

First-Year Undergraduate Student Survey

The Office of Student Life, a program of the Division of Student Affairs, is interested in assessing the quality of your academic and social experiences during your first semester here at the University of La Verne. The results of this survey will help us understand more about you and better identify your needs as a first-year student.

You have been selected to participate because you are a first-year student at ULV. Participation is voluntary, and you may choose to omit any item that makes you uncomfortable. [The inclusion of your student ID number is used for record keeping purposes only and your responses to the questions will remain strictly confidential, and data reported will not be linked to you personally.](#) Reports derived from this survey will be aggregated to eliminate identifiable information.

Thank you in advance for helping us better understand your needs as a first-year student!

Please indicate your response regarding the following statements.

1. Based on your high school experiences, how academically prepared do you feel in each of the following areas this semester?

- ☐ English
 - ☐ Not prepared
 - ☐ Somewhat prepared
 - ☐ Prepared
 - ☐ Very prepared
 - ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Math
 - ☐ Not prepared
 - ☐ Somewhat prepared
 - ☐ Prepared
 - ☐ Very prepared
 - ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Science
 - ☐ Not prepared
 - ☐ Somewhat prepared
 - ☐ Prepared
 - ☐ Very prepared
 - ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Foreign Language
 - ☐ Not prepared
 - ☐ Somewhat prepared
 - ☐ Prepared
 - ☐ Very prepared
 - ☐ Don't know

2. What was your high school GPA?

- ☐ Less than 2.0 (below C)

- ☐ 2.0 – 2.49 (C, C+)
- ☐ 2.5 – 2.99 (B-, B)
- ☐ 3.0 – 3.49 (B, B+)
- ☐ 3.5 and above (A-, A)
- ☐ Don't Know

3. How often do you participate in class (ask questions, participate in discussions etc.) this semester?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

4. How often do you meet with your professor about an academic or other concern?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

5. How many units are you enrolled in this semester?

- ☐ Less than 6
- ☐ 7-11
- ☐ 12-18
- ☐ More than 18

6. How many classes have you turned in an assignment for a grade (papers, lab report etc.) this semester?

- ☐ None
- ☐ 1-2
- ☐ 3-4
- ☐ 5-6
- ☐ More than 6

7. How many classes have you received a grade or feedback in this semester?

- ☐ None
- ☐ 1-2
- ☐ 3-4
- ☐ 5-6
- ☐ More than 6

8. How many classes are you experiencing academic difficulties in?

- ☐ None
- ☐ 1-2
- ☐ 3-4
- ☐ 5-6
- ☐ More than 6

9. How often do you come to class prepared each week (completed reading etc.)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

10. How often do you miss class each week?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

11. Which language class are you enrolled in this semester?

- ☐ Chinese
- ☐ French
- ☐ German
- ☐ Japanese
- ☐ Spanish
- ☐ Not enrolled

12. Do you know who your academic advisor is?

- ☐ No (If “no”, skip to question 16)
- ☐ Yes

13. Is your academic advisor a...

- ☐ Faculty member (professor)
- ☐ Staff member
- ☐ Don't know

14. How many times have you spoken with your academic advisor this semester (not counting registering for classes)?

- ☐ None
- ☐ 1 time
- ☐ 2 times
- ☐ 3 or more times

15. How satisfied are you with your academic advisor?

- ☐ Not satisfied
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied
- ☐ Satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Not applicable

16. How often have you spoken with a staff member or administrative office about a problem?

- ☐ Never

- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

17. What do you think your GPA will be at the end of this semester?

- ☐ Less than 2.0 (below C)
- ☐ 2.0 – 2.49 (C, C+)
- ☐ 2.5 – 2.99 (B-, B)
- ☐ 3.0 – 3.49 (B, B+)
- ☐ 3.5 and above (A-, A)

18. On average, how many hours per week do you spend preparing for class, not including actual class time (reading, lab work, studying for a test, research, writing a paper, group work etc.)?

- ☐ Less than 5 hours
- ☐ Between 5 and 15 hours
- ☐ Between 16 and 25 hours
- ☐ More than 25 hours

19. Out of the time listed above, on average, how many hours per week do you study with other students (other than in class?)

- ☐ Less than 5 hours
- ☐ Between 5 and 15 hours
- ☐ Between 16 and 25 hours
- ☐ More than 25 hours

20. How do you fund your college education? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Parents
- ☐ Spouse/Significant Other
- ☐ Relatives
- ☐ Scholarships
- ☐ Federal work-study
- ☐ Grants or other aid which need not be repaid e.g. Pell Grant, College Work-Study Grant etc.
- ☐ Loans
 - ☐ Stafford (GSL)
 - ☐ Perkins
 - ☐ Private bank
- ☐ Employment
- ☐ Savings
- ☐ Other: _____

21. Does your total financial aid package (work-study, scholarship, grants etc.) fully cover the cost of tuition and fees?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

22. Do you think you will come back to ULV next semester/school year?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Not sure

23. Do you feel that you belong to ULV?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Sometimes

24. To what extent do you feel lonely at ULV?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

25. How often do you feel that ULV celebrates community and diversity?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

26. How often do you interact with students of different ethnic/racial backgrounds from you?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

27. How often do you interact with students of different religious backgrounds from you?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

28. Are you currently enrolled in the First-Year Experience Freshman Seminar?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

29. Are you a member of a student club or organization at ULV? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Academic club
- ☐ Multicultural club
- ☐ Religious club
- ☐ Greek fraternity or sorority
- ☐ ASULV (student government)
- ☐ Campus Activities Board

- ☐ Other
- ☐ None

30. On average, how many hours per week do you spend on your ULV student club or organization?

- ☐ Less than 5 hours
- ☐ Between 5 and 15 hours
- ☐ Between 16 and 25 hours
- ☐ More than 25 hours
- ☐ Not applicable

31. Are you involved in any organization off-campus?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

32. On average, how many ULV events do you attend each week?

- ☐ None
- ☐ One
- ☐ Two
- ☐ Three
- ☐ More than four

33. Did you attend *New Student and Parent Orientation*?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

34. Where do you live while attending ULV?

- ☐ On campus
 - ☐ Brandt Hall
 - ☐ The Oaks
 - ☐ Stu-Han
- ☐ Off campus
 - ☐ With my parents
 - ☐ 5 or less miles from ULV
 - ☐ Between 5 and 10 miles from ULV
 - ☐ Between 10 and 50 miles from ULV
 - ☐ More than 50 miles from ULV
 - ☐ In an apartment on my own/with roommate(s)
 - ☐ 5 or less miles from ULV
 - ☐ Between 5 and 10 miles from ULV
 - ☐ Between 10 and 50 miles from ULV
 - ☐ More than 50 miles from ULV

35. How many hours per week do you currently work?

- ☐ 0 hours
- ☐ Between 1 and 10 hours
- ☐ Between 10 and 20 hours

- ☐ Between 20 and 30 hours
- ☐ Between 30 and 40 hours
- ☐ More than 40 hours

36. Where do you currently work? (check all that apply)

- ☐ On-campus
- ☐ Off-campus
- ☐ Not applicable

37. How related is your current work to your future career interests?

- ☐ Not related
- ☐ Somewhat related
- ☐ Related
- ☐ Very related
- ☐ Not applicable

Please check all that apply for the following question:

38. Why do you work while enrolled at ULV?	How important is each reason?
<input type="checkbox"/> To support my family	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important <input type="radio"/> Very important <input type="radio"/> Not applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> To have spending money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important <input type="radio"/> Very important <input type="radio"/> Not applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> For education-related expenses, including tuition, fees and books	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important <input type="radio"/> Very important <input type="radio"/> Not applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> For my housing and meals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important <input type="radio"/> Very important <input type="radio"/> Not applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> For my car expenses (payments, insurance, gas)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important <input type="radio"/> Very important <input type="radio"/> Not applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> To pay my existing credit card debt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="radio"/> Not important <input type="radio"/> Somewhat important <input type="radio"/> Important

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="radio"/> Very important<input type="radio"/> Not applicable
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39. To what extent does working impact your academic responsibilities?

- ☐ Very negatively
- ☐ Negatively
- ☐ No impact
- ☐ Positively
- ☐ Very positively

40. To what extent do you feel that your family understands the demands of your academic commitments (classes, studying, labs etc.)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

41. To what extent do you feel that your family provides the emotional support for your academic success?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Frequently
- ☐ Always

42. What is primary academic major?

- ☐ Behavioral Science
 - ☐ Anthropology
 - ☐ Behavioral Sciences
 - ☐ Criminology
 - ☐ Psychology
 - ☐ Sociology
- ☐ Behavioral and Global Studies
 - ☐ Accounting
 - ☐ Business Administration
 - ☐ Business Management
 - ☐ E-Commerce
 - ☐ Economics
 - ☐ International Business & Language
- ☐ Communications
 - ☐ Broadcasting
 - ☐ Communications
 - ☐ Journalism
 - ☐ Speech Communication
- ☐ Computer Science/Engineering
 - ☐ Computer Science/Engineering
 - ☐ E-Commerce

- ☐ Education
 - Child Development
 - Liberal Studies
- ☐ Fine Arts
 - Art
 - Art History
 - Music
 - Theatre
- ☐ Health Administration
 - Health Administration
- ☐ Humanities
 - Comparative Literature
 - English
 - Philosophy
 - Religion
 - Religion & Philosophy
- ☐ Interdepartmental Programs
 - Environmental Biology
 - Environmental Management
 - International Studies
 - Liberal Arts
 - Organizational Management
 - Social Science
- ☐ Legal Studies
 - Legal Studies
- ☐ Modern Languages
 - French
 - German
 - Spanish
- ☐ Movement and Sports Science
 - Athletic Training
 - Movement and Sports Science
- ☐ Natural Science
 - Biology
 - Chemistry
 - Environmental Biology
 - Environmental Management
 - Mathematics
 - Natural History
 - Physics
- ☐ Public Management
 - Organizational Management
 - Public Administration
- ☐ Social Science
 - History
 - Political Science

43. Are you satisfied with your major?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Not sure

44. What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Prefer not to respond

45. What is your race or ethnicity? (*check all that apply*)

- ☐ African-American/African/Caribbean
- ☐ Asian-American/Asian
- ☐ Hispanic/Latino(a)/Chicano(a)
- ☐ Native-American/American-Indian
- ☐ White/Caucasian (non-Hispanic)
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☐ Prefer not to respond

46. How old will you be on December 31 this year?

- ☐ 16 or younger
- ☐ 17
- ☐ 18
- ☐ 19
- ☐ 20
- ☐ 21-25
- ☐ 26-30
- ☐ 31 and older

47. Did you take time off from high school before starting college?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

48. If "yes", how much time did you take off?

- ☐ Between 6 months and 1 year
- ☐ Between 1 and 2 years
- ☐ Between 2 and 3 years
- ☐ More than 3 years

49. Is this semester the first time you've been a college student at any college campus?

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

50. May we contact you regarding responses to this survey?

- ☐ No

☐ Yes

51. If “yes”, please indicate your preferred form of communication:

☐ Email: _____

☐ Phone: _____

Thank you for your help in this survey. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Chip West, Assistant Dean for Student Life and Assessment in the Office of Student Life at cwest@ulv.edu or (909)593-3511 ext. 4485.