# Attachment 9: HERI Transfer Student Survey



COOPERATIVE INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM at the HIGHER EDUCATION RESEARCH INSTITUTE AT UCLA

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#### COOPERATIVE INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH PROGRAM (CIRP) FRESHMAN SURVEY INFORMATION SHEET University of California, Los Angeles

#### Purpose of the Study

You are asked to complete this survey as part of a national study conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute (HERI) at the University of California, Los Angeles. This study is designed to determine what happens to students when they attend college. Since 1965, over 15 million students at over 1,900 colleges and universities have participated in this research. The data gathered are used in studies designed to better understand student learning and development and to help improve the quality of college education.

#### Procedures

To participate in this study, please complete and submit the following survey. Most respondents complete this questionnaire in about 25 minutes, although individual progress will vary by how quickly you move through the questions.

You may decide not to complete the survey for any reason at any time without consequence of any kind. The Higher Education Research Institute does not offer payment for participation. Your participation and responses to the questionnaire indicate your consent to participate in the study.

### Potential Benefits to Subjects and/or Society

You may have the opportunity to reflect on your experiences in college as you complete the survey, which may enhance self-understanding. Your responses to the survey also will be directly beneficial to your college or university, and may benefit future generation of college students as well.

### **Potential Risks and Discomforts**

There could be survey items that you are uncomfortable answering or to which you would simply prefer not to respond. Your participation in this study is strictly voluntary, and you will be under no obligation whatsoever to answer any questions that you are not inclined to answer. You may choose not to answer any specific questions you do not want to answer and still remain in the study.

### Confidentiality

Please note that your responses will be used for research purposes only and will be strictly confidential. Any information that is obtained in connection with this study and that can be identified with you will remain confidential. Your identified responses will be returned to your institution for institutional assessment purposes. Before receiving any responses your school is required to certify in advance that the data will only be used for research purposes and will not be used to investigate specific individuals.

#### **Identification of investigators**

If you have any questions or concerns about the research, please contact the Managing Director of HERI, Dr. Kevin Eagan at this address:

Higher Education Research Institute UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies Box 951521 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1521 Email: <u>heri@ucla.edu</u> Phone: 310-825-1925

### **Rights of Research Subjects**

You may withdraw your consent at any time and discontinue participation without penalty. You are not waiving any legal claims, rights or remedies because of your participation in this research study. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, contact the UCLA Office for Protection of Research Subjects, 11000 Kinross Avenue, Suite 102, Box 951694, Los Angeles, CA 90095-1694, (310) 825-7122.

Do you consent to participate in the 2016 Transfer Student Survey?

- Yes, please take me to the survey
- No, I wish to opt out

# Welcome to the 2016 Transfer Student Survey

Welcome to the 2016 Transfer Student Survey. This survey is a partnership between your institution and the Higher Education Research Institute at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Thank you for your participation. Your opinion and feedback matter!

Please click "next" to access the survey. To review your response to a previous question, click the "back" button.

**Default Question Block** 

# Please provide the following information:

First Name
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Last Name
Address
City
State
Zip
Phone
Email
Student ID
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY)

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### Your sex:

- Male
- Female

### How old will you be on December 31 of this year? (Mark one)

- I6 or younger
- 0 17
- 0 18
- 0 19
- 20
- 0 21-24
- 25-29
- 0 30-39
- 40-54
- 55 or older

### Is English your primary language?

- Yes
- No

### In what year did you graduate from high school? (Mark one)

- 0 2015
- 0 2014
- 0 2013
- 2012 or earlier
- Did not graduate but passed G.E.D. test
- Never completed high school

#### Are you enrolled (or enrolling as a: (Mark one)

- Full-time student
- Part-time student

### What was your average grade in high school? (Mark one)

- A or A+
- A-
- ◎ B+
- B
- B-
- C+
- C
- D

### From what kind of high school did you graduate? (Mark one)

- Public school (<u>not</u> charter or magnet)
- Public charter school
- Public magnet school
- Private religious/parochial school
- Private independent college-prep school
- Home school

### Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at this institution?

- Yes
- No

### Citizenship status: (Mark <u>one</u>)

- U.S. citizen
- Permanent resident (green card)
- International student (F-1, or M-1 visa)
- None of the above

	Yes	No
Algebra II	0	٢
Pre-calculus/Trigonometry	0	•
Probability & Statistics	0	•
Calculus	0	۲
AP Probability & Statistics	0	•
AP Calculus	0	•

# **Please mark which of the following courses you have completed:** (Mark Yes or No for <u>each</u> item)

### Do you consider yourself: (Mark Yes or No for each item)

	Yes	No
Pre-Med	0	۲
Pre-Law	۲	•

### Please indicate your intended major.

Please indicate your intended career.

Please indicate the career of Parent/Guardian 1

Please indicate the career of Parent/Guardian 2

# What is your <u>best estimate</u> of your parents'/guardians' total income last year? Consider income from all sources before taxes. (Mark <u>one</u>)

- Less than \$10,000
- \$10,000-14,999
- \$15,000-19,999
- \$20,000-24,999
- \$25,000-29,999
- \$30,000-39,999
- \$40,000-49,999
- \$50,000-59,999
- \$60,000-74,999
- \$75,000-99,999
- \$100,000-149,999
- \$150,000-199,999
- \$200,000-249,999
- \$250,000 or more

	<b>Highest Planned</b>	Highest Planned at This College
None	۲	•
Vocational certificate	۰	•
Associate (A.A. or equivalent)	0	0
Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)	٥	0
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)	٥	٥
Ph.D. or Ed.D.	۲	۲
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M.	۰	۲
J.D. (Law)	۰	۲
B.D. or M.Div. (Divinity)	۰	۲
Other	۰	۲

### What is the highest academic degree you intend to obtain? (Mark one in each column)

For the activities below, indicate which activities you did during the <u>past year</u>. If you engaged in an activity frequently, mark "Frequently". If you engaged in an activity one or more times, but not frequently, mark "Occasionally". Mark "Not at All" if you have not performed the activity during the past year. (Mark <u>one</u> for each item)

	Frequently	Occasionally	Not at all
Attended a religious service	۲	۲	0
Was bored in class	•	۲	0
Demonstrated for a cause (e.g., boycott, rally, protest)	۲	۲	۲
Tutored with other students	0	۲	0
Studied with other students	•	۲	0
Smoked cigarettes	•	۲	0
Drank beer	•	۲	0
Drank wine or liquor	•	•	0
Felt overwhelmed by all you had to do	•	•	0
Felt depressed	•	•	0
Performed volunteer work	•	•	0
Asked a teacher for advice after class	•	0	0

# **For the activities below, indicate which ones you did during the <u>past year.</u> (Mark <u>one</u> for each item)**

	Frequently	Occasionally	Not at all
Voted in a student election	0	۲	•
Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group	۰	٥	۲
Came late to class	•	۲	۲
Performed community service as part of a class	•	۲	۲
Discussed religion	•	۲	۲
Discussed politics	•	•	•
Worked on a local, state, or national political campaign	۲	۲	•
Skipped school/class	•	•	۲
Publicly communicated your opinion about a cause (e.g., blog, email, petition)	۰	٥	•
Helped raise money for a cause or campaign	•	۲	۲
Fell asleep in class	•	•	•
Failed to complete homework on time	•	۲	۲
Used an instructional website (e.g., Khan Academy, Coursera) as assigned for a class	۰	٥	•
Used an online instructional website (e.g., Khan Academy, Coursera) to learn something on your own	۰	٥	۲

# How would you rate yourself in the following areas:

(Mark <u>one in each row</u>)

	A Major Strength	Somewhat Strong	Average	Somewhat Weak	A Major Weakness
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective	0	۲	۲	۲	0
Tolerance of others with different beliefs	0	0	0	0	0
Openness to having my own views challenged	0	۲	۲	۲	0
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues	۲	۲	۲	۲	0
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people	0	0	0	0	0
Critical thinking skills	0	0	0	0	0
Ability to manage your time effectively	•	0	۲	0	•

# What is the highest level of formal education obtained by your parents/guardians? (Mark <u>one in each column</u>)

	Parent/Guardian 1	Parent/Guardian 2
Junior high/Middle school or less	0	0
Some high school	0	0
High school graduate	0	0
Postsecondary school other than college	٥	٥
Some college	•	٥
College degree	0	0
Some graduate school	0	٥
Graduate degree	0	0

## How often in the past year did you:

(Mark <u>one in each row</u>)

	Frequently	Occasionally	Not at All
Ask questions in class	0	•	۲
Support your opinions with a logical argument	0	•	۲
Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others	0	•	۲
Revise your papers to improve your writing	•	•	۲
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received	0	•	۲
Take a risk because you felt you had more to gain	•	•	۲
Seek alternative solutions to a problem	•	•	•
Look up scientific research articles and resources	•	•	۲
Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class	٥	۲	۲
Accept mistakes as part of the learning process	0	•	۲
Seek feedback on your academic work	۲	۲	۲

### Are you: (Mark <u>all that apply</u>)

- White/Caucasian
- African American/Black
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- East Asian (e.g., Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Taiwanese)
- Southeast Asian (e.g., Cambodian, Vietnamese, Hmong, Filipino)
- South Asian (e.g., Indian, Pakistani, Nepalese, Sri Lankan)
- Other Asian
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- Mexican American/Chicano
- Puerto Rican
- Other Latino
- Other

#### Somewhat Very Important Important Not Important To be able to get a better job ۲ ۲ 0 To gain a general education and 0 0 0 appreciation of ideas To make me a more cultured person ۲ ۲ ۲ To be able to make more money 0 ۲ 0 To learn more about things that interest ۲ ۲ 0 me To get training for a specific career 0 0 0 To prepare myself for graduate or 0 ۲ 0 professional school

# In deciding to go to college, how important to you was each of the following reasons? (Mark <u>one</u> answer for each possible reason)

# **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 <u>one</u> in each row)

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	Highest 10%	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Lowest 10%
Academic ability	•	0	۲	۲	۲
Artistic ability	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Competitiveness	•	•	•	۲	•
Computer skills	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Cooperativeness	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Creativity	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Drive to achieve	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Emotional health	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Leadership ability	•	•	•	•	۲
Mathematical ability	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Physical health	•	۲	۲	•	۲
Public speaking ability	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Risk-taking	•	•	۲	۲	۲
Self-confidence (intellectual)	۰	۲	۲	•	۲
Self-confidence (social)	•	•	•	۲	•
Self-understanding	•	•	•	•	•
Spirituality	•	•	•	•	•
Understanding of others	•	•	•	•	•
Writing ability	۲	•	۲	۲	•

# During your last year in high school, how much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?

(Mark <u>one f</u>or each item)

	None	Less than 1 hour	1-2 hrs	3-5 hrs	6-10 hrs	11-15 hrs	16-20 hrs	Over 20 hrs
Studying/homework	0	0	0	0	0	۲	۲	0
Socializing with friends	•	0	•	0	0	•	0	0
Talking with teachers outside of class	۲	۲	•	۲	0	•	•	•
Exercise or sports	۲	0	•	0	0	۲	•	0
Partying	۲	0	۲	0	0	۲	•	0
Working (for pay)	۲	0	۲	0	0	۲	0	0
Volunteer work	•	0	•	0	0	•	0	0
Student clubs and groups	۲	0	۲	0	0	۲	•	0
Watching TV	۲	0	•	0	0	•		0
Household/childcare duties	۲	0	•	0	•	۲		0
Reading for pleasure	۲	0	•	0	•	•		0
Playing video/computer games	۲	0	•	0	•	۲	0	0
Online social networks (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)	۲	۲	•	۲	۲	•	•	0

### 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

### How many years do you expect it will take you to graduate from this college?

- 0 1
- 2
- 3
- ◎ 4
- 5
- 6+
- I do not plan to graduate from this college.

### To what extent are the following statements true of you: (Mark one in each row)

	Strongly Agree	Agree Somewhat	Neutral	Disagree Somewhat	Strongly Disagree
I have a strong sense of belonging to a community of scientists	۲	•	•	•	0
I derive great personal satisfaction from working on a team that is doing important research	0	0	0	۲	۲
I think of myself as a scientist	•	۲	•	•	0
I feel like I belong in the field of science	۲	0	۲	0	0

### How confident are you that you can: (Mark one in each row)

	Absolutely Confident	Very Confident	Moderately Confident	Somewhat Confident	Not at All Confident
Use technical science skills (use of tools, instruments, and/or techniques)	•	۲	۲	•	0
Generate a research question	•	۲	۲	۲	•
Determine how to collect appropriate data	•	۲	۲	۲	•
Explain the results of a study	0	•	0	۲	۲
Use scientific literature to guide research	•	۲	۲	۲	0
Integrate results from multiple studies	0	•	0	۲	0
Ask relevant questions	0	•	0	۲	۲
Identify what is known and not known about a problem	۲	۲	۲	۲	•
Understand scientific concepts	0	0	0	۲	0
See connections between different areas of science and mathematics	۲	۲	۲	0	0

## Will you pursue a science-related research career?

- Definitely yes
- Probably yes
- Uncertain
- Probably no
- Definitely no

	Yes	No
Learning disability (dyslexia, etc.)	0	0
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)	0	0
Autism spectrum/Asperger's syndrome	0	۲
Physical disability (speech, sight, mobility, hearing, etc.)	0	0
Chronic illness (cancer, diabetes, autoimmune disorders, etc.)	0	0
Psychological disorder (depression, etc.)	•	۲
Other	0	0

# **Do you have any of the following disabilities or medical conditions?** (Mark yes or no for <u>each</u> item)

# Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

(Mark <u>one in each row</u>)

	Essential	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important
Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts (acting, dancing, etc.)	0	•	0	0
Becoming an authority in my field	•	۲	۲	۲
Obtaining recognition from my colleagues for contributions to my special field	0	۲	0	©
Influencing the political structure	0	۲	۲	0
Influencing social values	•	•	•	0
Raising a family	۲	۲	۲	0
Being very well off financially	•	•	۲	0
Helping others who are in difficulty	0	۲	۲	0
Making a theoretical contribution to science	0	۲	۲	0
Writing original works (poems, novels, etc.)	0	۲	۲	0

### Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

(Mark one in each row)

	Essential	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important
Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, etc.)	۲	۲	۲	۲
Becoming successful in a business of my own	•	•	۲	۲
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment	۲	۲	۲	۲
Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	•	۲	۲	۲
Participating in a community action program	۲	۲	۲	۲
Helping to promote racial understanding	•	۲	۲	۲
Keeping up to date with political affairs	۲	۲	۲	۲
Becoming a community leader	•	•	۲	•
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures	۲	۲	۲	۲

### I transferred to this college directly from:

- A 2-year college
- A 4-year college or university
- Another type of postsecondary institution (e.g., technical, vocational, business)

### Did you participate in a transfer preparation program before enrolling here?

- Yes
- No

### How many courses taken at another institution were accepted for credit here?

- Very few
- Less than half
- About half
- Most but not all
- All

# Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with each of the following about your transfer experience. Before transferring:

	Strongly Agree	Agree Somewhat	Disagree Somewhat	Strongly Disagree
I received helpful advice about the right courses to complete the requirements to transfer	0	0	0	Ø
The courses I took prepared me for the academic demands here	۲	۲	0	0
The guidelines for transferring to this institution were easy to understand	۲	۲	0	0
There was helpful online information available about how to transfer here (e.g. websites)	٥	0	0	0
I worked with a transfer specialist/advisor from this institution to apply or choose courses	0	0	0	O

### What is your current class standing?

- Freshman/first year
- Sophomore/second year
- Junior/third year
- Senior/fourth year
- Fifth-year senior or more

### **Additional Questions**