2014 COLLEGE SENIOR SURVEY

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Name
First
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Email
When were you born?
Month (01-12)
Day (01-31)
Year (two boxes)

Student ID# (as instructed)
Phone

Congratulations on your impending graduation! We are very interested in your experiences as a college student. This form has been designed to provide feedback that can help improve the college experience. Thank you very much for your help with this important project.

Group Code
A (two boxes)
B (two boxes)

Survey Number

NOTES: Institution name prepopulates in stem of Q1.

1. Are you currently a student at__________________________?
   Yes
   No, I am currently enrolled at___________
   No, I completed a degree from___________
   No, I am currently not enrolled at any college or university

(Skip Logic: if Yes, No, I am currently enrolled at _______ or No, I completed a degree from ______ then continue with CSS, if No, I am not currently enrolled…, then respondent is done with CSS)

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2. Your sex:

Female
Male

3. Please indicate your racial/ethnic background.  
(Mark all that apply)

White/Caucasian
African American/Black
American Indian/Alaska Native
Asian American/Asian
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
Mexican American/Chicano
Puerto Rican
Other Latino
Other

4. What year did you first enter:  
(Mark one in each column)

[Response categories: Your 1st College, This College]

2013 or 2014
2012
2011
2010
2009 or earlier

5. Please indicate your current enrollment status below:  
(Mark one)

Full-time undergraduate
Part-time undergraduate
Not enrolled
6. Expected Graduation Date:

2013
2014
Other
Not sure

7. Please indicate the highest degree you (A) will have earned as of June 2014 and (B) plan to complete eventually at any institution.
(Mark one in each column)

[Response categories: Highest Earned, Highest Planned]

None
Vocational certificate
Associate (A.A. or equiv.)
Bachelor’s (B.A., B.S., etc.)
Master’s (M.A., M.S., etc.)
Ph.D. or Ed.D.
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M.
LL.B. or J.D. (Law)
B.D. or M.DIV. (Divinity)
Other

8. How often in the past year did you:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not At All]

Ask questions in class
Support your opinions with a logical argument
Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others
Revise your papers to improve your writing
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received
Take a risk because you felt you had more to gain
Seek alternative solutions to a problem
Look up scientific research articles and resources
Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class
Accept mistakes as part of the learning process
Seek feedback on your academic work
Integrate skills and knowledge from different sources and experiences
9. Since entering college, indicate how often you:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not At All]

Worked on independent study projects
Discussed course content with students outside of class
Have been a guest in a professor’s home
Failed to complete homework on time
Have been bored in class
Came late to class
Studied with other students
Performed community service as part of a class
Voted in a student election
Posted on a course-related on-line discussion board
Used the library for research or homework
Accessed your campus’ library resources electronically
Missed class due to employment
Missed class for other reasons
Tutored another college student
Met with an advisor/counselor about your career plans
Fell asleep in class
Had difficulty getting the courses you needed
Asked a professor for advice after class
Demonstrated for a cause (e.g., boycott, rally, protest)
Challenged a professor's ideas in class
Worked on a professor's research project
Communicated regularly with your professors
Worked with classmates on group projects:
  During class
  Outside of class
Took a class that required:
  One or more 10+ page papers
  Multiple short papers
Made a presentation in class
Contributed to class discussions
Helped raise money for a cause or campaign
Publicly communicated your opinion about a cause (e.g., blog, email, petition)
10. Since entering college, have you:
(Mark yes or no for each item)

- Joined a social fraternity or sorority
- Failed one or more courses
- Held a full-time job (approx. 40 hours) while taking classes
- Taken a remedial course
- Taken an ethnic studies course
- Taken a women's studies course
- Attended a racial/cultural awareness workshop
- Had a roommate of different race/ethnicity
- Played club, intramural, or recreational sports
- Played intercollegiate athletics (e.g., NCAA or NAIA-sponsored)
- Withdrawn from school temporarily
- Taken an honors course
- Transferred from a 2-year college
- Transferred from a 4-year college
- Taken courses for credit at another institution
- Completed a culminating experience for your degree (e.g., capstone course/project, thesis, comp exam)
- Been a leader in an organization
- Joined a student-run political club
- Taken courses from more than one institution simultaneously
- Taken a course exclusively online:
  - At this institution
  - At a different institution
- Participated in:
  - An internship program
  - Study-abroad
  - Leadership training
  - Student government
  - Student clubs/groups
  - An ethnic/racial student organization
  - An undergraduate research program
  - An entrepreneurship program/club
11. Mark your:

Primary undergraduate major
Secondary undergraduate major (omit if you do not have a secondary major)
Graduate major (omit if you do not plan to go to graduate school)

ARTS AND HUMANITIES
01 Art, fine and applied
02 English (language and literature)
03 History
04 Journalism
05 Language and Literature (except English)
06 Music
07 Philosophy
08 Speech
09 Theater or Drama
10 Theology or Religion
11 Other Arts and Humanities

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCE
12 Biology (general)
13 Biochemistry or Biophysics
14 Botany
15 Environmental Science
16 Marine (Life) Science
17 Microbiology or Bacteriology
18 Zoology
19 Other Biological Science

BUSINESS
20 Accounting
21 Business Admin. (general)
22 Finance
23 International Business
24 Marketing
25 Management
26 Secretarial Studies
27 Other Business

EDUCATION
28 Business Education
29 Elementary Education
30 Music or Art Education
31 Physical Education or Recreation
32 Secondary Education
33 Special Education
34 Other Education

ENGINEERING
35 Aeronautical or Astronautical Engineering
36 Civil Engineering
37 Chemical Engineering
38 Computer Engineering
39 Electrical or Electronic Engineering
40 Industrial Engineering
41 Mechanical Engineering
42 Other Engineering

PHYSICAL SCIENCE
43 Astronomy
44 Atmospheric Science (incl. Meteorology)
45 Chemistry
46 Earth Science
47 Marine Science (incl. Oceanography)
48 Mathematics
49 Physics
50 Statistics
51 Other Physical Science

PROFESSIONAL
52 Architecture or Urban Planning
53 Home Economics
54 Health Technology (medical, dental, laboratory)
55 Law
56 Library/Archival Science
57 Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinarian
58 Nursing
59 Pharmacy
60 Therapy (occupational, physical, speech)
61 Other Professional

SOCIAL SCIENCE
62 Anthropology
63 Economics
64 Ethnic Studies
65 Geography
66 Political Science (gov’t. international relations)
67 Psychology
68 Social Work
69 Sociology
70 Women’s Studies
71 Other Social Science

TECHNICAL
72 Building Trades
73 Data Processing or Computer Programming
74 Drafting or Design
75 Electronics
76 Mechanics
77 Other Technical

OTHER FIELDS
78 Agriculture
79 Communications
80 Computer Science
81 Forestry
82 Kinesiology
83 Law Enforcement
84 Military Science
85 Other Field
86 General Studies
12. Please mark your **probable** CAREER/OCCUPATION:

01 Accountant or actuary
02 Actor or entertainer
03 Architect or urban planner
04 Artist
05 Business (clerical)
06 Business executive (management, administrator)
07 Business owner or proprietor
08 Business sales person or buyer
09 Clergy (minister or priest)
10 Clergy (other religious)
11 Clinical psychologist
12 College administrator/staff
13 College teacher
14 Computer programmer or analyst
15 Conservationist or forester
16 Dentist (including orthodontist)
17 Dietitian or home economist
18 Engineer
19 Farmer or rancher
20 Foreign service worker (including diplomat)
21 Homemaker (full-time)
22 Interior decorator (including designer)
23 Lab technician or hygienist
24 Law enforcement officer
25 Lawyer (attorney) or judge
26 Military service (career)
27 Musician (performer, composer)
28 Nurse
29 Optometrist
30 Pharmacist
31 Physician
32 Policymaker/ government
33 School counselor
34 School principal or superintendent
35 Scientific researcher
36 Social, welfare or recreation worker
37 Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)
38 Teacher or administrator (elementary)
39 Teacher or administrator (secondary)
40 Veterinarian
41 Writer or journalist
42 Skilled trades
43 Other
44 Undecided

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

[Response categories: Hours Per Week: None, Less than 1 hour, 1-2, 3-5, 6-10, 11-15, 16-20, Over 20]

- Studying/homework
- Attending classes/labs
- Socializing with friends
- Exercising/sports
- Partying
- Working (for pay) on campus
- Working (for pay) off campus
- Student clubs/groups
- Watching TV
- Housework/childcare
- Commuting
- Prayer/meditation
- Career planning (job searches, internships, etc.)
- Online social networks (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
14. Think about your current abilities and tell us how strong or weak you believe you are in each of the following areas:
(Mark one for each item)

[Response categories: A Major Strength, Somewhat Strong, Average, Somewhat Weak, A Major Weakness]

General knowledge
Knowledge of a particular field or discipline
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures
Understanding of the problems facing your community
Understanding of national issues
Understanding of global issues
Critical thinking skills
Problem-solving skills
Ability to manage your time effectively
Foreign language ability
Interpersonal skills
Preparedness for employment after college
Preparedness for graduate or advanced education
Ability to conduct research
Ability to work as part of a team

15. Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Very Satisfied, Satisfied, Neutral, Dissatisfied, Very Dissatisfied, Can’t Rate/Don’t Know]

General education or core curriculum courses
Science and mathematics courses
Arts and Humanities courses
Social science courses
Laboratory facilities and equipment
Library facilities
Computing assistance
Tutoring or other academic assistance
Academic advising
Student housing (e.g., res. halls)
Financial aid package
Student health services
Student psychological services
Career-related resources and support
16. Please rate your satisfaction with your college in each area:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Very Satisfied, Satisfied, Neutral, Dissatisfied, Very Dissatisfied]

Courses in your major field
Amount of contact with faculty
Class size
Relevance of coursework to everyday life
Relevance of coursework to future career plans
Overall quality of instruction
Overall sense of community among students
Availability of campus social activities
Respect for the expression of diverse beliefs
Ability to find a faculty or staff mentor
Racial/ethnic diversity of the student body
Overall college experience

17. For the activities listed below, please indicate how often you engaged in each during the past year.
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not At All]

Smoked cigarettes
Felt depressed
Felt overwhelmed by all I had to do
Attended a religious service
Drank beer
Drank wine or liquor
Performed volunteer or community service work
Discussed politics
Sought personal counseling
Discussed religion
Worked on a local, state, or national political campaign
Contributed money to help support my family
Applied concepts from courses to everyday life
Felt that faculty provided me with feedback that helped me assess my progress in class
Felt that my contributions were valued in class
Felt that faculty encouraged me to ask questions and participate in discussions
18. Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age. We want the most accurate estimate of how you see yourself.
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Highest 10%, Above Average, Average, Below Average, Lowest 10%]

Academic ability
Artistic ability
Computer skills
Cooperativeness
Creativity
Drive to achieve
Emotional health
Leadership ability
Mathematical ability
Physical health
Popularity
Public speaking ability
Risk-taking
Self-confidence (intellectual)
Self-confidence (social)
Self-understanding
Spirituality
Understanding of others
Writing ability

19. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Strongly Agree, Agree, Disagree, Strongly Disagree]

I have felt discriminated against at this institution because of my race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religious affiliation
I see myself as part of the campus community
Faculty showed concern about my progress
There is a lot of racial tension on this campus
Faculty empower me to learn here
If asked, I would recommend this college to others
At least one staff member has taken an interest in my development
I feel valued at this institution
Faculty believe in my potential to succeed academically
Staff encouraged me to get involved in campus activities
In class, I have heard faculty express stereotypes based on race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religious affiliation
Staff recognize my achievements
Faculty encouraged me to meet with them outside of class
I am interested in seeking information about current social and political issues
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I feel a sense of belonging to this campus
At least one faculty member has taken an interest in my development
I feel I am a member of this college
I have effectively led a group to a common purpose

20. Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age. We want the most accurate estimate of how you see yourself.
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Highest 10%, Above Average, Average, Below Average, Lowest 10%]

Ability to see the world from someone else’s perspective
Tolerance of others with different beliefs
Openness to having my own views challenged
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people

21. To what extent have you experienced the following with students from a racial/ethnic group other than your own?
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Very Often, Often, Sometimes, Seldom, Never]

Dined or shared a meal
Had meaningful and honest discussions about race/ethnic relations outside of class
Had guarded, cautious interactions
Shared personal feelings and problems
Had tense, somewhat hostile interactions
Had intellectual discussions outside of class
Felt insulted or threatened because of your race/ethnicity
Studied or prepared for class
Socialized or partied

22. Think back over the past two weeks. How many times in the past two weeks, if any, have you had five or more alcoholic drinks in a row? (A drink can be a 12-ounce beer, a 4-ounce glass of wine, or a shot of liquor either straight or in a mixed drink.)

None
Once
Twice
3-5 times
6-9 times
10 or more times
23. Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Essential, Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important]

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
Being very well off financially
Helping others who are in difficulty
Making a theoretical contribution to science
Writing original works (poems, novels, etc.)
Creating artistic work (paintings, sculpture, etc.)
Becoming 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
Integrating spirituality into my life
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures
Adopting “green” practices to protect the environment

24. How often have professors at your college provided you with:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Frequently, Occasionally, Not At All]

Encouragement to pursue graduate/professional study
An opportunity to work on a research project
Advice and guidance about your educational program
Emotional support and encouragement
A letter of recommendation
Honest feedback about your skills and abilities
Help to improve your study skills
Feedback on your academic work (outside of grades)
Intellectual challenge and stimulation
An opportunity to discuss coursework outside of class
Help in achieving your professional goals
An opportunity to apply classroom learning to “real-life” issues
An opportunity to publish
25. Please indicate your agreement with each of the following statements. (Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Agree Strongly, Agree Somewhat, Disagree Somewhat, Disagree Strongly]

Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now
Addressing global climate change should be a federal priority
The chief benefit of a college education is that it increases one’s earning power
The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns
Gays and lesbians should have the legal right to adopt a child
The federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody’s medical costs
The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit

26. If you borrowed money to help pay for college expenses, estimate how much you will owe as of June 30, 2014:

$ ____ ____ ____ .00

27. How much of the past year's educational expenses (room, board, tuition, and fees) were covered from each of the following sources? (Mark one answer for each possible source)

[Response categories: None, Less than $1,000, $1,000 to 2,999, $3,000 to 5,999, $6,000 to 9,999, $10,000 or more]

Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)
My own resources (income from work, work-study, etc.)
Aid which need not be repaid (grants, scholarships, military, etc.)
Aid which must be repaid (loans, etc.)
Other sources
28. When thinking about your career path after college, how important are the following considerations:
(Mark one in each row)

[Response categories: Essential, Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Important]

Working for social change
High income potential
Social recognition or status
Stable, secure future
Creativity and initiative
Expression of personal values
Availability of jobs
Leadership potential
Work/life balance
Ability to pay off debt
Opportunity for innovation

29. What do you primarily plan to be doing in fall 2014?
(Mark one)

Working full-time
Working part-time
Attending graduate/professional school full-time
Attending graduate/professional school part-time
Completing additional undergraduate coursework/Post-baccalaureate program
Participating in an organization like the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps/VISTA, or Teach for America
Serving in the Armed Forces
Traveling
Volunteer work
Staying at home to be with or start a family
No current plans
30. Do you plan on doing any of these other activities in addition to the Primary Activity marked in the previous question?
(Mark all that apply)

- Working full-time
- Working part-time
- Attending graduate/professional school full-time
- Attending graduate/professional school part-time
- Completing additional undergraduate coursework/Post-baccalaureate program
- Participating in an organization like the Peace Corps, AmeriCorps/VISTA, or Teach for America
- Serving in the Armed Forces
- Traveling
- Volunteer work
- Staying at home to be with or start a family
- No current plans

31. If you are planning on being employed after graduation, which best describes the current state of your employment plans?
(Mark one response only)

- Not actively looking for a position
- Looking, but no offers yet
- Received an offer for a position, but declined
- Currently considering an offer
- Accepted an offer of employment
- Not planning on employment this fall

32. If you are planning to attend graduate or professional school, which of the following best estimates the current state of your educational plans?
(Mark one response only)

- Accepted and will be attending in the fall
- Accepted and deferred admission until a later date
- Placed on waiting list, no acceptances
- Still awaiting responses, no acceptances
- Will be applying this coming fall
- Not applying this fall, but might apply at a future date
- No plans to apply to school now or in the future
33. How would you characterize your political views?
(Mark one)

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

34. Are you currently registered to vote?

Ineligible
Yes
No

35. Military Status:
(Mark one)

None
ROTC, cadet, or midshipman at a service academy
In Active Duty, Reserves, or National Guard
A discharged veteran NOT serving in Active Duty, Reserves, or National Guard

36. If you could make your college choice over, would you still choose to enroll at your current college?

Definitely yes
 Probably yes
 Probably no
 Definitely no

37. What is the average grade you received during your college career, both overall and in your major?
(Mark one circle in each row)

Response categories: A or A+, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, D

Overall GPA
Primary Major GPA
38. Your current religious preference: (Mark one)

Baptist
Buddhist
Church of Christ
Eastern Orthodox
Episcopalian
Hindu
Jewish
LDS (Mormon)
Lutheran
Methodist
Muslim
Presbyterian
Quaker
Roman Catholic
Seventh-day Adventist
United Church of Christ/Congregational
Other Christian
Other Religion
None

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

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40 50 60
41 51 61
42 52 62
43 53 63
44 54 64
45 55 65
46 56 66
47 57 67
48 58 68

THANK YOU!