

Miramar College Title IX Gender Equity Survey

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Title IX Survey

The San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) Title IX Intercollegiate Sports Survey was conducted in accordance with the Title IX Equal Opportunity in Education Act to determine students' level of interest in intercollegiate athletics and whether the colleges are fulfilling the needs of their students. The survey was administered during the Fall 2011 semester through an online survey program to all full-time students (enrolled in a minimum of 12 units) at Miramar College.

The survey targeted full-time students who meet the athletic eligibility criteria, according to the Commission on Athletics/California Community College Athletic Association Constitution and Bylaws;

1.3 ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY

1.3.1 In order to be eligible for non-conference, conference, and post conference competition, a student athlete must be continuously and actively enrolled and attending class in a minimum of 12 units at his/her California community college during the season of sport. Students dropping below 12 units are not eligible for competition until they are once again actively enrolled and attending class in at least 12 units.

Approximately 2,600 students were emailed an invitation to take the survey at Miramar College. The survey was open for three weeks, from October 24, 2011 through November 14, 2011. Of the 2,600 students invited, 432 students completed the survey; a response rate of 17%.

The survey instrument contained 8 questions (6 multiple choice and 2 open-end) and took approximately 2 to 4 minutes to complete. Students were instructed to access the survey directly from a URL link in a survey invitation. In an effort to maximize student response, two reminder emails were sent prior to the end of data collection.

Of the Miramar College students that responded, 48% were female (n=207) and 52% male (n=225), which is comparable to the college-wide proportions (female 48% and male 52%). Although only full-time students were emailed invitations to participate in the survey, 6% of respondents classified themselves as part-time, which may be a result of dropping or withdrawing from classes after receiving the invitation. Students between the ages of 18 to 24 constituted the majority of respondents (66%), followed by ages 25 to 29 (14%), 30 to 34 and 40 to 49 (6%, each), 50 years or older (4%), and 35 to 39 (3%).

Respondents were asked to indicate all of the intercollegiate sports that they currently participate in, or had participated in previously, at any of the colleges in the San Diego Community College District. Male and female respondents were directed to separate lists of sports that corresponded to their gender (Table 1). The majority of Miramar College's respondents indicated that they had not participated in any of the sports listed on the survey (83% of female and 85% of male respondents). Of the female students who answered that they had participated in a sports program, water polo was the most common (5%), followed by badminton and swimming/diving (3%, each), soccer, tennis, and volleyball (2%, each), and basketball, softball, and track/field (1%, each). Of the male students who answered that they are currently participating in a sport or had participated in a sports program, basketball and soccer were the most common (5%, each), followed by water polo (3%), swimming/diving and tennis (2%, each), and finally, baseball, cross country, football, golf, track/field, and volleyball (1%, each).

Table 1. Athletic Programs

Female Sports		Ma	Male Sports		
Badminton	Swimming/Diving	Baseball	Swimming/Diving		
Basketball	Tennis	Basketball	Tennis		
Cross Country	Track/Field	Cross County	Track/Field		
Golf	Volleyball	Football	Volleyball		
Soccer	Water Polo	Golf	Water Polo		
Softball		Soccer			

When asked to select an intercollegiate sport that they would like to participate in using the gender specific list provided, 46% of female respondents and 44% of male respondents chose *None of the above*. The most common selection for female respondents who were interested in participating in sports were badminton and tennis (16%, each), followed by swimming/diving (15%), volleyball (12%), track/field (11%), soccer (8%), basketball, cross country, sand volleyball, and softball (6%, each), golf and water polo (5%, each), and lacrosse (3%). Popular responses among male respondents included football (20%), followed by soccer (18%), basketball (16%), swimming/diving (13%), track/field (12%), cross country (10%), baseball and tennis (9%, each), volleyball and water polo (6%, each), and golf (4%).

Students that chose not to participate in an intercollegiate sport, but were interested at some point while at one of the colleges, were asked to explain why they did not participate. The most common explanation from female and male students was a lack of time available due to school, work, and family conflicts, followed by inadequate availability of information on intercollegiate sports. Respondents indicated that they either did not know Miramar College had athletic teams or did not know how to sign up for a sport. Another common explanation among respondents was that their sport of interest was not offered on campus: one female cited interest in basketball, others did not specify a sport; male respondents cited interest in badminton, boxing, swim, and volleyball. Both male and female respondents also indicated that a perceived lack of skill or inadequate fitness kept them from participating in intercollegiate athletics.

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Results Overview

Dear Student: In accordance with Title IX Equal Opportunity in Education Act, the San Diego Community College District is surveying students to determine interest in intercollegiate athletics. Your response to this survey is voluntary and will remain strictly confidential. The information we receive from this survey will help us improve our course offerings at our colleges. Thank you in advance for your participation.

1. Which college(s) are you currently attending? (check all that apply)

City College	29	7%
Mesa College	86	20%
Miramar College	423	98%

2 Which is your enrollment status?

Part-time student		24	6%
Full-time student		404	94%
	Total	428	100%

3 Which is your age group?

18-24		285	66%
25-29		61	14%
30-34		26	6%
35-39		14	3%
40-49		27	6%
50 or more		16	4%
	Total	429	100%

4. Which is your gender?

Female		207	48%
Male		225	52%
	Total	432	100%

5. Check all of the intercollegiate sports you are currently participating in or have participated in previously at this college. (female respondents)

Badminton	6	3%
Basketball	1	1%
Cross Country	0	0%
Golf	0	0%
Soccer	4	2%
Softball	1	1%
Swimming/Diving	5	3%
Tennis	4	2%
Track/Field	2	1%
Volleyball	4	2%
Water Polo	10	5%
None of above	156	83%

6. Which intercollegiate sports would you like to participate in? (female respondents)

Badminton	31	16%
Basketball	12	6%
Cross Country	11	6%
Golf	9	5%
Lacrosse	5	3%
Sand Volleyball	12	6%
Soccer	16	8%
Softball	12	6%
Swimming/Diving	29	15%
Tennis	31	16%
Track/Field	20	11%
Volleyball	23	12%
Water Polo	9	5%
None of the above	86	46%

9. Check all of the intercollegiate sports you are currently participating in or have participated in previously at this college. (male respondents)

Baseball	2	1%
Basketball	10	5%
Cross Country	2	1%
	1	1%

Football		
Golf	1	1%
Soccer	10	5%
Swimming/Diving	3	2%
Tennis	3	2%
Track/Field	1	1%
Volleyball	1	1%
Water polo	6	3%
None of the above	162	85%

10. Which intercollegiate sports would you like to participate in? (male respondents)

Baseball	17	9%
Basketball	31	16%
Cross Country	19	10%
Football	39	20%
Golf	8	4%
Soccer	35	18%
Swimming/Diving	26	13%
Tennis	18	9%
Track/Field	23	12%
Volleyball	12	6%
Water polo	12	6%
None of the above	88	44%

Open-End Responses: Female

If at any time while at the college you were interested in participating in an intercollegiate sport but did not participate, please explain why you did not participate.

- 1. Because I believe I'm too short to play in college.
- 2. because i don't like it
- 3. Busy from work.
- 4. coaching my high school water polo team, school and work is taking up too much of my time already. Another sport on top of it would be great, if i could fit it in. Besides, i live closer to Mira Mar than Mesa but MiraMar doesn't offer all the sports.
- 5. Did not have enough time because of work.
- 6. Did not have information, and didn't have time to get information.
- 7. Did not have the sport at the college I'm currently attending
- 8. DID NOT NO WHEN THE SPORTS BEGAN
- 9. Didn't know the school had them.
- 10. Don't have enough time
- 11. Don't have time.
- 12. Family reasons.
- 13. I am enrolled in a physical conditioning class. My instructor is ****.
- 14. I did not have time in my schedule for it.
- 15. I didn't have the funds required and I don't have someone to watch my child.
- 16. I didn't know there were sports teams.
- 17. I do not have enough time to participate with a high school daughter in athletics and key club, so I try to schedule my school hours around her after school activities. I do plan to take a physical education class next semester
- 18. I don't have time.
- 19. I feel information about collegiate sports as far as availability and how you sign up is not advertised as it should be.
- 20. I fullfilled my PE requirements at another college. I carry a full schedule and dont have room for extra
- 21. I had such a busy schedule that I did not think I could fully commit to competitions.
- 22. I have other responsibilities to deal with.
- 23. I haven't participated as yet because I am in a weight loss program and I already have 12 units of school to worry about
- 24. I haven't participated recently because the sport or class that taught the sport, has recently been canceled and/or otherwise unavailable.
- 25. I love sports but I needed to get situated.
- 26. I never grow up learning or playing any sport. I fear I will just be a liability to be trained.
- 27. I used to do cheer in high school and wishes there is a cheer team in college or a dance team.
- 28. I was hoping to do cross country this fall but had too hectic of a schedule with work and school. I am hoping to take a sport in the spring, however have not decided what sport yet.
- 29. My age and weight
- 30. my work and class studys left me with not enough time to participat in a sport.
- 31. No free time between school and working.
- 32. No time, and I didn't think I would be able to make the team
- 33. No time. Work full time & go to school full time.
- 34. Not enough time or experience for the sport.
- 35. Not really interested in athletics at a community college nor am I interested in playing in sports, period.
- 36. Schedule too full

- 37. Since I am a female, I am afraid that there is no team for female basketball.
- 38. Soccer, track and field, or cross country. I played these in highschool but now in college I dont have time for a sport due to classes and work.
- 39. Wasn't sure how to go about finding out what the college offered and getting the information to join (or how to join if there are rules or requirements).
- 40. Water polo is not offered as a class. I am not skilled enough to play for the team but would like to learn
- 41. Work
- 42. Work and family

Open-End Responses: Male

If at any time while at the college you were interested in participating in an intercollegiate sport but did not participate, please explain why you did not participate.

- 1. Because I am out of state tuition and couldn't afford to pay \$230 for a soccer class.
- 2. Because I want to concentrate on learning English, and I don't have enough time to finish homework, also I don't have enough time to study more new information about English. I wish I'll have more time to join in a few sport activity.
- 3. Because Miramar College doesn't have the sports I want to do.
- 4. didnt have time had to much work that had to be done
- 5. dont have volleyball
- 6. Felt I was too old
- 7. I am a full-time student trying to raise my gpa meaning all the attention was and is still on grades but now I feel like I can fit football in
- 8. I am focusing on transferring to a 4-year institution
- 9. I am glad to have participated in Water Polo; however, my main interest was to do competitive swimming, but Miramar does not currently offer that sport.
- 10. I am older than the norm. Also, do not have the time.
- 11. I believed that I would not have time for it.
- 12. I cannot participate this semister due to conflict of schedule.
- 13. I decided to focus on school work only.
- 14. I did not have the time. I am a full time student and work as well.
- 15. i did not meet physical demands
- 16. i did not see them in the P.E section
- 17. I do not know what to expect in those categories. I like playing those sports but I am afraid that i would be rejected for some reason.
- 18. I don't know how to sign up. Also, I worry that I'm not fit enough.
- 19. I don't known about the information of the intercollegiate sport.
- 20. I enjoy all sports but it comes down to time/money/scheduling as far as what i can participate in.
- 21. I have kids and taking 16 units. Don't really have much time for sports, but if there is a way I would most certainty participate.
- 22. I have not had the time, and I don't know if it would take a lot of time out of my schedule. Also, I have not played soccer for 7 years
- 23. I just didn't have time with work, school, and homework. Not enough time to practice and play.
- 24. I really would have liked to participate in the sport of wrestling, but the campus does not have this sport available. I am still very interested in participating.
- 25. I took 12 units
- 26. I want, but I take care my baby now. My wife, she is working
- 27. i was interested in playing football and basketball but at the time i had to work and help out with bills in the household.
- 28. i was late in registering for my classess due to some mis-informations
- 29. I was playing water polo, and I was enjoying it all, but because of work related issues I was forced to quit. If there was a way I did not have to work as much, I would absolutely join the team again.
- 30. I wasn't aware that there was an opportunity to participate in any intercollegiate sports at Miramar College, but I'd definitely be interested in playing football if it was available.
- 31. i would like to participate in boxing, kickboxing, or jui jitsu clubs if you have any
- 32. Lack of information.
- 33. My education is most important. As much as I would love to get back into some pads and play some football, I believe strongly in the importance of academics. But don't get me wrong, I've been keeping up with my workouts and maybe someday, I can return to the field.

- 34. N/A
- 35. no
- 36. No time
- 37. No time for it. Full time at school and part time job.
- 38. not up to a standard height
- 39. Out of shape, and not enough time with work and school.
- 40. The sports were not available at my campus
- 41. There wasn't a badmitten team
- 42. This is my first semester in college
- 43. too old
- 44. When I started school we just had our first child so time was limited. Now that our second child is getting a little older I might be able to participate now.