# De Anza College Office of Institutional Research and Planning 

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Subject: LinC Survey, Spring 2013

A survey of LinC program students was conducted at the end of the Spring quarter in 2013. The survey was distributed to all students enrolled in a LinC course which resulted in 89 valid respondents. All sections of the LinC program were given the opportunity to participate in the survey.

The sections that chose to participate include:
ELITD024. 01D
ESLD262. 01D
ESLD263. 01D
EWRTD001A 1YD
ICSD024. 01D
LARTD211. 01D
LARTD211. 03D
LARTD211. 04D
MATHD010. 06D
Important Highlights Include:

- $20 \%$ of respondents reported that they found out about the learning community by their teachers, $38 \%$ found it out in the online schedule of the classes, $20 \%$ by a counselor, $6 \%$ by a friend, and $2 \%$ on a flyer. The last $4 \%$ of respondents reported that the course title or topic interested them.
- $96 \%$ of respondents stated they worked with classmates during class "very often" or "often."
- $89 \%$ of respondents described the quality of their relationship with teachers in this learning community is "very friendly, supportive and helpful" or "friendly, supportive and helpful."
- $87 \%$ of respondents described the quality of their relationship with classmates in this learning community as "very friendly, supportive and helpful" or "friendly, supportive and helpful."
- $61 \%$ of respondents described their overall educational experience in this learning community as "Excellent" or "very good."
- $95 \%$ of respondents reported they would recommend this learning community to a friend or family member.


## 1. How did you find out about this learning community?

| Response | N | \% | $\begin{gathered} \text { 100\% } \\ \begin{array}{c} 90 \% \\ 80 \% \end{array} \end{gathered}$ | 1. How did you find out about this learning community? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Someone came to class and told me about it | 8 | 10\% |  |  |
| My teacher told me about it | 18 | 20\% |  |  |
| A counselor told me about it | 19 | 20\% |  |  |
| A friend recommended it | 5 | 6\% | 60\% |  |
| I saw it in the on line schedule of classes | 33 | 38\% | 50\% |  |
| I saw it on a flyer | 2 | 2\% | 30\% |  |
| The course Title or Topic interested me | 3 | 4\% | 20\% |  |
| Total | 88 | 100\% |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | OSomeone came to class and told me about it <br> QMy teacher told me about it <br> OA counselor told me about it <br> OA friend recommended it <br> -l saw it in the on line schedule of classes <br> al saw it on a flyer <br> aThe course Title or Topic interested me |

## 2. What is the most important reason you enrolled in this

 learning community?| Response | N | \% | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \% \\ & 90 \% \\ & 80 \% \\ & 70 \% \\ & 60 \% \\ & 50 \% \\ & 50 \% \\ & 40 \% \\ & 30 \% \\ & 20 \% \\ & 10 \% \\ & 0 \% \end{aligned}$ | 2. What is the most important reason you enrolled in this learning community? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The learning community concept seemed interesting | 15 | 18\% |  |  |
| I thought I could be more successful than in the regular classes | 36 | 41\% |  |  |
| I thought I could make friends | 2 | 2\% |  |  |
| The class times worked best for my schedule | 29 | 33\% |  |  |
| These were the only classes open | 5 | 5\% |  |  |
| Total | 87 | 100\% |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | -The learning community concept seemed interesting <br> -l thought I could be more successful than in the regular classes <br> -l thought I could make friends <br> -The class times worked best for my schedule <br> -These were the only classes open |

In this learning community, how often have you done items
\#3-17?
Please rate your experiences using the following scale:
1 = Never
2 =Rarely / Hardly ever
3 = Sometimes
$4=0$ ften
$5=$ Very often
3. Connected and integrated ideas, concepts or skills from the different classes in the learning community when discussing material and doing assignments.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 0 | $0 \%$ |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 2 | $2 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 29 | $34 \%$ |
| Often | 45 | $45 \%$ |
| Very often | 16 | $18 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |


4. Connected and integrated ideas, concepts or skills from the different classes in the learning community to practical skills outside of class.

5. Looked at new ways to synthesize, connect or organize information, ideas and experiences.

| Response | N | \% | 5. Looked at new ways to synthesize, connect or organize information, ideas and experiences. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 0 | 0\% |  |  |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 3 | 4\% |  |  |
| Sometimes | 25 | 29\% | 100\% |  |
| Often | 38 | 43\% | 80\% |  |
| Very often | 23 | 25\% | 70\% |  |
| Total | 89 | 100\% | 60\% |  |
|  |  |  | 40\% |  |
|  |  |  | 30\% |  |
|  |  |  | 10\% | - |
|  |  |  |  | $\square$ |
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6. J udged the quality, value and accuracy of methods, positions, arguments or information.


## 7. Used theories or concepts to look at practical problems or

 perform new skills.

## 8. Spoke up in class discussions and asked questions in class.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 3 | $4 \%$ |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 10 | $11 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 25 | $29 \%$ |
| Often | 30 | $32 \%$ |
| Very often | 21 | $24 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0} \%$ |



## 9. Worked with classmates during class.


10. Worked on assignments or discussed material with classmates outside of class.

11. Discussed ideas from the readings, lectures or discussions with non-classmates outside of class.


## 12. Discussed assignments or material individually with an

 instructor in class.

## 13. Discussed assignments or material with an instructor

 outside of class.
14. Put more time and effort into your work than you thought you would because of your classmates' expectations.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 6 | $7 \%$ |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 8 | $10 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 34 | $39 \%$ |
| Often | 23 | $26 \%$ |
| Very often | 17 | $19 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |


15. Had conversations with your classmates about diversity, such as race, ethnicity, religion, mental and physical challenges, or sexual orientation.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 13 | $15 \%$ |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 12 | $13 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 25 | $29 \%$ |
| Often | 24 | $27 \%$ |
| Very often | 15 | $16 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0} \%$ |

15. Had conversations with your classmates about diversity, such as race, ethnicity, religion, mental and physical challenges, or sexual orientation.


## 16. Discussed current social and world issues.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Never | 4 | $5 \%$ |
| Rarely / Hardly ever | 11 | $11 \%$ |
| Sometimes | 30 | $35 \%$ |
| Often | 28 | $31 \%$ |
| Very often | 16 | $18 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0} \%$ |

16. Discussed current social and world issues.

17. Discussed ways you can help the community.


## What benefits have you gotten by your experience in this learning community?

Please use the following scale when answering \#18-32:
$1=$ Not at all
2 = Very little
3 = Some
4 = Much
5 = Very much
18. My writing is more effective and clear.

19. My speaking is more effective and clear.


## 20. My thinking is more analytical and critical (questioning).



## 21. My reading is more effective and clear.

| Response | N | \% | 21. My reading is more effective and clear. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Notatall | 2 | 2\% |  |
| Very little | 7 | 8\% |  |
| Some | 23 | 26\% | 100\%$90 \%$ |
| Much | 37 | 42\% |  |
| Very much | 20 | 21\% | 70\% |
| Total | 89 | 100\% | 60\% 50\% |
|  |  |  | 40\% |
|  |  |  | $30 \%$ $20 \%$ |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 20 \% \\ & \text { 10\% } \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  |  |

## 22. I learn more effectively.



## 23. I have more confidence in my academic abilities.


24. I have more confidence in my leadership abilities.

25. I have more confidence in my ability to make a difference in my community.


## 26. I have better study skills, including time management.

| Response | N | \% | 26. I have better study skills, including time management. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Notatall | 4 | 5\% |  |  |
| Very little | 10 | 12\% |  |  |
| Some | 32 | 35\% |  |  |
| Much | 20 | 24\% | $\begin{gathered} \text { 100\% } \\ 90 \% \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Very much | 22 | 25\% | 80\% |  |
| Total | 88 | 100\% | 60\% |  |
|  |  |  | 50\% |  |
|  |  |  | 40\% |  |
|  |  |  | $30 \%$ 20\% | $\square$ - |
|  |  |  | 20\% | - |
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27. I have more successful and satisfying social interactions.


## 28. I am better at using counseling, academic and other

 student services.

## 29. I participate more in school (e.g. joined a club, saw a

 counselor, saw a tutor, attended a special event).

## 30. I participate more in my community (e.g. volunteered,

 mentored students, translated for someone).
31. I am more successful because I have gotten the support I need.

| Response | N | $\%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Not at all | 1 | $1 \%$ |
| Very little | 11 | $13 \%$ |
| Some | 22 | $25 \%$ |
| Much | 32 | $37 \%$ |
| Very much | 22 | $24 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ |



## 32. The counseling I received will be valuable to me in completing my academic, career and/or personal goals.


33. Describe the quality of your relationships with the counselor in this learning community.

34. Describe the quality of your relationships with teachers in this learning community.

35. Describe the quality of your relationships with classmates in this learning community.

36. Describe your overall educational experience in this learning community.


## 37. Describe your overall educational experience at De Anza

 College since you came to De Anza.| College since you came to De Anza. |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Response | N | $\%$ |
| Poor | 0 | $0 \%$ |
| Fair | 6 | $7 \%$ |
| Good | 28 | $31 \%$ |
| Very good | 35 | $41 \%$ |
| Excellent | 19 | $22 \%$ |
| Total | $\mathbf{8 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0} \%$ |


38. Would you recommend this learning community to a friend or family member?


## De Anza College Learning in Communities Survey

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This survey will be used for research purposes only. All responses will remain anonymous and any data that is reported will be at the aggregate level (no individual data will be given out).
You may choose not to answer any question.
This survey will help the Learning in Communities(LinC) Program serve students better.
The results will be given to the research staff, not your instructor. This survey is voluntary and completing it shows your willingness to participate.

Please answer all questions in relation to this learning community this quarter.

We greatly appreciate your participation!

1. How did you find out about this learning community?
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2. What is the most important reason you enrolled in this learning community?

In this learning community, how often have you done items \#3-16? Please rate your experiences using the following scale:

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\begin{aligned}
& 1 \text { = Never } \\
& 2=\text { Rarely } / \text { Hardly ever } \\
& 3=\text { Sometimes } \\
& 4=\text { Often } \\
& 5=\text { Very often }
\end{aligned}
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3. Connected and integrated ideas, concepts or skills from the different classes in the learning community when discussing material and doing assignments.
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4. Connected and integrated ideas, concepts or skills from the different classes in the learning community to practical skills outside of class.

5. Looked at new ways to synthesize, connect or organize information, ideas and experiences.

6. Judged the quality, value and accuracy of methods, positions, arguments or information.

7. Used theories or concepts to look at practical problems or perform new skills.

8. Spoke up in class discussions and asked questions in class.
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9. Worked with classmates during class.
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10. Worked on assignments or discussed material with classmates outside of class.
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11. Discussed ideas from the readings, lectures or discussions with non-classmates outside of class.

12. Discussed assignments or material individually with an instructor in class.
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13. Discussed assignments or material with an instructor outside of class.

14. Put more time and effort into your work than you thought you would because of your classmates' expectations.

15. Had conversations with your classmates about diversity, such as race, ethnicity, religion, mental and physical challenges, or sexual orientation.

16. Discussed current social and world issues.

17. Discussed ways you can help the community.

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What benefits have you gotten by your experience in this learning community?
Please use the following scale when answering \#17-26:
$1=$ Not at all
$2=$ Very little
$3=$ Some
$4=$ Much
$5=$ Very much
18. My writing is more effective and clear.

19. My speaking is more effective and clear.
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20. My thinking is more analytical and critical (questioning).

21. My reading is more effective and clear.
22. I learn more effectively.
23. I have more confidence in my academic abilities.
$\square$
24. I have more confidence in my leadership abilities.
$\square$
25. I have more confidence in my ability to make a difference in my community.
$\square$
26. I have better study skills, including time management.
$\square$
27. I have more successful and satisfying social interactions.

28. I am better at using counseling, academic and other student services.
$\square$
29. I participate more in school (e.g. joined a club, saw a counselor, saw a tutor, attended a special event).

30. I participate more in my community (e.g. volunteered, mentored students,
translated for someone).
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31. I am more successful because $I$ have gotten the support I need.

32. The counseling I received will be valuable to me in completing my academic, career and/or personal goals.
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33. Describe the quality of your relationships with the counselor in this learning community.

34. Describe the quality of your relationships with teachers in this learning community.

35. Describe the quality of your relationships with classmates in this learning community.

36. Describe your overall educational experience in this learning community.
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37. Describe your overall educational experience at De Anza College since you came to De Anza.

38. Would you recommend this learning community to a friend or family member?
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Thank you again for your feedback!

Submit Survey

