1997 COLLEGE STUDENT SURVEY

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 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 Higher Education Research Institute 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
Higher Education Research Institute

4. If you borrowed money to help pay for college expenses, estimate how much you will owe as of June 30, 1997?

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5. Please provide your test scores on the tests below: (If applicable)
   GRE: Verbal ____________________________
   GRE: Quantitative ________________________
   LSAT _________________________________
   MCAT ________________________________
   GMAT ________________________________

6. Since entering college, indicate how often (Frequently, Occasionally or Not at all) you:
   (Mark one for each item)
   Worked on independent study projects
   Took interdisciplinary courses
   Discussed course content with students outside of class
   Worked on group projects in class
   Have been a guest in a professor’s home
   Participated in intramural sports
   Failed to complete homework on time
   Felt bored in class
   Did extra (unassigned) work for a course
   Studied with other students
   Challenged a professor’s ideas in class
   Voted in a student election

7. Are you currently enrolled:
   Full-time ____________________________
   Part-time ____________________________

8. Since entering college have you:
   (Mark all that apply)
   Joined a fraternity or sorority
   Gotten married
   Had a part-time job on campus
   Had a part-time job off campus
   Worked full-time while attending school
   Participated in campus protests
   Participated in student government
   Taken a remedial course
   Taken an ethnic studies course
   Taken a women’s studies course
   Attended a religious/cultural awareness workshop
   Participated in an ethnic/racial student organization
   Participated in: intercollegiate football or basketball
   Other intercollegiate sport
   Voted in a state/national election
   Taken a leave of absence
   Withdrawn from school
   Transferred from another college
   Been elected to student office
   Enrolled in honors or advanced courses
   Tutored another student
   Participated in an internship program
   Participated in leadership training
   Attended a rape awareness workshop
   Attended a drug/alcohol awareness workshop

9. If you could make your college choice over, would you still choose to enroll at your current (or most recent) college?
   Definitely yes
   Probably yes
   Probably not
   Definitely not
   Don’t know
13. Please mark your probable career/occupation below:

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<tr>
<th>Accountant or actuary</th>
<th>Actor or entertainer</th>
<th>Architect or urban planner</th>
<th>Artist</th>
<th>Business (clerical)</th>
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<td>Business executive (management, administrator)</td>
<td>Business owner or proprietor</td>
<td>Business salesperson or buyer</td>
<td>Clergy (minister, priest)</td>
<td>Clergy (other religious)</td>
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<td>Clinical psychologist</td>
<td>College teacher</td>
<td>Computer programmer or analyst</td>
<td>Conservationist or forester</td>
<td>Dentist (including orthodontist)</td>
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<td>Dietitian or home economist</td>
<td>Engineer</td>
<td>Farmer or rancher</td>
<td>Foreign service worker (including diplomat)</td>
<td>Homemaker (full-time)</td>
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<td>Interior decorator (including designer)</td>
<td>Interpreter (translator)</td>
<td>Lab technician or hygienist</td>
<td>Law enforcement officer</td>
<td>Lawyer (attorney) or judge</td>
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<td>Military service (career)</td>
<td>Musician (performer, composer)</td>
<td>Nurse</td>
<td>Optometrist</td>
<td>Pharmacist</td>
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<td>Physician</td>
<td>School counselor</td>
<td>School principal or superintendent</td>
<td>Scientific researcher</td>
<td>Social worker or recreation worker</td>
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14. For the activities listed below, please indicate how often (Frequently, Occasionally, or Not at all) you engaged in each during the past year. (Mark one in each row)

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<th>Smoked cigarettes</th>
<th>Been lonely or homesick</th>
<th>Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group</th>
<th>Felt depressed</th>
<th>Felt overwhelmed by all I had to do</th>
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<td>Attended a religious service</td>
<td>Drank beer</td>
<td>Drank wine or liquor</td>
<td>Performed volunteer work</td>
<td>Participated in organized demonstrations</td>
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| Visited a museum or art gallery | Worked in a local, state or national political campaign | Overslept and missed class or appointment | |%

15. During the past year, how much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities? (Mark one in each row)

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<th>Socializing with friends</th>
<th>Exercising/sports</th>
<th>Reading for pleasure</th>
<th>Volunteer work</th>
<th>Party</th>
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<td>Working (for pay)</td>
<td>Clubs/groups</td>
<td>Watching TV</td>
<td>Commuting</td>
<td>Religious services/meetings</td>
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<td>Hobbies</td>
<td>Classes/labs</td>
<td>Studying/homework</td>
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16. What do you plan to be doing in the fall of 1997? (Mark all that apply)

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<th>Attending undergraduate college full-time</th>
<th>Attending undergraduate college part-time</th>
<th>Attending graduate/professional school</th>
<th>Working full-time</th>
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<td>Working part time</td>
<td>Working in the private sector</td>
<td>Working for a non-profit organization</td>
<td>Participating in a community service organization (e.g., AmeriCorps, Peace Corps, etc.)</td>
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<td>Working for a government agency</td>
<td>Serving in the Armed Forces</td>
<td>Attending a vocational/training program</td>
<td>Traveling, hosteling, or backpacking</td>
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<td>Doing volunteer work</td>
<td>Staying at home to be with or start a family</td>
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17. Compared with when you entered college as a freshman, how would you now describe your:

(Mark one for each item)

General knowledge ............................................ 5 4 3 2 1
Analytical and problem-solving skills .................... 5 4 3 2 1
Knowledge of a particular field or discipline ........... 5 4 3 2 1
Ability to think critically ..................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Foreign language ability ..................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures .... 5 4 3 2 1
Religious beliefs and convictions ............................ 5 4 3 2 1
Leadership abilities ......................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Interpersonal skills .......................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Ability to get along with people of different races/cultures 5 4 3 2 1
Understanding of the problems facing your community .... 5 4 3 2 1
Understanding of social problems facing our nation ....... 5 4 3 2 1
Writing skills .................................................. 5 4 3 2 1
Public speaking ability ...................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Ability to work cooperatively ............................... 5 4 3 2 1
Mathematical skills ........................................... 5 4 3 2 1
Reading speed and comprehension ......................... 5 4 3 2 1

18. Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

(Mark one for each item)

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
Becoming a community leader

19. Is English your native language?  Yes  No

20. Your current religious preference: (Mark one)

Baptist ................................................. 0
Buddhist .................................................. 0
Eastern Orthodox ........................................ 0
Episcopal .................................................. 0
Islamic ..................................................... 0
Jewish ....................................................... 0
LDS (Mormon) ............................................ 0
Lutheran ................................................... 0
Methodist .................................................. 0
Presbyterian ............................................... 0
Quaker ...................................................... 0
Roman Catholic ......................................... 0
Seventh Day Adventist ................................... 0
UCC .......................................................... 0
Unitarian/Universalist .................................... 0
Other Christian .......................................... 0
Other Religion ............................................ 0
None ....................................................... 0

21. Since entering the college, have you participated in any of the following community service/volunteer activities: (Mark all that apply)

Tutoring/teaching ............................................ 0
Educational counseling/mentoring ............................................ 0
Personal counseling/mentoring ............................................ 0
Providing childcare ............................................ 0
Providing homeless/shelter support ............................................ 0
Public safety (e.g., crime prevention) ............................................ 0
Community cleanup/rebuilding ............................................ 0
Conservation activities (e.g., recycling) ............................................ 0
Other community service ............................................ 0

22. Was your community/volunteer service performed: (Mark all that apply)

As part of a class or course ................................ 0
As part of a collegiate-sponsored activity (sorority, campus org., etc.) ........ 0
Independently through a non-collegiate group (church, family, etc.) ........ 0

23. Referring to your current (or most recent) college, indicate your agreement with each of the following statements: (Mark one for each item)

I have been singled out in class or treated differently than other students because of:

my gender ..................................................... 3 3 2 1
my race/ethnicity ........................................... 3 3 2 1

Many students on campus are prejudiced against:

women ......................................................... 3 3 2 1
racial/ethnic minorities .................................... 3 3 2 1

Instructors treat students the same regardless of:

the student's gender ...................................... 3 3 2 1
the student's race/ethnicity ............................... 3 3 2 1

I have observed discriminatory words, behaviors, or gestures directed toward students who are:

women ......................................................... 3 3 2 1
ethnic/racial minorities ................................... 3 3 2 1
gays or lesbians ........................................... 3 3 2 1
people with disabilities ................................... 3 3 2 1

24. How often have professors at your current (or most recent) college provided you with:

Encouragement to pursue graduate/professional school ........................................... 0
An opportunity to work on a research project ........................................... 0
Advice and guidance about your educational program ........................................... 0
Respect (treated you like a colleague/peer) ........................................... 0
An opportunity to publish ........................................... 0
Emotional support and encouragement ........................................... 0
A letter of recommendation ........................................... 0
Assistance to improve your study skills ........................................... 0
Honest feedback about your skills and abilities ........................................... 0
Intellectual challenge and stimulation ........................................... 0
An opportunity to discuss coursework outside of class ........................................... 0
Negative feedback about your abilities and skills ........................................... 0

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

Far left ......................................................... 0
Liberal ......................................................... 0
Middle-of-the-road ......................................... 0
Conservative ................................................ 0
Far right ..................................................... 0

26. Are you: (Mark all that apply)

White/Caucasian ........................................... 0
African American/Black ...................................... 0
American Indian ............................................ 0
Asian American/Asian ..................................... 0
Mexican American/Chicano ................................ 0
Puerto Rican American .................................... 0
Other Latino ................................................ 0
Other ......................................................... 0
27. Below is a list of different major fields.
   (Mark only one in each column)
   u Undergraduate major (final or most recent)
   g Graduate major (omit if you do not plan to go to graduate school)

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

   BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE
   Biology (general) ......................................................... u g
   Biochemistry or Biophysics .......................................... u g
   Botany ........................................................................ u g
   Marine (Life) Science .................................................. u g
   Microbiology or Bacteriology ....................................... u g
   Zoology ....................................................................... u g
   Other Biological Science ............................................. u g

   BUSINESS
   Accounting .................................................................. u g
   Business Administration (general) ................................. u g
   Finance ....................................................................... u g
   International Business ................................................ u g
   Marketing ..................................................................... u g
   Management .................................................................. u g
   Secretarial Studies ....................................................... u g
   Other Business ................................................................ u g

   EDUCATION
   Business Education .................................................... u g
   Elementary Education ................................................ u g
   Music or Art Education ............................................... u g
   Physical Education or Recreation ................................. u g
   Secondary Education .................................................. u g
   Special Education ........................................................ u g
   Other Education ......................................................... u g

   ENGINEERING
   Aero-/Astronautical Engineering .................................. u g
   Civil Engineering ........................................................ u g
   Chemical Engineering ............................................... u g
   Electrical or Electronic Engineering ............................ u g
   Industrial Engineering ............................................... u g
   Mechanical Engineering ............................................ u g
   Other Engineering ...................................................... u g

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

   PROFESSIONAL
   Architecture or Urban Planning .................................. u g
   Home Economics ....................................................... u g
   Health Technology (medical, dental, laboratory) ............ u g
   Law ........................................................................... u g
   Library/Archival Science ............................................. u g
   Nursing ....................................................................... u g
   Pharmacy .................................................................... u g
   Preclinical, Premedicine, Preveterinary ......................... u g
   Therapy (occupational, physical, speech) ....................... u g
   Other Professional ...................................................... u g

   SOCIAL SCIENCE
   Anthropology ............................................................. u g
   Economics ............................................................... u g
   Ethnic Studies .......................................................... u g
   Geography .................................................................. u g
   Political Science (gov't., international relations) ............. u g
   Psychology ................................................................... u g
   Social Work .................................................................. u g
   Sociology .................................................................... u g
   Women's Studies ........................................................ u g
   Other Social Science .................................................. u g

   TECHNICAL
   Building Trades ........................................................ u g
   Data Processing or Computer Programming .................. u g
   Drafting or Design ...................................................... u g
   Electronics ................................................................... u g
   Mechanics ................................................................... u g
   Other Technical .......................................................... u g

   OTHER FIELDS
   Agriculture ............................................................... u g
   Communications (radio, TV, etc.) ................................. u g
   Computer Science ...................................................... u g
   Forestry ....................................................................... u g
   Law Enforcement ........................................................ u g
   Military Science ........................................................ u g
   Other Field ................................................................... u g
   Undecided .................................................................... u g

28. Please indicate your agreement with each of the following statements.
   (Mark one for each item)

   The Federal government should raise taxes to help reduce the deficit ....... 4 3 2 1
   Federal military spending should be increased ................................. 4 3 2 1
   Abortion should be legal .................................................................... 4 3 2 1
   The death penalty should be abolished ............................................. 4 3 2 1
   If two people really like each other, it's all right for them to have sex if they've known each other for only a very short time .......... 4 3 2 1
   The activities of married women are best confined to the home and family ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Marijuana should be legalized ....................................................... 4 3 2 1
   It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships ............................................................................ 4 3 2 1
   The chief benefit of a college education is that it increases one's earning power ......................................................... 4 3 2 1
   Employers should be allowed to require drug testing of employees or job applicants .................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Just because a man feels a woman has "led him on" does not entitle him to have sex with her ........................................ 4 3 2 1
   The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Racial discrimination is no longer a problem in America ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Student publications should be cleared by college officials ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Grading in college has become too easy ........................................... 4 3 2 1
   Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus ................................................................. 4 3 2 1
   There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals ............................................................................ 4 3 2 1
   Race/ethnicity should be used as a factor in college admissions ............................................................................ 4 3 2 1
   Gender should be used as a factor in college admissions ............................................................................ 4 3 2 1

29. The Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA actively encourages the colleges that participate in this survey to conduct local studies of their students. If your college asks for a tape copy of the data and signs an agreement to use it only for research purposes, do we have your permission to include your ID number in such a tape? Yes No

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS: If you received an additional page of questions, please mark your answers below:

30. A B C D E 37. A B C D E 44. A B C D E
33. A B C D E 40. A B C D E 47. A B C D E
34. A B C D E 41. A B C D E 48. A B C D E
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THANK YOU!