Sixth College Responses in Blue

INTERGROUP RELATIONS, GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

SELF RATINGS OF INTERGROUP COMPETENCIES
Percentage rating self “a major strength” or “somewhat strong” (compared with average person their age)

- Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people: 84.3% 83.3%
- Tolerance of others with different beliefs: 85.9% 86.0%
- Ability to see the world from someone else’s perspective: 79.8% 78.6%
- Ability to discuss and navigate controversial issues: 70.6% 65.7%
- Understanding of others (“above average” or “highest 10%”): 73.6% 75.6%
- Openness to having own views challenged: 67.6% 66.3%

PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES
Percentage reporting that in the past year they “frequently”...

- Demonstrated for a cause (e.g. boycott, rally, protest): 3.4% 2.3%
- Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group: 77.3% 73.3%
- Helped raise money for a cause or campaign: 11.8% 10.1%
- Performed volunteer work: 41.3% 34.1%

FUTURE EXPECTATIONS FOR COLLEGE INVOLVEMENT
Percentage reporting a “very good chance” that they will...

- Communicate regularly with your professors: 45.7% 43.4%
- Work on a professor’s research project: 35.1% 30.2%
- Participate in a study abroad program: 34.6% 33.8%
- Participate in student clubs/groups: 58.8% 51.7%
- Participate in volunteer or community service work: 37.0% 28.1%

COMMUNITY AND DIVERSITY GOALS
Percentage rating “very important” or “essential” to them

- Helping others who are in difficulty: 76.7% 75.2%
- Improving understanding of other countries & cultures: 65.3% 66.2%
- Helping to promote racial understanding: 49.7% 45.6%
- Being a community leader: 40.3% 36.9%
- Participating in a community action program: 36.0% 31.4%

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Opinions and Beliefs

Opinions about Political and Social Issues
Percentage indicating “agree strongly” or “agree somewhat” that...

- 77.8% 74.2% Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now.
- 84.5% 79.9% The federal government should have stricter gun control laws.
- 58.0% 54.0% Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished.
- 91.5% 89.9% Sexual activity that occurs without the presence of explicit affirmative consent (i.e., yes means yes) is considered sexual assault.
- 21.2% 23.2% There is little that a person can do to be better at math.
- 91.2% 89.8% Addressing global climate change should be a federal priority.

Opinions on Self
Percentage indicating “A Major Strength” or “Somewhat Strong”...

- 62.3% 78.6% Ability to see the world from someone else’s perspective
- 71.8% 76.6% Critical thinking skills
- 44.3% 47.3% Ability to manage your time effectively

Religious Affiliations

- 37.1% Christian*
- 5.1% Buddhist
- 1.2% Jewish
- 5.0% Other
- 6.2% Muslim
- 49.8% None/Atheist/Agnostic

*Includes multiple denominations

Political Affiliations

- 0.7% 0.5% FAR-RIGHT
- 9.7% 10.5% CONSERVATIVE
- 39.3% 38.7% MIDDLE OF THE ROAD
- 45.3% 45.9% LIBERAL
- 5.0% 4.4% FAR LEFT

Past Year Experiences
Percentage reporting that in the past year they “frequently”...

- 22.9% 22.5% Attended religious service
- 22.3% 21.4% Discussed religion
- 39.5% 31.4% Discussed politics

Civic Goals
Percentage rating “very important” or “essential” to them

- 63.8% Raising a family
- 62.3%
- 45.2% 38.0% Keeping up to date with political affairs
- 76.7% 75.2% Helping others who are in difficulty
- 51.8% 49.6% Developing a meaningful philosophy of life
WHO’S COMING TO SIXTH COLLEGE?

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND AND ASPIRATIONS

Percentage rating self “above average” or “highest 10%” (compared with average person their age)

- Drive to achieve: 78.7%
- Academic ability: 85.2%
- Intellectual self-confidence: 60.4%
- Leadership ability: 55.0%
- Mathematical ability: 66.2%
- Writing ability: 45.8%
- Public speaking ability: 39.1%

PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

Percentage reporting that in the past year they “frequently”...

- Evaluated the quality or reliability of information received: 54.6% 53.5%
- Tutored another student: 26.2% 24.6%

EXPECTATIONS FOR COLLEGE EXPERIENCES

Percentage indicating a “very good chance” that they will...

- Join a social fraternity or sorority: 7.4% 7.6%
- Vote in a local, state or national election: 54.6% 44.3%
- Communicate regularly with professors: 45.7% 43.4%
- Work on a professor’s research project: 35.1% 30.2%
- Change major field: 17.1% 19.0%
- Change career choice: 15.4% 17.6%

HIGHEST DEGREE PLANNED

- Bachelor’s degree (B.A., B.S., etc.): 10.8% 17.3%
- Master’s degree (M.A., M.S., etc.): 37.5% 40.8%
- Academic Doctorate (Ph.D.): 23.8% 19.1%
- Professional Doctorate (E.D., Psy.D., etc): 5.1% 5.0%
- Medical Degree (M.D., D.O., D.D.S., or D.V.M.): 18.2% 15.2%
- Law (J.D.): 3.8% 1.9%
- Other: 1.0% 0.7%

CAREER GOALS

Percentage rating “very important” or “essential”

- Aspire to make a theoretical contribution to science: 38.6% 36.1%
- Aspire to pursue a science related research career: 58.2% 55.6%
- Aspire to become successful in a business of their own: 37.5% 42.8%
- Aspire to become an authority in their field: 56.7% 52.7%
- Aspire to be very well off financially: 81.6% 82.9%

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Sixth College Responses in Blue

FINANCES AND WORK

CONCERN ABOUT FINANCING COLLEGE EDUCATION

- 14.5% MAJOR CONCERN
- 57.8% SOME CONCERN
- 27.7% NO CONCERN

SOURCES UTILIZED TO FUND COLLEGE

Percentage % indicating "Yes"...
- 32.3% Pell Grant
- 34.0% Need-based Grants or Scholarships

EXPECTATIONS FOR WORK

Percentage % indicating a “very good chance” that they will...
- 49.1% Get a job to help pay for college expenses.

BEST ESTIMATE OF PARENTS’ OR GUARDIANS’ INCOME

- 18.5% Less than $30,000
- 25.0% $30,000 to $74,999
- 23.7% $75,000 to $124,999
- 32.8% $125,000 or more

EMOTIONAL, PSYCHOLOGICAL, AND PHYSICAL WELLNESS

PAST YEAR EXPERIENCES

- 74.8% Not at all
- 73.1% Occasionally
- 22.2% Frequently

- 15.1% Not at all
- 34.7% Occasionally
- 47.0% Frequently

FUTURE EXPECTATIONS

- 17.1% Very Good Chance
- 15.6% Some Chance
- 40.1% Very Little Chance
- 34.4% No Chance

REASONS FOR CHOOSING UCSD

Percentage indicating reason as “very important”...
- 30.3% 26.6% A visit to this campus.
- 55.4% 50.3% This college’s graduates get good jobs.
- 76.7% 76.0% This college has a very good academic reputation.
- 12.2% 10.3% I wanted to live near home.
- 42.1% 34.3% This college’s graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools.
- 9.6% 9.1% Could not afford first choice.
- 26.8% 28.0% This college has a good reputation for its social and extracurricular activities.
- 31.5% 37.4% I was offered financial assistance.
- 33.7% 32.2% The cost of attending this college.
- 9.2% 9.2% Not offered aid by first choice.

All Other Colleges Responses in Red

FINANCES AND WORK

QUESTIONS: WHO’S COMING TO SIXTH COLLEGE?

STUDENT RESEARCH AND INFORMATION, INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, UC SAN DIEGO

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Who’s Coming to Sixth College?

FINANCES AND WORK

Concern about financing college education

- 14.5% major concern
- 57.8% some concern
- 27.7% no concern

Sources utilized to fund college

Percentage % indicating “yes”...
- 32.3% Pell Grant
- 34.0% Need-based Grants or Scholarships

Expectations for work

Percentage % indicating a “very good chance” that they will...
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Best estimate of parents’ or guardians’ income

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Emotional, psychological, and physical wellness

Past year experiences

- 9.5% Not at all
- 7.7% Occasionally
- 35.5% Frequently

- 41.5% Not at all
- 34.7% Occasionally
- 11.5% Frequently

Felt depressed

- 15.1% Not at all
- 53.9% Occasionally
- 31.0% Frequently

Felt anxious

- 17.1% Very Good Chance
- 15.6% Some Chance
- 40.1% Very Little Chance
- 34.4% No Chance

Future expectations

Reasons for choosing UCSD

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- 9.2% 9.2% Not offered aid by first choice.

Were you accepted by your first choice college?

- 39.0% 36.6% Yes

Was UCSD your...

- 13.9% 11.3% Less than third choice
- 21.9% 25.0% Third choice
- 33.4% 36.7% Second choice
- 30.8% 27.0% First choice

To how many other colleges other than UCSD did they apply to this year?

- 6.3% 6.2% None to three
- 22.8% 26.5% Four to six
- 70.9% 67.3% Seven or more

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