## Introduction

## University of Kentucky 2014 Survey of First-Year Students

Your answers to the following questions will help us plan to meet the needs of our newest students. This survey should take you about 10 minutes to complete. Results will be reported only in summary fashion. Your responses are confidential and are available only to university advising and research personnel.

## High School Experiences

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How academically challenging was your senior year in high school?
O Not at all challenging
O Somewhat challenging
O Challenging
O Very challenging

During your senior year of high school, how much time did you spend during a typical week doing the following activities?

|  | None | Less than 1 hour | 1-2 hours | 3-5 hours | $6-10$ hours | $11-15$ <br> hours | $16-20$ <br> hours | Over 20 hours |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Texting with friends | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Working for pay | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Using online social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Instagram) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Socializing/going out | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |


| Playing video or computer <br> games | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Studying/homework | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |

During your senior year in high school, about how often did you do each of the following?

|  | Never | Sometimes | Often | Very often |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Turned in course assignments late | O | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Expressed views/opinions in class | O | O | $\bigcirc$ | O |
| Came to class without completing readings or assignments | 0 | O | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Skipped/missed class | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | 0 |
| Contributed to class discussions | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Asked questions in class | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | O |
| Turned in course assignments that did not reflect your best work | O | O | O | O |

## College Application Process

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How many colleges or universities, including UK, did you apply to? Please enter a whole number.

How many colleges or universities, including UK, accepted you for admission? Please enter a whole number:
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Of all the colleges you applied to, was UK your
O 1st choice?
O 2nd choice?
O 3rd or lower choice?

## Opinions about UK

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Please rate UK on the below characteristics:

|  | Poor | Fair | Good | Excellent | Not Applicable |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Academic reputation | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Availability of majors of interest to you | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Availability of special programs (honors, independent studies, etc.) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Cost to your family | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Academic scholarship package | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Financial Aid package | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Racial climate on campus | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Quality of on-campus housing | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Recreational, cultural, and social opportunities | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Close to home/Convenience of getting home | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

Please rate the events and information provided by UK.

|  | Foor Good $\quad$ Excellent |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |


| UK sponsored events on campus (Come See For Yourself, etc.) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| College website | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Telephone calls by Admissions Counselors | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Email communications | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| College fairs in your area | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Campus visit | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Financial Aid communications | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| High School visits by Admissions Counselors | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Printed publications (brochures, letters, etc.) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| UK sponsored events in your area (UK Preview Night, etc.) | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

## Finances

## Tuition and Financial Aid

How concerned are you about your ability to pay for your college education?
O Not concerned, I'm confident I will have enough funds.Somewhat concerned, l'll probably have enough funds.
O Very concerned, not sure I'll have enough funds.

How important was the financial aid package offered by UK in your decision to enroll here?
O Not at all Important
O Somewhat important
O Important
O Very important

What is your best estimate of your parents' / guardians' total income last year?

Less than \$30,000

- $\$ 30,000$ to $\$ 39,999$

〇 $\$ 40,000$ to $\$ 59,999$
〇 \$60,000 to \$79,999
© 80,000 to $\$ 99,999$
\$100,000 to \$149,999
\$150,000 or higher

## Technology and Online Learning

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Which of the following personal technology devices do you plan to bring to UK?
(Select all that apply.)
$\square$ Desktop computer
$\square$ Tablet
$\square$ Laptop computer
$\square$ Smartphone

UK offers free massive open online courses (MOOCs) through the Coursera platform to help students prepare for college. Did you enroll in any of the below courses? (Select all that apply.)
$\square$ Advanced Chemistry
$\square$ How to Succeed in College
$\square$ Neither course

## Technology and Online Learning

Which of these statements best describes your level of participation in the course?

|  | I am currently enrolled or have just begun the course | I discontinued my participation shortly after the course started. | I generally completed assignments, but did not attempt to complete the course. | I completed all of the requirements and assessments in the course. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Advanced Chemistry | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

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## Information about You

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Please rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared to the average person your age.

|  | Way below average | Below average | Average | Above average | Way above average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Academic ability | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Self confidence in social situations | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Drive to achieve | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

On the scale below, please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements.
Remember, there are no right or wrong answers. Fill in the answer that best reflects your beliefs about yourself.

|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Not Sure | Agree | Strongly Agree |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I know how to schedule my time to accomplish tasks. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| 1 am a very good student. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| I needlessly delay finishing jobs, even when they're important. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| I am good at research and writing papers. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| I keep putting off improving my work habits. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| I know how to take good notes. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| I know how to perform well on tests. | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |


| I'm a time-waster now, and I <br> can't seem to do anything <br> about it. | 0 | O | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| When I have a deadline, I wait <br> until the last minute. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I usually do very well in school <br> and at academic tasks. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I find my academic work <br> interesting and absorbing. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I promise myself 1 'Il do <br> something and then I drag <br> my feet. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| I am very capable of <br> succeeding at UK. | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

## Information About You

Are you in a serious romantic relationship with someone?
O Yes
O No

Is your romantic partner coming to UK?

O Yes
O No

## Information About You

Are you currently experiencing any of the following? (Select all that apply)
$\square$ Serious problem or crisis involving a close friend or family member
$\square$ Serious financial difficulties
$\square$ Serious illness or injury
$\square$ None of the above

During the past year, how often have you felt:

|  | Never | Rarely | Sometimes | Often | Always |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unmotivated | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Concerned about meeting new people | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Sad or depressed | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Intimidated by your teachers | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Tired or lacking in energy | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ |
| Out of control | $\bigcirc$ | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Isolated from others | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| A lot of stress in your life | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Lonely | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Worried about your health | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |
| Anxious or nervous | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ | $\bigcirc$ |

## Expectations for First Year at UK

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Do you know anyone else attending UK?
O Yes
O No

Do you plan to join a fraternity or sorority?
O Yes
○ No
O Unsure

How often do you plan to go home on the weekends during your first semester?
O Never
O Very infrequently
O Once a Month
O Every other weekend
O Every weekend
O I will be living at home.

About how many hours per week do you want to be employed during your first semester?
O Undecided
O 0 or only occasional jobs
O 1 to 5 hours
O 6 to 10 hours
O 11 to 15 hours
O 16 to 20 hours
O Over 20 hours

## Expectations for Your First Year at UK

What do you think the chances are that you will do the following? Use the slider to select the percentage that best reflects your answer.


