



San Diego Community College District

# City 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 City 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 4,000 students were emailed an invitation to take the survey at City College. The survey was open for three weeks, from October 24, 2011 through November 14, 2011. Of the 4,000 students invited, 718 students completed the survey; a response rate of approximately 18%.

The survey instrument contained 8 questions (6 multiple choice and 2 open-end questions) 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 City College students that responded, 54% were female (n=390) and 46% male (n=328), which is consistent with the college-wide proportions (female 54% and male 46%). Although only full-time students were emailed invitations to participate in the survey, 5% 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 (61%), followed by ages 25 to 29 (16%), 30 to 34 (8%), 40 to 49 and 50 years or older (5%, each), and finally, students ages 35 to 39 (4%).

Respondents were asked to indicate all of the intercollegiate sports that they currently participate in, or had previously participated, 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 City College's respondents indicated that they had not participated in any of the sports listed on the survey (88% of females and 90% of males). Of the female City College students who answered that they are currently participating or had participated previously in a sports program, soccer and softball were the most common (3%, each), followed by cross country, swimming/diving, tennis, and volleyball (2%, each), and badminton, basketball, golf, and track/field (1%, each). Of the male City College students who answered that they are currently participating in a sport or had participated in a sports program, soccer was the most common (4%), followed by cross country (3%), basketball, football, swimming/diving, tennis, track/field, and volleyball (2%, each), and baseball and water polo (1%, each).

**Table 1. Athletic Programs**

<u><i>Female Sports</i></u>		<u><i>Male Sports</i></u>	
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, 43% of female and 37% of male respondents chose *None of the above*. The most common selection for female respondents who were interested in participating in sports was swimming/diving (22%), followed by tennis and volleyball (17%, each), soccer (15%), softball (13%) track/field (10%), badminton (9%), basketball, cross country, and sand volleyball (8%, each), golf (5%), and lacrosse and water polo (4%, each). Popular responses among male respondents included soccer (22%), football (16%), swimming/diving and track/field (14%, each), baseball, basketball, and tennis (12%, each), volleyball (10%), cross country (9%), golf (7%), and water polo (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 City College had any 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: female respondents cited interest in bowling, golf, ice and inline hockey, swimming, and water polo; male respondents cited interest in badminton, boxing, fencing, football, gymnastics, rugby, track and field, and wrestling. Both male and female respondents also indicated that a perceived lack of skill or inadequate fitness kept them from participating in intercollegiate athletics. Male respondents

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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		714	100%
Mesa College		94	13%
Miramar College		26	4%



### 2. Which is your enrollment status?

Part-time student		33	5%
Full-time student		685	95%
Total		718	100%












### 3. Which is your age group?

18-24		441	61%
25-29		114	16%
30-34		56	8%
35-39		32	4%
40-49		36	5%
50 or more		39	5%
Total		718	100%








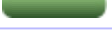
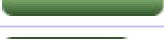


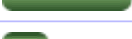


### 4. Which is your gender?

Female		390	54%
Male		328	46%
Total		718	100%





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

Badminton		5	1%
Basketball		2	1%
Cross Country		6	2%
Golf		2	1%
Soccer		11	3%
Softball		9	3%
Swimming/Diving		6	2%
Tennis		8	2%
Track/Field		3	1%
Volleyball		7	2%
Water Polo		0	0%
None of above		317	88%

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













Badminton		34	9%
Basketball		28	8%
Cross Country		29	8%
Golf		19	5%
Lacrosse		13	4%
Sand Volleyball		29	8%
Soccer		53	15%
Softball		47	13%
Swimming/Diving		79	22%
Tennis		62	17%
Track/Field		38	10%
Volleyball		62	17%
Water Polo		15	4%
None of the above		157	43%

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

Baseball		4	1%
Basketball		5	2%
Cross Country		8	3%
Football		7	2%

Golf		1	0%
Soccer		11	4%
Swimming/Diving		7	2%
Tennis		7	2%
Track/Field		5	2%
Volleyball		5	2%
Water polo		3	1%
None of the above		260	90%

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

Baseball		35	12%
Basketball		36	12%
Cross Country		27	9%
Football		48	16%
Golf		20	7%
Soccer		65	22%
Swimming/Diving		43	14%
Tennis		36	12%
Track/Field		41	14%
Volleyball		30	10%
Water polo		13	4%
None of the above		110	37%

## Open-Ended 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. Academics & work.
2. because i am overweight
3. because I am working full time.
4. Because I don't play very well, need to practice more.
5. because i got to work part-time
6. Because it didn't fit my fall semester schedule.
7. because of other important priorities, and my studying would also interfere with playing sports.
8. because of the time and it's too expensive for international student to pay just for the sports then we have to pay outside the school (cheaper outside then the school)
9. bowling
10. Busy schedule.
11. classes iterfered with the sports schedule
12. Class was full. Different days weren't offered.
13. did not know u had to have the class
14. Didn't have class
15. didnt have enough time. my academic classes consumed my life. :(
16. didnt know who to contact
17. Do not have time,active duty military
18. had a full schedule
19. Health Issues
20. I am not interested in participating.
21. I am trying to get all of my core classes completed first.
22. I am unable to participate due to full time school and full time work schedule.
23. I could no longer participate because my schedule was too full.
24. I couldn't participate because I go to schoolfull times. Also, I have to work.
25. I did not know any information about it.
26. I did not know the date and time of the try outs.
27. i did not know when the tryouts are since they never were posted online when i looked
28. I did not participate because as a first year, I was only allow to have 16 credits and I already had 15 after selecting all the classes that i needed for my major
29. I did not participate because I do not have no high school experience on any intercollegiate sport.
30. I did not participate in an intercollegiate sport because this is my first year at City College.
31. I did not want to play womens soccer because during the summer training she was practically bullying me.
32. I didn't have the time or didn't know enough information on what to do.
33. I didn't have the time, as someone who is financially independent and needing to work enough to get by.
34. I didn't know how to join or know where to ask.
35. I do not have enough time to take up a sport. I barely have time to take my classes that I do need.
36. i do not have the time
37. I do not have time

38. I dont know why?
39. I had to prioritize my classes according to the prerequisites courses for general education.
40. i have absolutely no idea what im good at.
41. I have afternoon/night classes and assumed that they would conflict with practices
42. I have asthma and I am uninsured so I do not want to agitate by condition. I also have a ankle issue that I do not want to agitate.
43. i have my kids to take care of and I also have a bad back
44. I have not participated because i go to work right after school, or else i would.
45. i have taken physical education classes, but at my age i don't want to take any competitive sports
46. I have toddler and not enough time. Practice times were to demanding and not accomadating to me as a pare4nt/ fulltime student.
47. I haven't play sports in a long time, I am not physicaly fit right now so I don't know if I could do it now
48. I need to work in order to pay my rent and bills.
49. i only need to take 4 classes cuz i dont know my major yet. but next semester i dont know either if i will have the chance to join any sports since im planning to take nursing course.
50. I really did not know this was offered. Thank you.
51. I take weight trainnig.
52. I thought I was too old to participate in collegiate sports. I am a physically active 27 year old with prior military service. I always figured there was an age requirement in order to participate in college sports.
53. I thought i wouldnt have a chance to make it on the team, since there were alot of players before me.
54. I wanted to get to know the campus and see how i could mange my time.
55. I was intimidated because I have not played Tennis, Swimming, Volleyball in about 6 years, but as for softball I have not been played for 3 years and also thought I would not be in shape.
56. i was most focus in my classes
57. I was taking other course classes and did not have time for a sport.
58. I was unaware of the athletics program, and how to join.
59. ice hockey not available
60. I'm not even sure how you would go about joining one of the sports teams and i never hear about sports events
61. I'm over weight and not physically fit which produces little energy.
62. Im pregnant
63. I'm too old
64. Kinda out of shape
65. lack of advertising
66. Lack of physical
67. Money
68. never played sports, but always wanted to be a cheerleader
69. Never thought to try out.
70. No time
71. No time, awkward, to lazy
72. No time.
73. No, thank you.



74. no. Instead I will tell you this; competitive yoga is becoming increasingly popular as a sport. I theorize that if you start some sort of team you will instantly be endowed with athletes skilled at their functions contextually. You would also be a pioneer because "who has a yoga team anyway...C'mon"
75. Not enough advertisement. Low outreach.
76. not enough time to participate
77. Not interested
78. not prep for major
79. Online Student, live in Los Angeles
80. Other classes were more important, and we are only allowed 16 units. I do dance instead. Some of them, I did not know were a possibility.
81. Outdoor Bicycling class was a great investment of my time.
82. People seem to be over confident about themselves they think they are better than others. Wrong. We cannot be acting that way because then everyone will not succeed in the sport of they always depend in that same person who believes she is better. I believe everyone has to work as a team so others can also be successful and feel appreciated of being part of the team. No player gets left behind or put on spot.
83. Schedules did not coordinate.
84. schedule
85. Surgery in my lowback.
86. Swimming at Mesa. I did not feel I was at the same level as the rest of the team.
87. The class schedule didn't provide enough classes of that sport for it to work into my schedule.
88. the hours did not fit with my other classes.
89. the schedules are unavailable until the sport season reaches, by then I would not know if it would fit my class schedule.
90. The sports overlap in seasons
91. There are no swim, water polo or golf teams for women at City College. If there were I would be more than interested in participating for I played all three through out high school.
92. They didn't have swimming close to where I live
93. This is my first semester
94. Time constraints primarily, but I played golf while working as a Membership Director, but hadn't played in 8 years. I played very well back then and I wanted to take classes and try to get "it" back before getting into anything competitive.
95. Time restraints. I work full time and go to school full time
96. Too old.
97. Too busy, I don't have enough time. I would love to join and maybe will.
98. Too busy. 2 jobs and full-time student.
99. Wasn't that that interested so didn't want to join.
100. Why is martial arts not listed? It should be.
101. Yes I was interested in swimming and track and field but I never had the confidence to push myself in sports.
102. You don't offer hockey (inline) and that is the sport I played all through high school and would love to play through college.

## Open-Ended 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. AGE 58
2. Because I believe that you need experience to join a team.
3. because i don't see badminton
4. Because I have no time for athletics. I am an engineering student, and sports are not important to the overall progress of this country.
5. Because the class was not offer in a evening schedule
6. class schedule and tennis schedule would not coincide
7. Concentrate better on classes required for transfer
8. could not accomodate the scedule of my other classes(carrier takes priority).
9. Did not have enough contact information.
10. didnt know who to ask
11. didn't make the cut
12. didnt think that i would be able to participate
13. disable
14. Do not have time.
15. Does not have enough time
16. Don't have time. I work also
17. Don't want to participate in sports.
18. Enrolled in course, but had no idea that try outs were a week before semester started. Please notify next time.
19. focused on academics. didnt give it much thought. apprehensive because of age.
20. full of classes and homework
21. had a full time job
22. I already had a lot of classes at the time, so it would be too much on me.
23. I am a gymnast and would like to compete on a collegiate team.
24. I am a new student. This is my first semester.
25. I am interested in Baseball and Track/field, but I was not aware of any information regarding enrollment for this intercollegiate sports. I am a first year student.
26. I am not really interesting in sport.
27. I am old, but would do intramural sports if they were avalible.
28. I am too busy with other classes but I still go to gym frequently which open 24hour
29. I am unsure of how to respond to this survey - obviously intercollegiate athletics have a place in this world, but I have serious problems with intellectual institutions placing an emphasis on the importance of such programs, when programs of significantly greater interest to our individual welfare as well as our collective well-being, such as scientific and mathematical programs, are being seriously underfunded. It is disgraceful that at a time when our economy is collapsing, that colleges continue to pour millions of dollars into something as trivial to the promotion of economic growth as school sports, which at best only provide high-paying jobs to the talented few while creating only marginal opportunities for all others. Wouldn't this kind of money be better allocated renovating the authentic educational facilities, such as the science labs that continue to use out-dated materials and aging, sometime dysfunctional tools, most of which are older than the students using them? If our

educational system is to be productive and competitive on a global level, the colleges need to collectively evaluate their priorities and make serious adjustments to redirect the financial incentives to programs that are of greater intellectual significance. I am a huge sports fan, but I am not a fan of spending money on sports (using public money to build stadiums for one, or to fund athletic programs as well) in an intellectual setting, where the focus of the college should be on the education and advancement of the many students who could contribute to the growing fields of biochemical sciences and medical technologies, compared to the very few students who could contribute to the betterment of sports entertainment. Our priorities are seriously screwed up if we value the development of the few for an insignificant field over the development of many for a field of immeasurable significance to our own well-being as well as the well-being of future generations.

30. I could not participate because I did not make the deadline for tryouts
31. I did not participate an intercollegial sport because of less time I had.
32. I did not participate because i don't think City College has Track and Field.
33. I did not participate because I have no reliable transportation and do to financial issues I don't have insurance.
34. I did not participate because was not aware all students were welcome to participate.
35. I didn't find the office.
36. I didn't know how to get on the team
37. I didn't know how to try out with any teams never heard any announcements from teachers neither.
38. I didn't know they had the sports available
39. I do not have the time if I want to keep my gpa high and stay at full time status.
40. I don't do team sports.
41. I don't have time, because I need to finish all my homework for all my classes.
42. i don't like
43. I enjoy badminton but it is not offered for males at SDCC.
44. I feel that my skills are inadequate.
45. I find a majority of the students I come in contact with are rude, pushy, and generally intolerant. I choose not to put myself in such an environment socially. I must say I am impressed with all of my professors and instructors.
46. i got the classes i need first
47. I had no idea this school had a sports program.
48. I have 2 different job, also I am a full time student, therefore my spare time is very limited.
49. i have not participate in any sport because i do not know when are the dates for try outs.
50. I have not participated in intercollegiate sports as of yet due to schedule conflicts. I am a transitioning veteran and I do not feel that I have the time to balance much of anything beyond academics along with my family and home life.
51. I just didn't have enough time, I was mainly focused into my G.E classes
52. I started playing football my freshman in high school till my graduated, thinking of continuing playing when I get to college. But when I came to City College I was disappointed that they don't have a football team while Mesa and Grossmont college do. That's why I didn't participate in any sport beside football. I love football more than any other sport.
53. I sustained many injuries in my time in the army, both in Iraq and Afghanistan that I believe would inhibit me from being able to compete with healthier students
54. I want to play football but they offer it at City college

55. I WANTH TAKE SWING CLASS FOR HEALTHY BECAUSE MY BACK IS FRACTURE FIVE DISCS BAD AND ARTHRITIS I NEED SWING EXERCISE TO KEEP BETTER. THANK YOU
56. I was and am still unaware of exactly how to go about signing up or trying out for any of the teams.
57. I was not a full time student.
58. I was not aware of the practice or match times, and ran into conflicts with my college class schedule.
59. I was taking too many units & had a job on top of that.
60. I was to shy to ask, I'm a new come so yeah...
61. i went in the wrong class and time was to late to change
62. I wiegh 450 lbs
63. i work!
64. I would like to play rugby, but you don't have a team.
65. I would love to participate in intercollegiate basketball but I work full time .
66. injury for now
67. It is not offered at City College.
68. Its my first year, second semester at City. I'm interested in sports for the Spring 2012 semester
69. Lack of information
70. Lack of skill and also lack of time
71. Lack of time and resources, since theyre not required to a large degree as part of the curriculum its the first one to go as a result of financial difficulties,
72. Lack of time to devote to the sport. Working 40 hours a week and going to class full time, it would have been next to impossible to fully commit to sports or studies.
73. My financial aid money was spend in my classes.
74. My reasoning is that I will not have enough time between studying for my regular lecture and lab classes and intercollegiate sport.
75. na
76. na
77. Need boxing
78. No fencing team, no chess team.
79. no pool for City college students
80. No time
81. No time and too old.
82. No wrestling program
83. Ongoing back pain/ spinal issues.
84. recently injured
85. Skateboarding, It involves high level of cardio work out as wells as muscle toning throughout the body. It's a great work and physically and mentally as well.
86. The season has already started and will probably try to join the team next fall.
87. This is my first term in college.
88. Time and money.
89. Time issues, I do work part time. With school, work, and my personal life I hardly have time to participate in sports.
90. Time of the activities were in conflict with class time.
91. Too old
92. Unaware of tryout/selection process.
93. was not interested.

94. Work
95. WORK 40 HOURS A WEEK:(
96. Work, time constraints and life in general.
97. working when i am not in school. I suppose that I just do not have the time.
98. you don't have lacrosse listed as a sport