

2024/06/26~07/10

# Results of survey for TUT international students

2024/08/26

Student Support Center



Part 1

# Attributes of the students who responded

## Basic attributes (1) (Percentage is the ratio of all respondents)

- Number of survey responses
  - 90 、 Response rate =42.1%
- Response language
  - English =74 (82.2%) 、 Japanese =16 (17.8%)
- Status
  - Undergraduate-1year =2 (2.2%) 、 Undergraduate-3year =19 (21.1%) 、 Undergraduate-4year =9 (10.0%) Master-1year =17 (18.9%) 、 Master-2year =13 (14.4%) 、 Doctoral-1year=10 (11.1%) 、 Doctoral-2year=7 (7.8%) 、 Doctoral-3year=5 (5.6%) 、 Research Student · Other =8 (8.9%)
- Month of enrollment
  - April =57 (63.3%) 、 October =11 (12.2%) 、 Other =22 (24.4%)

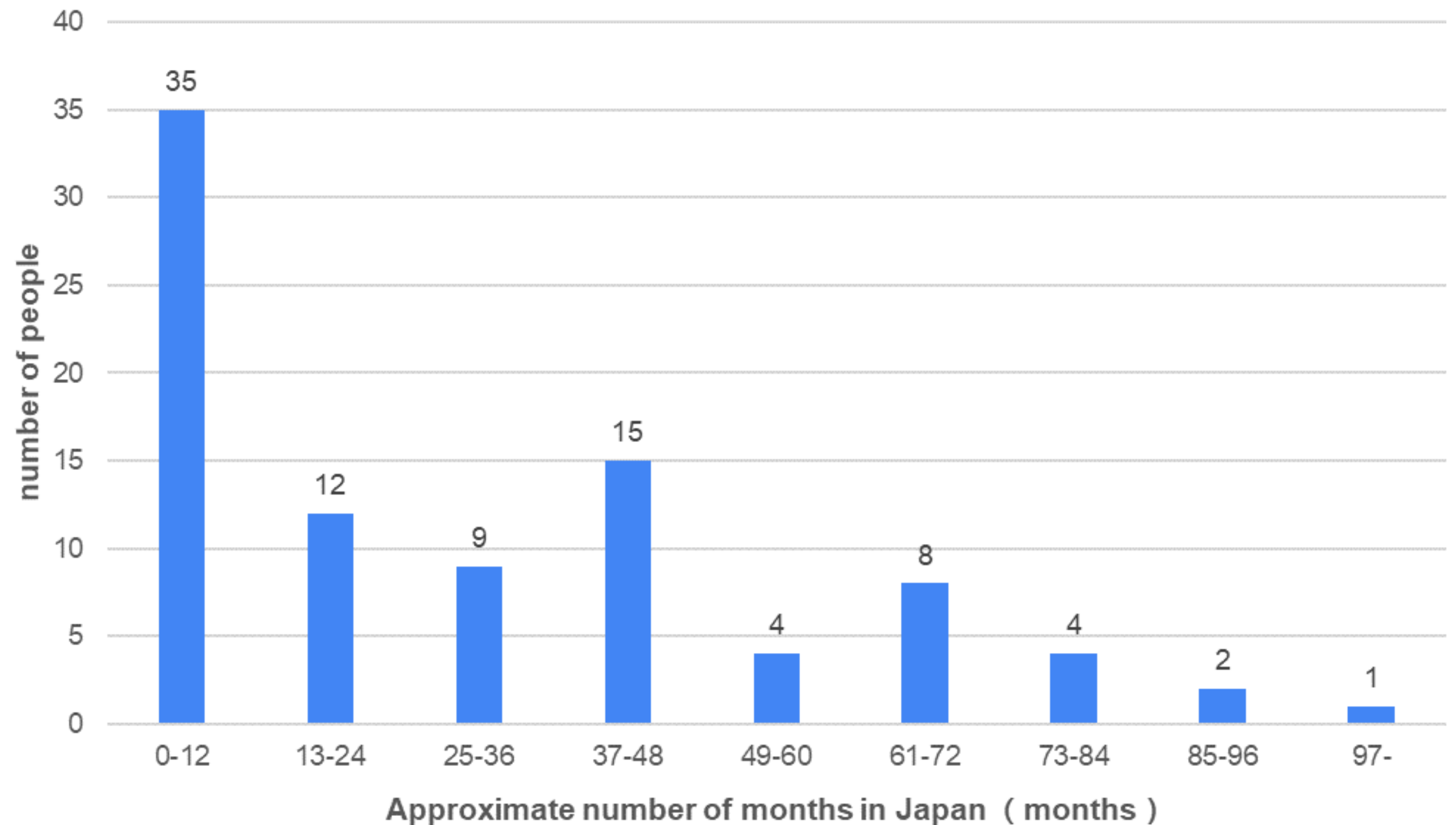
## Basic attributes (2)

- Region
  - Asia =74 (82.2%)、 Central and South America =1 (1.1%)、 Europe =8 (8.9%)、 Middle East =2 (2.2%)、 Africa =2 (2.2%)、 Non-response =3 (3.3%)
- Sex
  - Male =63 (70.0%) 、 Female =27 (30.0%) 、 Others =0 (0.0%) 、 Non-response =0 (0.0%)
- Residential style
  - Student dormitory A~F =6 (6.7%) 、 Global house =15 (16.7%) 、 International house =13 (14.4%) 、 Private apartment (single occupancy)=31 (34.4%) 、 Private apartment (shared living)=20 (22.2%) 、 Others =5 (5.6%)
- Experience of staying in Japan before entering TUT
  - Yes =46 (51.1%) 、 No =44 (48.9%)

## Basic attributes (3)

- Approximate number of months in Japan (at time of survey)

Average = 31.4 months

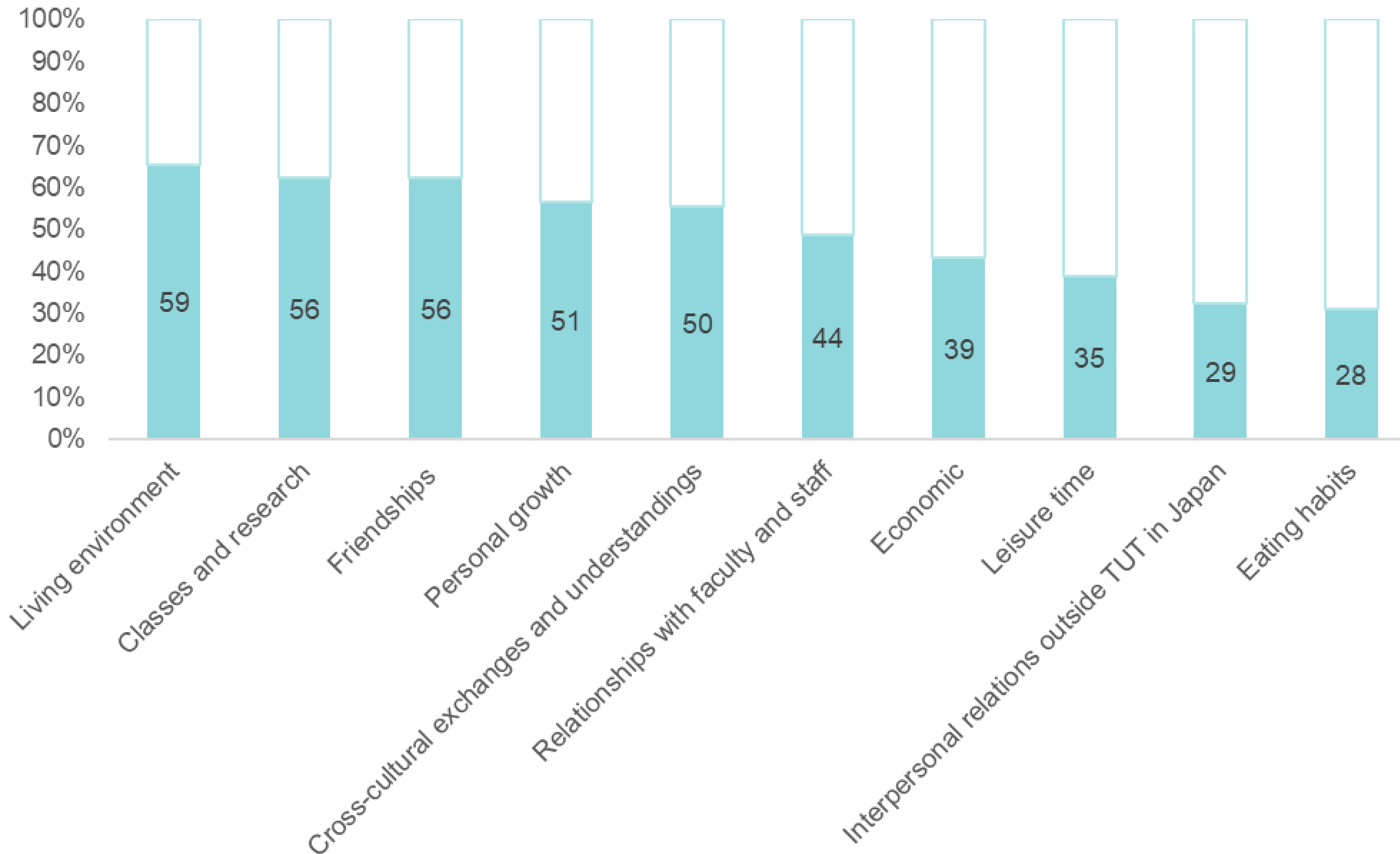




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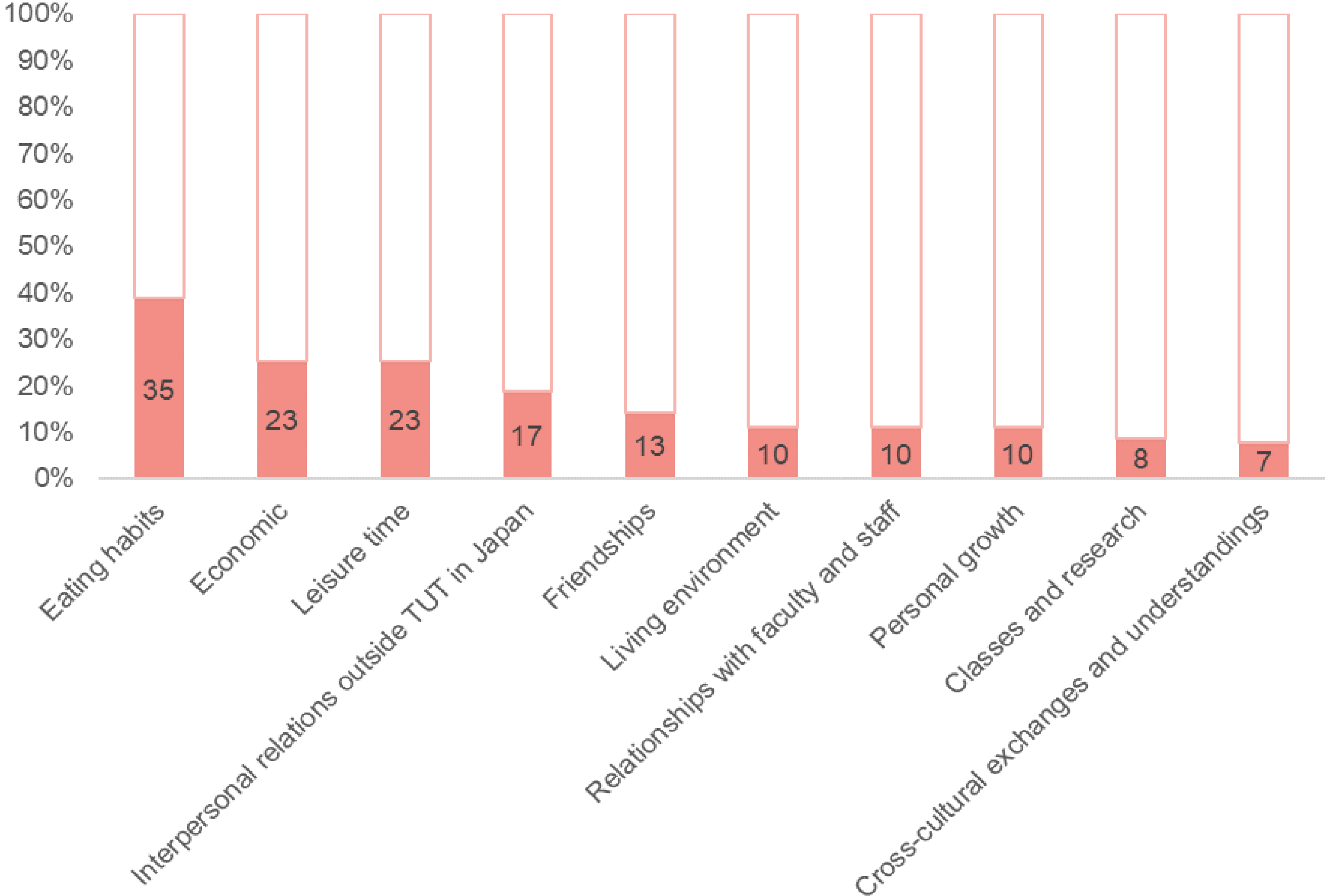
# Student life

# Satisfaction with student life (multiple responses)



The numbers in the bars indicate the number of respondents.

# Not satisfied with student life (multiple responses)



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# Advices to prospective international students (1) (free answers, excerpts)

## ● Friendship

- Try to make good friends
- Study advice from Senpai is very important
- Make friends with everyone, build network to prepare for life after graduation.
- Learn even a little of Japanese, and try to make friends outside of TUT as well.
- If you like talking to people, try to join any event you find interesting.
- 日本人友達も作ろう

## ● Japanese

- Don't be good at Japanese, master Japanese
- Prepare to study the lecture in Japanese and don't be afraid to use Japanese language in daily life.
- Please learn Japanese earlier before coming to Japan
- 日本語をもっと勉強してください

# Advices to prospective international students (2) (free answers, excerpts)

- Daily life

- Prepare schedule for study, socializing, exercise etc. to ensure proper time management.
- To have a balance life between study and life
- Find time to breathe and digest everything as university life can be hectic.
- Prepare money and mental health.

- Study

- The faculty members are highly knowledgeable and approachable, providing guidance and mentorship that is invaluable.
- They should prepare that university is not place for playing

- Others

- Try to enjoy yourself more
- To be highly open to learning new things



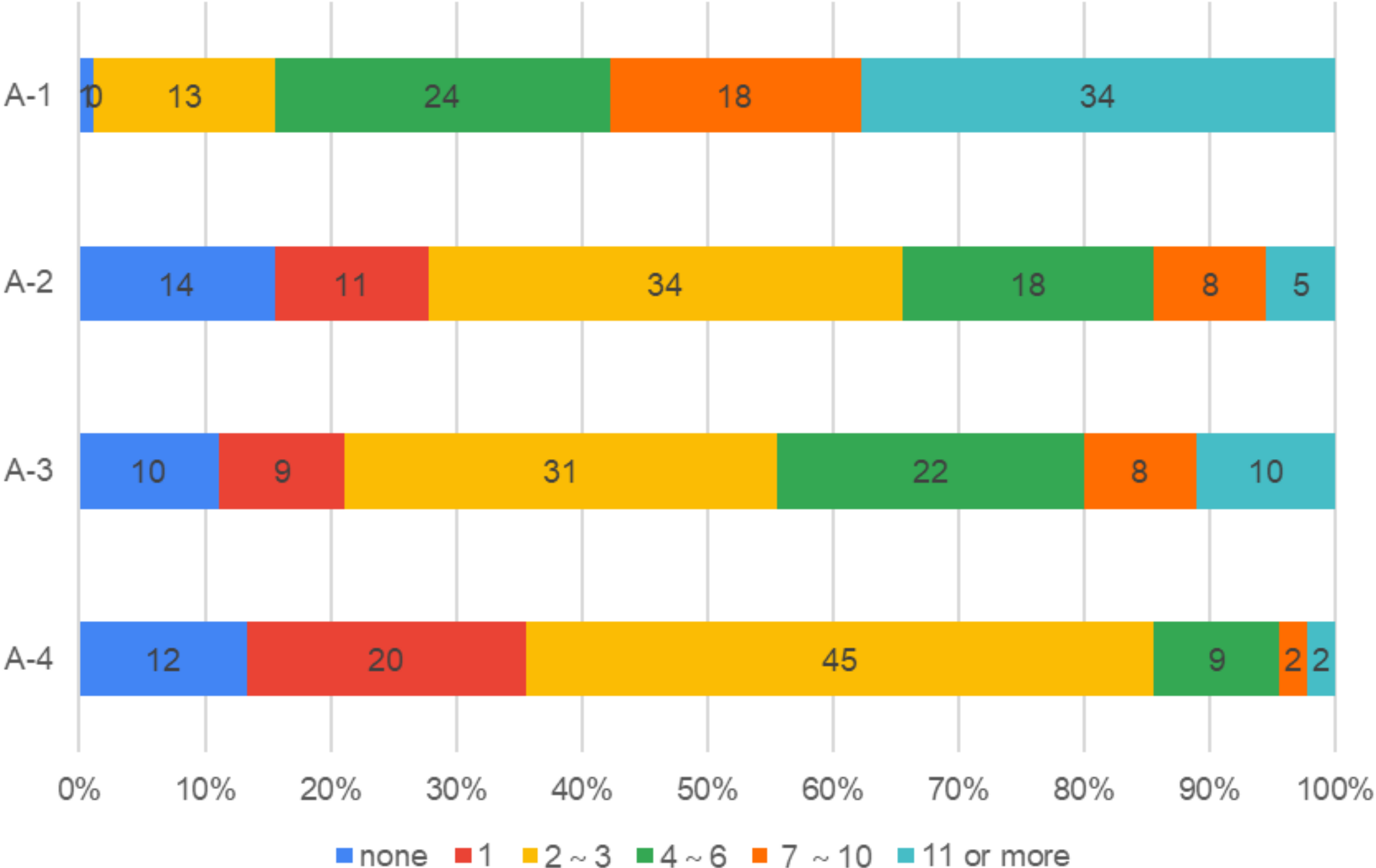
Part 3

# Interpersonal relationships in TUT

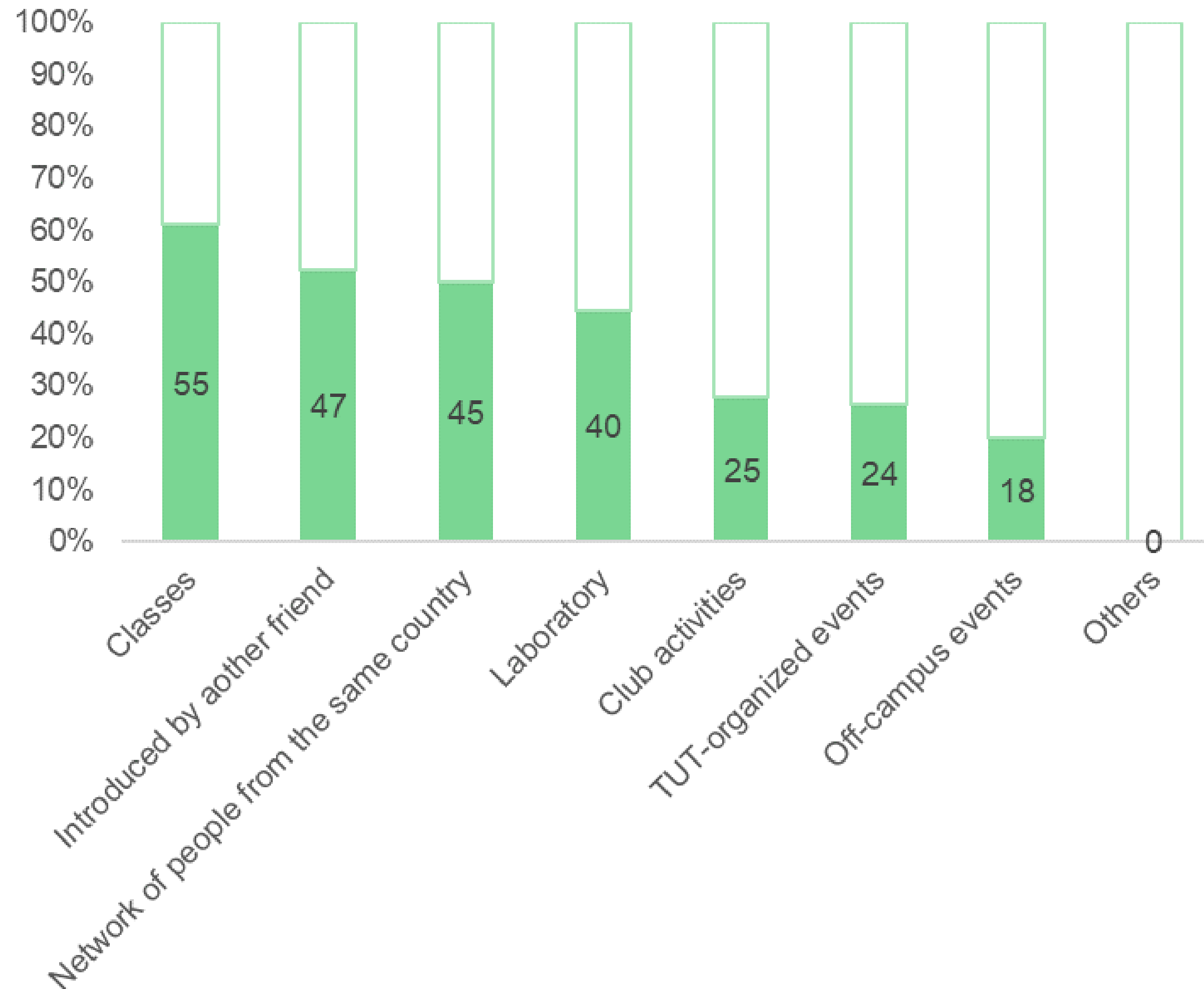
# Friends of international students on campus

(numbers in graph indicate number of students who responded)

- A-1 Number of friends
- A-2 Number of friends with whom you exchange information about classes and job hunting
- A-3 Number of friends to hang out with
- A-4 Number of friends to talk to about troubles



# Where did you meet your international student friends on campus (multiple responses)

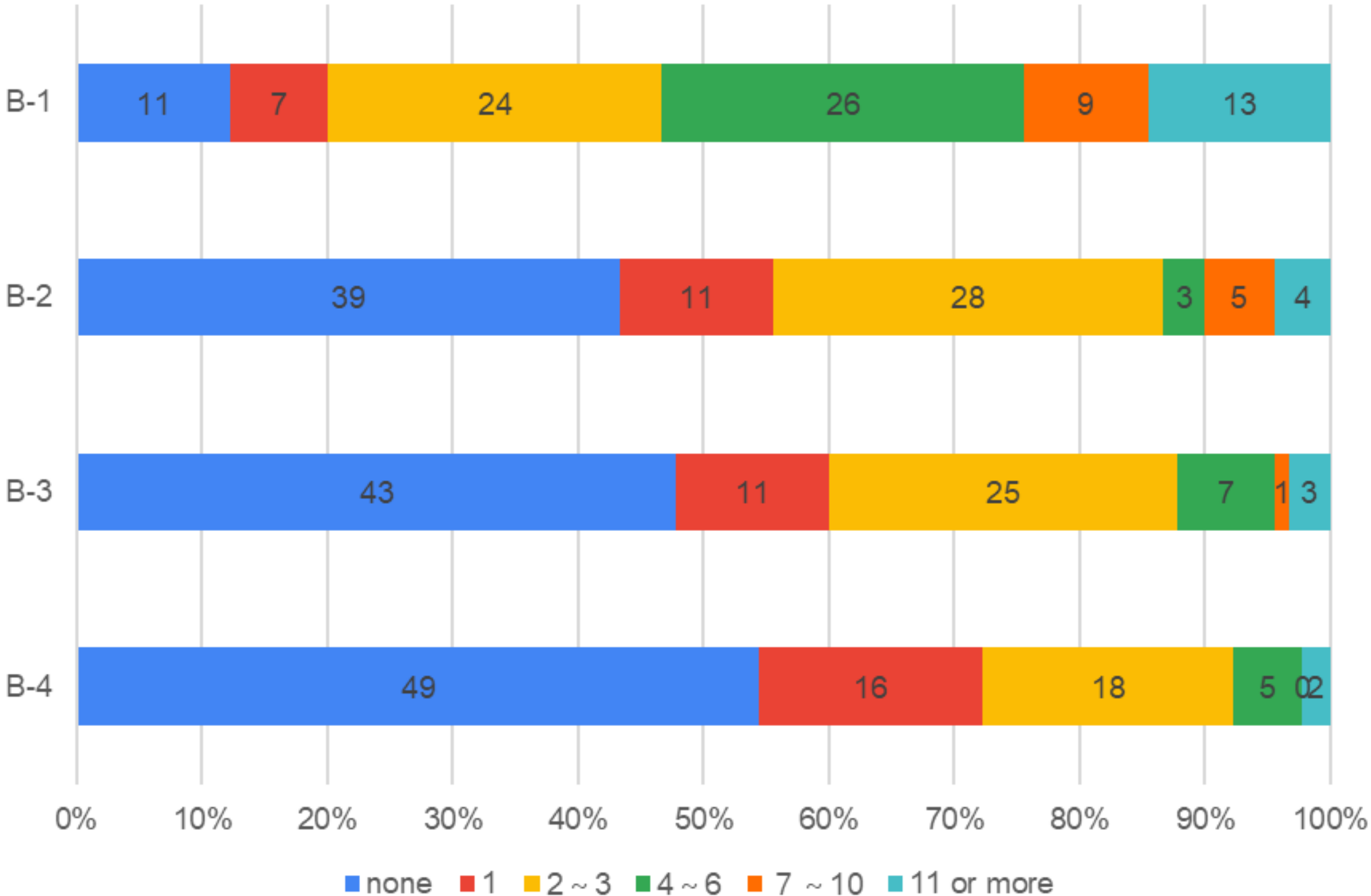


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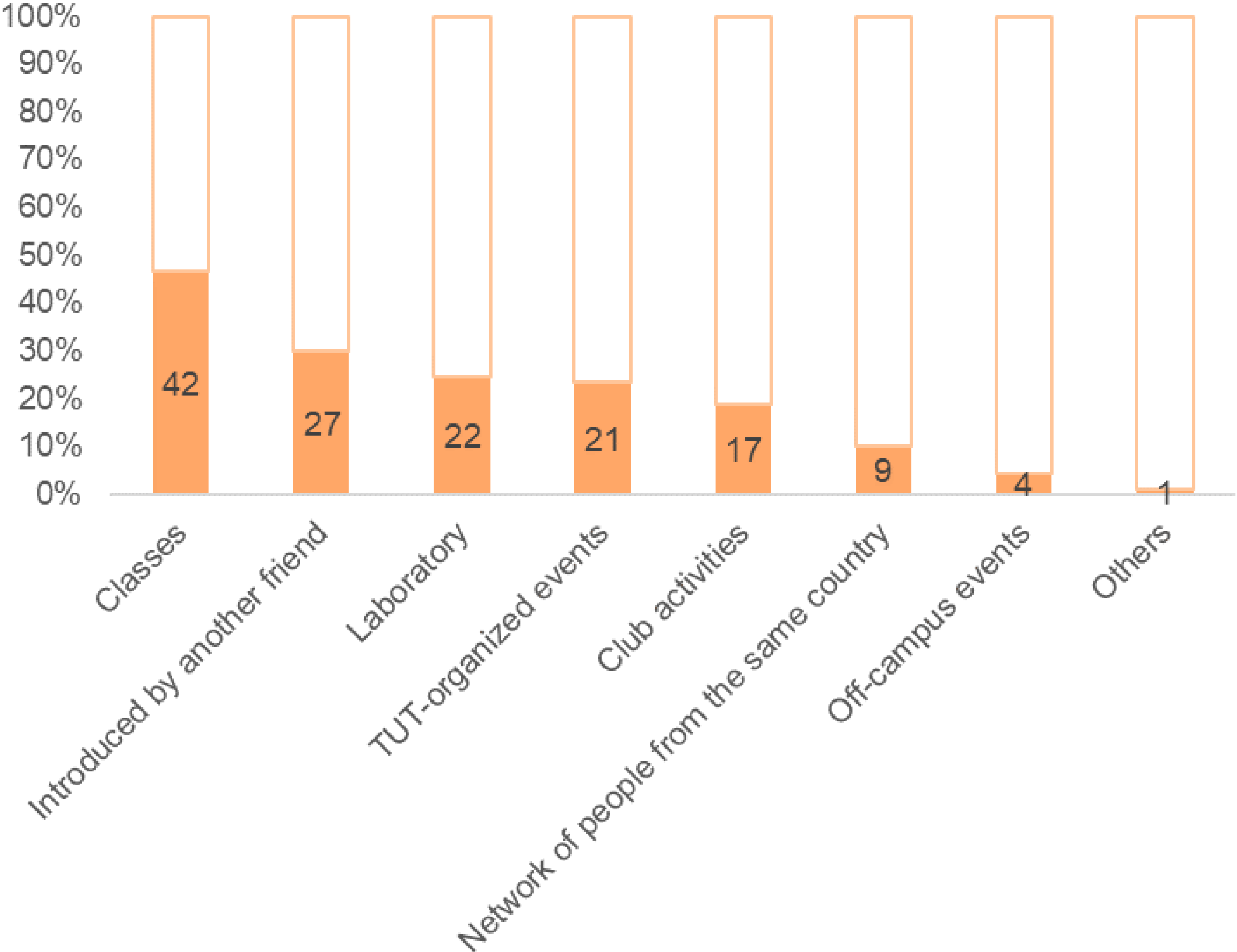
# Friends of Japanese students on campus

(numbers in graph indicate number of students who responded)

- A-1 Number of friends
- A-2 Number of friends with whom you exchange information about classes and job hunting
- A-3 Number of friends to hang out with
- A-4 Number of friends to talk to about troubles



# Where did you meet your Japanese student friends on campus (multiple responses)

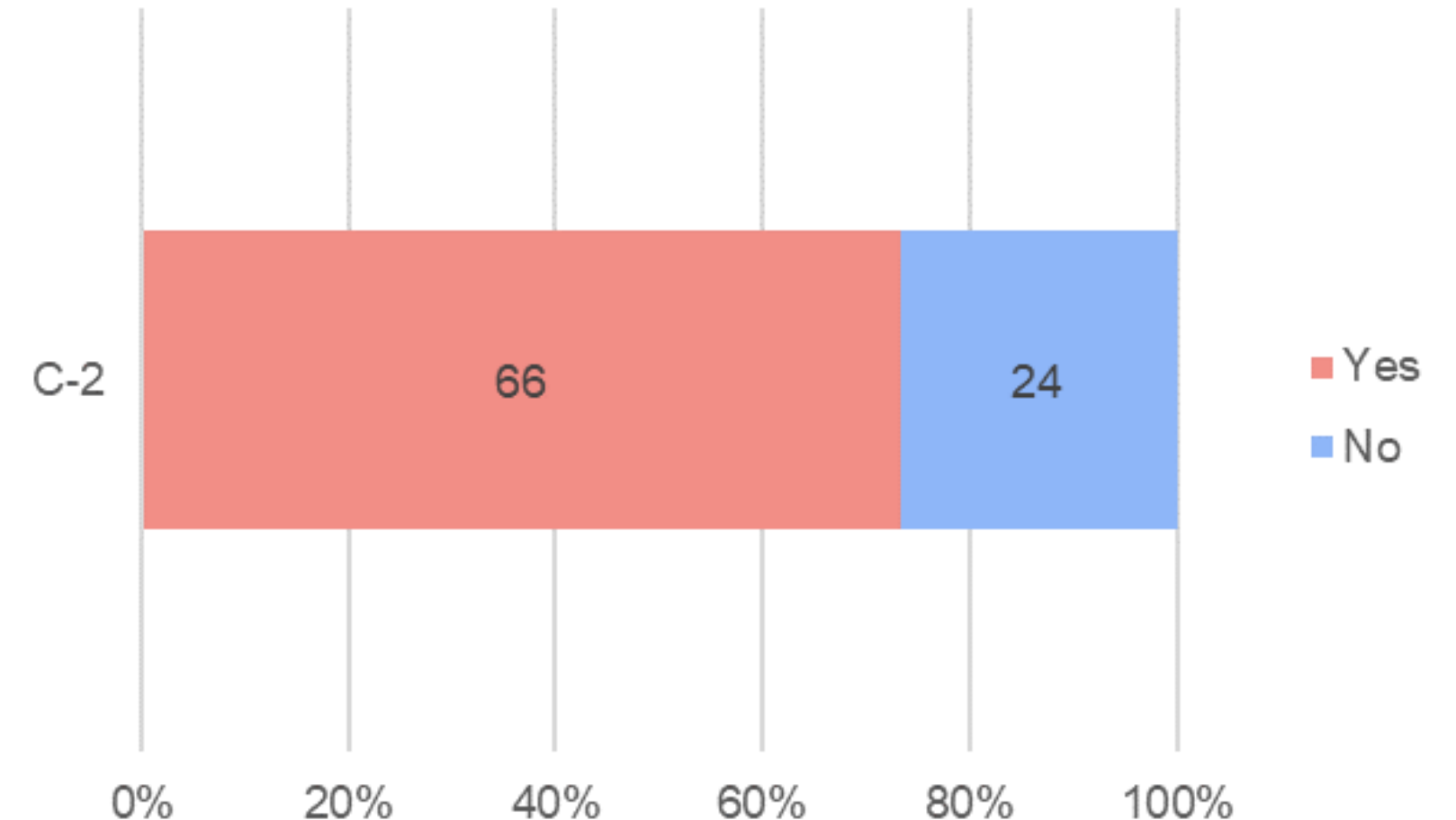
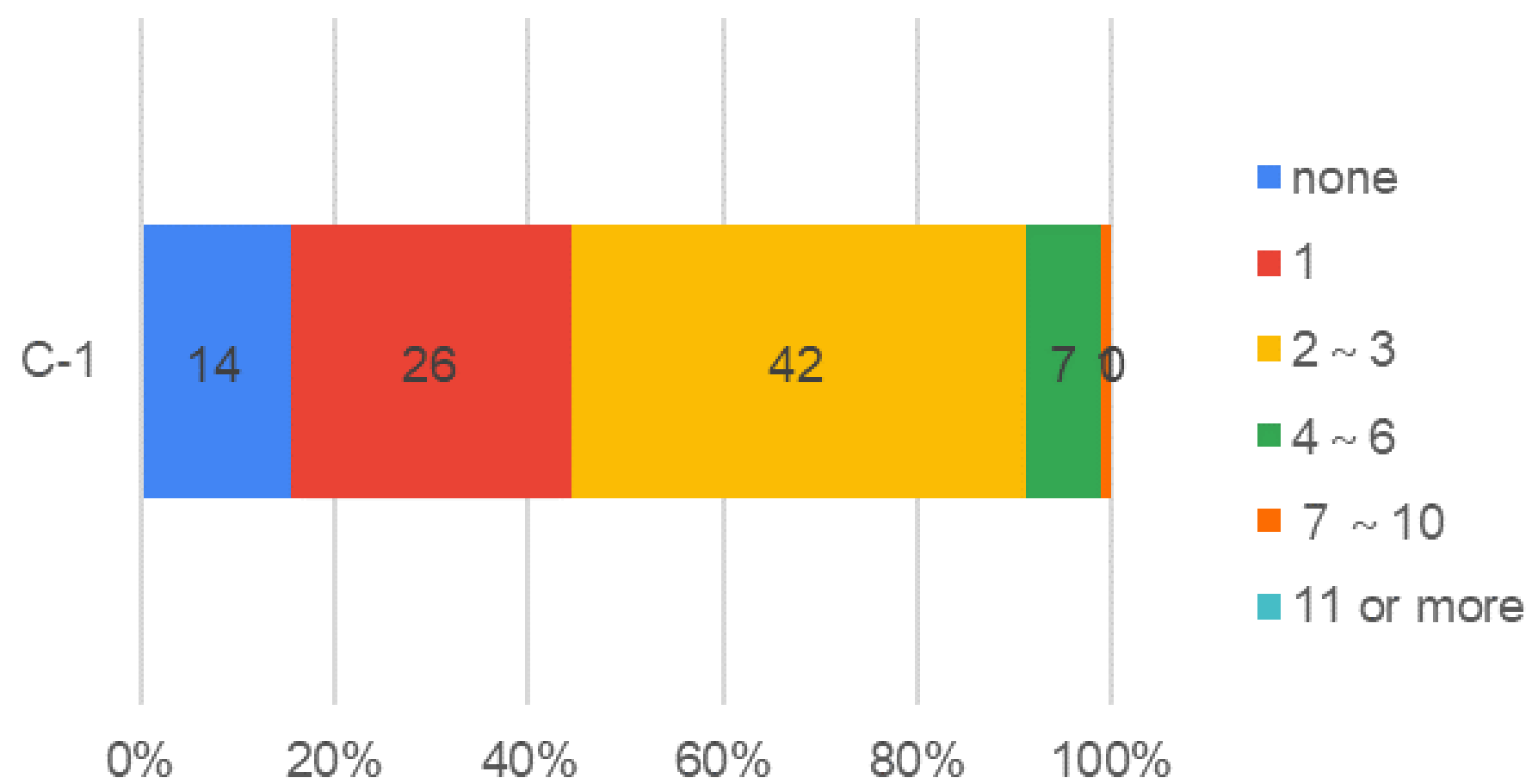


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# Consultation with faculty and staff (numbers in graph indicate number of students who responded)

C-1 Number of faculty members whom you have access to when you need help.

C-2 (Questions only for those who filled in one or more above) Does it include your supervisor (class teacher)?







Part 4

# **International Student Division, Student Support Center**

# Awareness and use of the International Student Division (Percentage is the ratio of all respondents)

- I know about the existence of the international student division.
  - Yes =78 (86.7%) 、 No =12 (86.7%)
- Have you ever consulted with the international student division or would you like to do so in the future if necessary?
  - Yes =55 (61.1%) 、 No =35 (38.9%)
- Do you know that international students have a booth at the TUT Festival?
  - Yes =54 (60.0%) 、 No =36 (40.0%)
- Have you participated in group work organized by the Student Support Center, or would you like to participate if it is something you are interested in in the future?
  - Yes =49 (54.4%) 、 No =41 (45.6%)

# Expectations for the International Student Division in the future (1)

## (free answers, excerpts)

### ● Career

- career counseling is important to me, including guidance on internships and job opportunities in Japan, resume writing, interview preparation, and understanding the Japanese job market.
- I would like to have access information about job hunting in Japan and discover the specific details for foreigner students
- 就活、進学などの悩みを相談できると嬉しいです。

### ● Living procedures

- When enrolling fill out applications n apartment hunting n assignments and reports n etc
- I would also benefit from legal and administrative guidance, especially in managing tasks such as visa renewals, health insurance, and banking.
- Support when looking for apartments and making apartment contracts.

## Expectations for the International Student Division in the future (2) (free answers, excerpts)

- Research related
  - Academic support is also crucial, with assistance in navigating academic requirements, accessing tutoring services, and attending workshops on academic skills and strategies.
  - To help me get PHD scholarships for future studies
  - Some international students are being abused by "black labs"
- Consultation
  - Help about mental health assistance in academic workload, in particular for doctoral program
  - Confidential consulting in English.
- Others
  - more events with food, or crafting events
  - Halal foods in shokudou
  - Advice on how to make Japanese friends on campus. Seems like there is a huge language barrier that is difficult to overcome