

# **INTERGROUP RELATIONS, GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

#### SELF RATINGS OF INTERGROUP COMPETENCIES

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

- **88.6**% Tolerance of others with different beliefs
- **88.0**% Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people
- 82.1% Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective
- 71.6% Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues
- 69.5% Openness to having my own views challenged

#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

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

Publicly communicated my

opinion about a cause



#### FUTURE EXPECTATIONS FOR **COLLEGE INVOLVEMENT**

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

**6**% Participate in student protests or demonstrations

3.4% Demonstrated for a cause (e.g. boycott, rally, protest)

> Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group



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**17.7**% Performed community service as part of a class



**46.7**% Participate in volunteer or community service work



Participate in a study abroad program

# COMMUNITY AND DIVERSITY GOALS

 $\mathbf{n}$ Helping others who are in difficulty



Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures % rating "very important" or "essential" to them

Helping to promote racial understanding

Participating in a community action program

7.2% Being a community leader

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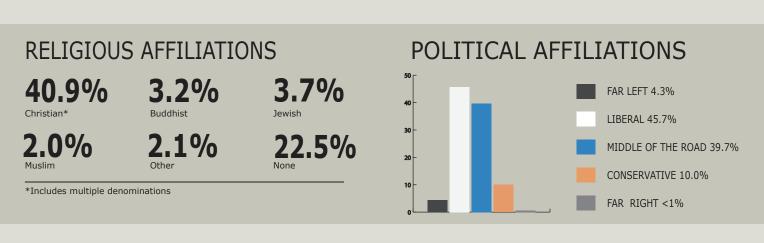


# **OPINIONS AND BELIEFS**

#### **OPINIONS ABOUT POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ISSUES**

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

- **97.8%** Women should receive the same salary and opportunities for advancement as men in comparable positions.
- **91.0%** Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status.
- **79.3%** Dissent is a critical component of the political process.
- 77.3% Abortion should be legal.
- **72.1%** Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus.
- 58.7% Marijuana should be legalized
- **52.8%** Students from disadvantaged backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admissions.
- **41.6%** Colleges have the right to ban extreme speakers from campus.
- **26.0%** The United States should intervene in the wars of other countries.
- **21.2%** Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about change in our society.
- **14.3%** Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America.



## PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

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

**24.5%** Attended religious services



## **CIVIC GOALS**

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

**43.9%** Keeping up to date with political affairs

# **17.9%** Influencing the political structure



**34.8%** Influencing social values



# **FRESHMAN PROFILE 2015** WHO'S COMING TO CAMPUS?

# ACADEMIC BACKGROUND AND ASPIRATIONS

#### SELF RATING OF COLLEGE SKILLS

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

87.8% Drive to achieve 87.3% Academic ability 74.7% Cooperativeness **65.9%** Intellectual self-confidence **64.9%** Mathematical ability 65.2% Leadership ability

#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

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

- 63.4% Competitiveness
- **53.4%** Writing Ability
- 53.4% Creativity
- **43.4%** Public Speaking Ability
- 27.2% Artistic Ability
- 29.9% Computer Skills

# **29.5**%

Tutored another student

52.6% Evaluated the quality or reliability of information

50.7% Studied with other students

55.2% Sought feedback on academic work

44.2% Explored topics on their own, even though not required for class

65.9% Sought solutions to problems and explain them to others

#### EXPECTATIONS FOR COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

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

- **66.9%** Make at least a "B" average
- **68.9%** Discuss course content outside of class
- **48.1%** Communicate regularly with professors
- **39.4%** Work on a professor's research project
- 21.2% Change major field
- **17.6%** Change career choice
- 73.1% Be satisfied with UCLA
- 6.89% Participate in student goverment
- **68.1%** Participate in student clubs/groups

## **HIGHEST DEGREE PLANNED**

- 9.9% Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)
- **37.9%** Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)

23.4% Academic Doctorate (Ph.D or Ed.D)

- **22.2**% Medical Degree (M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M.)
- 5.5% Law (J.D.)
- **0.8%** Other

**CAREER GOALS** % rating "very important" or "essential"

Thirty-one percent aspire to make a theoretical contribution to science. Thirty-eight percent aspire to become successful in a business of their own. Fifty-eight percent aspire to become an authority in their field. Eighty-two percent aspire to be very well off financially.



#### **FINANCES AND WORK**

# CONCERN ABOUT FINANCING COLLEGE EDUCATION

Major concern 9.9% Some concern 54.4% No concern 35.7%



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

**39.0%** Get a job to pay for college expenses. **3.3%** Work full-time while attending college.

#### THE CIRP FRESHMAN SURVEY

Each year, hundreds of two-year colleges, four-year colleges and universities administer the CIRP Freshman Survey to hundreds of thousands of entering students during orientation or registration. Published annually in "The American Freshman," the results from these surveys continue to provide a comprehensive portrait of the changing character of entering students and American society at large. For more information about the survey and the instrument, visit www.sairo.ucla.edu/reports-data-bysurvey

### **EMOTIONAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND PHYSICAL WELLNESS**

#### PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES



Frequently - **27.1%** Occasionally - **59.0%** Not at all - **13.9%** 

#### FELT OVERWHELMED



Frequently - **0.5%** Occasionally - **4.2%** 

SMOKED CIGARETTES

DRANK ALCOHOL



#### FELT DEPRESSED





#### **FUTURE EXPECTATIONS**



Very Good Chance - **18.6%** Some Chance - **38.8%** Very Little Chance - **36.1%** No Chance - **6.5%** 

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# **TOP 10 REASONS FOR CHOOSING UCLA**

#### % indicating reason as "very important"

- 87.0% UCLA has a very good academic reputation
- 86.4% To learn more about the things that interest me
- 82.4% To be able to get a better job
- **76.8%** To gain a general education and appreciation of ideas
- 66.7% UCLA's graduates get good jobs
- 66.5% To get training for a specific career
- **65.7%** To prepare myself for graduate or professional school
- 60.5% To be able to make more money
- 58.6% UCLA has a good reputation for its social activities
- **58.0%** To make me a more cultured person



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