

City College Title IX Intercollegiate Sports Survey Fall 2013

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Background

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 2013 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.

The survey was open for two weeks, from September 6, 2013 through September 20, 2013. Of the 2,803 City College full-time students invited, 648 completed the survey; a response rate of approximately 23%.

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 those students that responded, 57% were female (n=367) and 43% male (n=282), which slightly over-represents the college-wide proportion of female students (female 53% and male 47%). Although only full-time students were emailed invitations to participate in the survey, 3% 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 (64%), followed by ages 25 to 29 (12%), 30 to 34 and 50 years or older (7%, each), 40 to 49 (6%), 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 (90% of females and 83% of males). The most common response for female City College students who answered that they are currently participating or had participated previously in a sports program, was tennis (3%), followed by basketball and cross country (2%, each), and badminton, soccer, softball, swimming/diving, and volleyball (1%, each). Soccer and tennis were the most common sport (4%, each) among male City College students who answered that they are currently participating in a sport or had participated in an sports program, followed by basketball, swimming/diving, and track/field (3%, each), baseball and cross country (2%, each), and football and volleyball (1%, each).

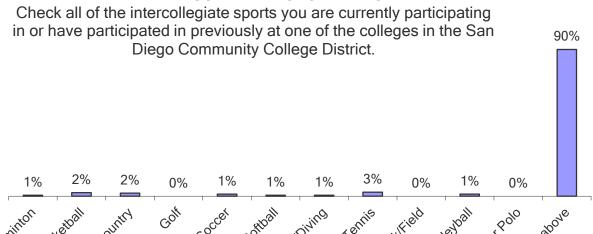
Table 1. Athletic Programs

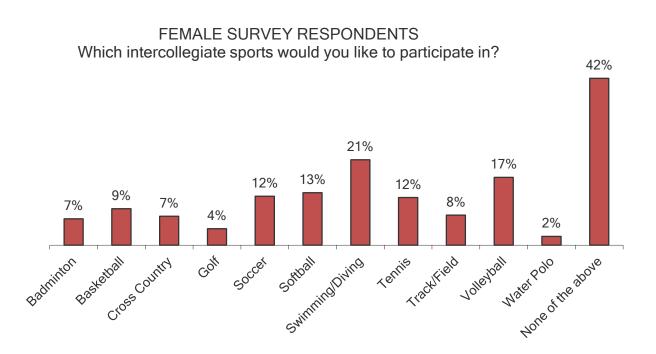
Female Sports		<u>Male Sports</u>	
Badminton	Swimming/Diving	Baseball	Swimming/Diving
Basketball	Tennis	Basketball	Tennis
Cross Country	Track/Field	Cross County	Track/Field
Golf	Volleyball	Football	Volleyball
Soccer	Water Polo	Golf	Water Polo
Softball		Soccer	

When asked to select an intercollegiate sport that they would like to participate in using the gender specific list provided, 42% of female and 41% 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 (21%), followed volleyball (17%), softball (13%), soccer and tennis (12%, each), basketball (9%), track/field (8%), badminton and cross country (7%, each), golf (4%), and water polo (2%). Popular responses among male respondents included soccer (19%), swimming/diving (17%), football (16%), baseball (14%), tennis and track/field (11%, each), basketball and volleyball (9%, each), cross country (8%), water polo (6%), and golf (5%).

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 insufficient availability of information on intercollegiate sports offered. Respondents indicated that they didn't know City College offered intercollegiate athletics, which sports were offered, or how to participate. Although both female and male respondents had some of the same explanations, female respondents more frequently identified inadequate physical fitness or skill level, while male respondents more often chose not to participate because of advanced age, injuries, and disabilities. Another explanation offered by students who chose not to participate was that the college did not have a team for their sport of choice. Female respondents noted an interest in swimming and track and field, while male respondents had an interest in cycling, lacrosse, swimming, track and field, and wrestling.

FEMALE SURVEY RESPONDENTS

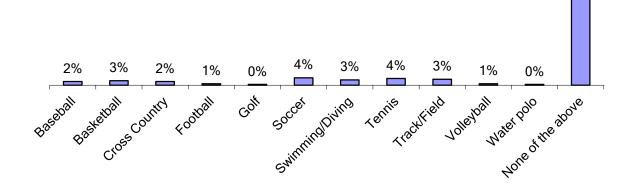




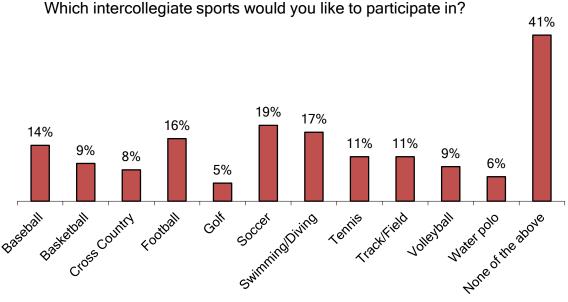
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Female Survey Respondents

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.

- I FEEL I AM NOT IN GOOD CONDITION TO DO IT, NOW.
- It's my first year of college and I never got inform about intercollegiate sports at City
- I feel I am not in shape enough to participate.
- hI didnt participate because in the the college classses book it says that soccer for girls are only for advance people. Girls that are good and that they play soccer. witch it was so upset about it. Because i love to play soccer and soccer is my passion.
- I never participate in those sports because I been involved in kickboxing outside of school.
- I have not participated in any intercollegiate sport because I was not aware of the dates of try-outs or what I needed to do in order to participate.
- afafafa
- At city college we do not have a pool so therefore I cannot join the swim team, I have also never heard of the school having a swim team for this reason.
- n/a
- Participating in a sport doesn't fit into my schedule.
- · didn't need those credits, didn't have time to take them as extras.
- Age discrimination...while community college classes are geared to all ages, intercollegiate sports
 makes no effort to recruit the older re-entry adult. Just look at the media (school posters, flyers,
 etc. they all ONLY depict young kids, sending the message that older adults who may be
 interested "need not apply."
- · ive never been in a sport
- Because I work everyday right after class.
- I will not participate my first year or college because I want to make sure I will have the time to do a sport and have time for my studies. But I will look forward on joining a sport next year.
- Next semester, I will join the sport clubs
- Track and field was one of my choices. But they don't offer track and field for City. Simply because there is no track.
- I really didn't know there was a soccer team.
- I would like to participate in a sport but i dont have experience. I would like to learn, but i dont know if they teach you or if there is a training
- I am 58 years of age, i did the sports when i was younger. It probably help with my disabilities, inprove
- Because I don't know any think about that and I think you don't have tracher for us
- Because I'm busy
- I'm focusing on other parts of my academic career and can't afford to participate in sports at this point.
- because I'm full time student and this semester I have not time for sport
- Time constraints.
- I have never heard of try outs being held.
- I don't like sports
- Because I hav e 16 units for my may be next time I will take sports ok
- 1. I didn't know how to join.
 2. I did not have time.
- Freshman year at the University I am originally from- I did not feel motivated enough by the coach. I know I'm not a Professional Badketball player, far from it. But I enjoy the sport & thought I had potential.
- Very active in community do not want to drive to go do sports. Love sports and think they are a
 great offering.

- I didn't have much Time.
- I'm not sure I'm up to it
- I'm not a professional, rather more a beginner. And I wouldn't want to make a career out of the sport, so why take up a spot in the class when someone who is looking into it for a career could be in that spot.
- · don't have the time
- I was too insecure with my weight
- TIME CONFLICTS BETWEEN SCHOOL AND WORK
- Because I'm overweight
- To old
- I am partially physically disabled.
- I don't know too much about intercollegiate sports, nor do I think my volleyball skills are college level standards. However, I am curious as to what the women's volleyball team is like.
- i didn't participate in any because i thought i wuldn't have as much time for everything.
- There is no swimming team at City college.
- Conflict of time for a pre-requeset
- I didn't have enough time. Balancing work and school was already too much.
- Didn't fit my schedule
- Lack of time and transportation.
- No time in my schedule.
- I don't think I have enough experience to play in a college sport.
- · Gained weight due to a pregnancy so I'm not as fast as I was in high school
- I would love to participate in yoga.
- just had a baby
- I was taking too many units and I did not have enough time.
- I'm more focused on completing my major in psychology.
- I like sports but im not a well trained in sports.
- I didn't know where to go to express interest.
- time constraints.
- Too much homework and not a lot of choices that meet my time schedule.
- yes I was interested in participating in basketball but I was not sure if I would be able to manage my school work and commit to a sport.
- Full-time student, I don't have time.
- I have no time.
- time
- did not have the time with a full schedule and personal necesities.
- Fye only gave us options for our general classes & I totally forgot about sports
- Scheduling
- Beginner runner. Don't want to be stressed about messing up the team. I just want to take running 101...if such a thing exists...
- The practice times were inconvenient.
- Because the coach for the womens tennis team had a poor lack of recruiting. She had contacted me asking if I was interested and at that time I was. She told me to come to one of her classes and get a feel for it. That was all she wrote in the email. I went to her class and then she told me I couldn't partake in the actual tennis lesson because I wasnt enrolled in her class. So I left. For a coach to tell you to you cant take the class but email you saying to come anyways without even telling their student to enrol in the class first is pretty rude. So ever since then I stopped replying to her emails, I will not play for the womens tennis team because of that.
- I am 27 and I feel too old. :(
- Work.
- I dont have enough time to get envolved. I have a full time schedule and im always studying.
- I'm not well prepared anymore I lost condition. I'm starting from the bottom again

- City College has a poor and extremely outdated field and equipment. I feel like I'm going to get cut [with rusted metal] and get an infection! [At least, that's what I think about when I think about the San Diego City College Gymnasium/Field. It is very unappealing.
- I had surgery and cannot participate at this time.
- Not skilled enough
- Didn't have time
- Because I'm a science major taking 16 units.... There's no time for a sporting activity
- I volunteer a lot more for the Punete Program
- I work full time and attend school full time.
- I didn't know the sport existed on campus.
- i fear i might not have time to do sports and do well in all my classes
- I dont know if first-time players allowed in intercollegiate sports
- Don't have time. Working full time and attending school full time.
- I am recovering from being laid up from a long-term illness, and I am not very fit. I really need more conditioning focused physical activity, not competitive. I don't feel comfortable in a competitive environment. Also, I believe you should add Dance to your list of sports. Dance is most definitely a sport! I am taking an intro to Modern Dance class, but even this is extremely challenging for me.
- · Lack of time to dedicate
- Tried to take basketball class and was male only
- Too busy
- Lack room in my schedule.
- Because I didn't have time with my schedule
- Work and School get in the way

Male Survey Respondents

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.

- Just getting into school, wasn't aware of the different programs.
- no
- I would like to join a Golf team and seriously compete and possibly (if age permits) seek scholarships to a Transfer UC school via Athletics.
- I simply don't have the time.
- Not enough time to attend all practices, Specially on friday.
- Not enough time.
- my schedule is all in the morning and all evening so i couldn't practice any sport if next semester i could take all morning class, i would like to chose baseball
- No insurance
- I would like to play rugby, I haven't practice sports in city college because I don't have time
- I have to focus on school and I have no time because of work.
- I felt like I was too old and didnt meet an age requirements and didnt have an knowledges of how the process went
- I have bad knees.
- I'll wouldn't have enough time because of the homework
- Classes were overlaping
- Musician
- My age...
- · Because I was worried about school and had finiacial problems so I needed to get a job
- I dont got time for that
- i have not been contacted by any intercollegiate officials in charge
- My grades will drop if I participate in a sport. I have too much homework
- Age and disabilities.
- I was interested in participating in wrestling again, but you don't offer it.
- I never had the time or the communication ability to sign up for intercollegiate sports. Plus I just started college and I didn't know that city had a sports program. I'm actually really interested in looking into it for my next semester.
- I am currently taking 14 units and work as a workstudy. I'm very interested with the robotics engineering club and will be participating with that
- City college does not have an aquatics facility. Sure would love to get some laps in but alas there is no pool.
- Have to work in the afternoon
- I am a veteran of the army, and I am pretty banged up, so my body wont let me play sports anymore. I am rated 130% disabled by the VA
- I'm a new student and I didn't even know community colleges had sports teams.
- I'm too old.
- I started my college classes august 19, 2013. I did not know anything about the sports activities at San Diego City College until I received this e-mail.
- · Full time student and working.
- Not available at school
- Full time student, Full time employed.

- well i am not in shape so i am trying to do so before i enjoy.
- I was too lazy.
- personal reasons
- I am very interested in starting a lacrosse team at San Diego City College. I know multiple
 people who really enjoy the sport and would like to join, I believe this would create a better
 experience for me and many others at SDCC. Please consider, thank you
- I won't have time.
- I had a set schedule when I was trying to play baseball. It didn't fit in my schedule at the time. I
 haven't tryed to participate ever since. There rant many sports to play at city college.
- I am 60 years old
- 12+ credits and work part time (25hrs/wk) to pay living expenses that financial aid falls short in. I would love to play on the team, but need to make rent/food/cell bills.
- i would play in a flag football league but im not even sure we have one at City College
- I have to go to work because I need to earn money for my future that what I need and support family. I wish my parents went to college then we will be fine..you know what I mean. They haven't went to college when we moved to the United States from Mexico. It was through hard meomory, but thanks God that I did go to my first of college as a freshman.
- Too early in the morning. No time to train. Does not have my desired sports.
- to old to play collegiate sports
- na
- N/A
- Was too late for try outs
- None of these sports interest me or I don't have expirience
- The commitment is high for athletes. I wish I really could have the time and energy to be able to participate in the sports teams.
- I would not participate becuase of work
- Lack of time
- 17 units plus honors and i have reached the age of 50
- Baseball
- I tore my acl im after theropy im going to train hard to get my muscle/condion back and play soccer again.
- I weigh 450 lbs.duh!!
- Not enough child care available considering that most of the Intercollegiate sports started in afternoons.
- Don't offer. Lacrosse
- · Cycling and lacrosse was not offered.
- None
- too busy with student advocacy, terminally ill mother, and just plain too old for it. But did take
 martial arts, long distance running, kickboxing, kettle bell, weightlifting, cardio kickboxing, spin
 class, and currently taking tennis.
- Because there wasn't enough information about the sport. Or did not get enough exposure from high school coaches
- I don't know much information about it.
- lack of information.
- lack of time.
- I'm still new here, don't understand the rules regarding eligibility, have a pretty busy schedule of classes, not sure about my skill level. But interested...

- I ran the 100 and 200 meter in high school and haven't herd much about the program here. I
 also remember spending a good portion of my week practicing and training and i am not sure
 how much time i'd have to dedicate. I will check it out once i finish my heavier classes.
- Im new to college so I want to get w handle on college life frist but in later I wouls like to join, the swim team
- I did not have time to participate because i also have to work aswell as go to school fulltime
- Organized sports are boing
- Wrestling. Time Constraints.
- I'm injured
- I didn't have enough time for it.
- Focusing on academics
- Too damn old, I reckon...
- Extremely interested, but do not know how to sign up for team. Not familiar with tryout dates or whom to speak with.
- Recruiting regulations. Certain things a sports director might be looking for MIGHT not apply to me. Why waste time to try out.
- I am an older, returning student. i am not physically fit and i would probably find it difficult to keep up with the younger students fresh from high school. Also i will be transferring to SDSU in the fall and i need as many credits as possible under my belt with a proper GPA to transfer effectively, this does not give me much time to play a sport. i already am a father and have to work at least part time.
- · My work schedule and school schedlue doesn't allow me to participate in the sports
- Mentality and maturity of team mates. I have an issue with ignorance and uneducated people.
- Classes Are full, also I am fully interested in participating in any of the checked sports.
- The my schedule
- I work part time
- I have no time
- I came to tryouts late and was cut because they had too many red shirts now I have to wait till spring and tryout.
- I am interested in participating in sports, but I have a job so I'm afraid I may not have enough time to commit to sports.
- Full-time student with no spare time for games and practice
- I wanted to join track and field at San Diego city college but later found out that the school did
 not have a team of its own. So that is the reason why I am not participating in any sports. I
 would be nice if the school had a team.