

CollegeBoard• PCMAS Survey Question about Teaching Preparation and Teaching Experience

In general terms, how satisfied are you with the preparation that you received to be a teacher?

In general terms, how satisfied are you with your preparation to teach?	2016		2015		2014		2014-16	
	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	1631	67	1911	95	2482	117	6024	279
A. Very satisfied	64%	63%	66%	60%	66%	72%	65%	66%
B. Good Enough	27%	33%	24%	29%	24%	19%	25%	26%
C. Satisfied	8%	4%	9%	7%	9%	9%	9%	7%
D. Less than satisfied	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
E. Not satisfied at all	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

The chart above shows the CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders perception of their overall preparation to teach. The percentages in each category are very similar for UPRM candidates and all candidates.

The chart below shows the perception of CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders with respect to the orientation and counseling services received during their studies for each of the past three years and for all three years. Overall roughly 80% of the UPRM candidates report their guidance and counseling services as More than adequate or Excellent over the past three years versus 71% of all candidates. There is a marked drop in Excellent ratings from 2014 to 2016 among UPRM teacher candidates from 62% to 47% to 37%. There is a less marked drop in Excellent ratings from 2014 to 2016 among all test takers from 51% to 48% to 44%. Some of this drop in ratings may be due to changes in Puerto Rico Department of Education teacher certification requirements.

The orientation and counseling services that you received during your university studies were

The orientation and counseling services received during studies were	2016		2015		2014		2014-16	
	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	1630	67	1938	97	2658	129	5526	293
A. Excellent	44%	37%	48%	47%	51%	62%	42%	52%
B. More than adequate	29%	42%	26%	26%	25%	25%	29%	29%
C. Adequate	21%	15%	19%	23%	19%	9%	22%	15%
D. Less than adequate	6%	6%	7%	4%	6%	4%	7%	4%

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How do you rate your academic preparation in those courses that you took in the Education or Pedagogy Faculty, Department, or Program?

Rate your academic preparation in Education or Pedagogy courses	2016		2015		2014		2014-16	
	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	1630	67	1939	97	2661	129	6230	293
A. Excellent	67%	76%	68%	71%	62%	65%	65%	70%
B. More than adequate	25%	21%	21%	15%	25%	22%	24%	19%
C. Adequate	8%	3%	10%	11%	11%	12%	10%	10%
D. Less than adequate	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%
E. Inadequate	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

The chart above shows the CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders perception of their academic preparation in education courses. In the case of education and pedagogy courses 70% of UPRM candidates over the past three years report their academic preparation as excellent versus 65% of all candidates.

The chart below shows the CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders rating of their teaching experience. Roughly 80% of UPRM candidates as well as all candidates over the past three years rated their teaching practice experience as excellent. The overall perception of at least 70% of UPRM teacher candidates concerning their preparation to teach is excellent.

How do you rate your teaching practice experience?

How do you rate your teaching practice experience?	2016		2015		2014		2014-16	
	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	1575	66	1873	91	2595	125	6043	282
A. Excellent	76%	76%	79%	78%	82%	83%	79%	80%
B. More than adequate	19%	23%	15%	15%	14%	11%	15%	15%
C. Adequate	5%	0%	6%	7%	4%	3%	5%	4%
D. Less than adequate	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
E. Inadequate	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%

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How many years' experience do you have as a teacher?

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	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	1630	67	1941	97	2655	129	6226	293
A. None	55%	73%	56%	75%	54%	67%	55%	71%
B. Less than a year	12%	13%	14%	15%	15%	25%	14%	19%
C. Between one and two years	11%	9%	12%	6%	11%	6%	11%	7%
D. Between three and five years	8%	3%	7%	2%	8%	2%	8%	2%
E. More than five years	13%	1%	11%	1%	12%	1%	12%	1%

The chart above shows the total number of CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders and the percentage of responders with differing levels of teaching experience at the time taking the exams for the past three years and the total for all three years. Approximately 10% of UPRM candidates over the past three years report more than one year teaching experience versus 30% of all candidates taking the exams.

The chart below shows the distribution of CollegeBoard• Puerto Rico Teacher Certification Exam Survey responders who were working in public school, a private school, or not working at the time of the exam. The percentage of UPRM candidates not working is much higher than the percentage of all candidates who marked not working. NOTE: given the instructions to leave the question in blank if not working and a total of at least 6230 responders should mean that there were another 3,420 or so candidates who left the question in blank. Without further clarification no reliable conclusions can be drawn from the report regarding this question.

When I applied for the Exam, I was working for a _____ school: (If not, please leave in blank.)

When I applied for the Exam, I was working for a _____ school:	2016		2015		2014		2014-16	
	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM	PR	UPRM
Number of responders: N =	775	31	945	38	1086	36	2806	105
A. Public	36%	16%	31%	16%	28%	19%	31%	17%
B. Private	33%	23%	30%	16%	38%	22%	34%	20%
C. Not working	31%	61%	39%	68%	35%	58%	35%	63%