

### INTERGROUP RELATIONS, GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

#### SELF RATINGS OF INTERGROUP COMPETENCIES

% rating current abilities as "somewhat strong" or "a major strength"

- 91%** Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people
- 88%** Critical thinking skills
- 88%** Tolerance of others with different beliefs
- 86%** Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective
- 72%** Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues
- 70%** Openness to having my own views challenged

#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

% reporting that in the past year they "frequently"...

- 6.2%**  
Demonstrated for a cause
- 36.8%**  
Made an effort to educate others about social issues
- 60.4%**  
Performed volunteer work
- 14.6%**  
Publicly communicated my opinion about a cause



#### FUTURE EXPECTATIONS FOR COLLEGE

% reporting a "very good chance" that they will...

- 10.7%**  
Participate in student government
- 76.1%**  
Vote in a local, state, or national election
- 62.0%**  
Participate in volunteer or community service work
- 42.8%**  
Participate in a study abroad program

#### COMMUNITY AND DIVERSITY GOALS

% rating "very important" or "essential to them"

- 86.0%** Helping others who are in difficulty
- 77.9%** Improving understanding of other countries and cultures
- 58.2%** Helping to promote racial understanding
- 51.6%** Participating in a community action program
- 52.9%** Being a community leader

### OPINIONS AND BELIEFS

#### OPINIONS ABOUT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES

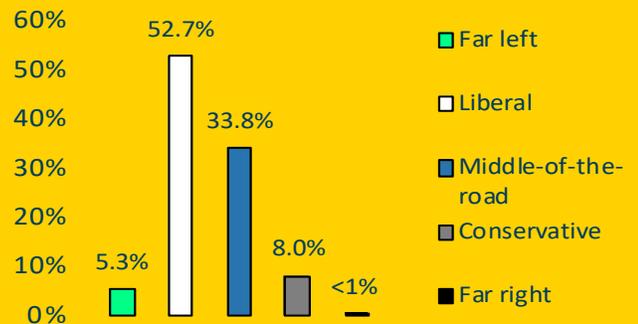
% indicating "agree" or "strongly agree" that...

- 95.7%** Gays and lesbians should have the right to adopt a child
- 95.6%** Addressing global climate change should be a federal priority
- 93.1%** The US government should create a clear path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants
- 91.3%** The federal government should have stricter gun control laws
- 86.4%** Abortion should be legal
- 79.0%** Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now
- 65.0%** My political views closely resemble those of my parents/guardians
- 55.5%** Colleges have the right to ban extreme speakers from campus
- 52.3%** Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished
- 46.0%** The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit
- 11.0%** Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America

#### RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS

- 38.9%**  
Christian
- 3.4%**  
Hindu
- 3.3%**  
Jewish
- 2.1%**  
Muslim
- 5.1%**  
Other
- 46.9%**  
None

#### POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS



#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

% reporting in the past year that they "frequently"...

**25.4%**

Attended religious services

**37.2%**

Discussed politics

**56.0%**

Critically evaluated their own position on an issue

#### CIVIC GOALS

% rating "very important" or "essential" to them

**60.4%**

Keeping up to date with political affairs

**30.9%**

Influencing the political structure

**52.9%**

Influencing social values

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND AND ASPIRATIONS

### SELF RATING OF COLLEGE SKILLS

% rating self "above average" or "top 10%" (compared with average person their age)

92.6%	Academic ability	44.2%	Emotional health	68.1%	Self-confidence (intellectual)
35.2%	Artistic ability	72.6%	Leadership ability	40.5%	Self-confidence (social)
75.2%	Compassion	71.3%	Mathematical ability	32.6%	Spirituality
15.5%	Computer programming	50.3%	Physical health	78.7%	Understanding of others
53.5%	Creativity	51.5%	Public speaking ability	62.9%	Writing ability
89.6%	Drive to achieve	45.2%	Risk-taking		

### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

% reporting in the past year that they "frequently"...

**39.6%**

Tutored another student

**54.7%**

Studied with other students

**52.2%**

Explored topics on their own, even though not required for class

**65.2%**

Evaluated the quality or reliability of information

**76.2%**

Sought solutions to problems and explain them to others

### EXPECTATIONS FOR COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

% indicating a "very good chance" that they will...

43%	Get tutoring help in specific courses
51%	Work on a professor's research project
19%	Change major field
22%	Change career choice
11%	Participate in student government
80%	Participate in student clubs/groups

### HIGHEST DEGREE PLANNED

10%	Bachelor's degree (BA, BS, etc.)
34%	Master's degree (MA, MS, MBA, etc.)
25%	Medical (MD, DO, DDS, DVM)
20%	PhD
6%	Law (JD)
4%	Professional doctorate (EdD, PsyD, etc.)
0.3%	Other

### CAREER GOALS

% rating "very important" or "essential"

37.9%	aspire to make a theoretical contribution to science
39.8%	aspire to become successful in a business of their own
60.1%	aspire to become an authority in their field
84.1%	aspire to be very well off financially

#### The Freshman Survey

The Freshman Survey focuses on incoming UCLA first-year students. It was administered online during the summer and early fall quarter of 2019. The survey is conducted every two years and provides a snapshot of incoming students' previous experiences and expectations.

For more information about the survey and the instrument, visit [www.sairo.ucla.edu/reports-data-by-survey](http://www.sairo.ucla.edu/reports-data-by-survey).

### FINANCES AND WORK

#### CONCERN ABOUT FINANCING COLLEGE EDUCATION

Major Concern **14.8%**  
Some Concern **55.4%**  
No Concern **29.9%**

#### FINANCIAL AID

When asked if their financial aid would be enough to cover expenses:

**37.9%** Agreed or strongly agreed  
**29.4%** Disagreed or strongly disagreed  
**32.6%** Are not receiving financial aid

#### EXPECTATIONS FOR WORK

**58.2%** of students indicate a "very good chance" that they will get a job to pay for college expenses

#### ABILITY TO BUDGET

**16.8%** of students rated their ability to budget or manage finances "a major strength"

### EMOTIONAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND PHYSICAL WELLNESS

#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES



##### FELT OVERWHELMED

Frequently — **38.7%**  
Occasionally — **53.6%**  
Not at all — **7.7%**



##### FELT ANXIOUS

Frequently — **32.1%**  
Occasionally — **54.9%**  
Not at all — **13.0%**



##### DRANK ALCOHOL

Frequently — **3.1%**  
Occasionally — **27.3%**  
Not at all — **69.5%**



##### FELT DEPRESSED

Frequently — **13.8%**  
Occasionally — **48.4%**  
Not at all — **37.8%**

#### FUTURE EXPECTATIONS



##### SEEK PERSONAL COUNSELING

Very good chance — **28.7%**  
Some chance — **41.6%**  
Very little chance — **26.0%**  
No chance — **3.7%**

### TOP 10 REASONS FOR CHOOSING UCLA

- 89%** UCLA has a very good academic reputation
- 73%** UCLA's graduates get good jobs
- 72%** UCLA has a good reputation for social and extracurricular activities
- 60%** The academic reputation of my intended major
- 58%** UCLA's graduates make a difference in this world
- 55%** UCLA's graduates gain admission to top graduate and professional schools
- 48%** A visit to the campus
- 45%** Rankings in top national magazines
- 40%** The cost of attending
- 32%** Was offered financial assistance