

GEMMA-Master's Degree in Women's and Gender Studies

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

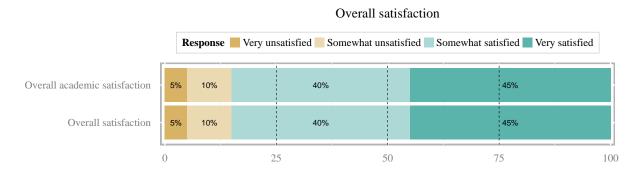
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1 Executive summary (?)



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 20 students of your program. They represent 15 countries and collectively they have spent more than 844 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	20	3.25	3.19	2.54 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.23	3.24 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.70
Enrolling in classes	20	3.25	3.42	2.57 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.45	3.46 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.92
Evaluation methods	20	3.00	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

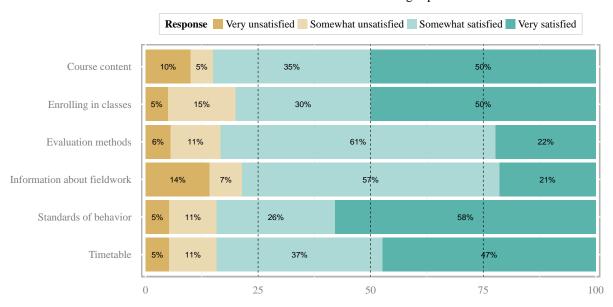
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3.1 Support received before the start of the Erasmus Mundus course

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		3.25	3.19	2.54 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.23	3.24 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.70
Enrolling in classes	20	3.25	3.42	2.57 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.45	3.46 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.92
Evaluation methods		3.00	3.03	2.23 - 2.88	2.88 - 3.06	3.07 - 3.21	3.22 - 3.76
Information about fieldwork	20	2.86	2.95	2.00 - 2.80	2.81 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.19	3.20 - 3.57
Standards of behavior	20	3.37	3.44	2.77 - 3.29	3.30 - 3.42	3.43 - 3.63	3.64 - 3.90
Timetable	20	3.26	3.13	1.94 - 2.96	2.97 - 3.20	3.21 - 3.33	3.34 - 3.80

Table 1: Summary statistics

3.2 Support received during the orientaion program

3.2.1 Consortia

 ${\bf Question:} B.1.3$



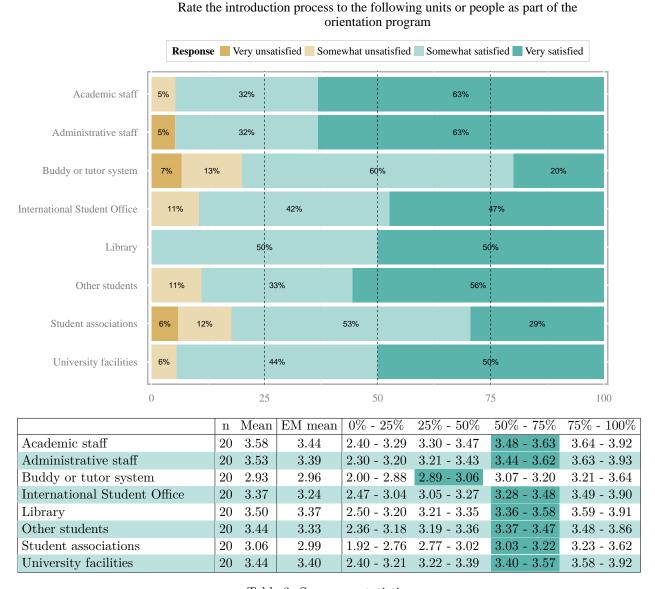


Table 2: Summary statistics

3.3 Helpfulness of units and people

3.3.1 Consortia

Question:B.2.1



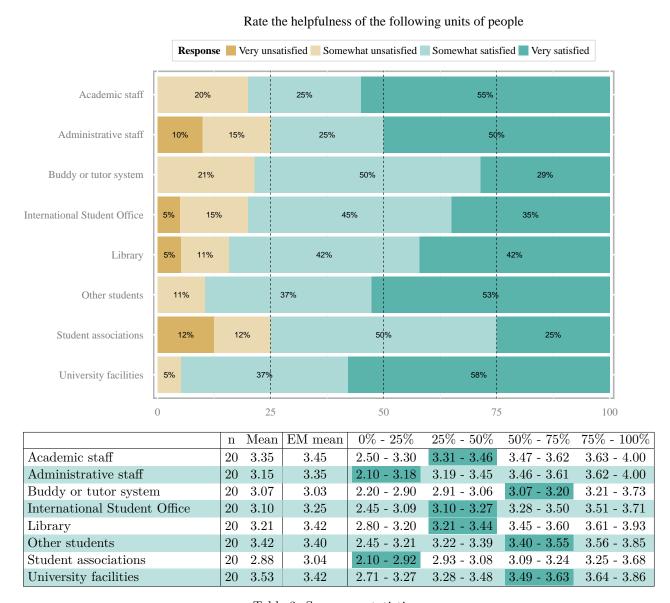


Table 3: Summary statistics

3.4 Support received on various issues

3.4.1 Consortia

Question:B.2.2



10%

5%

Financial issues

Health insurance

Rate the support received on the following issues Response Very unsatisfied Somewhat unsatisfied Somewhat satisfied Very satisfied 20% 20% 50% 15% 30% 50%

0 25 75 100 EM mean 0% - 25% 25% - 50% 50% - 75% 75% - 100% Mean \mathbf{n} Financial issues 20 3.10 3.34 2.50 - 3.193.20 - 3.40 3.41 - 3.57 3.58 - 3.90 3.36 2.54 - 3.2520 3.25 3.26 - 3.38 3.39 - 3.563.57 - 3.84Health insurance

Table 4: Summary statistics



4 Assessment and feedback

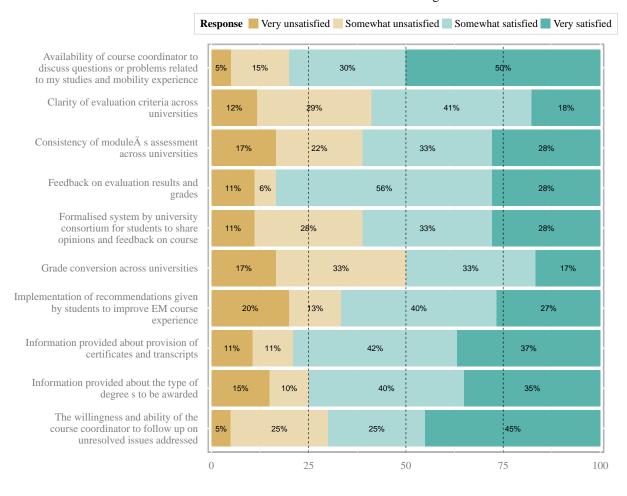
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4.1 Module assessment

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	20	3.25	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							
0-00-00	20	2.65	2.77	1.90 - 2.55	2.56 - 2.79	2.80 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.60
across universities							
Consistency of moduleàs assess-	20	2.72	2.81	1.89 - 2.58	2.59 - 2.79	2.80 - 3.01	3.02 - 3.50
ment across universities							
Feedback on evaluation results	20	3.00	2.77	1.70 - 2.57	2.58 - 2.83	2.84 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.60
and grades							
Formalised system by university	20	2.78	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 across universi-	20	2.50	2.85	2.17 - 2.71	2.72 - 2.83	2.84 - 3.00	3.01 - 3.56
ties							
r	20	2.73	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							
Information provided about pro-	20	3.05	3.02	1.96 - 2.85	2.86 - 3.07	3.08 - 3.27	3.28 - 3.67
vision of certificates and tran-							
scripts							
Information provided about the	20	2.95	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	20	3.10	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							

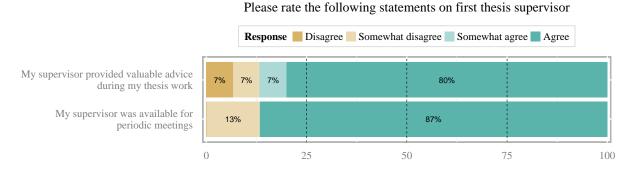
Table 5: Summary statistics

5 Teaching/learning and supervision

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5.1 First supervisor.

${\it Question:} L.4$



5.2 Second supervisor.

Question:L.5



	n	Mean	EM mean	0% - 25%	25% - 50%	50% - 75%	75% - 100%
My supervisor provided valuable	20	3.60	3.50	2.64 - 3.43	3.44 - 3.60	3.61 - 3.75	3.76 - 4.00
advice during my thesis work							
My supervisor was available for	20	3.73	3.54	2.79 - 3.46	3.47 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.80	3.81 - 4.00
periodic meetings							

Table 6: Summary statistics

Please rate the following statements on second thesis supervisor

Response Disagree Somewhat disagree Somewhat agree Agree My second supervisor was available for 25% consultation if the lead supervisor was 25% 8% 42% unavailable My supervisor provided valuable advice 20% 20% 20% 40% during my thesis work My supervisor was available for 50% 21% 21% 7% periodic meetings 0 25 100 50 75

25% - 50% 50% - 75% 75% - 100% Mean EM mean 0% - 25% 2.36 - 3.20 | 3.21 - 3.56 | 3.57 - 3.65 My second supervisor was avail-20 2.833.38 3.66 - 3.91able for consultation if the lead supervisor was unavailable My supervisor provided valuable 20 2.45 - 3.12 | 3.13 - 3.48 | 3.48 - 3.71 2.80 3.40 3.72 - 3.91advice during my thesis work My supervisor was available for 20 2.86 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



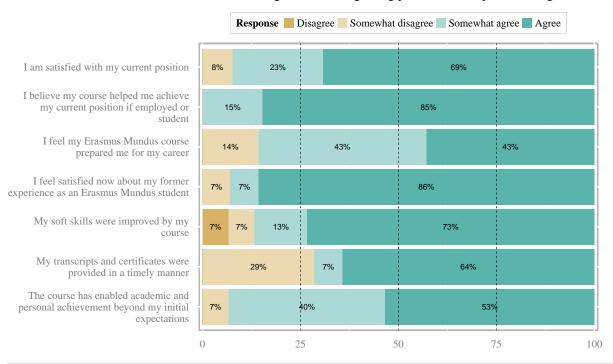
6 Internship/field experience and personal development

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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 am satisfied with my current	20	3.62	3.37	3.00 - 3.25	3.26 - 3.44	3.45 - 3.62	3.63 - 3.79
position							
I believe my course helped me	20	3.85	3.44	3.00 - 3.43	3.44 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.72	3.73 - 3.95
achieve my current position if em-							
ployed or student							
I feel my Erasmus Mundus course	20	3.29	3.35	2.64 - 3.28	3.29 - 3.33	3.34 - 3.54	3.55 - 3.88
prepared me for my career							
I feel satisfied now about my for-	20	3.79	3.63	3.36 - 3.61	3.62 - 3.69	3.70 - 3.79	3.80 - 4.00
mer experience as an Erasmus							
Mundus student							
My soft skills were improved by	20	3.53	3.49	2.90 - 3.40	3.41 - 3.56	3.57 - 3.71	3.72 - 4.00
my course							
My transcripts and certificates	20	3.36	3.17	2.36 - 2.93	2.94 - 3.36	3.37 - 3.62	3.63 - 4.00
were provided in a timely man-							
ner							
The course has enabled academic	20	3.47	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

