### 1977 Student Information Form

**DIRECTIONS**
Your responses will be read by an optical mark reader. Your careful observance of these few simple rules will be most appreciated.
- Use only black lead pencil (No. 2 or less).
- Make heavy black marks that fill the circle.
- Erase cleanly any answer you wish to change.
- Make no stray markings of any kind.

**EXAMPLE:**
Will marks made with ball pen or fountain pen be properly read? Yes . . . No . . .

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Dear Student:
The information in this form is being collected as part of a continuing study of higher education conducted jointly by the American Council on Education and the University of California at Los Angeles. Your voluntary participation in this research is being solicited in order to achieve a better understanding of how students are affected by their college experiences. Detailed information on the goals and design of this research program are furnished in research reports available from the Laboratory for Research on Higher Education at UCLA. Identifying information has been requested in order to make subsequent mail follow-up studies possible. Your response will be held in the strictest professional confidence.

Sincerely,

Alexander W. Astin, Director
Cooperative Institutional Research Program

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1. Your sex: Male . . . Female . . .

2. Are you a veteran? (Mark one) No . . . Yes . . .

3. How old will you be on December 31 of this year? (Mark one)
   - 16 or younger: 21 . . .
   - 17: 22 . . .
   - 19: 26-29 . . .
   - 20: 30 or older . . .

4. In what year did you graduate from high school? (Mark one)
   - 1977 . . .
   - 1975/76: Never completed
   - 1974 or earlier . . .

*(Note: Please check that your pencil markings are completely darkening the circles. Do not use pen or make 'v' or X 's. Thank You.)*

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5. Was your high school program: (Mark one)
   - College preparatory: . . .
   - Other? (For ex., vocational): . . .

6. What was your average grade in high school? (Mark one)
   - B+ . . .
   - C+ . . .
   - A or A+ . . .
   - B . . .
   - C . . .
   - A- . . .
   - B-. . .
   - D . . .

7. How well do you feel that your high school prepared you in the following areas:
   - Mathematical skills . . .
   - Reading and composition . . .
   - Foreign languages . . .
   - Science . . .
   - History, social sciences . . .
   - Vocational skills . . .
   - Musical and artistic skills . . .
   - Study habits . . .

8. Are you enrolled (or enrolling) as: (Mark one)
   - Full-time student: . . .
   - Part-time student: . . .

9. Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?
   - Yes . . .
   - No . . .

10. Since leaving high school, have you ever taken courses at any other institution?
    (Mark all that apply in each column)
    - Credit
    - Not for Credit
    - No . . .
    - Yes, at a junior or community college . . .
    - Yes, at a four-year college or university . . .
    - Yes, at some other postsecondary school (for ex., technical, vocational, business) . . .

11. Do you feel that you will need any special tutoring or remedial work in any of the following subjects? (Mark all that apply)
    - English . . .
    - Social studies . . .
    - Reading . . .
    - Science . . .
    - Mathematics . . .
    - Foreign language . . .

12. How many miles is this college from your parents' home? (Mark one)
    - 5 or less . . .
    - 61-100 . . .
    - 101-500 . . .
    - More than 500 . . .

13. Where do you plan to live during the fall term? If you had a choice, where would you have preferred to live?
    (Mark one in each column)
    - Plan To Live
    - Prefer To Live
    - With parents or relatives . . .
    - Other private home, apt., or rm. . . .
    - College dormitory . . .
    - Fraternity or sorority house . . .
    - Other campus student housing . . .
    - Other . . .

14. Is this college your: (Mark one)
    - First choice: . . .
    - Less than third: . . .
    - Second choice: . . .
    - choice: . . .
    - Third choice: . . .

15. To how many colleges other than this one did you apply for admission this year?
    (Mark one)
    - No other . . .
    - 1 . . .
    - 2 . . .
    - 3 . . .
    - 4 . . .
    - 5 . . .
    - 6 or more . . .

16. How many other acceptances did you receive this year? (Mark one)
    - None . . .
    - 1 . . .
    - 2 . . .
    - 3 . . .
    - 4 . . .
    - 5 . . .
    - 6 or more . . .
17. How much of your first year's educational expenses (room, board, tuition, and fees) do you expect to cover from each of the sources listed below?

(Mark one answer for each possible source)

Parental or family aid, or gifts ...........................................  
Grants or Scholarships:
   Basic Educational Grant ...........................................  
   Supplemental Educational Grant ..................................  
   College Work-Study grant .........................................  
   State scholarship or grant .........................................  
   College grant (other than above) .................................  
   Other private grant ..................................................  
Loans:
   Fed. guaranteed student loan ......................................  
   Nat'l direct student loan ..........................................  
   Loan from the college .............................................  
   Other loan ............................................................  
Full-time work ............................................................  
Part-time or summer work (other than above) ....................  
Savings ............................................................................  
Spouse ...........................................................................  
Your G.I. benefits ..........................................................  
Your parent's G.I. benefits .............................................  
Social secur. dependent's benefits .................................  
Other ..............................................................................  

18. Are you financially independent of your parents this year? Were you financially independent last year?

   Yes   No   Yes   No
This year ......  ......  ......  ......  
Last year .....  ......  ......  ......  

19. Are you: (Mark one)

Not presently married ....................................................  
Married, living with spouse .........................................  
Married, not living with spouse ...................................  

20. Are you: (Mark all that apply)

White/Caucasian .........................................................  
Black/Negro/Afro-American ..........................................  
American Indian ..........................................................  
Asian-American/Oriental ............................................  
Mexican-American/Chicano .........................................  
Puerto Rican-American ...............................................  
Other ..............................................................................  

21. How many brothers and sisters now living do you have?

(Mark one in each row)

   None  1  2  3 or More
Number of older brothers ...........................................  
Number of older sisters ..............................................  
Number of younger brothers ....................................  
Number of younger sisters ........................................  

22. Are you a twin? (Mark one)

No ..............................................................................  
Yes, identical ............................................................  
Yes, fraternal ............................................................  

23. For each of the following activities, indicate if you presently can perform the activity competently.

(Mark one in each row)

   Type 40 words or more per minute ................................  
   Speak a second language fluently ..................................  
   Water-ski ...................................................................  
   Ski on snow ............................................................  
   Sight-read piano music ............................................  
   Read music (singing) ...............................................  
   Referee one or more sporting events ...........................  
   Use a sewing machine ............................................  
   Use Robert's Rules of Order .....................................  
   Score a tennis match ..............................................  
   Identify many classical musical compositions by title and composer  
   Program a computer ..............................................  
   Use a slide rule ......................................................  
   Swim a mile without stopping ...................................  
   Name the animal phyla ............................................  
   Describe the difference between stocks and bonds ....  
   Bake a cake from scratch (no mixes) .........................  
   Describe the personal freedoms guaranteed by the Bill of Rights  
   Do at least 15 push-ups ..........................................  

24. What is the highest academic degree that you intend to obtain?

(Mark one in each column)

None ..............................................................................  
Associate (A.A., or equivalent) ....................................  
Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.) .............................  
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.) ...............................  
Ph.D. or Ed.D. ..............................................................  
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M. ....................................  
L.L.B. or J.D. (Law) .....................................................  
B.D. or M.Div. (Divinity) .............................................  
Other ..............................................................................  

25. Have you taken any of the following tests?

(Mark one for each)

SAT ...........................................................  
ACT ..........................................................  
PSAT (11th grade) ....................................................  
Other statewide test ..................................................  

26. In deciding to go to college, how important to you was each of the following reasons?

(Mark one answer for each possible reason)

My parents wanted me to go ......................................  
I could not find a job ...................................................  
I wanted to get away from home ................................  
To be able to get a better job .....................................  
To gain a general education and appreciation of ideas ....  
To improve my reading and study skills ......................  
There was nothing better to do ...................................  
To make me a more cultured person ...........................  
To be able to make more money ................................  
To learn more about things that interest me .................  
To meet new and interesting people .........................  
To prepare myself for graduate or professional school  

27. Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education? (Mark one)

None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds) ....  
Some concern (but I will probably have enough funds)  
Major concern (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)  

28. How would you characterize your political views? (Mark one)

Far left ...........................................................................  
Liberal ..........................................................................  
Middle-of-the-road .....................................................  
Conservative ...............................................................  
Far right .........................................................................  

29. What is your best estimate of your parents' total income last year? Consider annual income from all sources before taxes. (Mark one)

Less than $3,000 .........................................................  
$3,000--$9,999 ..............................................................  
$10,000--19,999 ............................................................  
$20,000--24,999 ............................................................  
$25,000--29,999 .............................................................  
$30,000--34,999 .............................................................  
$35,000--39,999 .............................................................  
$40,000--49,999 .............................................................  
$50,000 or more ............................................................  

30. What is the highest level of formal education obtained by your parents?

(Mark one in each column)

Father ............................................................................  
Mother ...........................................................................  
Grammar school or less ............................................  
Some high school ........................................................  
High school graduate ...............................................  
Postsecondary school other than college .................  
Some college .............................................................  
College degree ...........................................................  
Some graduate school ...............................................  
Graduate degree ........................................................  

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31. Mark only three responses, one in each column.  
Your probable career occupation.  
Your father's occupation.  
Your mother's occupation. 

NOTE: If your father (or mother) is deceased, please indicate his (her) last occupation.

Accountant or actuary ........................................... 
Actor or entertainer ............................................. 
Architect or urban planner ..................................... 
Artist ....................................................................... 
Business (clerical) ................................................... 
Business executive (management, administrator)...... 
Business owner or proprietor ................................... 
Business salesman or buyer ..................................... 
Clergyman (minister, priest) .................................... 
Clergy (other religious) ......................................... 
Clinical psychologist .............................................. 
College teacher ...................................................... 
Computer programmer or analyst ......................... 
Conservationist or forester .................................... 
Dentist (including orthodontist) ............................. 
Dietitian or home economist ................................. 
Engineer .................................................................. 
Farmer or rancher .................................................. 
Foreign service worker (including diplomat)........... 
 Machinist (full-time) .............................................. 
Linen or decorator .................................................. 
Interpreter (translator) .......................................... 
Lab technician or hygienist ..................................... 
Law enforcement officer ....................................... 
Lawyer (attorney) or judge .................................... 
Military service ..................................................... 
Musician (performer, composer) ............................ 
Nurse ...................................................................... 
Optometrist ............................................................ 
Pharmacist ............................................................. 
Physician ................................................................ 
School counselor ................................................... 
School principal or superintendent ....................... 
Scientific researcher .............................................. 
Social, welfare or recreation worker ...................... 
Statistician ............................................................ 
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech) ............. 
Teacher or administrator (elementary) ................. 
Teacher or administrator (secondary) ................. 
Veterinarian .......................................................... 
Writer or journalist ............................................... 
Skilled trades ........................................................ 
Other ...................................................................... 
Unskilled .............................................................. 

32. 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)

My relatives wanted me to come here 
My teacher advised me 
This college has a very good academic reputation 
I was offered financial assistance 
I was not accepted anywhere else 
Someone who had been here before advised me to go. 
This college offers special educational programs 
This college has low tuition 
My guidance counselor advised me 
I wanted to live at home 
A friend suggested attending 
A college representative recruited me 

BE SURE TO ANSWER QUESTION 33.

33. Current religious preference:

(Mark one in each column)

Baptist ............................................................. 
Congregational (U.C.C.) ..................................... 
Eastern Orthodox ............................................. 
Episcopal ........................................................... 
Jewish ............................................................... 
Latter Day Saints (Mormon) ............................... 
Lutheran ............................................................ 
Methodist .......................................................... 
Muslim ............................................................. 
Presbyterian ....................................................... 
Quaker (Society of Friends) ............................... 
Roman Catholic ................................................ 
Seventh Day Adventist ..................................... 
Unitarian-Universalist ....................................... 
Other Protestant ................................................ 
Other Religion ................................................... 
None ....................................................................

1. Disagree Strongly 
2. Disagree Somewhat 
3. Agree Somewhat 
4. Agree Strongly 

34. Mark one in each row:

The Federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution ........................................ 
The Federal government is not doing enough to protect the consumer from faulty goods and services .......................... 
The State and Fed. governments should provide more money for private colleges and universities ............ 
The Federal government should do more to discourage energy consumption ........................................ 
There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals ......................................................... 
People should not obey laws which violate their personal values ......................................................... 
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs ........................................ 
Abortion should be legalized ..................................... 
Grading in the high schools has become too easy ......................................................... 
The activities of married women are best confined to the home and family ........................................ 
A couple should live together for some time before deciding to get married ........................................ 
Parents should be discouraged from having large families ............................................................. 
If two people really like each other, it's all right for them to have sex even if they've known each other for only a very short time ......................................................... 
Women should receive the same salary and opportunities for advancement as men in comparable positions ......................................................... 
Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now .................................................. 
Marijuana should be legalized ..................................... 
Busing is O.K. if it helps to achieve racial balance in the schools .................................................. 
Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society .................................... 
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships .................................................. 
College officials have the right to regulate student behavior off campus ........................................ 
Students might appreciate the value of college more if they had to pay a greater share of the costs ........ 
Faculty promotions should be based in part on student evaluations .................................................. 
College grades should be abolished ..................................... 
Colleges would be improved if organized sports were de-emphasized ........................................ 
Student publications should be cleared by college officials ......................................................... 
College officials have the right to ban persons with extreme views from speaking on campus ...........
Students from disadvantaged social backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admissions ......................................................... 
Open admissions (admitting anyone who applies) should be adopted by all publicly supported colleges ......................................................... 
Even if it employs open admissions, a college should use the same performance standards in awarding degrees to all students ......................................................... 
Students have the right to demonstrate to prohibit speakers from coming to campus ..............................
35. Below is a list of different undergraduate major fields grouped into general categories. Mark only one circle to indicate your probable field of study.

**ARTS AND HUMANITIES**
- Art, fine and applied
- English (language and literature)
- History
- Journalism
- Language and Literature (except English)
- Music
- Philosophy
- Speech and Drama
- Theology or Religion
- Other Arts and Humanities

**PHYSICAL SCIENCE**
- Astronomy
- Atmospheric Science (incl. Meteorology)
- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- Marine Science (incl. Oceanography)
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Statistics
- Other Physical Science

**PROFESSIONAL**
- Architecture or Urban Planning
- Home Economics
- Health Technology (medical, dental, laboratory)
- Library or Archival Science
- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- Predental, Premedicine, Preveterinary
- Therapy (occupational, physical, speech)
- Other Professional

**BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE**
- Biology (general)
- Biochemistry or Biophysics
- Botany
- Marine (Life) Science
- Microbiology or Bacteriology
- Zoology
- Other Biological Science

**BUSINESS**
- Accounting
- Business Admin. (general)
- Finance
- Marketing
- Management
- Secretarial Studies
- Other Business

**EDUCATION**
- Business Education
- Elementary Education
- Music or Art Education
- Physical Education or Recreation
- Secondary Education
- Special Education
- Other Education

**ENGINEERING**
- Aeronautical or Astronautical Eng.
- Civil Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Electrical or Electronic Engineering
- Industrial Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Other Engineering

36. Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following: (Mark one for each item)

- Not Important
- Somewhat Important
- Very Important
- Essential

- Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts (acting, dancing, etc.)
- Becoming an authority in my field
- Obtaining recognition from my colleagues for contributions to my special field
- Influencing the political structure
- Influencing social values
- Raising a family
- Having administrative responsibility for the work of others
- Being very well off financially
- Helping others who are in difficulty
- Making a theoretical contribution to science
- Writing original works (poems, novels, short stories, etc.)
- Creating artistic work (painting, sculpture, decorating, etc.)
- Being successful in a business of my own
- Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment
- Developing a meaningful philosophy of life
- Participating in a community action program
- Helping to promote racial understanding
- Keeping up to date with political affairs

37. What is your best guess as to the chances you will:

- Change major field?
- Change career choice?
- Fail one or more courses?
- Graduate with honors?
- Be elected to a student office?
- Get a job to help pay for college expenses?
- Join a social fraternity, sorority, or club?
- Live in a coeducational dorm?
- Be elected to an academic honor society?
- Make at least a "B" average?
- Need extra time to complete your degree requirements?
- Need tutoring in some courses?
- Have to work at an outside job during college?
- Seek vocational counseling?
- Seek individual counseling on personal problems?
- Get a bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)?
- Drop out of this college temporarily (exclude transferring)?
- Drop out permanently (exclude transferring)?
- Transfer to another college before graduating?
- Be satisfied with your college?
- Find a job after college in a field related to your college studies?
- Get married while in college (skip if married)?
- Get married within a year after college? (skip if married)

The Laboratory for Research on Higher Education at UCLA actively encourages the colleges that participate in this survey to conduct local studies of their student bodies. If these studies involve collecting follow-up data, it is necessary for the institution to know the students' ID numbers so that follow-up data can be linked with the data from this survey. If your college asks for a tape copy of the data and signs an agreement to use it only for research purposes, do you have permission to include your ID number in such a tape? Yes No

38. A B C D E
39. A B C D E
40. A B C D E
41. A B C D E
42. A B C D E

Thank you!