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Subject: Political Science Survey, Spring 2014

The Political Science survey was developed by the department and distributed to students in selected Political Science courses in spring 2014, this resulted in 334 valid respondents.

Highlights Include:

Within the 12 months prior to enrolling at De Anza College:

- 61% of students responded that they obtained news at least once a week (through internet, television, newspaper, radio, etc.) about political or social issues
- 50% of students responded that they had spoken in depth with friends or family about a political or social issue important to him/her
- 24% of students registered himself/herself to vote
- 23% of students signed a political petition
- 20% of students stated that they worked without pay in his/her community to help others without receiving any credit for a class; Engaged in internet or social media advocacy/activism (e.g., signing a petition, making a Facebook post, tweeting, etc.) about a political or social issue important to him/her or Voted in a student election

In the last 12 months of attendance to De Anza:

- 55% of students obtained news at least once a week (through internet, television, newspaper, radio, etc.) about political or social issues
- 54% of students spoke in depth with my friends or family about a political or social issue important to him/her
- 28% signed a political petition
- 26% attended a lecture or presentation on a political/social topic for class credit or extra credit
- 20% of students stated they worked without pay in his/her community to help others as part of a class requirement or for class extra credit or worked without pay in his/her community to help others without receiving any credit for a class

In regards to students' political views:

- 69% of students Strongly Agree or Agree that "The government has an important roll in helping those in need"
- 64% of students Strongly Agree or Agree that "Corporations and the wealthy are not paying their fair share".
- 46% of student respondents are registered to vote, 27% are not eligible to vote, and 21% are not registered.

1. Think of the 12 month period immediately PRIOR TO your current attendance at De Anza College. Please identify any of the following political/civic activities you participated in during this 12 month time frame prior to being at De Anza: (check all that apply)

Mean: -

| Response Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 3 | 205 | 68 | 100 _T |
| 1 | 167 | 56 | |
| 22 | 83 | 28 | 80- |
| 15 | 77 | 26 | €0 - |
| 23 | 70 | 23 | 40- |
| 11 | 68 | 23 | 20- |
| 21 | 68 | 23 | |
| 5 | 60 | 20 | 3 22 23 21 24 4 18 8 9 12 7 27 13 19 |
| 24 | 58 | 19 | 1 15 11 5 2 10 6 17 26 14 25 16 20 |
| 2 | 52 | 17 | |
| 4 | 44 | 15 | |
| 10 | 43 | 14 | |
| 18 | 36 | 12 | |
| 6 | 31 | 10 | |
| 8 | 31 | 10 | |
| 17 | 27 | 9 | |
| 9 | 25 | 8 | |
| 26 | 25 | 8 | |
| 12 | 22 | 7 | |
| 14 | 20 | 7 | |
| 7 | 19 | 6 | |
| 25 | 13 | 4 | |
| 27 | 12 | 4 | |
| 16 | 11 | 4 | |
| 13 | 9 | 3 | |
| 20 | 9 | 3 | |
| 19 | 8 | 3 | |
| Total Valid | 300 | 100 | |
| Missing | 34 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

2. Now, consider THE LAST 12 MONTHS OF YOUR ATTENDANCE AT DE ANZA COLLEGE OR if you started attending De Anza less than 12 months ago, the period since you most recently began classes at De Anza. During this period of time, please identify any of the following political/civic activities you participated in. (check all that apply)

Mean: -

| Response | Frequency | Valid | Graph |
|-------------|-----------|---------|---------------------------------------|
| | | Percent | |
| 3 | 184 | 62 | 100 _T |
| 1 | 182 | 61 | |
| 15 | 96 | 32 | 80- |
| 5 | 90 | 30 | 60 |
| 2 | 85 | 28 | 40 <mark>-</mark> |
| 11 | 68 | 23 | 20- |
| 10 | 67 | 22 | |
| 21 | 66 | 22 | 3 15 2 10 22 23 24 6 27 7 13 14 20 19 |
| 22 | 62 | 21 | 1 5 11 21 4 17 26 18 8 9 25 16 12 |
| 4 | 56 | 19 | |
| 23 | 56 | 19 | |
| 17 | 44 | 15 | |
| 24 | 44 | 15 | |
| 26 | 41 | 14 | |
| 6 | 35 | 12 | |
| 18 | 33 | 11 | |
| 27 | 32 | 11 | |
| 8 | 30 | 10 | |
| 7 | 28 | 9 | |
| 9 | 20 | 7 | |
| 13 | 19 | 6 | |
| 25 | 19 | 6 | |
| 14 | 18 | 6 | |
| 16 | 18 | 6 | |
| 20 | 18 | 6 | |
| 12 | 13 | 4 | |
| 19 | 8 | 3 | |
| Total Valid | 299 | 100 | |
| Missing | 35 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

3. I am currently registered to vote in California or some other state in the U.S.

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|---------------------------|-----------------|------------------|--|
| Yes Not Eligible No | 154 89 69 | 49 29 22 | 100 _T 80- 60- 40- 20- Yes No Not Eligible |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

I will always vote in every election

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 120 | 38 | 100⊤ |
| Agree | 71 | 23 | |
| Strongly Agree | 52 | 17 | 80- |
| Disagree | 45 | 14 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 24 | 8 | Neutral Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. Understand people from other cultures, races, or ethnicities

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 141 | 45 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 93 | 30 | |
| Neutral | 67 | 21 | 80- |
| Disagree | 11 | 4 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 1 | 0 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. Work with others to make a difference in our community

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 127 | 41 | 100 _⊤ |
| Neutral | 107 | 34 | |
| Strongly Agree | 69 | 22 | 80- |
| Disagree | 8 | 3 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 1 | 0 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. Voice my opinions on campus, at work, or in my community

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 128 | 41 | $100_{	au}$ |
| Agree | 102 | 33 | |
| Strongly Agree | 38 | 12 | 80- |
| Disagree | 36 | 12 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 7 | 2 | Neutral Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. I can learn a lot through my involvement in community or campus causes

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 150 | 48 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 83 | 26 | |
| Neutral | 77 | 25 | 80- |
| Disagree | 4 | 1 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 0 | 0 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 314 | 100 | |
| Missing | 20 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. I am just one person and my actions cannot change our government or social system

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Disagree | 108 | 34 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 100 | 32 | |
| Agree | 49 | 16 | 80- |
| Strongly Disagree | 36 | 11 | 60 |
| Strongly Agree | 21 | 7 | 20- Disagree Agree Strongly Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree |
| Total Valid | 314 | 100 | |
| Missing | 20 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. I know how to find information about social or political events to develop an informed position on issues Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 118 | 38 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 116 | 37 | |
| Strongly Agree | 43 | 14 | 80+ |
| Disagree | 32 | 10 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 4 | 1 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

d. I can communicate well with someone whose views are different than my own

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 142 | 46 | $100_{	au}$ |
| Neutral | 94 | 30 | |
| Strongly Agree | 57 | 18 | 80- |
| Disagree | 19 | 6 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 0 | 0 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

e. I know how to be part of something bigger than myself to bring about change

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 121 | 39 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 117 | 38 | |
| Strongly Agree | 51 | 16 | 80- |
| Disagree | 22 | 7 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 0 | 0 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. As part of the campus community

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 111 | 36 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 109 | 35 | |
| Disagree | 43 | 14 | 80- |
| Strongly Agree | 39 | 13 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 10 | 3 | Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. As part of a community outside this college

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 127 | 41 | 100 _⊤ |
| Neutral | 97 | 31 | |
| Strongly Agree | 46 | 15 | 80- |
| Disagree | 35 | 11 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 7 | 2 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. As someone who values helping others

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 151 | 49 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 112 | 36 | |
| Neutral | 41 | 13 | 80- |
| Disagree | 6 | 2 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 1 | 0 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

d. As an individual with limited impact on what happens in this country

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 125 | 40 | $100_{	ext{T}}$ |
| Agree | 91 | 29 | |
| Disagree | 44 | 14 | 80- |
| Strongly Agree | 35 | 11 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 15 | 5 | Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree Agree Strongly Agree |
| Total Valid | 310 | 100 | |
| Missing | 24 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

e. As someone who has something to offer the world

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 133 | 43 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 86 | 28 | |
| Strongly Agree | 79 | 25 | 80- |
| Disagree | 10 | 3 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 3 | 1 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

f. As someone who can make a difference in the community

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 134 | 43 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 97 | 31 | |
| Strongly Agree | 60 | 19 | 80- |
| Disagree | 18 | 6 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 3 | 1 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. To work with others to promote social or political change

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------|
| Neutral | 124 | 40 | 100⊤ |
| Agree | 108 | 35 | |
| Strongly Agree | 64 | 20 | 80- |
| Disagree | 16 | 5 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 1 | 0 | Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. To help others who may not be as well off as myself

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 145 | 47 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 97 | 31 | |
| Neutral | 64 | 21 | 80- |
| Disagree | 4 | 1 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 1 | 0 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. To advance my own career, even if it means being less active in the community

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 116 | 37 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 105 | 34 | |
| Strongly Agree | 48 | 15 | 80- |
| Disagree | 37 | 12 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 6 | 2 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

d. To make a difference in my community

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 140 | 45 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 88 | 28 | |
| Strongly Agree | 79 | 25 | 80- |
| Disagree | 5 | 2 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 0 | 0 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. "The government has an important role in helping those in need."

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 131 | 42 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 101 | 32 | |
| Neutral | 66 | 21 | 80- |
| Disagree | 10 | 3 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 5 | 2 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. "Corporations and the wealthy are not paying their fair share of taxes."

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 115 | 37 | 100 _⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 110 | 35 | |
| Neutral | 77 | 25 | 80- |
| Disagree | 10 | 3 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 2 | 1 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 314 | 100 | |
| Missing | 20 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. "Regular people like me should pitch in to help things go better in the community."

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|--|
| Agree | 157 | 50 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 87 | 28 | |
| Strongly Agree | 62 | 20 | 80- |
| Disagree | 8 | 3 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 0 | 0 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 314 | 100 | |
| Missing | 20 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

d. "In general, the economic system in the United States is fair to most people."

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 120 | 38 | $100_{	ext{T}}$ |
| Disagree | 91 | 29 | |
| Strongly Disagree | 45 | 14 | 80- |
| Agree | 41 | 13 | ∞- |
| Strongly Agree | 15 | 5 | Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree Agree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

e. "We currently have too much government regulation of corporations, banks, and the economy."

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 159 | 51 | 100⊤ |
| Agree | 58 | 19 | |
| Disagree | 43 | 14 | 80- |
| Strongly Disagree | 30 | 10 | ∞- |
| Strongly Agree | 22 | 7 | Neutral Disagree Strongly Agree Agree Strongly Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

f. "Our environmental problems are not really that bad."

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Disagree | 119 | 38 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Disagree | 99 | 32 | |
| Neutral | 59 | 19 | 80- |
| Agree | 26 | 8 | 60- |
| Strongly Agree | 10 | 3 | Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Agree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

g. "If regular people take political action, they can make a difference."

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 148 | 47 | 100⊤ |
| Strongly Agree | 83 | 26 | |
| Neutral | 74 | 24 | 80- |
| Disagree | 7 | 2 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 2 | 1 | Agree Neutral Strongly Disagree Strongly Agree Disagree |
| Total Valid | 314 | 100 | |
| Missing | 20 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

h. "Corporations and the wealthy have too much influence in our country and need to be reigned in."

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 108 | 35 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 105 | 34 | |
| Strongly Agree | 91 | 29 | 80- |
| Disagree | 4 | 1 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 4 | 1 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. Because they put in more effort than others

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Agree Neutral Disagree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree | 107 104 45 33 21 | 35 34 15 11 7 | Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree Neutral Strongly Agree |
| Total Valid | 310 | 100 | |
| Missing | 24 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. Because they had a head-start and then had more advantages in life

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 153 | 49 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 71 | 23 | |
| Strongly Agree | 70 | 23 | 80- |
| Disagree | 11 | 4 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 5 | 2 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 310 | 100 | |
| Missing | 24 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. Because they did not put in enough effort

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 90 | 29 | 100⊤ |
| Disagree | 81 | 26 | |
| Agree | 76 | 24 | 80- |
| Strongly Disagree | 40 | 13 | ∞- |
| Strongly Agree | 24 | 8 | 40- |
| | | | Neutral Agree StronglyAgree Disagree StronglyDisagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. Because they grew up poor and then had fewer opportunities in life

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 139 | 45 | 100 _⊤ |
| Neutral | 71 | 23 | |
| Strongly Agree | 66 | 21 | 80- |
| Disagree | 25 | 8 | ∞- |
| Strongly Disagree | 10 | 3 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

a. "The economic system in the United States unfairly favors the rich."

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Agree | 143 | 46 | 100⊤ |
| Neutral | 79 | 25 | |
| Strongly Agree | 77 | 25 | 80- |
| Disagree | 11 | 4 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 3 | 1 | Agree Strongly Agree Strongly Disagree Neutral Disagree |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

b. "I'm just too busy to volunteer in the community."

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 117 | 38 | $100_{	ext{T}}$ |
| Agree | 96 | 31 | |
| Disagree | 66 | 21 | 80- |
| Strongly Agree | 18 | 6 | 60- |
| Strongly Disagree | 15 | 5 | Neutral Disagree Strongly Disagree Agree Strongly Agree |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

c. "Ex-Felons cannot vote in the state of California."

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Neutral | 162 | 52 | $100_{	au}$ |
| Disagree | 74 | 24 | |
| Agree | 37 | 12 | 80- |
| Strongly Disagree | 20 | 6 | ∞- |
| Strongly Agree | 17 | 17 5 | Neutral Agree Strongly Agree Disagree Strongly Disagree |
| Total Valid | 310 | 100 | |
| Missing | 24 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

13. What day of the week are local, state, and federal elections held?

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|---|
| I dont know Tuesday Monday | 194 96 10 | 63 31 3 | 100 _T 80 T |
| Thursday Saturday | 5 5 | 2 2 | 60-40-20-1 I dont know Monday Saturday Tuesday Thursday |
| Total Valid | 310 | 100 | |
| Missing | 24 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

14. Are you a United States Armed Services Veteran or in the reserves?

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|------------------|-----------|------------------|--|
| No Yes | 299 9 | 97 3 | 100 ₋ 80- 60- 40- 20- |
| Total Valid | 308 | 100 | No Yes |
| Missing Total | 26 334 | | |

15. Please provide an estimate of what you perceive to be the income of your parents/guardians while you were in high school.

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|--|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| \$20000-\$59999 Lower Middle Income | 72 | 23 | ¹⁰⁰ T |
| \$60000-\$99999 Middle Income | 68 | 22 | 80 |
| Less than \$19999 Low Income | 61 | 20 | |
| Dont Know | 55 | 18 | 60_ |
| \$100000-\$149999 Upper Middle Income | 38 | 12 | 40 |
| \$150000 or more High Income | 18 | 6 | 20 |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | - | |

16. How many hours per week do you work for pay?

Mean: 3

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| None | 134 | 43 | 100⊤ |
| 21-30 hours | 48 | 15 | |
| 16-20 hours | 37 | 12 | 80- |
| 11-15 hours | 32 | 10 | ∞- |
| 31-40 hours | 25 | 8 | 40 |
| 6-10 hours | 21 | 7 | 20- |
| 1-5 hours | 11 | 4 | |
| 40 hours | 5 | 2 | Nane 16-20 hours 31-40 hours 1-5 hours 21-30 hours 11-15 hours 6-10 hours 40 hours |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

17. If you are an unpaid primary caregiver for a child, elderly parent, or someone else, how many hours per week do you spend providing care?

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|----------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| Not Applicable | 258 | 83 | ¹⁰⁰ T |
| 1-5 hours | 15 | 5 | 80 |
| 6-10 hours | 12 | 4 | |
| 11-15 hours | 9 | 3 | 60_ |
| 40 hours | 7 | 2 | 40 |
| 21-30 hours | 6 | 2 | 40 |
| 16-20 hours | 4 | 1 | 20 |
| 31-40 hours | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Valid | 312 | 100 | |
| Missing | 22 | | |
| Total | 334 | _ | |

18. Is English the primary language you speak at home?

Mean: 2

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|-------------|-----------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| No | 170 | 54 | 100⊤ |
| Yes | 143 | 46 | 80- 60- 40- 20- No Yes |
| Total Valid | 313 | 100 | |
| Missing | 21 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

19. What is the highest education level of your primary parent or guardian?

| Response | Frequency | Valid Percent | Graph |
|---|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Bachelors degree B.A. B.S. | 75 | 24 | ¹⁰⁰ _ T |
| High school graduate diploma GED or equivalent | 61 | 20 | 80_ |
| Some college no degree | 58 | 19 | 60_ |
| Graduate degree masters Ph.D. or professional degree beyond bachelors | 34 | 11 | 40_ |
| Associate degree A.A. A.S. | 22 | 7 | 20 |
| Some high school did not graduate | 20 | 6 | |
| Grade 9 or less | 19 | 6 | o |
| Unknown | 12 | 4 | |
| Not applicable | 10 | 3 | |
| Total Valid | 311 | 100 | |
| Missing | 23 | | |
| Total | 334 | | |

Question 20. Open-ended Responses

#'s 10 & 11 depends on the situations, some people may just be lazy, others are consantly working in order to get enough money. i talked to one of my dads cowerkers before (they work in construction) and he wishes there was an extra day in the week just so that he may work that day to get paid more. just because you come from a poor family does not mean youll also be poor, and just because you come from a wealthy family does not mean you will be rich. some just have it easier then others..

Goooooooo AMERICA!

Hard getting work in this economy

Help actually make something happen

Honestly, I do understand it is important to be involved in political issues but this is not my subject. I am only taking this class because I have to. I'm better at other things but political science is probably my worse subject and I am already dreading the quarter.

hopefully this survey will help future efforts!

I am an international student

I am an International Student, but still intereest in American politics and government.

i am international student here and I think Americans feel free to talk with us and they willing to help us.

I believe it would be interesting to have a survey on why some students do not vote.

I do want to be more active and informed in political issues, especially local issues. I just feel like I don't have the time to do so.

I dont know anything about politics and this is my first class regarding to the politics. Hope to learn a lot about politics and to understand what is going on in the United States politics.

I had lived in Washington state prior to June 2012

i like to get involved in the community services

i really like the volunteer opportunity through my class.

i would like a political system where justice is taken seriously

I'm excited to learn.

I'm very involved in the advancement for Asian American students and

It is difficult for international students to engage in the community, but i will try.

It takes a lot to make a change and not everyone is willing to act on a problem.

It's sad to see how few people have the control of the economy in the country.

Madison Nguyen for mayor 2

Poor people should work harder and stay positive.

small people like us can also make a change to our country



Political Science Department Engagement Survey - Spring 2014

This survey will be used for research purposes only. Your individual responses will remain anonymous (unless you choose to share this information) and any data that is reported will be at the aggregate level (no individual data will be shared). You may choose not to answer any question. Thank you for your time and feedback.

| Please provide your Campuswide ID: |
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| By providing your ID it allows our researchers to link the survey results to institutional data for greater in-depth analysis. Your ID and responses will remain confidential and we will only report results in the aggregate form. |
| Please provide your name so that your instructor can give you credit for completing the survey (if this was an option). Keep in mind that we will not share the content of your responses, only the names of students who completed the survey. |
| First Name: |
| Last Name: |
| What is the name of the instructor who asked you to take this survey: |
| What is the title of the class this instructor teaches: |
| What time/day does this class meet (e.g. M/W 1:30-3:20): |

Questions 1 and 2 ask you to compare your experiences in the periods before and after you began taking classes at De Anza College. Please respond to the best of your ability.

1. Think of the 12 month period immediately PRIOR TO your current attendance at De Anza College. Please identify any of the following political/civic activities you participated in during this 12 month time frame prior to being at De Anza: (check all that apply) 1. Spoke in depth with my friends or family about a political or social issue important to 2. Talked with total strangers about a political or social issue important to me 3. Obtained news at least once a week (through internet, television, newspaper, radio, etc.) about political or social issues 4. Went to a meeting of or a fundraiser for a community, civic, political or school advocacy group 5. Attended a lecture or presentation on a political/social topic for class credit or extra credit 6. Attended a lecture or presentation on a political/social topic WITHOUT receiving class credit or extra credit 7. Joined a political or civic group or organization 8. Helped to organize a meeting, presentation or gathering dedicated to talking about or taking action on some political or social issue 9 Held a leadership role in a political or civic organization or club

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| 10. Worked without pay in my community to help others as part of a class requirement or for class extra credit |
| 11. Worked without pay in my community to help others without receiving any credit for a class |
| 12. Worked on a student government, local, state, or national election campaign |
| 13. Worked on a campus, local, state, or national issue campaign |
| 14. Participated in a march, rally, protest, or boycott |
| 15. Signed a political petition |
| 16. Helped gather signatures for a political petition |
| 17. Tried to get someone to cast a vote for something I care about |
| 18. Donated money to a campaign, party, or political/social group |
| 19. Raised money for a campaign, party, or political/social group |
| 20. Contacted public officials, the media, or the head of a corporation or business (through email, phone, letter, in-person, etc.) about a political or social issue important to me |
| 21. Engaged in internet or social media advocacy/activism (e.g., signing a petition, making a Facebook post, tweeting, etc.) about a political or social issue important to me |
| 22. Registered myself to vote |
| 23. Voted in a student election |
| 24. Voted in a local, state or federal election |
| 25. Registered others to vote |
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| | 26. Took a class specifically because of its political or social issue content |
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| | 27. Changed or declared my academic major to one that I feel is more politically or socially meaningful |
| CO sin ple | Now, consider THE LAST 12 MONTHS OF YOUR ATTENDANCE AT DE ANZA LLEGE OR if you started attending De Anza less than 12 months ago, the period ce you most recently began classes at De Anza. During this period of time, asse identify any of the following political/civic activities you participated in. neck all that apply) |
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| | 4. Went to a meeting of or a fundraiser for a community, civic, political or school advocacy group |
| | 5. Attended a lecture or presentation on a political/social topic for class credit or extra credit |
| | 6. Attended a lecture or presentation on a political/social topic WITHOUT receiving class credit or extra credit |
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| | 27. Changed or declared my academic socially | - | | I feel is i | more poli | tically or |
| PI | ease respond to the following question attitudes, beli | | | g to you | ır curren | t status, |
| 3. I C C | am currently registered to vote in Cal Yes No Not Eligible | ifornia | or some | other st | ate in th | e U.S. |
| | 4. Thinking of yourse | lf agre | ee or disa | aree? | | |
| | g c. yource | Strong Agree | ly _{Agree} | | Disagre | Strongly Disagree |
| Ιw | vill always vote in every election | | C | | | |
| | 5. I find i | t easy | to: | | | |
| | | Strong Agree | ly _{Agree} | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
| | Understand people from other cultures, ces, or ethnicities | C | C | | C | E |
| | Work with others to make a difference in rommunity | | C | | | C |
| | Voice my opinions on campus, at work, or my community | C | | | | C |
| | 6. Agree o | r Disaq | ıree: | | | |
| | J | Strong Agree | ly _{Agree} | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
| | I can learn a lot through my involvement community or campus causes | | | C | | C |
| car | I am just one person and my actions nnot change our government or social stem | 0 | 6 | 6 | E | 6 |
| SO | I know how to find information about cial or political events to develop an formed position on issues | C | C | C | C | C |

| d. I can communicate well with someone whose views are different than my own | 6 | 6 | G | 0 | C |
|--|--------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| e. I know how to be part of something bigger than myself to bring about change | C | | C | | |
| 7. I see | myself: Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagre | Strongly Disagree |
| a. As part of the campus community | E | 6 | | | E |
| b. As part of a community outside this college | 6 | | C | | 6 |
| c. As someone who values helping others | G | | C | | C |
| d. As an individual with limited impact on what happens in this country | C | | 0 | | |
| e. As someone who has something to offer the world | C | C | C | | |
| f. As someone who can make a difference in the community | C | | C | 6 | G |
| 8. In thinking about my future c | areer, it Strongly Agree | will be | | nt to me Disagre | Strongly |
| a. To work with others to promote social or political change | C | • | C | | |
| b. To help others who may not be as well off as myself | C | | | | |
| c. To advance my own career, even if it means being less active in the community | C | C | C | | |
| d. To make a difference in my community | C | • | | | |
| 9. Agree o | r Disagre | e: | | | |
| | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagre | Strongly Disagree |
| a. "The government has an important role in helping those in need." | C | C | C | | C |
| b. "Corporations and the wealthy are not paying their fair share of taxes." | C | G | G | 6 | C |
| c. "Regular people like me should pitch in to help things go better in the community." | С | C | C | C | C |
| d. "In general, the economic system in the United States is fair to most people." | C | | | | |
| e. "We currently have too much government regulation of corporations, banks, and the | C | C | C | | C |

| economy." | | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------------------|
| f. "Our environmental problems are not really that bad." | C | | | C | |
| g. "If regular people take political action, they can make a difference." | С | С | C | C | |
| h. "Corporations and the wealthy have too much influence in our country and need to be reigned in." | C | C | 6 | C | C |
| 10. Which has more to do with wl | hy a pers | on is ric | h in this | country | /? |
| | Strongly Agree | Agree | | Disagree | Strongly |
| a. Because they put in more effort than others | С | С | C | С | C |
| b. Because they had a head-start and then had more advantages in life | C | C | 0 | C | |
| 11. Which has more to do with wh | ny a perso | on is po | or in thi | s countr | y? |
| | Strongly Agree | Agree | | Disagree | Strongly |
| a. Because they did not put in enough effort | | С | | E | |
| b. Because they grew up poor and then had fewer opportunities in life | C | C | 6 | C | • |
| 12. Agree o | or Disagre | ee: | | | |
| <u> </u> | Strongly Agree | Agree | Neutral | Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
| a. "The economic system in the United States unfairly favors the rich." | С | С | C | C | |
| b. "I'm just too busy to volunteer in the community." | C | | | | |
| c. "Ex-Felons cannot vote in the state of California." | С | С | | C | C |
| 13. What day of the week are local, state | , and fede | eral ele | ctions he | eld? | |
| Monday Monday | | | | | |
| Tuesday Tuesday | | | | | |
| Thursday | | | | | |
| Saturday Saturday | | | | | |
| I don't know | | | | | |

For the following questions (14-19), please provide information about your background.

| | Are you a United States Armed Services Veteran or in the reserves? Yes |
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| | No |
| | Please provide an estimate of what you perceive to be the income of your ents/guardians while you were in high school. |
| | Less than \$19,999 (Low Income) |
| | \$20,000-\$59,999 (Lower Middle Income) |
| | \$60,000-\$99,999 (Middle Income) |
| | \$100,000-\$149,999 (Upper Middle Income) |
| | \$150,000 or more (High Income) |
| | Don't Know |
| 16. | How many hours per week do you work for pay? None |
| 0 | 1-5 hours |
| 0 | 6-10 hours |
| 0 | 11-15 hours |
| 0 | 16-20 hours |
| | 21-30 hours |
| 0 | 31-40 hours |
| | 40+ hours |
| els | If you are an unpaid primary caregiver for a child, elderly parent, or someone e, how many hours per week do you spend providing care? |
| | Not Applicable |
| | 1-5 hours |
| | 6-10 hours |
| | 11-15 hours |
| | 16-20 hours |
| | 21-30 hours |
| | 31-40 hours |
| | 40+ hours |

18. Is English the primary language you speak at home?

| | Yes |
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| | No |
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| 19. | What is the highest education level of your primary parent or guardian? |
| | Grade 9 or less |
| | Some high school, did not graduate |
| | High school graduate (diploma, GED, or equivalent) |
| | Some college, no degree |
| | Associate degree (A.A., A.S.) |
| | Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S.) |
| | Graduate degree (master's, Ph.D., or professional degree beyond bachelor's) |
| | Unknown |
| | Not applicable |
| 20. | Is there anything else you would like to share with us? |