



COOPERATIVE INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM  
at the HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE AT UCLA

## 2012 CIRP Freshman Survey Changes

### Items deleted (numbering reflects 2011 TFS Survey)

**DELETE: 19. Have you had, or do you feel you will need, any special tutoring or remedial work in any of the following subjects?** (Mark all that apply)

*Response categories: Have Had, Will Need*

English  
Reading  
Mathematics  
Social Studies  
Science  
Foreign Language  
Writing

**DELETE: 20. How many Advanced Placement courses or exams did you take in high school?** (Mark one in each row)

*Response categories: Not offered at my high school, None, 1-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15+*

AP Courses  
AP Exams

**31. How often in the past year did you?** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not at All*

DELETE: Take notes during class

**34. Mark one in each row:**

*Response categories: Agree Strongly, Agree Somewhat, Disagree Somewhat, Disagree Strongly*

DELETE: Marijuana should be legalized  
DELETE: Federal military spending should be increased  
DELETE: Undocumented immigrants should be denied access to public education  
DELETE: Addressing global warming should be a federal priority  
DELETE: The chief benefit of a college education is that it increases one's earning power

**Items added/restored (numbering reflects 2012 TFS Survey)**

**RESTORED: 19. During high school (grades 9-12) how many years did you study each of the following subjects?** (Mark one for each item)

*Response categories: None, 1/2, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or more*

English  
Mathematics  
Foreign Language  
Physical Science  
Biological Science  
History/Am. Gov't  
Computer Science  
Arts and/or Music

**ADD: 20. Please mark which of the following courses you have completed:**

*Response categories: Yes, No*

Algebra II  
Pre-calculus/Trigonometry  
Probability & Statistics  
Calculus  
AP Probability & Statistics  
AP Calculus

**RESTORED: 21. Do you have any of the following disabilities or medical conditions?** (Mark Yes or No for each item)

*Response categories: Yes, No*

Learning disability (dyslexia, etc.)  
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)  
ADD: Autism spectrum/Asperger's syndrome  
Physical disability (speech, sight, mobility, hearing, etc.)  
Chronic illness (cancer, diabetes, autoimmune disorders, etc.)  
Psychological disorder (depression, etc.)  
Other

**ADD: 22. Do you consider yourself:** (Mark Yes or No for each item)

*Response categories: Yes, No*

Pre-Med  
Pre-Law

**RESTORED: 28. Do you consider yourself:** (Mark Yes or No for each item)

*Response categories: Yes, No*

Born-Again Christian  
Evangelical

**36. Mark one in each row:**

*Response categories: Agree Strongly, Agree Somewhat, Disagree Somewhat, Disagree Strongly*

RESTORED: The death penalty should be abolished

RESTORED: Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society

RESTORED: Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now

RESTORED: Dissent is a critical component of the political process

RESTORED: Colleges should prohibit racist/ sexist speech on campus

**40. Below are some reasons that might have influenced your decision to attend this particular college. How important was each reason in your decision to come here? (Mark one answer for each possible reason)**

*Response categories: Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important*

ADD: The percentage of students that graduate from this college

**ADD: 44. How many years do you expect it will take you to graduate from this college?**

*Response categories: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or more, Do not plan to graduate from this college*

**46. What is your best guess as to the chances that you will: (Mark one for each item)**

*Response categories: V = Very Good Chance, S = Some Chance, L = Very Little Chance, N = No Chance*

RESTORED: Get tutoring help in specific courses

ADD: Take a leave of absence from this college temporarily

**ADD: (Supplemental web question for 2012 only)**

A. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

No

Yes, Mexican American/Chicano

Yes, Puerto Rican

Yes, Other Hispanic or Latino

B. What is your race? (Select one or more)

White

Black or African American

Asian

East Asian (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese)

Southeast Asian (e.g., Cambodian, Vietnamese, Hmong, Filipino)

South Asian (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Nepalese, Sri Lankan)

Other Asian

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

American Indian or Alaska Native

C. Do you identify as multiracial?

No

Yes

**Items changed (numbering reflects 2011 TFS Survey)**

CHANGED: All references to year advance one year (i.e. replace instances of 2011 with 2012)

**38. Below are some reasons that might have influenced your decision to attend this particular college. How important was each reason in your decision to come here?** (Mark one answer for each possible reason)

*Response categories: Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important*

CHANGED: I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college **TO**

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CHANGED: A visit to the campus **TO** A visit to this campus

**40. Below is a list of different undergraduate major fields grouped into general categories. Mark only one oval to indicate your probable field of study**

See Separate Majors Changes Document