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For the 2016 Employee Engagement Survey (EES) there were 47 respondents in 2016 compared to 48 respondents in 2014 who identified their department within WSU Spokane. Within WSU Spokane, the response average for statements 1-38 was 4.04, resulting in a 2.54% increase in the overall response average from 2014. Of those who responded, 48.94% were administrative professionals, 46.8% were classified staff, and 4.26% were faculty.

As explained in the 2016 EES Results Report, responses were measured using a 5-option Likert scale with “Never” equaling 1 and “Always” equaling 5 to determine the frequency in which employees identified with the statements.

For the 2016 survey, 76.6% of respondents said they always or often enjoy being part of their department (statement 28). However, the overall satisfaction at work (statement 38) decreased from 4.15 in 2014 to 4.09 for 2016. A breakdown of response averages can be found at the end of this report pages 4-5.

ADVANCING THE UNIVERSITY’S MISSION:

For 2016, the survey asked respondents to identify the extent to which their department approached advancement of the University’s mission, specifically as it related to the University goals of accountability, innovation, creativity, openness, and collaboration. This graph demonstrates the response average within WSU Spokane compared to the overall WSU average:
HIGHEST 2016 AREA RESPONSE AVERAGE:

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LOWEST 2016 AREA RESPONSE AVERAGE:

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<td>I feel appropriately compensated for my level of position. **</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>3.32</td>
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SIGNIFICANT AREA RESPONSE CHANGE (HIGHEST/LOWEST RESPONSE CHANGES):

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<td>A spirit of cooperation and teamwork exists between my co-workers and me.</td>
<td>3.69</td>
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<td>Those around me are committed to doing quality work.</td>
<td>3.81</td>
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<td>3.94</td>
<td>3.81</td>
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<td>I enjoy being part of Washington State University.</td>
<td>4.40</td>
<td>4.24</td>
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UNIVERSITY RESOURCES:

Based on feedback, the 2016 survey added additional statements regarding workplace concerns and employee awareness of WSU resources, specifically those resources related to Workplace Violence, Bullying, State Ethics, Discrimination, Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct. This graph demonstrates the percentage of employees who identified awareness of the following University policies within WSU Spokane:

| Policy Prohibiting Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, and Sexual Misconduct | 93.62% |
| Workplace Violence                                                          | 87.23% |
| Washington State University Ethics, Conflict of Interest, and Technology Transfer | 85.11% |
| Bullying Prevention and Reporting                                            | 78.72% |

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EMPLOYEE FEEDBACK:

At the end of the survey, employees were given the opportunity to provide feedback regarding subjects not addressed in the survey. The following feedback, specifically related to employee perceptions of the workplace, was provided by respondents who identified themselves within WSU Spokane:

- As WSU Spokane embraces its new identity as a Health Sciences campus it is important to create context and meaning for the departments not related to (primary) Health Sciences so that we can continue to feel that we are part of what’s valued and built upon
- Compensation needs to be reviewed and adjusted as appropriate
- The limited investment in technology infrastructure at WSU does not meet modern expectations of faculty, staff and students
- Limited opportunities for advancement
- Workplace climate concerns, specifically regarding nepotism and discrimination
- Sometimes the focus on the Pullman campus doesn’t include the urban campus staff until too late when a decision is already made and then we scramble to figure things out. Any decisions made that will impact all campuses should include all campuses
- For our department to be successful, it needs to be a team atmosphere where we are encouraged to work together as a team

ACTION ITEMS:

In reviewing the lowest area response averages and the statements with negative change from 2014 to 2016 in WSU Spokane, initiatives to improve employee engagement and perceptions of the workplace may include, but are not limited to:

- Identify positions with inappropriate compensation
- Improve communication efforts regarding changes at the university level
- Provide employees with resources as appropriate and encourage the use of University resources
- Provide employees with resources for workplace climate concerns and encourage the reporting of concerns
- Evaluate how input is solicited and taken into consideration
**RESPONSE AVERAGE BREAKDOWN:**

**SECTION 1: Do employees feel they have what is needed to do their job?**

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1. I know what is expected of me at work. 4.54 4.45 4.38 4.37
2. I receive the information I need to perform my job. 4.21 4.17 4.06 4.03
3. I have the resources and training to do my job effectively. 4.17 4.26 3.99 4.00
4. I have the technology I need to do my job efficiently. 4.38 4.28 4.15 4.09

**SECTION 2: Do employees feel they are valued?**

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5. I am encouraged to develop myself professionally. 3.85 3.98 3.44 3.59
6. My supervisor values me and the work I do. 4.13 4.24 3.84 3.93
7. I feel encouraged to have a good balance between work and personal life. 3.81 4.04 3.41 3.63
8. I feel appropriately compensated for my level of position. - 3.32 - 3.17

**SECTION 3: Do employees feel they provide individual contributions?**

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9. I am recognized for doing a good job. 3.85 3.98 3.44 3.59
10. I am encouraged to provide input on decisions impacting my work. 3.83 3.83 3.54 3.64
11. I am encouraged to come up with better ways of doing things. 3.88 3.98 3.56 3.72
12. I am given opportunities to be innovative or creative. - 3.77 - 3.69
13. I am given opportunities to be collaborative. - 4.06 - 3.78

**SECTION 4: Do employees feel connected to their co-workers?**

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14. A spirit of cooperation and teamwork exists between my co-workers and me. 3.69 4.15 3.85 3.88
15. Knowledge and information sharing is practiced between my co-workers and me. 3.88 4.02 3.80 3.84
16. Those around me are committed to doing quality work. 3.81 4.17 4.12 4.10
17. I have positive interactions with my co-workers. - 4.34 - 4.19
18. I enjoy the work climate that exists between my co-workers and me. - 4.11 - 4.00

**SECTION 5: Do employees feel satisfied with their supervisor?**

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19. My supervisor gives me ongoing feedback to help me improve my performance. 3.68 3.96 3.29 3.45
20. My supervisor encourages a positive work climate. - 4.04 - 3.90
21. My supervisor promotes open communication and feedback. - 4.20 - 3.90
22. My supervisor treats me with dignity and respect. - 4.50 - 4.29

**SECTION 6: Do employees feel connected to their department?**

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23. Clear reporting structures are established within my department. 4.10 4.06 3.79 3.87
24. I receive clear information about changes being made within my department. 3.65 3.67 3.32 3.43
25. I know how my department measures success. 3.50 3.60 3.26 3.41
26. I know how my work contributes to the success of my department. 4.02 4.11 3.84 3.92
27. My department demonstrates support for a diverse workforce. 4.30 4.33 4.00 4.08
28. I enjoy being part of my department. 4.10 4.13 3.96 4.00

Rate the extent to which your department approaches the following to advance the University Mission: **

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29. Accountability - 4.30 - 3.97
30. Innovation - 4.16 - 3.82
31. Creativity - 4.16 - 3.80
32. Openness - 3.93 - 3.68
33. Collaboration - 4.02 - 3.89

**SECTION 7: Do employees feel connected to WSU as a whole?**

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34. I am encouraged to improve work processes to benefit students and other University constituents or colleagues. 3.94 3.81 3.71 3.70
35. I receive clear information about changes being made within my college/area. 3.46 3.62 3.46 3.62
36. I receive clear information about changes being made within WSU. 3.38 3.52 3.38 3.52
37. I enjoy being part of Washington State University. 4.40 4.24 4.40 4.24
38. Overall, I am satisfied at work. 4.15 4.09 4.15 4.09

**EMPLOYEE RESOURCES: Are employees aware of WSU resources or do they have concerns in the workplace?**

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39. I am comfortable with utilizing University resources. ** - 3.80 - 3.75
40. My supervisor encourages me to use the University resources available to me. ** - 3.57 - 3.47
41. I have concerns regarding work climate. ** - 3.57 - 3.54
42. I feel comfortable bringing work climate concerns to my supervisor. ** - 3.96 - 3.77

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<td>I have support to pursue my research opportunities.</td>
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<td>I have input regarding my teaching opportunities and assignments.</td>
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<td>I am encouraged to participate in mentoring activities.</td>
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