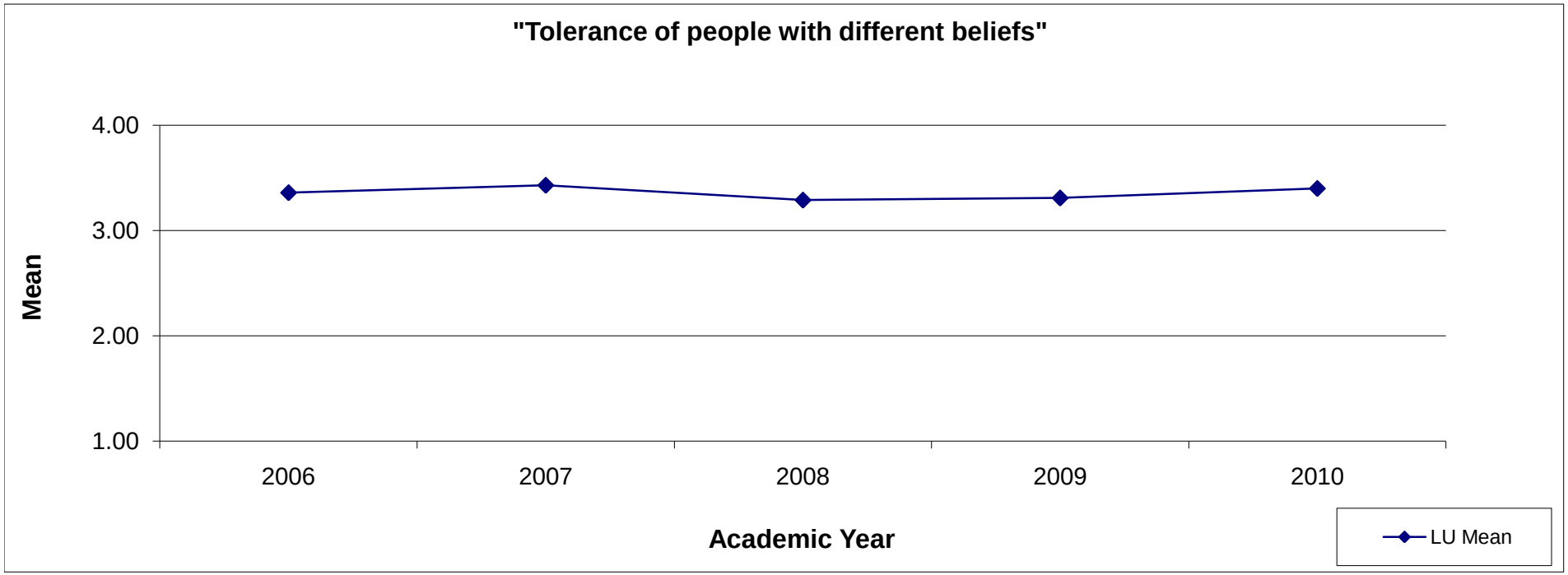
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #17
"Tolerance of people with different beliefs"

Table 55

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.36
2007	3.43
2008	3.29
2009	3.31
2010	3.40
5-Year Average	**3.36**



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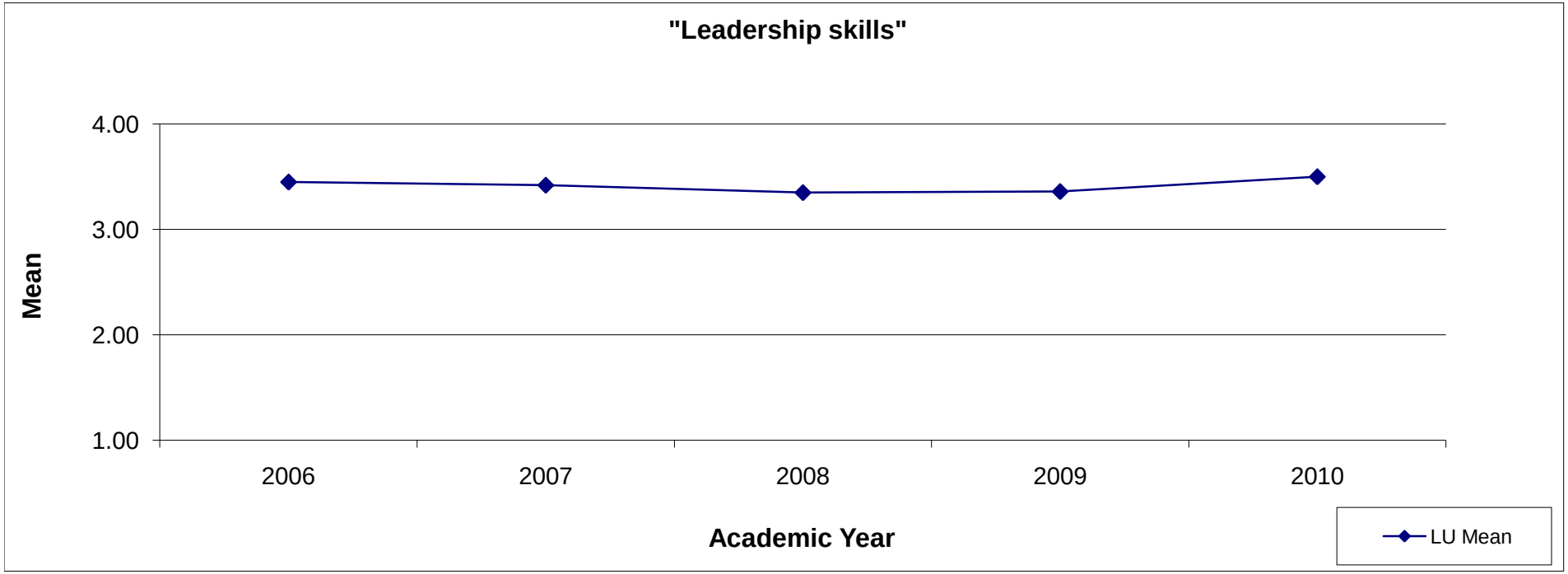
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #18
"Leadership skills"

Table 56

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.45
2007	3.42
2008	3.35
2009	3.36
2010	3.50
5-Year Average	**3.42**



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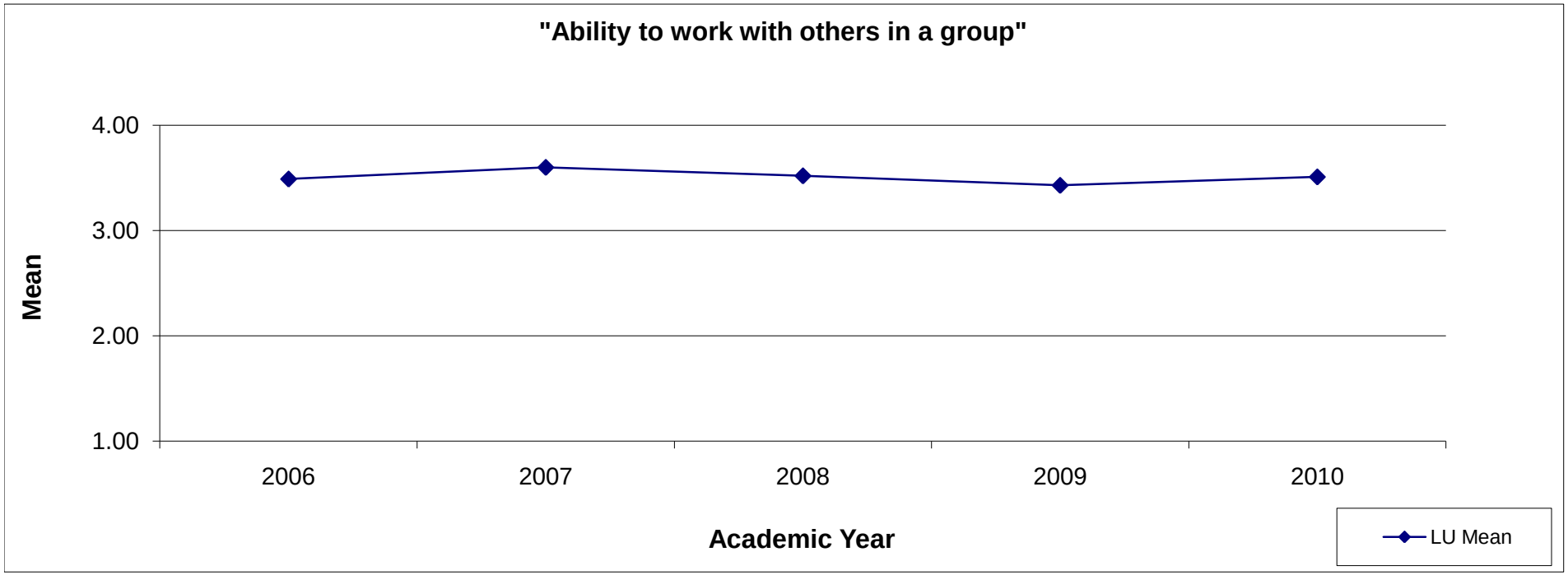
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #19
"Ability to work with others in a group"

Table 57

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.49
2007	3.60
2008	3.52
2009	3.43
2010	3.51
5-Year Average	**3.51**



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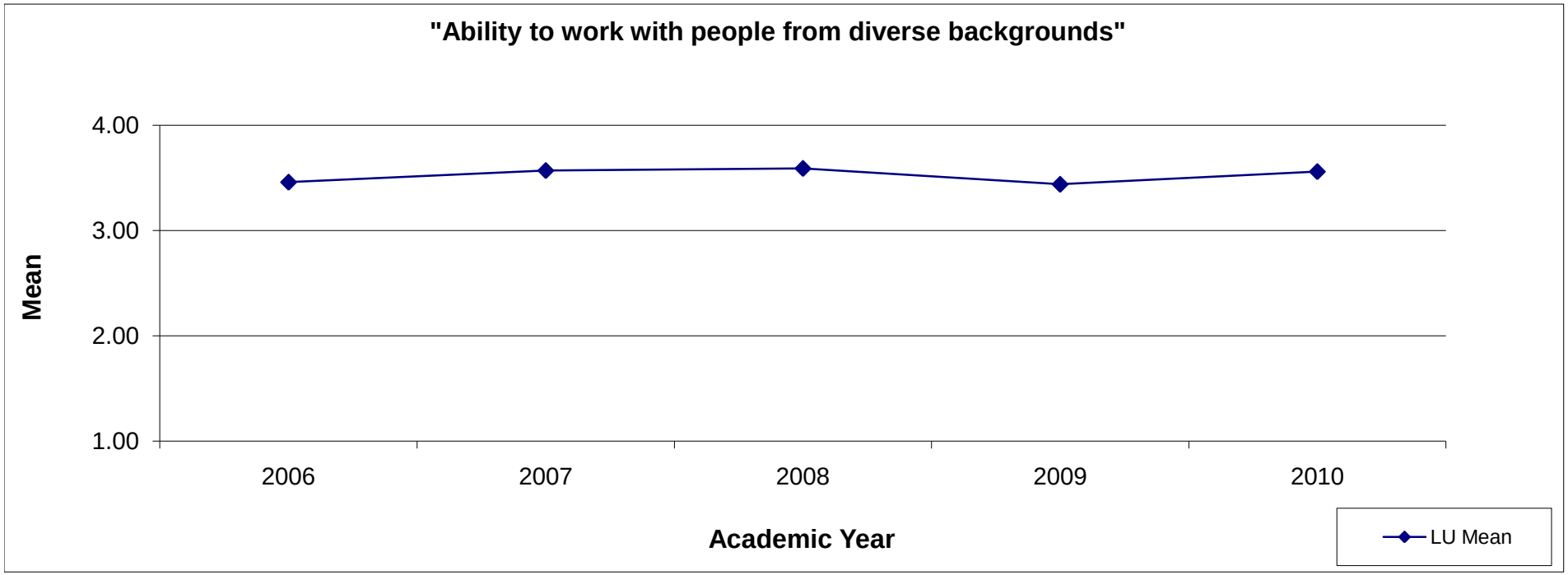
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #20
"Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds"

Table 58

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.46
2007	3.57
2008	3.59
2009	3.44
2010	3.56
5-Year Average	**3.52**



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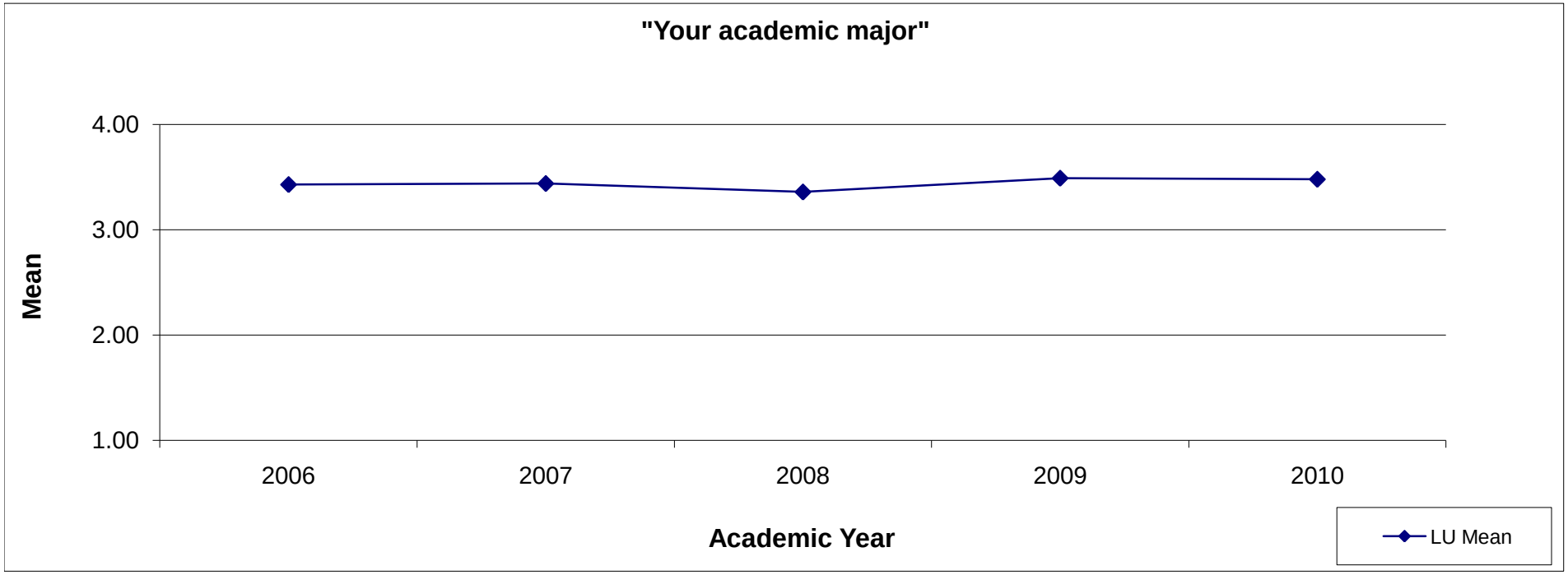
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #21
"Your academic major"

Table 59

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.43
2007	3.44
2008	3.36
2009	3.49
2010	3.48
5-Year Average	**3.44**

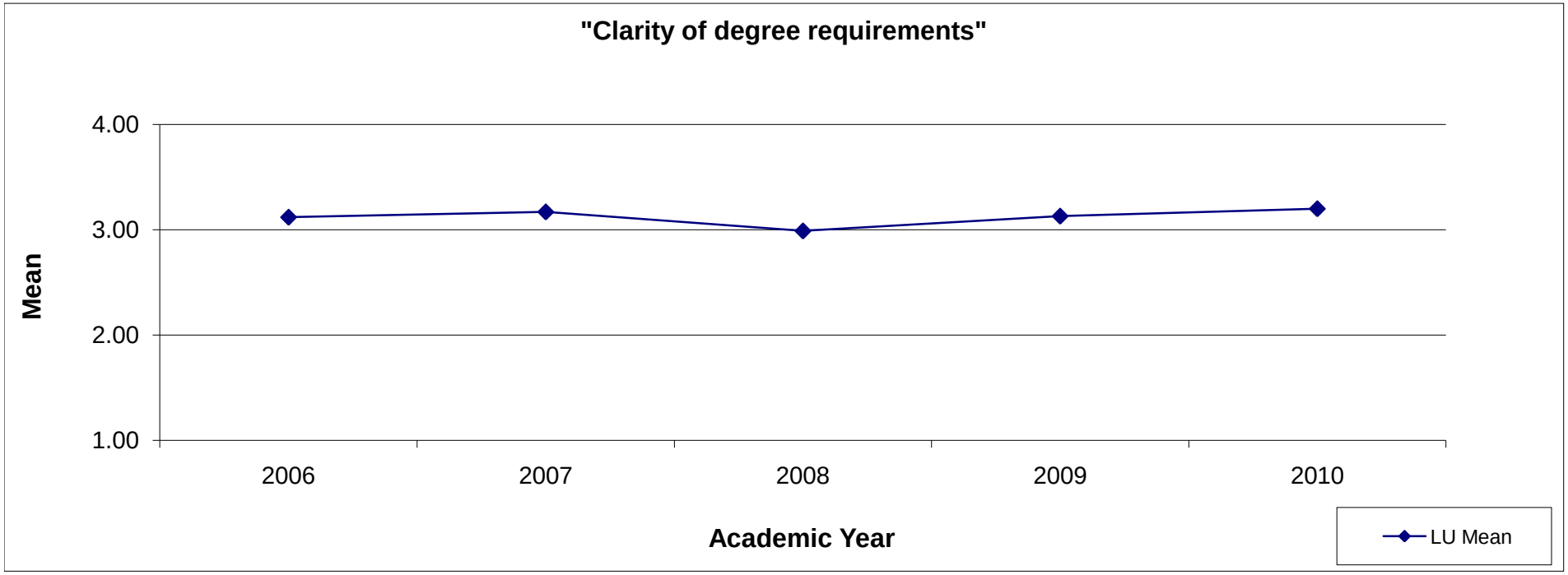


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #22
"Clarity of degree requirements"

Table 60

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.12
2007	3.17
2008	2.99
2009	3.13
2010	3.20
5-Year Average	**3.12**



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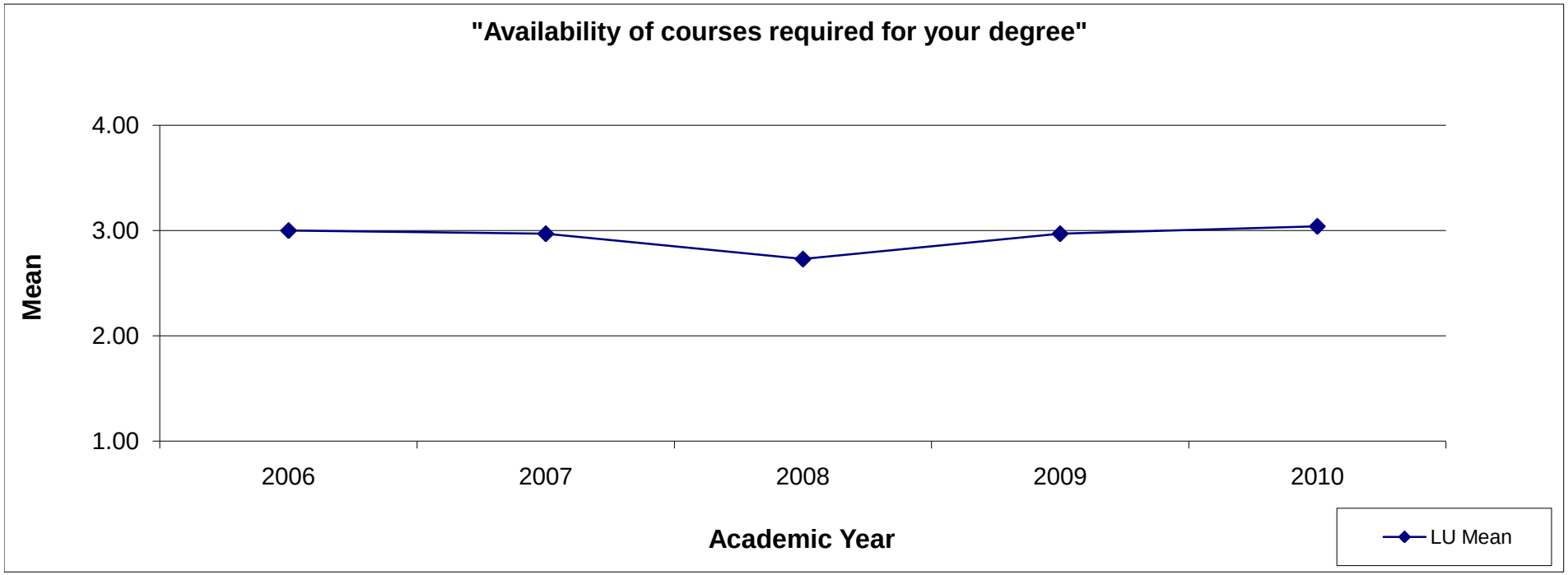
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #23
"Availability of courses required for your degree"

Table 61

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.00
2007	2.97
2008	2.73
2009	2.97
2010	3.04
5-Year Average	**2.94**



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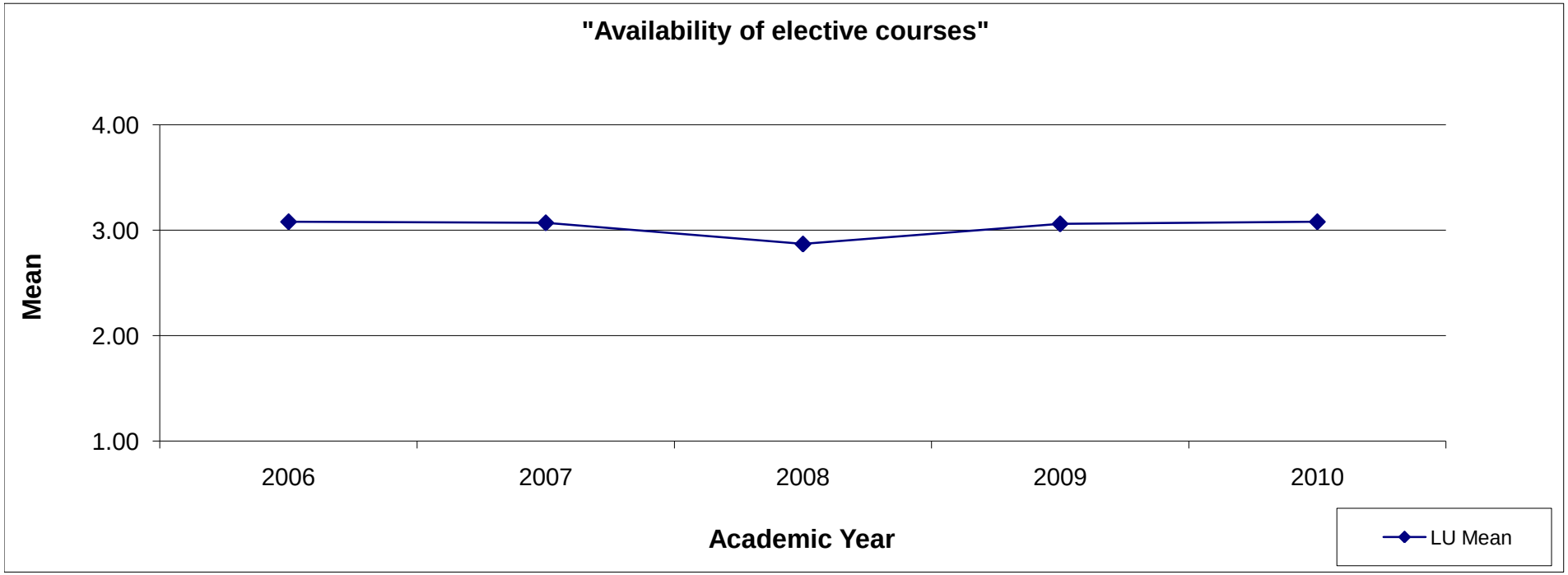
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #24
"Availability of elective courses"

Table 62

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.08
2007	3.07
2008	2.87
2009	3.06
2010	3.08
5-Year Average	**3.03**



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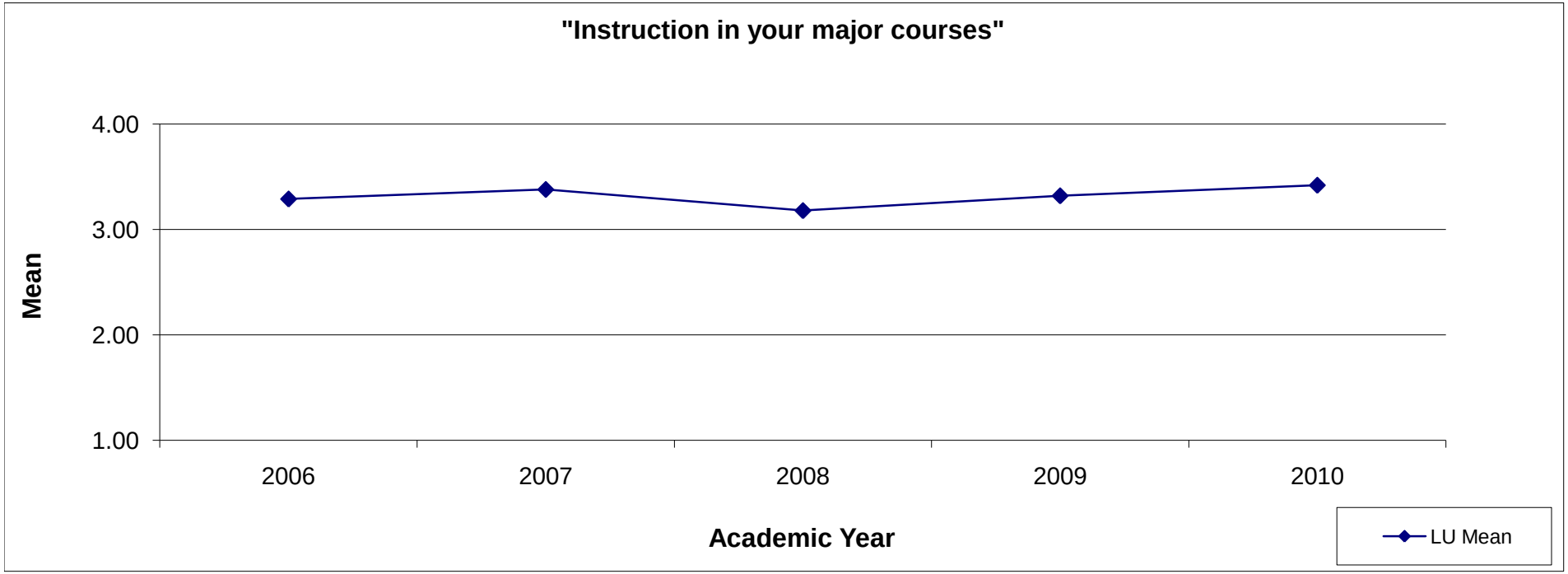
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #25
"Instruction in your major courses"

Table 63

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.29
2007	3.38
2008	3.18
2009	3.32
2010	3.42
5-Year Average	**3.32**



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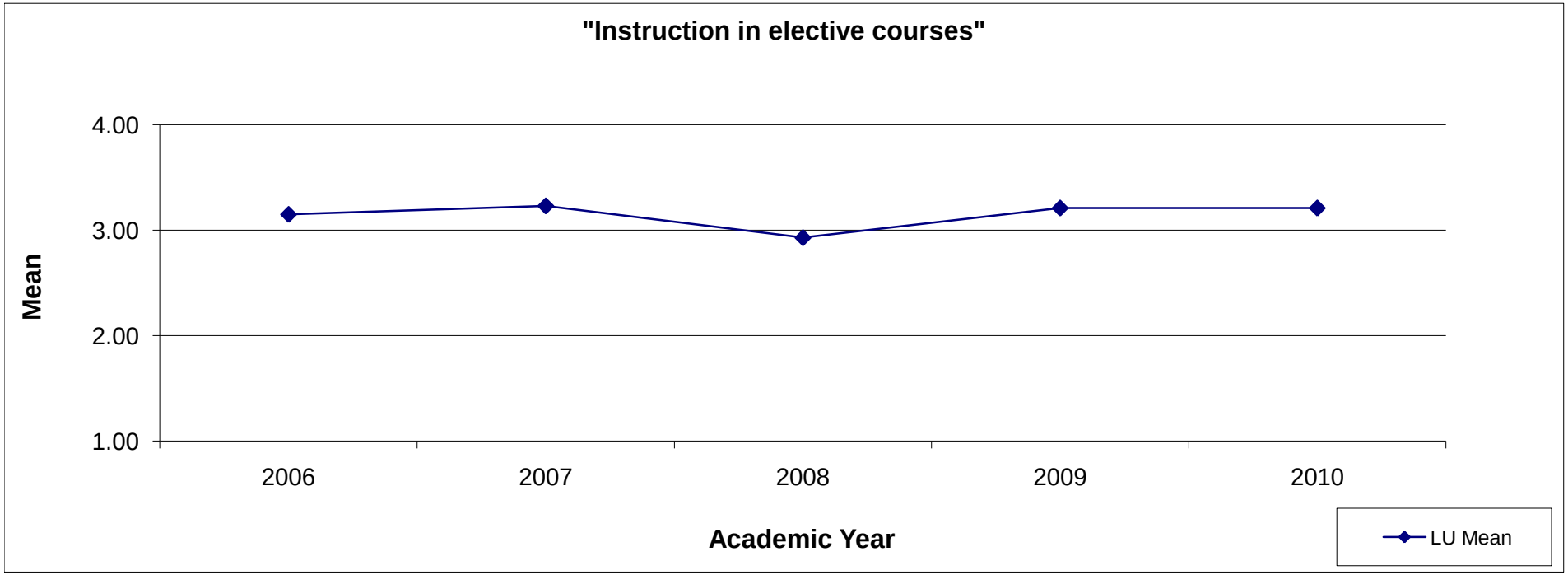
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #26
"Instruction in elective courses"

Table 64

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.15
2007	3.23
2008	2.93
2009	3.21
2010	3.21
5-Year Average	**3.15**



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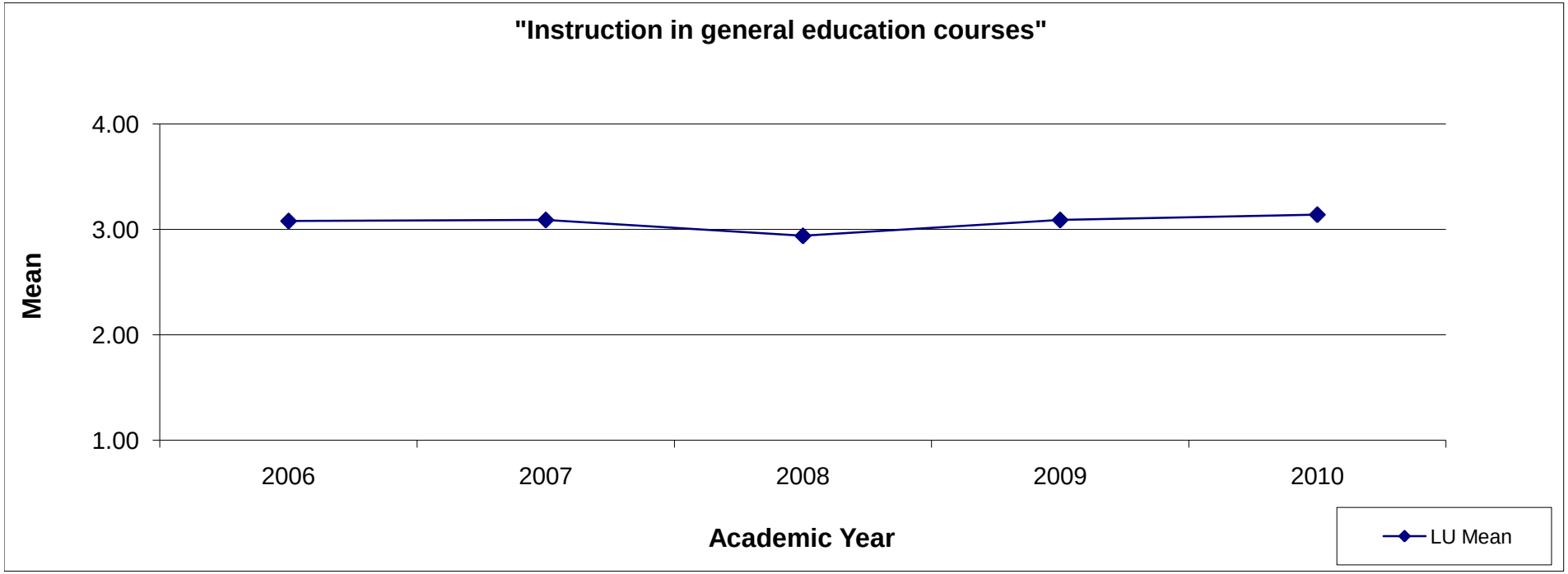
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #27
"Instruction in general education courses"

Table 65

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.08
2007	3.09
2008	2.94
2009	3.09
2010	3.14
5-Year Average	**3.07**



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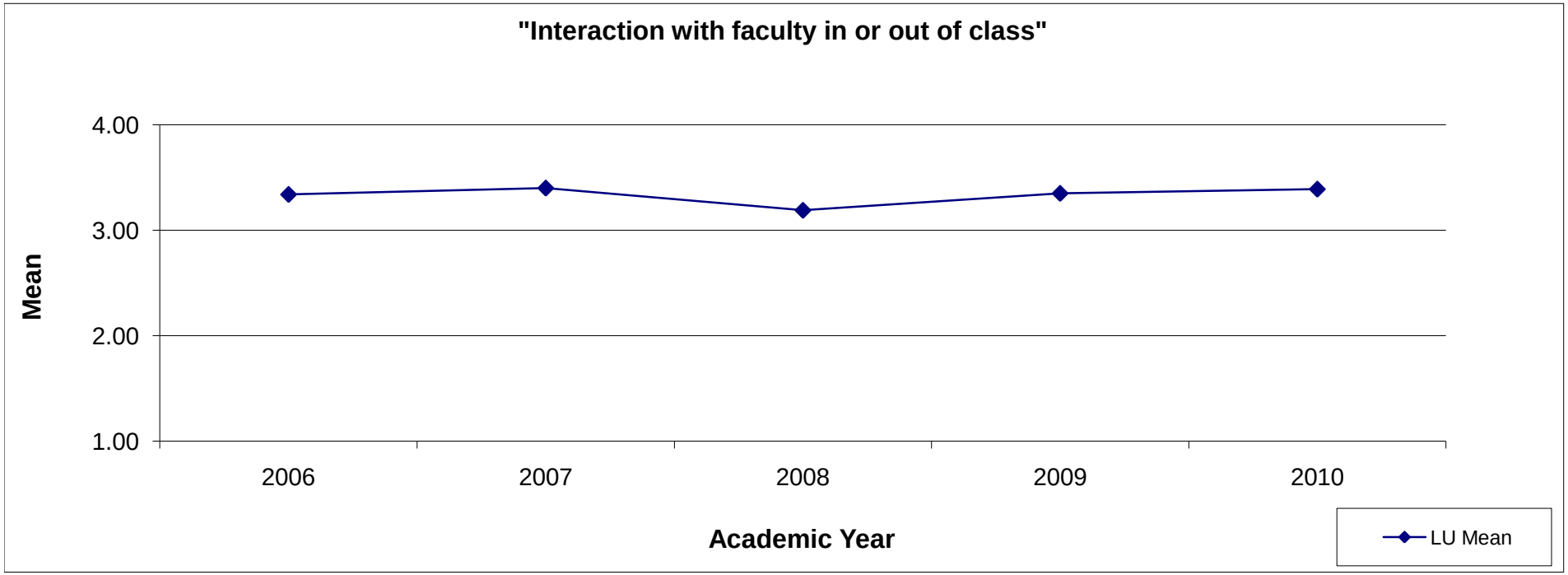
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #28
"Interaction with faculty in or out of class"

Table 66

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.34
2007	3.40
2008	3.19
2009	3.35
2010	3.39
5-Year Average	**3.33**



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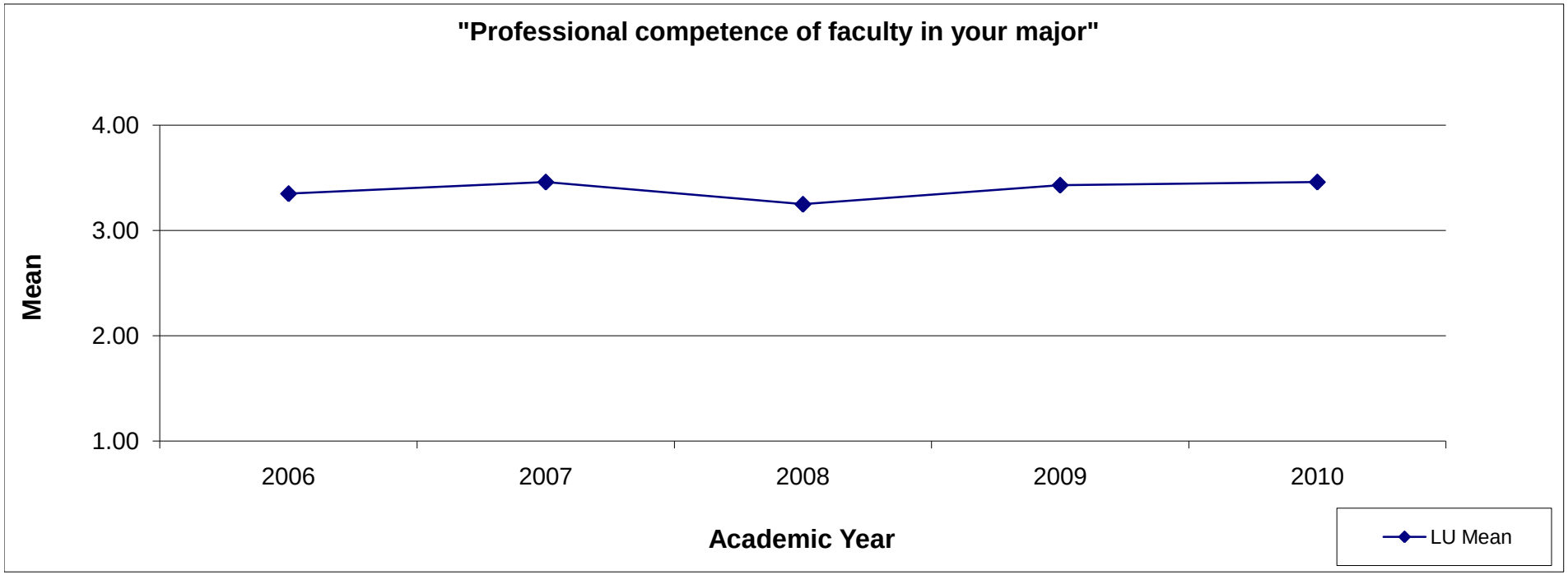
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #29
"Professional competence of faculty in your major"

Table 67

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.35
2007	3.46
2008	3.25
2009	3.43
2010	3.46
5-Year Average	**3.39**

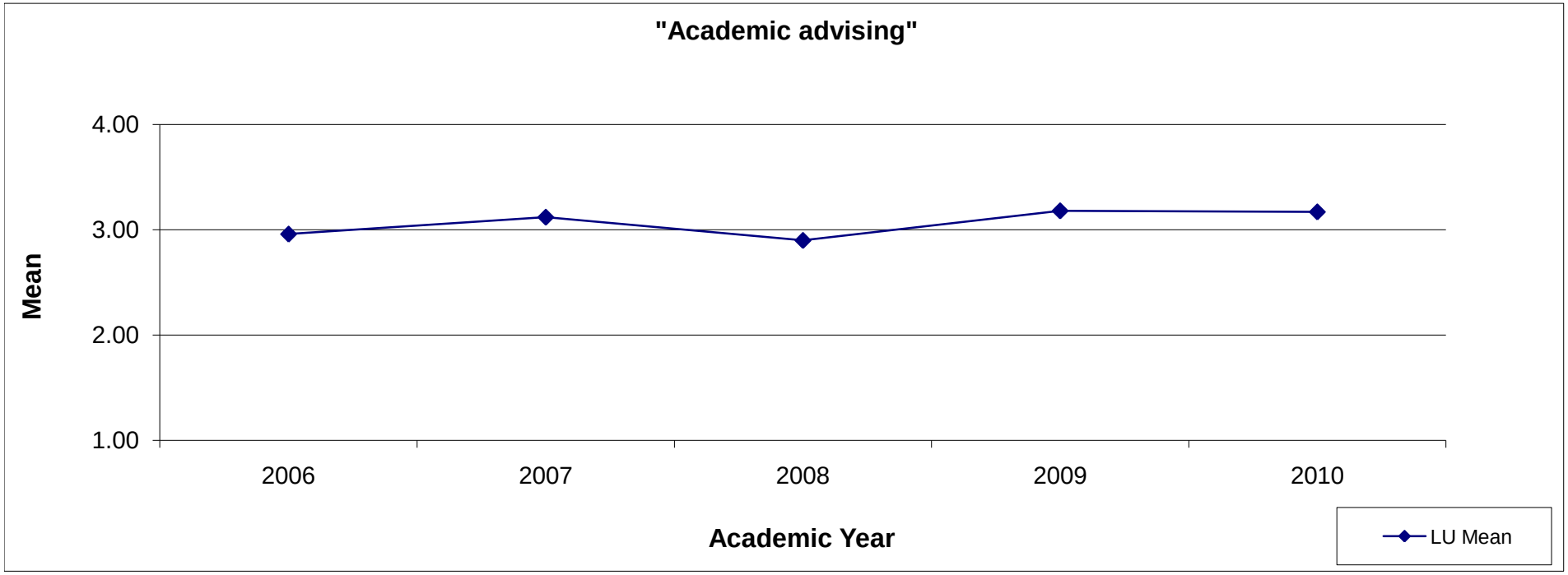


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #30
"Academic advising"

Table 68

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.96
2007	3.12
2008	2.90
2009	3.18
2010	3.17
5-Year Average	**3.06**

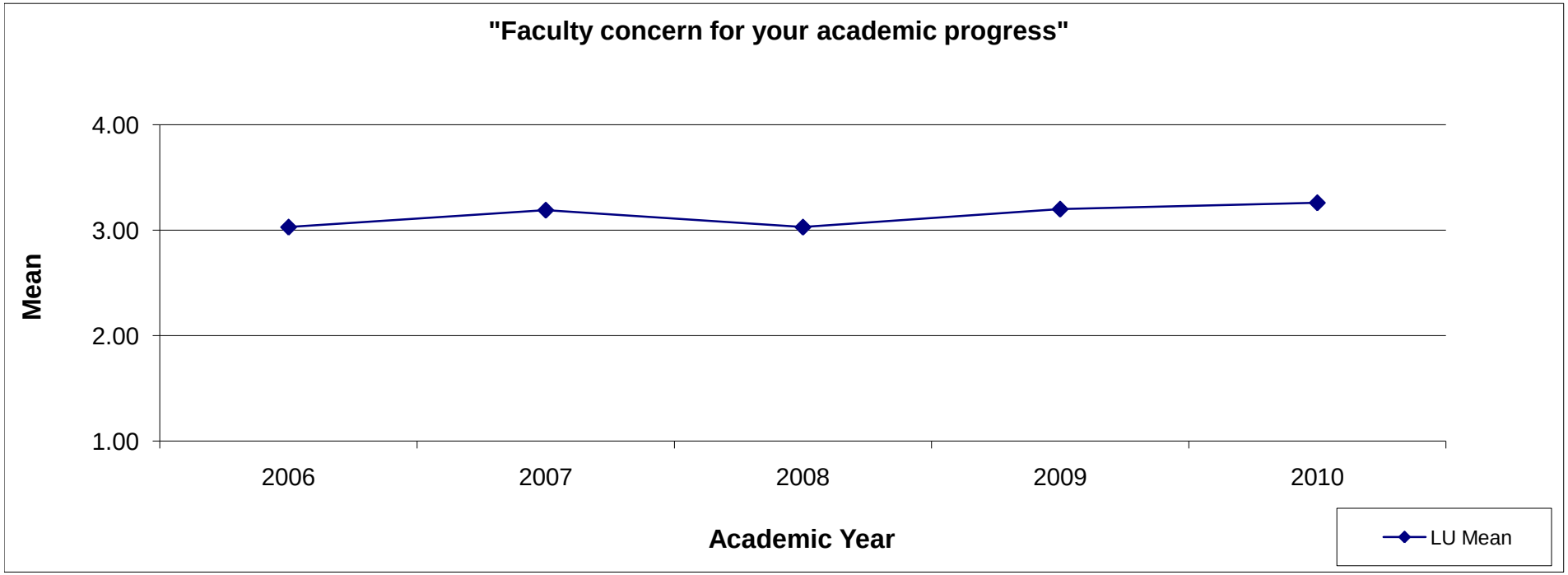


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #31
"Faculty concern for your academic progress"

Table 69

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.03
2007	3.19
2008	3.03
2009	3.20
2010	3.26
5-Year Average	**3.14**

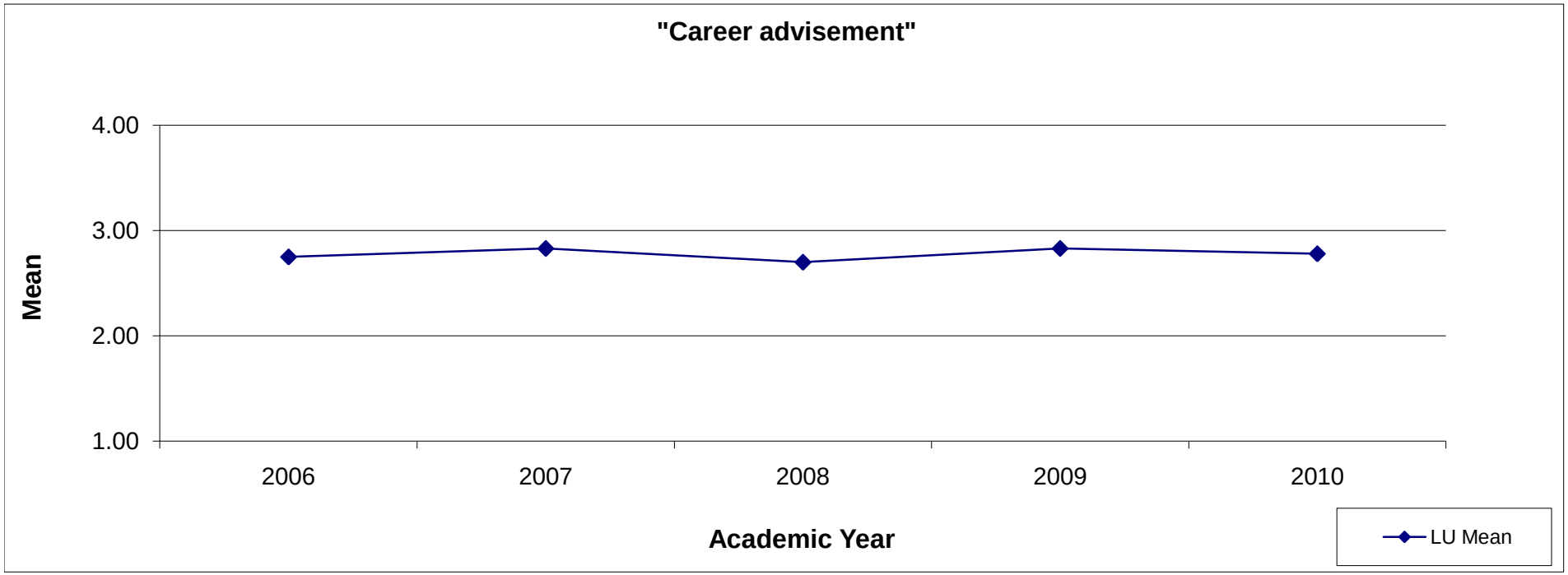


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #32
"Career advisement"

Table 70

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.75
2007	2.83
2008	2.70
2009	2.83
2010	2.78
5-Year Average	**2.78**

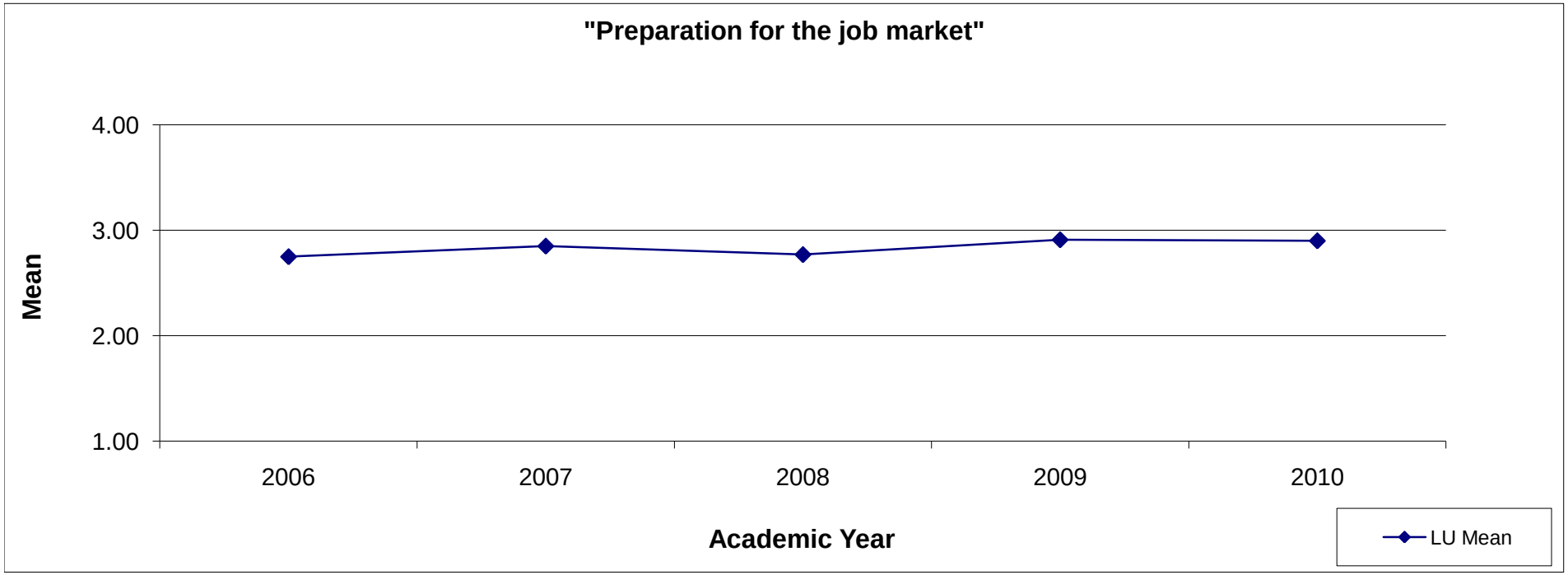


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #33
"Preparation for the job market"

Table 71

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.75
2007	2.85
2008	2.77
2009	2.91
2010	2.90
5-Year Average	**2.83**

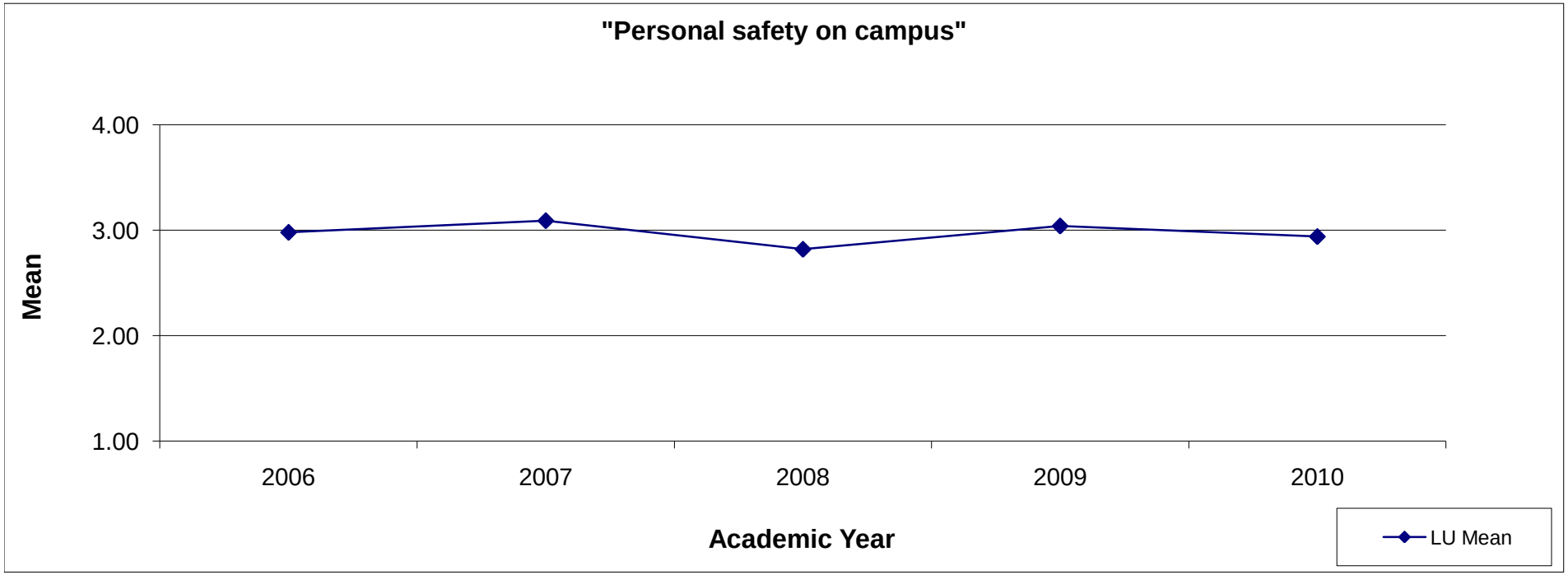


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #34
"Personal safety on campus"

Table 72

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.98
2007	3.09
2008	2.82
2009	3.04
2010	2.94
5-Year Average	**2.97**

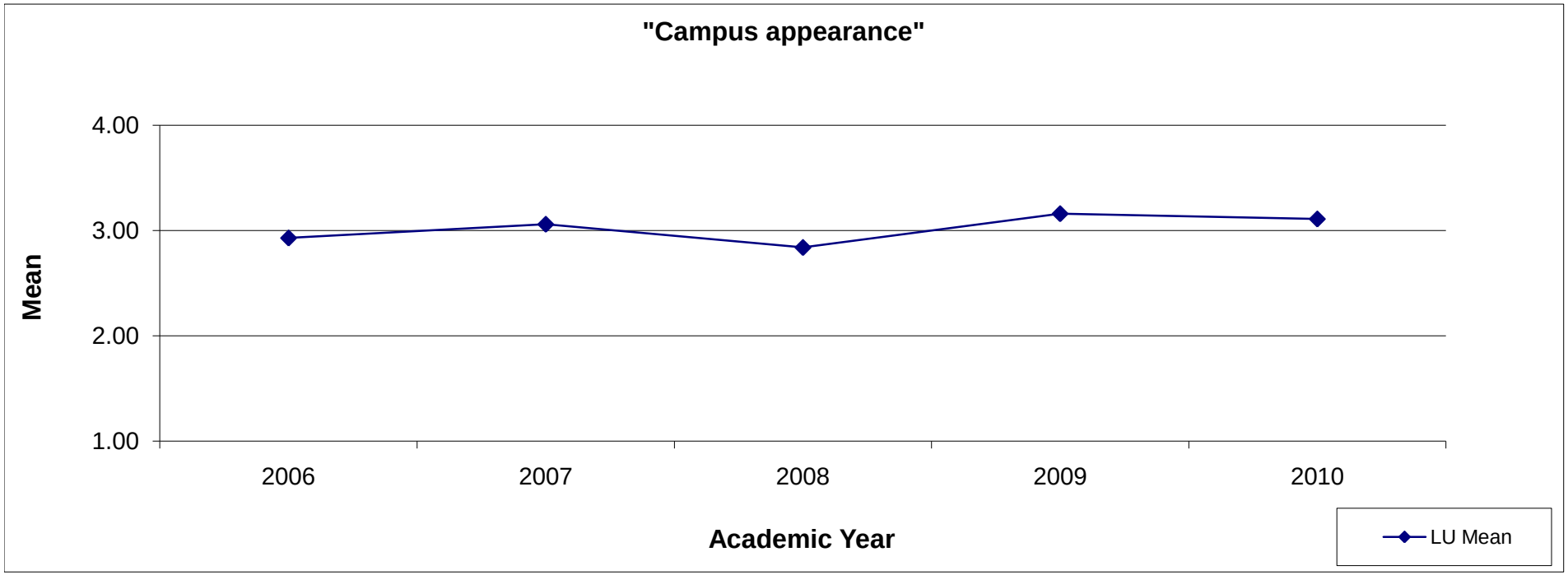


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
By Academic Year and Mean of Question #35
"Campus appearance"

Table 73

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.93
2007	3.06
2008	2.84
2009	3.16
2010	3.11
5-Year Average	**3.02**



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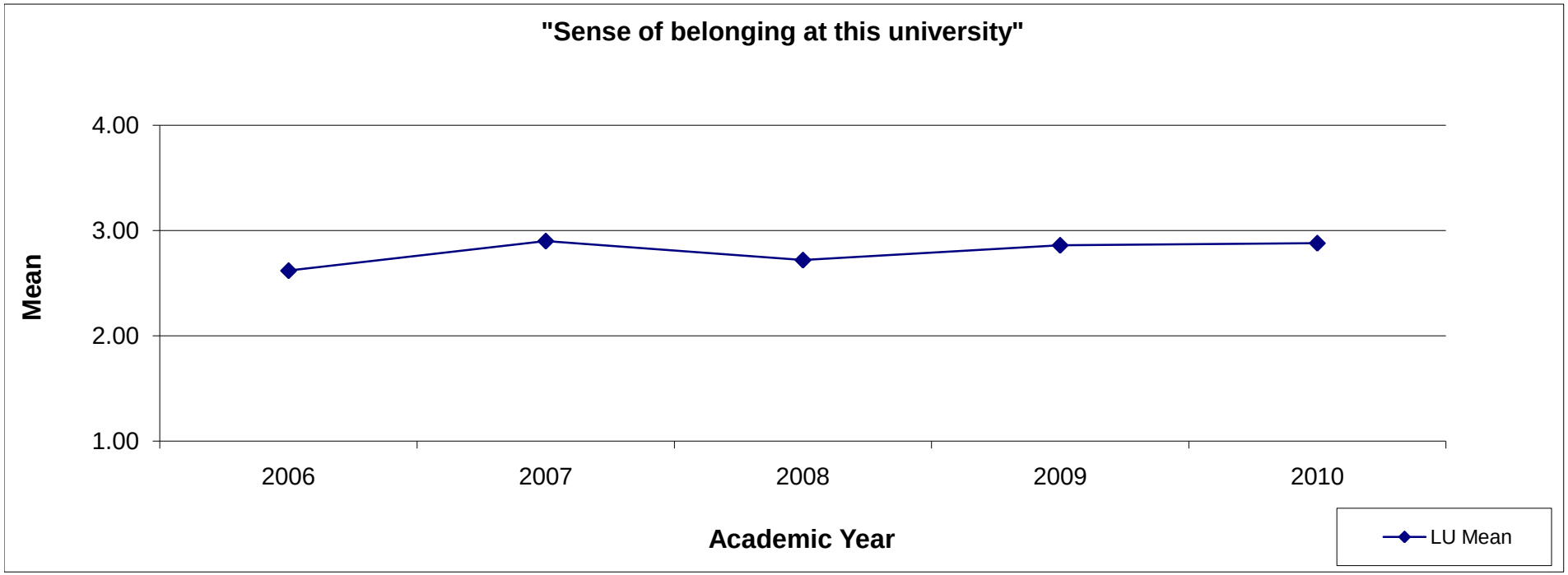
Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #36
"Sense of belonging at this university"

Table 74

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	2.62
2007	2.90
2008	2.72
2009	2.86
2010	2.88
5-Year Average	**2.79**

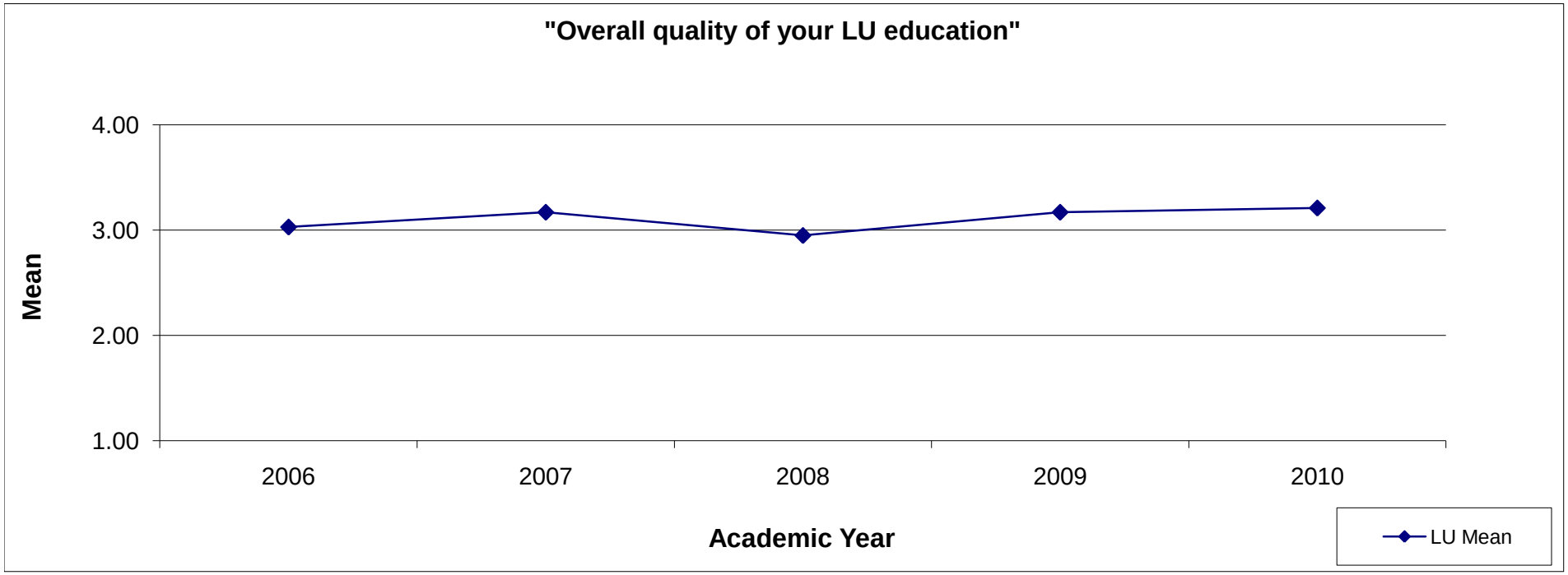


Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Lincoln University Graduating Student Survey Comparison
by Academic Year and Mean of Question #37
"Overall quality of your LU education"

Table 75

Academic Year	Lincoln University Mean
2006	3.03
2007	3.17
2008	2.95
2009	3.17
2010	3.21
5-Year Average	**3.10**



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APPENDIX 1

Percentages

Table 1-A: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students Responding Very Much/Somewhat on Questions 11-20 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Percent Very Much/Somewhat					
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	89.4	92.1	88.5	89.4	93.4	90.6
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	87.9	91.1	87.5	84.0	89.9	88.1
13	Ability to use computer technology	82.1	84.6	77.7	79.9	83.2	81.5
14	Awareness of global issues and events	75.2	81.4	75.3	76.5	75.5	76.8
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	91.5	92.1	88.9	89.1	93.0	90.9
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	86.7	89.3	85.0	85.0	87.1	86.6
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	88.2	90.7	85.7	85.3	87.8	87.5
18	Leadership skills	90.3	89.3	86.1	88.1	89.5	88.7
19	Ability to work with others in a group	92.1	94.3	90.9	89.1	92.0	91.7
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	89.1	91.8	92.3	86.7	90.6	90.1

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-B: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students Responding Very Little/Not At All on Questions 11-20 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Percent Very Little/Not At All					
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	10.3	7.9	10.8	10.6	5.6	9.0
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	11.8	8.9	11.5	16.0	9.1	11.5
13	Ability to use computer technology	17.6	15.4	21.3	19.8	15.7	18.0
14	Awareness of global issues and events	24.8	18.6	24.0	23.5	22.7	22.7
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	8.2	7.9	10.8	10.9	5.9	8.7
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	12.7	10.7	13.6	14.3	11.9	12.6
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	11.5	9.3	13.2	14.0	10.5	11.7
18	Leadership skills	9.4	10.4	12.2	11.9	9.4	10.7
19	Ability to work with others in a group	7.3	5.4	7.7	10.6	7.0	7.6
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	10.0	6.4	4.9	11.6	7.3	8.0

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-C: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students That Did Not Respond to Questions 11-20 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Percent Did Not Respond					
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	0.3	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.0	0.4
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	0.3	0.0	1.0	0.0	1.0	0.5
13	Ability to use computer technology	0.3	0.0	1.0	0.3	1.0	0.5
14	Awareness of global issues and events	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	1.7	0.5
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	0.3	0.0	0.3	0.0	1.0	0.3
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	0.6	0.0	1.4	0.7	1.0	0.7
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	0.3	0.0	1.0	0.7	1.7	0.7
18	Leadership skills	0.3	0.4	1.7	0.0	1.0	0.7
19	Ability to work with others in a group	0.6	0.4	1.4	0.3	1.0	0.7
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	0.9	1.8	2.8	1.7	2.1	1.9

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-D: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students Responding Very Satisfied/Satisfied on Questions 21-37 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Percent Very Satisfied/Satisfied					
How satisfied are you with:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
21	Your academic major	87.9	87.5	88.9	86.3	88.8	87.9
22	Clarity of degree requirements	76.7	76.1	77.0	76.1	80.4	77.3
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	67.9	65.7	63.1	67.2	69.6	66.7
24	Availability of elective courses	73.6	57.5	75.3	71.3	75.2	70.6
25	Instruction in your major courses	83.0	83.6	85.7	80.9	86.7	84.0
26	Instruction in elective courses	80.0	78.9	80.1	80.9	83.2	80.6
27	Instruction in general education courses	77.0	76.1	80.5	75.4	82.2	78.2
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	83.9	86.4	85.0	82.3	85.0	84.5
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	82.4	85.4	86.4	82.6	86.7	84.7
30	Academic advising	65.2	74.3	71.4	74.7	74.8	72.1
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	70.9	76.4	75.6	73.0	78.7	74.9
32	Career advisement	59.1	62.1	61.7	60.4	58.4	60.3
33	Preparation for the job market	61.8	65.0	63.4	64.8	65.4	64.1
34	Personal safety on campus	72.7	73.6	72.1	72.0	69.2	71.9
35	Campus appearance	71.8	74.3	73.2	77.8	79.4	75.3
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	52.4	63.6	63.4	62.8	66.1	61.7
37	Overall quality of your LU education	78.5	83.6	80.1	77.8	83.9	80.8

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-E: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students Responding Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied on Questions 21-37 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Percent Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied					
How satisfied are you with:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
21	Your academic major	3.6	4.3	2.8	3.8	4.2	3.7
22	Clarity of degree requirements	14.2	16.1	13.9	14.7	12.2	14.2
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	23.3	21.8	27.5	22.2	23.1	23.6
24	Availability of elective courses	17.0	14.6	15.3	18.1	16.8	16.4
25	Instruction in your major courses	8.5	8.6	5.6	9.6	6.3	7.7
26	Instruction in elective courses	10.9	10.0	10.8	9.2	9.8	10.1
27	Instruction in general education courses	12.7	13.9	9.8	13.7	10.5	12.1
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	7.6	5.0	7.0	8.2	8.0	7.2
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	8.2	6.1	5.2	7.8	5.9	6.6
30	Academic advising	25.8	17.9	19.5	15.4	17.5	19.2
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	20.3	15.0	15.7	16.4	12.9	16.1
32	Career advisement	30.9	27.9	28.2	28.7	32.9	29.7
33	Preparation for the job market	28.8	26.8	26.8	23.2	26.6	26.4
34	Personal safety on campus	18.2	16.4	17.8	17.1	22.7	18.4
35	Campus appearance	19.1	15.7	17.1	11.9	13.3	15.4
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	37.0	26.4	26.1	26.6	26.2	28.5
37	Overall quality of your LU education	12.7	8.6	11.5	11.9	9.1	10.8

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-F: Computation of 5-Year Average for Students That Did Not Respond to Questions 21-37 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Percent Did Not Respond					
How satisfied are you with:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
21	Your academic major	8.5	8.2	8.4	9.9	7.0	8.4
22	Clarity of degree requirements	9.1	7.9	9.1	9.2	7.3	8.5
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	8.8	12.5	9.4	10.6	7.3	9.7
24	Availability of elective courses	9.4	27.9	9.4	10.6	8.0	13.1
25	Instruction in your major courses	8.5	7.9	8.7	9.6	7.0	8.3
26	Instruction in elective courses	9.1	11.1	9.1	9.9	7.0	9.2
27	Instruction in general education courses	10.3	10.0	9.8	10.9	7.3	9.7
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	8.5	8.6	8.0	9.6	7.0	8.3
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	9.4	8.6	8.4	9.6	7.3	8.7
30	Academic advising	9.1	7.9	9.1	9.9	7.7	8.7
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	8.8	8.6	8.7	10.6	8.4	9.0
32	Career advisement	10.0	10.0	10.1	10.9	8.7	9.9
33	Preparation for the job market	9.4	8.2	9.8	11.9	8.0	9.5
34	Personal safety on campus	9.1	10.0	10.1	10.9	8.0	9.6
35	Campus appearance	9.1	10.0	9.8	10.2	7.3	9.3
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	10.6	10.0	10.5	10.6	7.7	9.9
37	Overall quality of your LU education	8.8	7.9	8.4	10.2	7.0	8.5

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-G: Computation of 5-Year Average for Questions 38 and 39 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent Yes					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
38	If you could start college over again, would you still choose to attend LU.	52.1	61.4	57.5	61.1	57.3	57.9
39	Would you recommend LU to a friend/family member who is considering college.	57.3	70.7	66.6	65.9	68.2	65.7

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent No					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
38	If you could start college over again, would you still choose to attend LU.	39.1	28.2	33.1	28.3	34.6	32.7
39	Would you recommend LU to a friend/family member who is considering college.	32.1	21.1	24.7	23.2	23.8	25.0

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent Did Not Respond					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
38	If you could start college over again, would you still choose to attend LU.	8.8	10.4	9.4	10.6	8.0	9.4
39	Would you recommend LU to a friend/family member who is considering college.	10.6	8.2	8.7	10.9	8.0	9.3

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-H: Computation of 5-Year Average for Question 40 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent Two or Less					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
40	How may faculty members do you feel comfortable enough to approach for a letter of recommendation?	30.0	28.6	30.3	32.8	28.0	29.9

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent Three or More					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
40	How may faculty members do you feel comfortable enough to approach for a letter of recommendation?	60.9	63.2	61.7	57.3	65.4	61.7

Graduating Student Survey Items		Percent Did Not Respond					
		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
40	How may faculty members do you feel comfortable enough to approach for a letter of recommendation?	9.1	8.2	8.0	9.9	6.6	8.4

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-I: Summary of 5-Year Averages for Questions 11-20 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Contribution Items		Very Much/Somewhat	Very Little/Not At All	Did Not Respond
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		Average	Average	Average
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	90.6	9.0	0.4
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	88.1	11.5	0.5
13	Ability to use computer technology	81.5	18.0	0.5
14	Awareness of global issues and events	76.8	22.7	0.5
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	90.9	8.7	0.3
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	86.6	12.6	0.7
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	87.5	11.7	0.7
18	Leadership skills	88.7	10.7	0.7
19	Ability to work with others in a group	91.7	7.6	0.7
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	90.1	8.0	1.9

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-J: Summary of 5-Year Averages for Questions 21-37 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Very Satisfied/Satisfied	Dissatisfied/Very Dissatisfied	Did Not Respond
How satisfied are you with:		Average	Average	Average
21	Your academic major	88.8	4.2	7.0
22	Clarity of degree requirements	80.4	12.2	7.3
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	69.6	23.1	7.3
24	Availability of elective courses	75.2	16.8	8.0
25	Instruction in your major courses	86.7	6.3	7.0
26	Instruction in elective courses	83.2	9.8	7.0
27	Instruction in general education courses	82.2	10.5	7.3
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	85.0	8.0	7.0
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	86.7	5.9	7.3
30	Academic advising	74.8	17.5	7.7
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	78.7	12.9	8.4
32	Career advisement	58.4	32.9	8.7
33	Preparation for the job market	65.4	26.6	8.0
34	Personal safety on campus	69.2	22.7	8.0
35	Campus appearance	79.4	13.3	7.3
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	66.1	26.2	7.7
37	Overall quality of your LU education	83.9	9.1	7.0

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-K: Summary of 5-Year Averages for GSS Questions 38 and 39 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Yes	No	Did Not Respond
How satisfied are you with:		Average	Average	Average
38	If you could start college over again, would you still choose to attend LU.	57.3	34.6	8.0
39	Would you recommend LU to a friend/family member who is considering college.	68.2	23.8	8.0

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 1-L: Summary of 5-Year Averages for Question 40 on GSS

Graduating Student Survey-Satisfaction Items		Two or Less	Three or More	Did Not Respond
How satisfied are you with:		Average	Average	Average
40	How may faculty members do you feel comfortable enough to approach for a letter of recommendation?	28.0	93.4	6.6

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

APPENDIX 2

Means

Table 2-A: Computation of 5-Year Average for GSS Contribution Items 11-20

Graduating Student Survey		Mean					
To what degree has your college education contributed to your:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	3.39	3.44	3.42	3.42	3.54	3.44
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	3.30	3.41	3.31	3.30	3.38	3.34
13	Ability to use computer technology	3.19	3.33	3.20	3.20	3.32	3.24
14	Awareness of global issues and events	3.08	3.24	3.04	3.10	3.10	3.11
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	3.45	3.48	3.42	3.41	3.50	3.45
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	3.37	3.47	3.34	3.36	3.37	3.38
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	3.36	3.43	3.29	3.31	3.40	3.36
18	Leadership skills	3.45	3.42	3.35	3.36	3.50	3.42
19	Ability to work with others in a group	3.49	3.60	3.52	3.43	3.51	3.51
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	3.46	3.57	3.59	3.44	3.56	3.52

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 2-B: Computation of 5-Year Average for GSS Satisfaction Items 21-37

Graduating Student Survey		Mean					
How satisfied are you with:		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	Average
21	Your academic major	3.43	3.44	3.36	3.49	3.48	3.44
22	Clarity of degree requirements	3.12	3.17	2.99	3.13	3.20	3.12
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	3.00	2.97	2.73	2.97	3.04	2.94
24	Availability of elective courses	3.08	3.07	2.87	3.06	3.08	3.03
25	Instruction in your major courses	3.29	3.38	3.18	3.32	3.42	3.32
26	Instruction in elective courses	3.15	3.23	2.93	3.21	3.21	3.15
27	Instruction in general education courses	3.08	3.09	2.94	3.09	3.14	3.07
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	3.34	3.40	3.19	3.35	3.39	3.33
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	3.35	3.46	3.25	3.43	3.46	3.39
30	Academic advising	2.96	3.12	2.90	3.18	3.17	3.06
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	3.03	3.19	3.03	3.20	3.26	3.14
32	Career advisement	2.75	2.83	2.70	2.83	2.78	2.78
33	Preparation for the job market	2.75	2.85	2.77	2.91	2.90	2.83
34	Personal safety on campus	2.98	3.09	2.82	3.04	2.94	2.97
35	Campus appearance	2.93	3.06	2.84	3.16	3.11	3.05
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	2.62	2.90	2.72	2.86	2.88	2.79
37	Overall quality of your LU education	3.03	3.17	2.95	3.17	3.21	3.10

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 2-C: GSS Contribution Items 11-20 in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey **To what degree has your college education contributed to your:**		**5-Year Average**
20	Ability to work with people from diverse backgrounds	3.52
19	Ability to work with others in a group	3.51
15	Openness to new ideas and practices	3.45
11	Ability to write clearly and logically	3.44
18	Leadership skills	3.42
16	Understanding and appreciation of other cultures	3.38
17	Tolerance of people with different beliefs	3.36
12	Ability to give effective oral presentations	3.34
13	Ability to use computer technology	3.24
14	Awareness of global issues and events	3.11

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment

Table 2-D: GSS Satisfaction Items 21-37 in Ranked Order by Mean

Graduating Student Survey How satisfied are you with:		5-Year Average
21	Your academic major	3.44
29	Professional competence of faculty in your major	3.39
28	Interaction with faculty in or out of class	3.33
25	Instruction in your major courses	3.32
26	Instruction in elective courses	3.15
31	Faculty concern for your academic progress	3.14
22	Clarity of degree requirements	3.12
37	Overall quality of your LU education	3.10
27	Instruction in general education courses	3.07
30	Academic advising	3.06
35	Campus appearance	3.05
24	Availability of elective courses	3.03
34	Personal safety on campus	2.97
23	Availability of courses required for your degree	2.94
33	Preparation for the job market	2.83
36	Sense of "belonging" at this university	2.79
32	Career advisement	2.78

Data Source: Office of Institutional Research and Assessment