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Thank you for taking the time to respond to this survey. We ask that you complete this questionnaire as part of an institutional effort to learn more about the experiences and expectations of graduate and professional students at UCLA. Your responses to this survey will serve as a critical resource for institutional decisions about student programs and campus policies at UCLA, which will help improve the graduate experience for your cohort and future UCLA graduate and professional students.

Your participation in this survey is important to us, but it is voluntary and your decision to participate or not to participate will not affect your standing or status at UCLA in any way. In addition, you may chose not to answer any specific questions that make you feel uncomfortable. Your identifying information and responses will be used for research purposes only and will be kept strictly confidential. The information you provide will be combined with responses from other graduate and professional students and reported as summary statistics only. Please note that as mandated by law, any information disclosed that suggests suspected, known, or alleged abuse or neglect must be reported to the appropriate authorities.

The survey should take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

If you are comfortable with these guidelines for the administration of the 2010 UCLA Student Affairs Graduate and Professional Student Survey, please click on the "Submit" button below to begin the survey.

Enter Your UCLA Student ID Number (9 digits) below for prize drawing

Be assured that your student ID number will not be associated with the report of your responses. Your student ID number will be entered in the drawing to win one of several prizes including a UCLA annual parking permit, two Kindle Readers, or twelve \$75 gift cards for the UCLA Store. Please make sure that your student ID number is entered correctly.

Interaction with Others

To what extent has your UCLA graduate/professional experience provided you with the opportunity to engage in the following with other people at UCLA?

I	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always	N/A
Shared a meal or socialized	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Interacted in class	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Discussed academic work or research outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interacted as part of a UCLA-based extracurricular activity or organization	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discussed topics about which you had different opinions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discussed your different backgrounds	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0

To what extent have you engaged in the following with other people at UCLA?									
	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always	N/A			
Shared a meal or socialized	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Interacted in class	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Discussed academic work or research outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Interacted as part of a UCLA-based extracurricular activity or organization	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Discussed topics about which you had different opinions	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Discussed your different backgrounds	0	0	0	0	0	0			

To what extent have you engaged in the following with people at UCLA who are different from you (e.g., by race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, political orientation, gender)?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always	N/A
Shared a meal or socialized	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Interacted in class	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Discussed academic work or research outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interacted as part of a UCLA-based extracurricular activity or organization	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discussed topics about which you had different opinions	0	0	0	0	0	0
Discussed your different backgrounds	0	0	0	0	0	0

How you would rate the overall quality of your interaction with people at UCLA who are different from you?									
	Very Negative	Negative	Neither negative or positive	Positive	Very Positive	N/A			
Shared a meal or socialized	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Interacted in class	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Discussed academic work or research outside of class	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Interacted as part of a UCLA-based extracurricular activity or organization	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Discussed topics about which you had different opinions	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Discussed your different backgrounds	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0			

Wellness

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always	N/A
Your daily life has been full of things that were interesting to you.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt loved and wanted.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You have been a very nervous person.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt depressed.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt tense or "high strung."	0	0	0	0	0	0
You have been in firm control of your behavior, thoughts, emotions and feelings.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt you had nothing to look forward to.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt calm and peaceful.	0	0	•	•	0	\bigcirc
You felt emotionally stable.	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
You felt downhearted and blue.	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
You felt so down in the dumps that nothing could cheer you up.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You have been moody or brooded about things.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You felt restless, fidgety, or impatient.	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
You have been anxious or worried.	0	\bigcirc	•	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
You have been a happy person.	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
You have been in low or very low spirits.	0	0	0	0	0	0
You have felt cheerful or lighthearted.	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
You have felt lonely/isolated.	0	0	0	0	0	0
During this academic year, how often have y	-	-		-	-	-
Never Rarely	Sometimes	Most	of the time	Always	Not a	pplicable

Campus Climate

Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement with the following statements in terms of your graduate/professional experience at UCLA.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Graduate/professional students in my program are respected regardless of their race, ethnicity, or citizenship.	0	0	0	0	0
Graduate/professional students in my program are respected regardless of their gender.	0	0	0	0	0

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Graduate/professional students in my program are respected regardless of their sexual orientation.	0	0	0	0	0
Graduate/professional students in my program are respected regardless of their religious beliefs.	0	0	0	0	0
Graduate/professional students in my program are respected regardless of their political opinions.	0	0	0	0	0
My graduate/professional program supports my research/professional goals.	0	0	0	0	0
I receive adequate support for any career path I might choose.	0	0	0	0	0
Graduate/professional students in my program are treated equitably and fairly by faculty.	0	0	0	0	0
Rapport between faculty and students in my program is good.	0	0	0	0	0
There are tensions among faculty that negatively affect graduate/professional students.	0	0	0	0	0
My relationships and interaction with other graduate/professional students in my program are positive.	0	0	0	0	0
Overall the morale of graduate/professional students in my program is positive.	0	0	0	0	0
I have sufficient opportunity to interact socially and make connections with people in my department/program.	0	0	0	0	0
I have sufficient opportunity to interact academically and make connections with people in my department/program.	0	0	0	0	0
I have sufficient opportunity to interact socially and make connections with people at UCLA outside of my department/program.	0	0	0	0	0
I have sufficient opportunities to interact academically and make connections with people at UCLA outside of my department/program.	0	0	0	0	0

Ethics

UCLA students have different views about what is right and wrong. Regardless of whether or not you may personally engage in the following activities, to what extent do you agree that it's acceptable for a graduate/professional student to engage in the following activities?

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Install unlicensed software on a personal computer.	0	0	0	0	0
Download copyrighted material (e.g., music, movies, etc.) without paying.	0	0	0	0	0
Utilize university equipment for personal use.	0	0	0	0	0
Misrepresent information on a resume or CV.	0	0	0	0	0
Make up data or results, and record or report them; submit fabricated documents.	0	0	0	0	0
Manipulate research materials or processes, or change or omit data or results.	0	0	0	0	0
Use another person's ideas, processes, results, or words without giving appropriate credit or citation.	0	0	0	0	0
Intentionally or knowingly help another person commit an act of academic dishonesty.	0	0	0	0	0

If you were aware of a colleague (e.g., fellow student, post doctoral scholar, etc.) engaging in illegal/unethical practices, how likely would you be to report him/her?

I	Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Likely	Very Likely
	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc

If you were aware of a faculty member engaging in illegal/unethical practices, how likely would you be to report him/her?								
Very Unlikely	Unlikely	Likely	Very Likely					
0	0	0	0					

Progress and Skills

Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with the following statements. At UCLA, I have received sufficient guidance/assistance with obtaining...

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Information on how to secure financial support for my graduate work.	0	0	0	0	0
Information on how to pursue professional development opportunities.	0	0	0	0	0

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/A
Information about exploring multiple career paths.	•	0	0	0	0
Support with my search for employment.	•	0	0	0	0

To what extent have the following factors affected your academic progress during the past year (i.e., previous 12 months)?

	Significantl y slowed my progress	Somewhat slowed my progress	No impact on my progress	Somewhat improved my progress	Significantl y improved my progress	N/A
Work commitments/responsibilities (i.e., paid employment)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Availability of faculty	•	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0
Graduate program/professional school structure or requirements	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other graduate/professional commitments that are not program requirements (e.g., conferences, conference proposal reviewer, publications, etc.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Course scheduling/availability	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
Personal relationships (e.g., spouse, significant other, parents)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Family obligations/responsibilities	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc
Financial commitments/concerns	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Housing situation	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0
Commuting/transportation	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Others' attitudes towards your race ethnicity/nationality	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others' attitudes towards your gender	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Others' attitudes towards your religion	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Others' attitudes towards your sexual orientation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ethics related to authorship or collaboration	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feeling depressed, stressed, or upset	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Disability or chronic illness	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0

Which of the following statements best reflects how you feel about your academic progress in your graduate/professional program up to this point in time?

- I feel significantly ahead of schedule.
- I feel slightly ahead of schedule.
- I feel on schedule.
- I feel slightly behind schedule.
- I feel significantly behind schedule.

Very unconcerned	Unconcerned	Concerned	Very concerned
0	0	0	0
	wing my graduate/professional		
Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
\mathbf{O}	\mathbf{O}	\mathbf{O}	\mathbf{O}
	e an official leave of absence b at UCLA?	etween now and the time tha	t you finish your
ow likely is it that you will take raduate/professional program Very Unlikely		etween now and the time tha	t you finish your Very Likely

How many years TOTAL do you expect it will take to obtain your degree, from the time you started your current graduate/professional program until you complete it?

- O Less than 1 year
- O 1 year
- O 2 years
- 3 years
- 4 years
- 5 years
- O 6 years
- O 7 years
- O 8 or more years

Please rate your current skill level (compared to other people in your field including peers, faculty, post-docs, etc.) in the following areas.

	Lowest 10%	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Highest 10%	N/A
Conducting research in my field	Ο	Ο	0	O	0	0
Writing a journal article	Ο	0	0	Ο	0	0
Writing a thesis/dissertation	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
Writing a grant	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	0	Ο
Writing a course paper	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	0	Ο
Preparing a portfolio or compilation of work	0	О	0	Ο	0	0
Giving a performance or exhibit	Ο	0	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
Giving a formal oral presentation	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	0	Ο
Understanding relevant ethical concerns in my field	0	О	О	О	0	О
Resolving disagreements with others	Ο	0	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
Assertively standing up for myself	Ο	0	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
Ability to work as part of a group	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο
Ability to lead a group	Ο	0	0	Ο	0	0
Dealing with academic workload at UCLA	0	0	О	0	0	О
Setting reasonable academic expectations for myself	0	0	О	0	0	0

	Lowest 10%	Below Average	Average	Above Average	Highest 10%	N/A
Managing my time efficiently to complete my academic program	О	0	О	0	О	0
Balancing academic responsibilities with other demands in my life	О	0	0	О	О	0
Managing/dealing with my emotions	0	Ο	0	Ο	0	0
Professional networking	Ο	0	0	0	0	0

Use of Time and Resources

During this past year (i.e., previous 12 months), on average how many hours per week did you spend doing the following activities?

	None	Up to 2 hrs	3-5 hrs	6-10 hrs	11-20 hrs	21-30 hrs	Over 30 hrs
Commuting	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	0	Ο	0
Fulfilling family/household responsibilities	О	0	0	0	0	0	Ο
Sleeping	Ο	Ο	0	Ο	0	Ο	0
Performing volunteer work or community service	О	О	О	О	О	О	0
Participating in student organizations or groups	0	0	О	О	О	О	0
Participating in physical exercise, fitness activities, or sports	О	0	0	0	0	О	Ο
Working for pay on campus	Ο	0	0	Ο	0	0	0
Working for pay off campus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Is your on-campus employment related to yo	our field of st	udy?					
Not applicable- not currently employed on- campus		Yes				No	L
Õ		0				0	
Is your off-campus employment related to yo	our field of st	udy?					
Not applicable- not currently employed off-	our field of st	udy? Yes				No	
	our field of st	-				No O	
Not applicable- not currently employed off- campus		Yes					
Not applicable- not currently employed off- campus		Yes O	atisfied	Satisfied	Very sat	0	N/A/I don't know
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Approximately how much have you earned/received from the following sources in the past year (i.e., previous 12 months)?

	Less than \$1,000	\$1,001- \$5,000	\$5,001- \$10,000	\$10,001- \$15,000	\$15,001- \$20,000	More than \$20,000	N/A
On-campus employment or other apprentice title that includes fees (e.g., GSR, TA). Note, include only income and not fee remissions.	О	0	О	О	О	0	О
Other on-campus employment (non- apprentice)	0	0	0	О	0	0	0
Off-campus employment	Ο	0	0	0	Ο	Ο	0
Merit-based Aid (e.g., fellowships)	Ο	Ο	0	0	Ο	0	Ο
Need-based Aid (e.g., financial aid, loans, work-study)	0	0	0	0	О	О	0
Employer-sponsored financial assistance	0	0	О	О	О	О	0
Personal/family/spouse or partner financial resources	0	О	О	О	О	О	О

Has your total income (e.g., from fellowships, employment, etc. EXCLUDING loans) been sufficient to cover your expenses during this year (i.e., previous 12 months)?

• Yes

O No

Federal Student Loans (e.g., Stafford)	Private Student Loans	Credit cards	Savings accounts, trust funds, stocks	Gifts fro family, relatives,	0	ther Don	ı't know	Not applicable
0	0	0	0	Ο		0	0	0
What is your b	oest estimate as	to how much	debt from all so	ources (inclu	ding credit o	cards, educatio	nal debt, e	tc.) you
			Less than \$1,000	\$1,001- \$5,000	\$5,001- \$10,000	\$10,001- \$15,000	\$15,001- \$20,000	More than \$20,000
-	starting your cu am at UCLA?	urrent	Ο	О	О	О	О	0
have incurred 12 months)?	d this year (i.e.	, previous	O	0	О	О	0	0
			n total debt from of your current d				icational de	ebt, etc.) you
Less than \$5,0	000 \$5,001-	\$15,000	\$15,001-\$25,000	\$25,001-	÷\$50,000	\$50,001-\$100,00	00 0	Freater than \$100,000
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○ Yes

O No [Skip to Demographics and Other Information Section]

International Students ONLY

Is your UCLA education sponsored by your government?

- Yes
- O No

How often have you experienced difficulty with the following?

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	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Most of the time	Always	N/A		
Visa, immigration laws, work authorization	0	О	0	Ο	О	О		
Dealing with university policies that apply to international students (e.g. minimum # of units, time to degree requirements)	0	О	О	О	0	О		
English proficiency	0	0	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο		
Acclimating to American culture	Ο	Ο	Ο	Ο	0	Ο		
Meeting/socializing with domestic students	0	О	0	0	О	0		
Meeting/socializing with other international students	О	О	Ο	0	О	О		
Finding housing prior to the start of your first academic year at UCLA	О	О	0	0	О	О		

Demographics and Other Information

Which of the following housing situations best describes your CURRENT residence?

- O On-campus
- O University-owned student housing (e.g., Weyburn Terrace)
- O Off-campus, University-owned student housing (e.g., University Apartments South)
- O Off-campus, non University-owned housing within walking or biking distance
- O Off-campus, non University-owned housing within driving distance

Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
0	0	0	0
•	ocation and condition of your o	e e	
w satisfied are you with the l Very Dissatisfied	ocation and condition of your o	current housing situation? Satisfied	Very Satisfied

- Single
- O Married /Living with a domestic partner
- Divorced/separated
- Widowed

How many dependents do you have in the following age ranges? (Dependents are individuals that you care for on a daily basis.)

	0 dependents	1 dependent	2 dependents	3 or more dependents
0-4 years	\mathbf{O}	Ο	Ο	Ο
5-12 years	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
13-17 years	0	Ο	Ο	Ο
18 or older	Ο	0	0	0

Toward which of the following is your primary sexual attraction?

- Males
- Females
- Both Males and Females
- O Unsure

When did you learn English?

- English is my native language
- O Before I was 5 years old
- When I was 6 to 10 years old
- When I was 11 to 15 years old
- After turning 16 years old

How did you primarily spend your time immediately prior to entering your current graduate/professional program at UCLA? (Choose one)

- Undergraduate student
- Graduate student
- Volunteer work
- Internship/fellowship
- Cared for your children/other family member
- O Employed in a field related to your current field of study
- O Employed in a field unrelated to your current field of study
- Traveling
- Other, please specify

Which of the following best describes your expectation for your primary post-graduate activity immediately after you complete your degree at UCLA?

- I intend to pursue another graduate/professional program.
- I intend to pursue a postdoctoral or fellowship position.
- O I intend to pursue a tenure-track position.
- I intend to pursue a non tenure-track teaching position.
- I intend to pursue a university administration position.
- I intend to pursue non-academic career options.
- I am considering both academic and non-academic options.
- I am unsure of my career path.
- O Other, please specify

Since entering your graduate/professional program at UCLA, have you changed your mind about the primary postgraduate activity you expect to do after you graduate?

O No

• Yes (please describe)

Where or with whom have you developed a sense of community or social support at UCLA?

What suggestions do you have for improving the UCLA graduate/professional experience?

We realize that your time is valuable and appreciate your feedback. Thank you for participating in the 2010 UCLA Student Affairs Graduate and Professional Student Survey. Please click on the Submit button to submit your responses.