

ADVANCES-Advanced Development in Social Work

Course Quality Advisory Board of the Erasmus Mundus Student and Alumni Association

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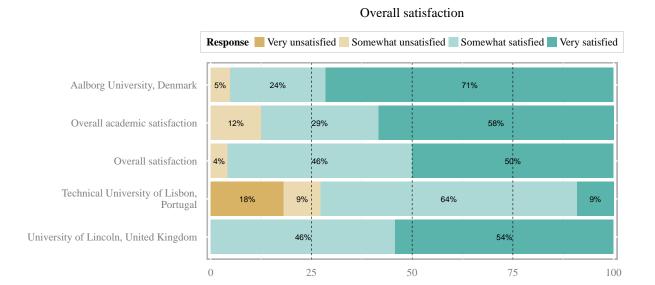


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1 Executive summary (?)



2 Introduction

2.1 Course Quality Advisory Board

CQAB is an independent advisory body that operates on a voluntary basis, and its members have not and do not receive financial benefits from their CQAB related activity. Membership to CQAB is assured through a competitive recruitment process among EMA members. Internally, CQAB has three main separate structures:

- 1. Programme Representative Network (PRnet), aimed at coordinating the relation between Erasmus Mundus courses and EMA.
- 2. Management of the em.feedback@em-a.eu, that assists students with pressing quality issues.
- 3. Survey Team, tasked with conducting the CQSS survey.

CQAB was created as a result of the pressing and constant concerns of EMA members about the quality of the student experiences as part of an Erasmus Mundus (EM) course. Internally, CQAB has a variety of tools to capture student concerns and to interact with student representatives from various programmes, but the CQSS survey represents its most comprehensive and systematic initiative focused on quality assurance. The inception and design of CQSS is enrooted in the complexity of the EMJMD student experience and driven by two distinct factors: the perceived systemic issues around quality across courses, and the general underrepresentation of students in evaluating the EMJMD programme.

For any concerns, questions or feedback on this report, please contact us at chair.cqab@em-a.eu.

2.2 Introduction to the CQSS survey

Our survey was filled in by 24 students of your program. They represent 21 countries and collectively they have spent more than 481 hours thinking and answering questions of our survey.

We hope that their feedback will help you make your Erasmus Mundus program even more brilliant and unique!



2.3 Structure of current report

The report focuses on providing your course with customized information received from students. The information in this report follows the structure of the CQSS survey. As such, information on how students attending the course evaluated their overall course experience, and also how various universities in the consortia were experienced by students. Only idicators with 10 or more responses are included in the report.

The largest section of the report focuses on providing information about the supporting services available to students before the start of the EMJMD programme, during orientation, the general helpfulness of various units and individuals, as well as the support received on specific student issues. The following section focuses on indicators capturing the assessment and feedback processes. In section four, the responses of students to questions pertaining to teaching, learning and supervision are highlighted. Before concluding, section five touches aon the internship, field experience and personal development aspects evaluated as part of the CQSS survey.

Graph plots the responses from students, while table provides information about how other courses did on that question. Example of a table below:

	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - $75%$	75% - 100%
Course content	24	3.38	3.19	2.54 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.23	3.24 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.70
Enrolling in classes	24	3.67	3.42	2.57 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.45	3.46 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.92
Evaluation methods	24	3.22	3.03	2.23 - 2.88	2.88 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.21	3.22 - 3.76

Each row represents a dimension of the question. It contains information about the mean that question received from students of your program.

Calculation of means is based on Likert-scale. Each option corresponds to a numeric value in a following way:

- 1. "Very unsatisfied" or "Disagree"= 1.
- 2. "Unsatisfied" or "Somewhat disagree"= 2.
- 3. "Satisfied" or "Somewhat agree" = 3.
- 4. "Very satisfied" or "Agree" = 4.

Therefore, average score for any given dimension in a table ranges from a minimum of 1 to a maximum of 4, with 4 being a perfect score for each dimension.

Following that is the mean for all respondents of the survey. Finally, table provides information about distribution of means in all other courses. Distribution is represented by quantiles. This means that 25% of courses will lie in each of the columns. This enables easy comparison of any given program with its peers. The column with the score of your program is highlighted.



3 Supporting services

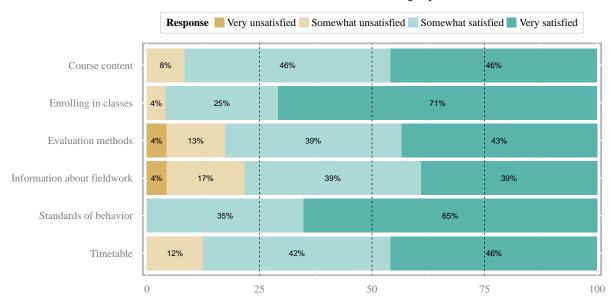
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3.1 Support received before the start of the Erasmus Mundus course

3.1.1 Consortia

Question:B.1.1

Rate the information and support received before the start of Erasmus Mundus master course on the following aspects

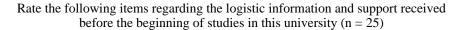


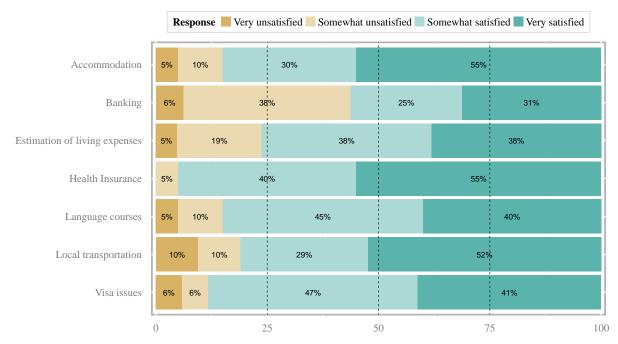
	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - $50%$	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
Course content	24	3.38	3.19	2.54 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.23	3.24 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.70
Enrolling in classes	24	3.67	3.42	2.57 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.45	3.46 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.92
Evaluation methods	24	3.22	3.03	2.23 - 2.88	2.88 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.21	3.22 - 3.76
Information about fieldwork	24	3.13	2.95	2.00 - 2.80	2.81 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.19	3.20 - 3.57
Standards of behavior	24	3.65	3.44	2.77 - 3.29	3.30 - 3.42	3.43 - 3.63	3.64 - 3.90
Timetable	24	3.33	3.13	1.94 - 2.96	2.97 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.33	3.34 - 3.80

Table 1: Summary statistics



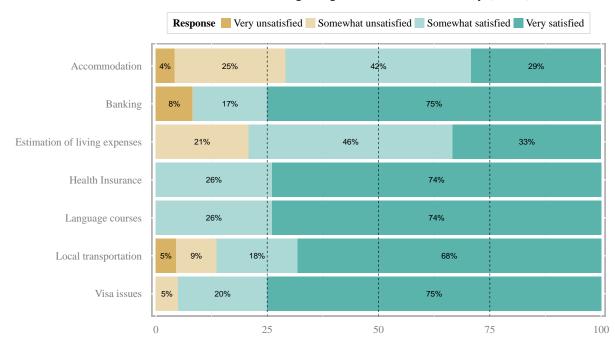
3.1.2 Aalborg University, Denmark





3.1.3 University of Lincoln, United Kingdom

Rate the following items regarding the logistic information and support received before the beginning of studies in this university (n = 24)



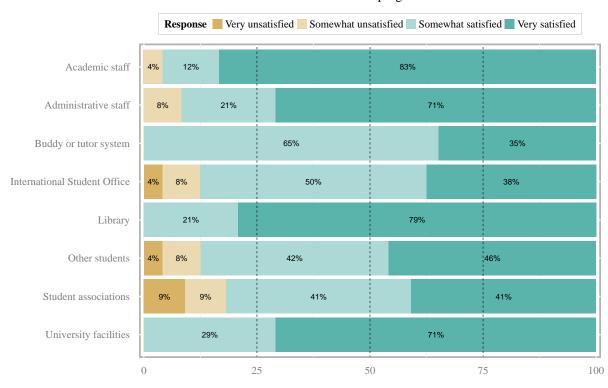


3.2 Support received during the orientaion program

3.2.1 Consortia

Question:B.1.3

Rate the introduction process to the following units or people as part of the orientation program



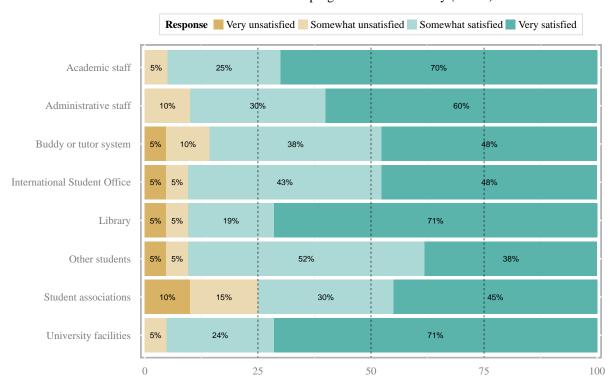
	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - $50%$	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
Academic staff	24	3.79	3.44	2.40 - 3.29	3.30 - 3.47	3.48 - 3.63	3.64 - 3.92
Administrative staff	24	3.62	3.39	2.30 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.43	3.44 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.93
Buddy or tutor system	24	3.35	2.96	2.00 - 2.88	2.89 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.64
International Student Office	24	3.21	3.24	2.47 - 3.04	3.05 - 3.27	3.28 - 3.48	3.49 - 3.90
Library	24	3.79	3.37	2.50 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.35	3.36 - 3.58	3.59 - 3.91
Other students	24	3.29	3.33	2.36 - 3.18	3.19 - 3.36	3.37 - 3.47	3.48 - 3.86
Student associations	24	3.14	2.99	1.92 - 2.76	2.77 - 3.02	3.03 - 3.22	3.23 - 3.62
University facilities	24	3.71	3.40	2.40 - 3.21	3.22 - 3.39	3.40 - 3.57	3.58 - 3.92

Table 2: Summary statistics



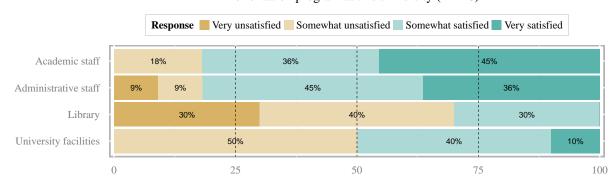
3.2.2 Aalborg University, Denmark

Rate the introduction process to the following units or people as part of the orientation program at this university (n = 25)



3.2.3 Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal

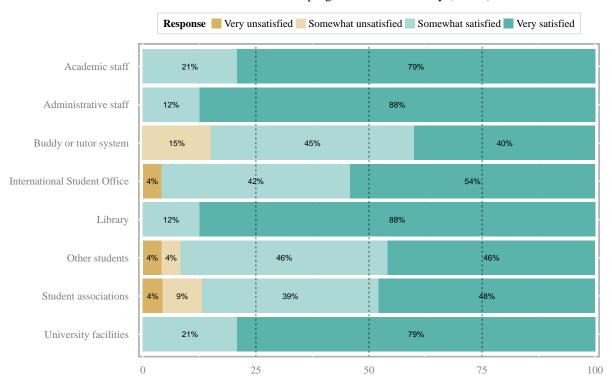
Rate the introduction process to the following units or people as part of the orientation program at this university (n = 18)





3.2.4 University of Lincoln, United Kingdom

Rate the introduction process to the following units or people as part of the orientation program at this university (n = 24)



3.3 Helpfulness of units and people

3.3.1 Consortia

 ${\it Question:} B.2.1$



University facilities

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Response Very unsatisfied Somewhat unsatisfied Somewhat satisfied Very satisfied Academic staff 4% 12% 83% 67% Administrative staff 4% 29% Buddy or tutor system 4% 71% 25% International Student Office 55% 9% 36% Library 38% 62% Other students 12% 54% 33% Student associations 22% 48 % 26%

Rate the helpfulness of the following units of people

50

75

	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
Academic staff	24	3.79	3.45	2.50 - 3.30	3.31 - 3.46	3.47 - 3.62	3.63 - 4.00
Administrative staff	24	3.62	3.35	2.10 - 3.18	3.19 - 3.45	3.46 - 3.61	3.62 - 4.00
Buddy or tutor system	24	3.21	3.03	2.20 - 2.90	2.91 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.73
International Student Office	24	3.27	3.25	2.45 - 3.09	3.10 - 3.27	3.28 - 3.50	3.51 - 3.71
Library	24	3.62	3.42	2.80 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.44	3.45 - 3.60	3.61 - 3.93
Other students	24	3.21	3.40	2.45 - 3.21	3.22 - 3.39	3.40 - 3.55	3.56 - 3.85
Student associations	24	2.96	3.04	2.10 - 2.92	2.93 - 3.08	3.09 - 3.24	3.25 - 3.68
University facilities	24	3.50	3.42	2.71 - 3.27	3.28 - 3.48	3.49 - 3.63	3.64 - 3.86

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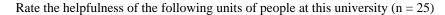
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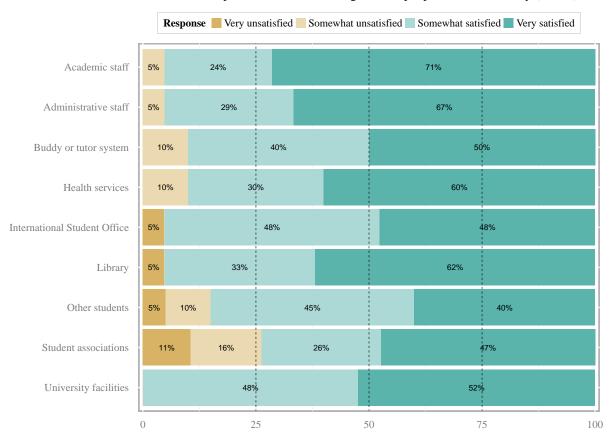
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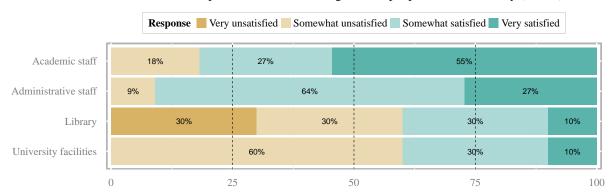
3.3.2 Aalborg University, Denmark





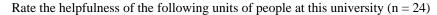
3.3.3 Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal

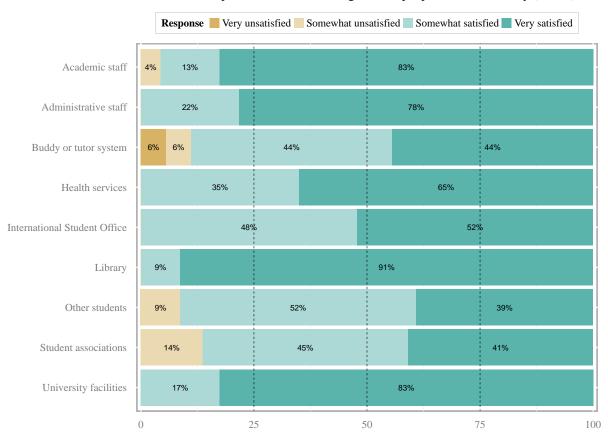
Rate the helpfulness of the following units of people at this university (n = 18)





3.3.4 University of Lincoln, United Kingdom



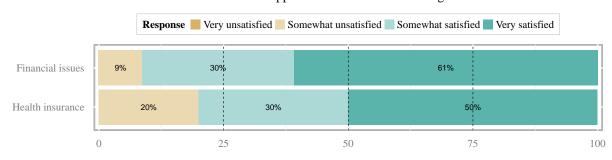


3.4 Support received on various issues

3.4.1 Consortia

Question:B.2.2

Rate the support received on the following issues



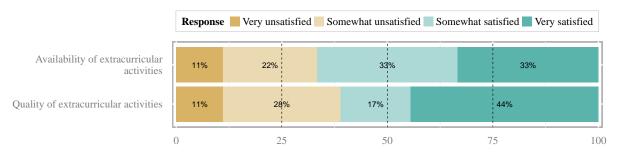


	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - $50%$	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
Financial issues	24	3.52	3.34	2.50 - 3.19	3.20 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.57	3.58 - 3.90
Health insurance	24	3.30	3.36	2.54 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.38	3.39 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.84

Table 4: Summary statistics

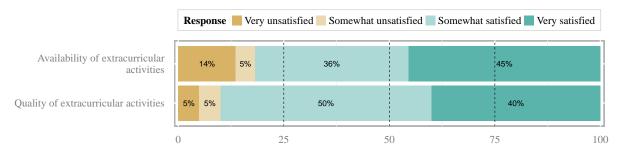
3.4.2 Aalborg University, Denmark

Rate the following items for first university (n = 25)



3.4.3 University of Lincoln, United Kingdom

Rate the following items for first university (n = 24)





4 Assessment and feedback

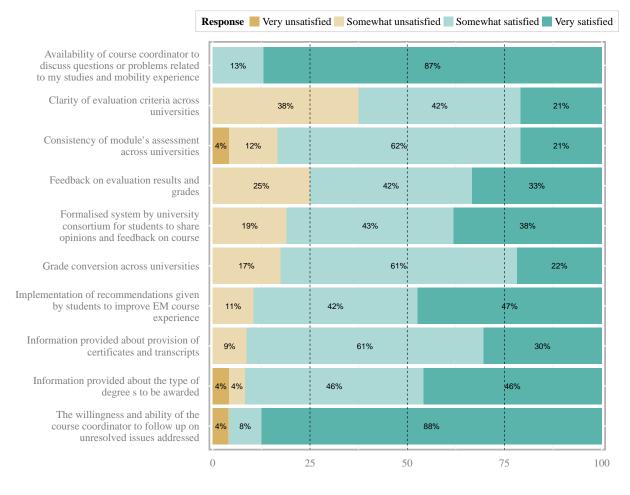
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4.1 Module assessment

4.1.1 Consortia

Question:C.1

Rate the following items



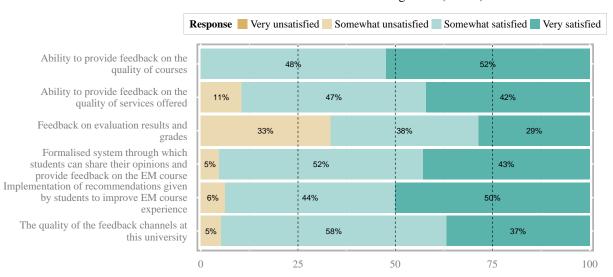


	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
Availability of course coordinator	24	3.87	3.28	2.10 - 3.12	3.13 - 3.33	3.34 - 3.49	3.50 - 3.90
to discuss questions or problems							
related to my studies and mobil-							
ity experience							
Clarity of evaluation criteria	24	2.83	2.77	1.90 - 2.55	2.56 - 2.79	2.80 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.60
across universities							
Consistency of module's assess-	24	3.00	2.81	1.89 - 2.58	2.59 - 2.79	2.80 - 3.01	3.02 - 3.50
ment across universities							
	24	3.08	2.77	1.70 - 2.57	2.58 - 2.83	2.84 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.60
and grades							
3 3	24	3.19	2.91	1.75 - 2.73	2.74 - 2.97	2.98 - 3.19	3.20 - 3.55
consortium for students to share							
opinions and feedback on course							
Grade conversion deress dinversi	24	3.04	2.85	2.17 - 2.71	2.72 - 2.83	2.84 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.56
ties							
Implementation of recommenda-	24	3.37	2.82	1.58 - 2.62	2.63 - 2.86	2.87 - 3.15	3.16 - 3.44
tions given by students to im-							
prove EM course experience							
r r r r r r r r r r r r r r r r r r r	24	3.22	3.02	1.96 - 2.85	2.86 - 3.07	3.08 - 3.27	3.28 - 3.67
vision of certificates and tran-							
scripts							
1	24	3.33	3.12	2.40 - 2.95	2.96 - 3.16	3.17 - 3.35	3.36 - 3.70
type of degree s to be awarded							
The willingness and ability of the	24	3.79	3.23	1.80 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.32	3.33 - 3.47	3.48 - 3.92
course coordinator to follow up							
on unresolved issues addressed							

Table 5: Summary statistics

4.1.2 Aalborg University, Denmark

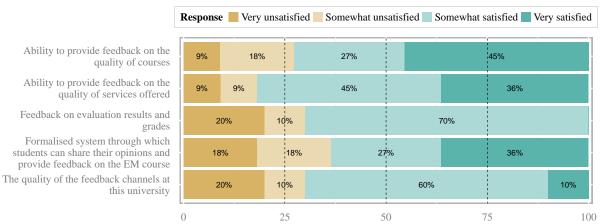
Rate the following items (n = 25)





Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal 4.1.3

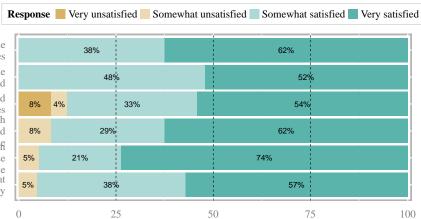
Rate the following items (n = 18)



Formalised system through which students can share their opinions and provide feedback on the EM course

University of Lincoln, United Kingdom

Rate the following items (n = 24)



Ability to provide feedback on the quality of courses Ability to provide feedback on the quality of services offered Feedback on evaluation results and grades Formalised system through which students can share their opinions and Implementation for recommendations given by students to improve EM course experience The quality of the feedback channels at this university

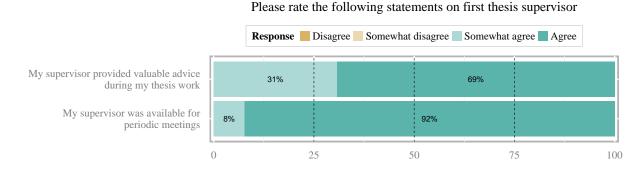


5 Teaching/learning and supervision

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5.1 First supervisor.

Question:L.4

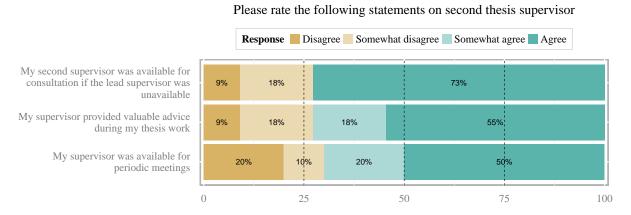


	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
My supervisor provided valuable advice during my thesis work	24	3.69	3.50	2.64 - 3.43	3.44 - 3.60	3.61 - 3.75	3.76 - 4.00
My supervisor was available for periodic meetings	24	3.92	3.54	2.79 - 3.46	3.47 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.80	3.81 - 4.00

Table 6: Summary statistics

5.2 Second supervisor.

${\it Question:} L.5$





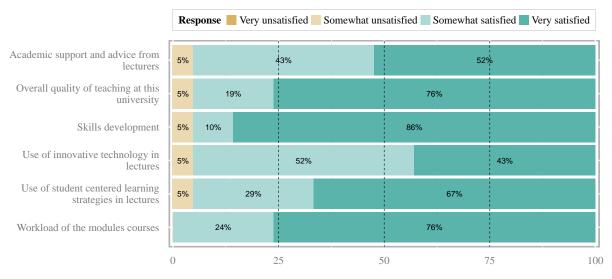
	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
My second supervisor was avail-	24	3.36	3.38	2.36 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.65	3.66 - 3.91
able for consultation if the lead							
supervisor was unavailable							
My supervisor provided valuable	24	3.18	3.40	2.45 - 3.12	3.13 - 3.48	3.48 - 3.71	3.72 - 3.91
advice during my thesis work							
My supervisor was available for	24	3.00	3.37	2.50 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.50	3.51 - 3.70	3.71 - 3.91
periodic meetings							

Table 7: Summary statistics

5.3 Teaching/learning

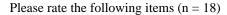
5.3.1 Aalborg University, Denmark

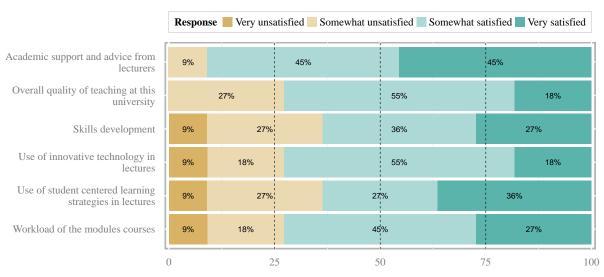
Please rate the following items (n = 25)





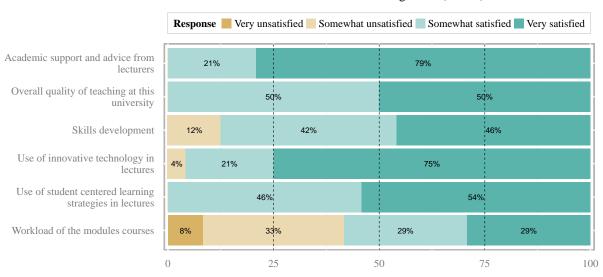
5.3.2 Technical University of Lisbon, Portugal





5.3.3 University of Lincoln, United Kingdom

Please rate the following items (n = 24)





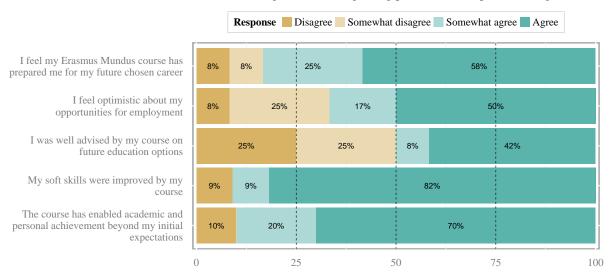
6 Internship/field experience and personal development

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6.1 Personal development.

Question:L.6

Rate the following statements regarding personal development during EM course



	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
I feel my Erasmus Mundus course	24	3.33	3.38	2.43 - 3.17	3.18 - 3.35	3.36 - 3.54	3.55 - 4.00
has prepared me for my future							
chosen career							
I feel optimistic about my oppor-	24	3.08	3.27	2.50 - 2.95	2.96 - 3.29	3.30 - 3.50	3.51 - 3.71
tunities for employment							
I was well advised by my course	24	2.67	2.90	2.31 - 2.62	2.63 - 2.80	2.81 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.55
on future education options							
My soft skills were improved by	24	3.64	3.49	2.90 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.71	3.72 - 4.00
my course							
The course has enabled academic	24	3.50	3.28	2.46 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.37	3.38 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.91
and personal achievement beyond							
my initial expectations							

Table 8: Summary statistics



7 Acknowledgments

Some concluding remarks

