

2019–2020 HEDS Diversity and Equity Campus Climate Survey

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the Diversity and Equity Campus Climate Survey. In this survey, we will ask you about your perceptions of [Institution Name]'s climate, your perceptions of how [Institution Name] supports diversity and equity, and your experiences with discrimination and harassment at [Institution Name].

We are administering this survey to students, faculty, staff, and administrators at [Institution Name] to develop a better understanding of the extent to which our campus climate supports diversity and equity. The survey usually takes less than 15 minutes to complete.

Your participation is **voluntary**. We deeply appreciate your cooperation and willingness to provide information that will help us better understand [Institution Name]'s climate. We are committed to ensuring that our campus has an inclusive, engaging, and supportive environment, and your participation in this survey will help us work toward this goal.

We will ask you many questions about your identity in this survey to develop a better sense of the diversity on our campus. However, your responses are **anonymous**. The survey is being administered by an independent organization, and we will only receive survey data after your responses have been grouped together with the responses of other individuals and information that might identify you has been stripped from the data. Please note, if other people have access to your computer, they might be able to view your web browsing history, including a link to this survey. You can find more details about how we protect respondent anonymity here, and information on how to delete your web browsing history is available here.

You may stop taking the survey at any time or choose not to answer particular questions. You may also go back and change your responses. If you wish to stop taking the survey, simply leave the survey without hitting the "Submit" button at the end. We will not record your responses until you hit the "Submit" button.

The information you provide will be used to inform and improve support, policies, and practices at [Institution Name] and **will not** be used to investigate specific individuals. Disclosing an incident here does not constitute reporting the incident to your campus and will not result in any action, disciplinary or otherwise. Please do not identify anyone by name in your survey responses. If you identify anyone by name, their name will be removed before we receive the data.

The [Institution Name] leader(s) of this survey effort [is/are] [name(s)], and [he/she/they] can be reached at [email address(es) and/or phone number(s)].

By clicking on the "Continue" button below, you indicate that you have read and considered the above information about the survey and agree to participate in the survey.

[Respondents see a "Continue" button.]



Campus Climate

For this survey, we define *diversity* and *equity* as follows:

- *Diversity:* differences among people in their race and ethnicity, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, culture, national origin, religious beliefs and identity, age, disability status, and political perspective.
- *Equity:* a commitment to working to challenge and respond to bias, harassment, and discrimination against people from diverse identities and backgrounds.

1. Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the following at [Institution Name].

	Very satisfied	Generally satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Generally dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied
Overall campus climate					
The campus experience/environment regarding diversity at [Institution Name]					
The extent to which you experience a sense of belonging or community at [Institution Name]					
The extent to which you feel all community members experience a sense of belonging or community at [Institution Name]					

2. Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements about [Institution Name].

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
The campus environment is free from tensions related to individual or group differences.					
Recruitment of historically marginalized students, faculty, and staff is an institutional priority.					
Retention of historically marginalized students, faculty, and staff is an institutional priority.					
Senior leadership demonstrates a commitment to diversity and equity on this campus.					

The items listed in Question 3 are randomized in the electronic survey.

3. In the last year, about how often have you interacted with the following people while at [Institution Name]?

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	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	A few times	aware of
People who have a racial and/or ethnic identity other than your own					
People from a socioeconomic background other than your own					
People who have a sexual orientation other than your own					
People whose gender differs from yours					
People for whom English is not their native language					
People from a religious background other than your own					
People with a disability					
People who are undocumented immigrants					
People from a country other than your own					
People who hold a political affiliation, philosophy, or view that differs from yours					
People who are significantly older or younger than you					



The items listed in Question 4 are randomized in the electronic survey.

4. How comfortable are you interacting with the following people?

	Very comfortable	Somewhat comfortable	Neither comfortable nor uncomfortable	Somewhat uncomfortable	Very uncomfortable
People who have a racial and/or ethnic identity other than your own					
People from a socioeconomic background other than your own					
People who have a sexual orientation other than your own					
People whose gender differs from yours					
People for whom English is not their native language					
People from a religious background other than your own					
People with a disability					
People who are undocumented immigrants					
People from a country other than your own					
People who hold a political affiliation, philosophy, or view that differs from yours					
People who are significantly older or younger than you					

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5. To what extent do you agree that diversity on campus improves experiences and interactions within the classroom, the workplace, and the overall community?

- □ Strongly agree
- □ Agree
- □ Neither agree nor disagree
- □ Disagree
- □ Strongly disagree

6. Overall, how comfortable would you be sharing your views on diversity and equity at [Institution Name]?

- □ Very comfortable
- □ Somewhat comfortable
- □ Neither comfortable nor uncomfortable
- □ Somewhat uncomfortable
- □ Very uncomfortable



The items listed in Question 7 are randomized in the electronic survey.

7. How have the following activities influenced your support for diversity and equity?

7. How have the following activities influent	Greatly increased my support	Somewhat increased my support	Somewhat decreased my support	Greatly decreased my support	Have not engaged in this activity
Performed community service					
Engaged in discussions or activities concerning political issues					
Attended presentations, performances, or art exhibits related to diversity					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on racial/ethnic issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on gender issues and/or gender identity issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on sexual orientation issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on socioeconomic status issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on religious diversity issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on disability issues					
Participated in discussions, training, or activities on immigration issues					

8. What one word or sentence would you use to describe the sense of community you feel at [Institution Name]?

9. What one change would you make in order to enhance the sense of community at [Institution Name]?

Experiences with Discrimination and Harassment

The items listed in Question 10 are randomized in the electronic survey.

10. During your time at [Institution Name], about how often have you heard someone make an insensitive or disparaging remark about:

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very often
People who have a particular racial and/or ethnic identity					
People of a particular sexual orientation					
People of a particular gender or gender identity					
People from a particular socioeconomic background					
People from a particular religious background					
People with a particular disability					
People who are immigrants					
People with a particular political affiliation/view					
People of a particular age or generation					
People for whom English is not their native language					



11. If you heard someone make an insensitive or disparaging remark, about how often was the source of that remark a member of the following groups?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very often
Students					
Faculty					
Staff					
Administration					
Local community					

For this survey, we define *discrimination* and *harassment* as follows:

- *Discrimination* is the unfavorable treatment of a person based on that person's race, ethnicity, national origin, socioeconomic status, age, perceived or actual physical or mental disability, pregnancy, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, creed, religion, or political beliefs.
- *Harassment* is a form of discrimination consisting of physical or verbal conduct that denigrates or shows hostility toward an individual because of their race, ethnicity, national origin, socioeconomic status, age, perceived or actual physical or mental disability, pregnancy, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, creed, religion, or political beliefs. Harassment occurs when the conduct is sufficiently severe and/or pervasive that it alters the terms or conditions of employment or substantially limits the ability of a student to participate in or benefit from the college's educational and/or social programs.

12. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following items.

v 8	Strongly	Strongly Neither agree		Strongly	
	agree	Agree	nor disagree	Disagree	disagree
If I experienced or observed an act of discrimination					
or harassment while at [Institution Name], I know					
whom to contact to report the incident.					
The process for reporting acts of discrimination or					
harassment at [Institution Name] is clear to me.					
The process for investigating acts of discrimination or					
harassment at [Institution Name] is clear to me.					

13. Have you ever been discriminated against or harassed on the [Institution Name] campus, at an off-campus residence, or at an off-campus program/event affiliated with [Institution Name]?

- □ Yes
- □ No
- □ Unsure

Respondents who selected "No" for the previous question will skip to the first question of the demographic section of the survey (Question 21). Respondents who selected "Unsure" for the previous question will see Question 13A below. After they see Question 13A, they will skip to Question 21.

13A. In responding to the previous question, you indicated that you were unsure about whether you have experienced discrimination or harassment at [Institution Name]. Please tell us more about why you selected that response.

Respondents who selected "Yes" for the question about experiencing discrimination or harassment (Question 13) will see Questions 14 and 15 below.



The items listed in Question 14 are randomized in the electronic survey.

14. How often have you been discriminated against or harassed on the [Institution Name] campus, at an off-campus residence, or at an off-campus program/event affiliated with [Institution Name] for the following reasons?

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Very often
Because of my racial and/or ethnic identity					
Because of my sexual orientation					
Because of my gender or gender identity					
Because of my socioeconomic background					
Because of my religious background					
Because of my disability					
Because I am an immigrant					
Because of my political affiliation/views					
Because of my age or generation					
Because of my physical appearance					
Because of some other aspect of my identity:					

15. You indicated that you have experienced discrimination or harassment during your time at [Institution Name]. Did any of these incidents of discrimination or harassment at [Institution Name] occur in the last year?

- □ Yes
- □ No

Respondents who selected "Yes" for Question 15 will see Questions 16-19 which ask them to provide details about their recent experiences with discrimination or harassment. Respondents who selected "No" will skip to Question 20.

For the next several questions, please consider all instances in the past year in which you were discriminated against or harassed on the [Institution Name] campus, at an off-campus residence, or at an off-campus program/event affiliated with [Institution Name].

16. Please indicate which of the following forms of discrimination or harassment you have experienced in the past year. (Check all that apply)

- □ Stared at
- Deliberately ignored, isolated, left out, or excluded
- □ Singled out as the "resident authority"
- □ Racial/ethnic profiling
- □ Graffiti or other forms of vandalism on campus
- Derogatory written comments
- □ Derogatory remarks
- Derogatory posts on social media
- □ Derogatory phone calls
- □ Derogatory/unsolicited e-mails
- □ Received a poor grade because of a hostile classroom environment
- □ Received a low performance evaluation
- □ Denied service or access to resources
- □ Intimidated/bullied
- □ Threatened with physical violence
- □ Feared for your physical safety
- □ Feared for your family's safety
- □ Physical violence
- □ Sexual assault/harassment
- □ Other form of discrimination or harassment: _____



17. Did any of these incidents of discrimination or harassment occur in the following locations? (Check all that apply)

- □ In a classroom
- $\hfill\square$ In a departmental office or conference room
- □ In an individual faculty or staff member's office
- □ In on-campus housing/residences
- □ At a house or residence off-campus
- □ At a program/event affiliated with or sponsored by [Institution Name]
- □ At a dining hall, recreational space, or athletic facility
- □ Via the internet or social media
- □ Other location: ____

18. Was the source of the discrimination/harassment a member of the following groups? (Check all that apply)

- □ Students
- □ Faculty
- □ Staff
- \Box Administration
- □ Local community

19. Did you report any incident(s) to campus officials?

- □ Yes
- □ No

Respondents who selected "No" for the previous question will see Question 19A.

19A. You indicated that you did not report incident(s) of discrimination/harassment that you experienced at [Institution Name] to campus officials. We would appreciate it if you would explain why you chose not to report the incident(s).

All respondents who selected "Yes" for the question about experiencing discrimination or harassment (Question 13), regardless of whether it occurred in the last year, will see Question 20 below, which is the last question in this section of the survey.

20. If there is any other information that you would like to provide about your experiences with discrimination or harassment at [Institution Name], please use the box below.



Demographic Information

We ask for the following information so that we can do analyses that will help your institution get a better picture of how an individual's characteristics are related to their experiences. We carefully review and either a) remove this information or b) combine it with information of other people who took the survey before we give it to your institution to ensure that you can't be identified. Of course, like the rest of the survey, you may choose to skip any of these questions.

21. What is your gender?

- □ Man
- □ Woman
- □ Non-binary, please specify: _____

22. Are you transgender?

- □ Yes
- □ No

23. What is your current age?

- □ Younger than 25
- □ 25-34
- □ 35-44
- □ 45-54
- □ 55-64
- □ 65 or older

24. Which term best describes your sexual orientation? (Select one)

- □ Asexual
- □ Bisexual
- □ Gay
- □ Lesbian
- □ Pansexual
- □ Queer
- □ Questioning
- □ Straight (Heterosexual)
- □ Fill in: _

25. What is your religious affiliation? (Select one)

- □ Agnostic
- □ Atheist
- □ Baptist
- Buddhist
- □ Catholic
- □ The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
- □ Episcopalian
- □ Hindu
- □ Jehovah's Witness
- □ Jewish
- □ Lutheran
- □ Methodist
- □ Muslim

- □ Nondenominational Christian
- Orthodox Christian
- □ Other Christian
- □ Presbyterian
- □ Spiritual, but not religious
- □ Fill in: _____



26. How would you characterize your political views?

- □ Far left
- □ Liberal
- □ Middle-of-the-road
- □ Conservative
- □ Far right

27. Do you currently have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities such as seeing, hearing, learning, interacting with others, walking, etc.?

- □ Yes
- □ Temporary disability
- □ No

28. What is your citizenship status?

- U.S. citizen
- □ U.S. permanent resident but not a U.S. citizen
- □ Not a U.S. citizen or permanent resident

29. Which of the following racial or ethnic categories applies to your identity? (Check all that apply)

- □ African
- □ African American/Black
- □ Alaska Native
- □ Asian
- □ Asian American
- □ Caribbean/West Indian
- □ Hispanic or Latino/a
- □ Latin American
- □ Middle Eastern
- □ Native American/American Indian
- □ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- □ South Asian
- □ Southeast Asian
- □ White
- □ Some other race or ethnicity: ____

30. What is the highest level of education completed by either of your parents (or those who raised you)?

- Did not finish high school
- □ High school diploma or G.E.D.
- □ Attended college but did not complete degree
- □ Associate's degree (A.A., A.S., etc.)
- □ Bachelor's degree (B. A., B. S., etc.)
- □ Master's degree (M.A., M.B.A., M.S., etc.)
- Doctoral or professional degree (Ph.D., J.D., M.D.)



31. What is your primary role at [Institution Name]?

- □ Undergraduate Student
- □ Graduate Student
- □ Faculty
- □ Staff
- □ Administrator
- □ Other: _

Respondents who selected "Undergraduate Student" or "Graduate Student" for Question 31 will see Question 32 and 33.

32. How do you attend classes at [Institution Name]?

- \Box Primarily or entirely on campus
- □ Primarily or entirely online
- □ Split between on campus and online

33. Which of the following best describes where you are currently living?

- Dormitory or other campus housing (not a fraternity or sorority house)
- □ Fraternity or sorority house (including college-owned housing)
- □ Residence (house, apartment, etc.) within walking distance to the institution
- □ Residence (house, apartment, etc.) *farther than* walking distance to the institution
- $\hfill\square$ None of the above

Respondents who selected "Undergraduate Student" in Question 31 above will see Question 34.

34. What is your college classification for the 2019–2020 academic year?

- □ Freshman/First Year
- □ Sophomore
- □ Junior
- □ Senior
- Other:

Respondents who selected "Faculty," "Staff," or "Administrator" in Question 31 will see Questions 35, 36, and 37.

35. How do you work at [Institution Name]?

- □ Primarily or entirely on campus
- □ Primarily or entirely remotely
- □ Split between on campus and remotely

36. How long have you worked at [Institution Name]?

- □ Less than 1 year
- \Box 1–4 years
- □ 5–9 years
- \Box 10 or more years

37. Are you a part-time or full-time employee at [Institution Name]?

- □ Part-time
- □ Full-time



Respondents who selected "Faculty" in Question 31 will see Questions 38 and 39 below.

38. What is your present academic rank?

- □ Professor
- □ Associate Professor
- □ Assistant Professor
- □ Lecturer
- □ Instructor

39. In which of the following areas do you teach?

- □ Arts/Humanities
- Social Sciences
- □ STEM
- □ Business/Education
- \Box Other academic areas

Respondents who selected "Staff" or "Administrator" in Question 31 will see Question 40 below.

40. Which category best describes your primary role?

- □ Hourly (non-exempt)
- □ Salaried (exempt) without supervisory responsibilities
- □ Salaried (exempt) with supervisory responsibilities

To submit your answers, please click on the "Submit" button below. We will not record your responses until you hit this button. Your name will not be connected in any way with your survey responses.

[The following language appears after respondents click the "Submit" button.]

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We deeply appreciate your cooperation and willingness to provide information that will help us improve the policies and tools we use to create a diverse, equitable, and supportive environment at [Institution Name].

The [Institution Name] leader(s) of this survey effort [is/are] [name(s)], and [he/she/they] can be reached at [email address(es) and/or phone number(s)]. He/She/They can answer additional questions you may have about the survey.

If you would like to report an incident of discrimination or harassment that you have not previously reported, please go to [URL for website that describes the Institution's reporting procedures] to learn how to make a report. [OPTIONAL:] For additional resources related to diversity and equity, please visit: [Institutions provide list of organizations and/or resources.]

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS SURVEY.