

American Institutions Pre-Survey

[Optional – Insert Consent Form]

Campus ID number:* _____

- Yes
 - No
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BELIEFS ABOUT HISTORY & HISTORY CLASSES

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
I enjoy hearing, reading or watching stories from the past.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I enjoy studying history.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
The history classes I have taken in the past have been boring.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Doing well in a history class is mostly a matter of memorizing facts and dates.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Historians should come to the same conclusion when examining evidence from the past.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I am able to understand history readings such as textbooks.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
United States history is generally a story of how the United States has improved over time.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I am good at analyzing complex evidence from the past.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I am good at evaluating historical arguments.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

PERSONAL RELEVANCE

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
The history classes I have taken in the past have been relevant to who I am.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

The history classes I have taken in the past have been relevant to understanding how I fit into the larger society.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
The history classes I have taken in the past have helped me understand current events.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
The history classes I have taken in the past have helped me improve the skills I need for success in school.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
The history classes I have taken in the past have helped me improve the skills I need for success in my future career.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

ACADEMIC STRATEGIES AND SKILLS

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
When I have a question about a class, I ask the instructor.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
When I have a question about a class, I ask my classmates.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Listening to a lecture is an effective way for me to learn.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I work best on a team rather than by myself.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I work best by myself rather than on a team.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I believe I can learn from my classmates.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I believe student instructors or teaching assistants can support my learning.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Class discussions are an effective way for me to learn.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
I participate in class discussions.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

TIME ALLOCATIONS & LIFE BALANCE

How many hours do you spend in a typical week (7 days) on the following activities? (Must be numeric, enter 0 for none)

Employment (including paid or unpaid internships) on or off campus: _____

Family obligations (caregiving, transportation, babysitting): _____

In a typical week, how often do you get enough sleep?

- Every night

- 5-6 nights a week
- 3-4 nights a week
- 1-2 nights a week
- Never

As of right now, how concerned are you about your ability to do the following things?

	Not at all concerned	A little concerned	Quite a bit concerned	Concerned a great deal
My ability to finance my college education	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
My ability to balance school and work	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
My ability to balance school and family obligations	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
My ability to balance school and social life	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
My ability to balance school and social media	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

ACADEMIC DISPOSITIONS

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
People can learn new facts, but they can't really change their <i>basic academic ability</i> .	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<i>By working hard</i> , a "C" student can often become an "A" student.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<i>By practicing academic skills</i> , a "C" student can often become an "A" student.	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

FUTURE ASPIRATIONS

What is the HIGHEST academic degree or credential that you plan to eventually earn?

- Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)
- Teaching credential
- Master's or professional degree (M.A., M.S., M.B.A., R.N., etc.)
- Doctoral degree (Ph.D., M.D., J.D., etc.)
- I do not know yet.
- Other. Please specify: _____

What career do you hope to pursue after you have completed your education?

- Agriculture/agribusiness
- Artistic, creative professions

- Business (including finance, marketing, economics, communications)
 - Civil service/government
 - Education
 - Engineering, computer programming
 - Law
 - Medicine, health-related professions
 - Military
 - Psychology, helping professions
 - Researcher, scientist
 - I do not know yet.
 - Other. Please specify: _____
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DEMOGRAPHICS

What year are you in your undergraduate studies? *If you are a transfer student, include years at previous institutions.*

- First year
- Second year
- Third year
- Fourth year
- Fifth year
- Sixth year or more

In which field is your current major? If you have more than one major, check all that apply.

- Arts & Humanities
- Biological & Life Sciences
- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Health Professions
- Mathematics or Computer Science
- Physical Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Other. Please specify: _____
- Undecided

What was your first language(s)?

- English only
- English and another language
- Another language (not English)

What is the highest level of education completed by your parent(s)? If your parents have different

levels of education, check the higher level.

- Less than high school
- High school
- Some college
- Undergraduate degree
- Graduate degree
- Doctorate
- I do not know.

What is your racial or ethnic background? Check all that apply.

- White
- Hispanic or Latino
- Black or African American
- Asian
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Decline to state

How do you describe yourself?

- Man
- Woman
- Trans Man
- Trans Woman
- Genderqueer/Gender non-conforming
- Not sure
- Decline to state
- Another identity. Please specify: _____

Are you using the Pell Grant to pay for college this term?

- Yes
- No
- I do not know.

THIS COURSE

What grade do you expect to earn in this class?

[Dropdown selection, A through F]

What is the lowest grade you could receive in this class while still being satisfied?

[Dropdown selection, A through F]

Besides a passing grade, what do you hope to gain from this course? [open-ended]

What do you think your biggest challenge will be in this class? [open-ended]

Are there any other comments you would like to add? [open-ended]

[End of Survey]