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Q1 Answering the questions in the Cornell New Student Survey shouldn't take you too much time. It may take you about 15 minutes to complete the survey.

We take your privacy very seriously. Results from this survey will never be reported in any form that would identify you as an individual. If you find a question that you don't want to answer, just skip it and go on. We still want to hear what you have to say about the other topics.

Thank you, in advance, for completing the Cornell New Student Survey. Your answers are essential to informing how Cornell addresses issues impacting the undergraduate student experience.

Q2 How important is it that Cornell provides you with the following?

	Not important at all (1)	Somewhat important (2)	Very important (3)	Essential (4)
A broad liberal arts education (1)	0	0	0	0
Opportunities to develop skills valuable in the workforce (2)	0	0	\circ	0
Opportunities to discover and pursue your intellectual interests (3)	0	0	0	0
Experiences that help you develop and clarify a personal code of values or ethics (4)	0	0	0	0
Skills for lifelong learning (5)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
A global perspective (6)	0	\circ	0	\circ
An understanding of systemic discrimination and inequality in the United States and around the world (7)	0			0
Knowledge about climate change and sustainability (8)	0	\circ	0	0
Deep expertise in a specific discipline or field of study (9)	0	0	\circ	0
A genuine sense of belonging (10)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ

Opportunities to make lifelong friendships (11)	0	0	0	0
Q3 As of right now, in wl direction yet, just select	-	ou most likely to majo	or? If you aren't lea	ining in any
O Business & Mana	agement (2)			
C Engineering or A	pplied Sciences	s (3)		
○ Fine Arts (5)				
O Humanities (4)				
O Natural Sciences	s (6)			
O Physical Science	es or Mathemati	cs (7)		
O Social Sciences	(8)			
Other (please sp	ecify) (9)			
O I'm not sure (1)				
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If As of right now, in which area are you most likely to major? If you aren't leaning in any directi... != I'm not sure

Q4 How confident are you that this will be the right area of study for you?
O Not confident at all/Don't know enough yet (1)
O Slightly confident (2)
O Somewhat confident (3)
Oconfident (4)
O Very confident (5)
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Q5 How interested are you in doing the following during your undergraduate years at Cornell?

	Not at all interested (1)	Slightly interested (2)	Somewhat interested (3)	Very interested (4)
Doing community service, as part of a course (e.g., service learning)	0	0	0	0
Volunteering or community service, not as part of a course (2)	0	0	0	0
Engaging in discussion around systemic inequality and discrimination (3)	0	0	0	
Participating in social justice work, in the community or on campus (4)	0	0	0	
Studying abroad (5)	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Working with a professor on a research project (6)	0	0	0	0
Interacting with professors outside the classroom (7)	0	0	0	0
Doing independent study (self- designed credit courses) (8)	0	0	0	0
Having an internship or practicum (9)	\circ	\circ	0	\circ

Getting a job to help pay for college expenses (10)	\circ	0	0	0
Participating in ROTC or the National Guard (11)	0	0	0	0
Joining a fraternity or sorority (12)	0	0	0	0
Joining a student club or organization (13)	0	0	0	0
Taking courses offered outside your undergraduate college (14)		\circ	0	0

Q6 How well prepared do you feel you are to do the following during your first year at Cornell?

Unprepared (1)

Somewhat Quite well Very well prepared (2)

Prepared (3)

Get along

	Oriprepared (1)	prepared (2)	prepared (3)	prepared (4)
Get along socially at Cornell (1)	0	0	0	0
Select the courses you will take (2)	0	0	0	\circ
Ask for help when you need it (3)	0	0	0	\circ
Find a group where you feel like you belong (4)	0	0	0	0
Manage your time effectively (5)	0	0	0	\circ
Succeed academically at Cornell (6)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ

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Q7 How well prepared do you feel you are to do the following while you are at Cornell?

	Unprepared (1)	Somewhat prepared (2)	Quite well prepared (3)	Very well prepared (4)
Write clearly and effectively (1)	0	0	0	0
Communicate well orally (2)	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Think critically (3)	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Use quantitative tools (e.g., statistics, graphs) (4)	\circ	0	0	0
Understand the significance of art, music, literature, and drama (5)	\circ	0	0	0
Understand the process of science and experimentation (6)	0	0	0	0
Create original ideas and solutions (7)	0	0	0	0
Resolve interpersonal conflicts constructively (8)	0	0	0	0
Maintain healthy social boundaries when socializing or partying (9)		0	0	0
Judge the merits of arguments based on their sources, methods, and reasoning (10)	0	0	0	0

Function effectively as a member of a team (11)	0	0	0	\circ
Take a leadership role (12)	0	\circ	0	0
Learn independently (13)	0	\circ	0	\circ
Conduct scholarly research (14)	0	0	0	0
Effectively engage with and learn from others whose backgrounds, identities, or viewpoints differ from yours (15)	0	0	0	0
Participate in efforts to make the Cornell community equitable and inclusive for all (16)	0	0	0	0
Discuss issues related to systemic inequality and discrimination (17)	0	0	0	0

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Q14 As you made plans for college and prepared applications, how helpful was advice and assistance from each of the following? Please note if a resource was not available to you.

	Very helpful (1)	Somewhat helpful (2)	Not helpful (3)	Did not use (4)	Resource not available (5)
High school counselors who specialized in college admissions (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Other high school counselors or teachers (2)	0	0	0	0	\circ
Your classmates and friends (3)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	0
Your parents or guardians (4)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Family or relatives (5)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Counselors working/volunteering at a community- based organization like the Y or Upward Bound (6)	0	0	0	0	0
Private admissions advisors or counselors (paid for by you or your family) (7)		0	\circ	0	\circ

please only count loans taken in your name, not the name of a family member or guardian)?
○ Yes (1)
O No (2)
O Do not know (3)
Q16 As of right now, how concerned are you about your family's ability to pay for your college education?
O Not at all (1)
O A little (2)
O Quite a bit (3)
O A great deal (4)

Q17 After College

Do you currer bachelor's de	ntly intend to pursue a graduate or professional degree after you complete your gree?
O Yes (1)
O No (2)
O Not su	re yet (3)
Display This Qu If After Col compl = Yes	uestion: llege Do you currently intend to pursue a graduate or professional degree after you
Q18 What deq pursue.	gree(s), if any, do you plan to pursue in the future? Mark all that you expect to
	Master's degree in an academic field (e.g., MA, MS) (1)
	Master's degree in Business (MBA) (2)
	Other professional Master's (e.g., MSW, MPH, MEd) (3)
	Law degree (e.g., JD, LLB) (4)
	Medical degree (e.g., MD, DO, DDS, DVM) (5)
	PhD (6)
	Professional or other doctorate (e.g., EdD, PsyD) (7)
	Some other degree (please specify) (8)
	Still unsure (9)

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Q19 How important is each of the following to you as you think about your own life and future?

	Not important at all (1)	Somewhat important (2)	Very important (3)	Essential (4)
Expressing yourself artistically (1)	0	0	0	0
Being a leader in your community (2)	0	\circ	0	0
Raising a family (3)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
Participating in religious activities (4)	0	0	0	0
Participating in politics or community affairs (5)	0	0	0	0
Addressing systemic inequality and discrimination (6)	0	0	0	0
Voting regularly in local and national elections (7)	0	\circ	0	0
Volunteering (8)	0	\circ	\circ	0
Being well-off financially (9)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ
Learning about other cultures and nations (10)	0	\circ	0	0
Getting to know people from diverse backgrounds (11)		0	0	0
Traveling abroad (12)	0	0	0	\circ

Contributing to science and innovation (13			0	0	0
Q57 How import	ant is each of th Not at all important (1)	ne following as yo Slightly important (2)	ou think about yo Moderately important (3)	our future work o Very important (4)	or career? Extremely important (5)
Working for social and political change (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Doing creative and expressive work (2)	0	0	0	0	0
Doing work in accordance with your philosophy or religion (3)	0	0	0	0	0
Being successful in a business of your own (4)	0	0	0	0	0
Having managerial responsibility (5)	0	0	0	0	0
Living or working abroad (6)	0	0	0	0	0
Being a leader in your field (7)	0	\circ	\circ	0	0
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Q20 High School

For the rest of this survey, we'll be asking you to tell us about your background, beginning with a few things about your high school.
Q21 What kind of high school did you attend?
O Public - Charter school (1)
O Public - Magnet school (2)
O Public - Other public schools (3)
O Private - Religious/parochial (4)
O Private - Independent non-residential school (non-religious) (5)
O Private - Independent school with resident students (non-religious) (6)
O Home school (7)
Other (8)
Q22 Was your high school in the United States?
○ Yes (1)
O No (2)

Q24 How many Advanced Placement (AP) courses and/or exams did you take in high school?							
	Not offered at my high school (1)	None (2)	1-4 (3)	5-7 (4)	8-10 (5)	11-15 (6)	More than 15 (7)
AP Courses (1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AP Exams (2)	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0
Q25 Which Diploma Pro		es your acad	emic partici	pation in the	e Internation	al Baccalaur	eate (IB)
O IB w	as not offere	d at my scho	ool (1)				
O IB w	as offered at	my school, l	out I did not	participate	(2)		
○ I took some IB courses/exams/certificates (3)							
O I completed a full IB Diploma (4)							
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Q26 How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your high school:

	Strongly disagree (1)	Somewhat disagree (2)	Somewhat agree (3)	Strongly agree (4)
My high school offered a good mix of advanced classes. (1)	0	0	0	0
I would have taken more advanced classes if my school had offered them. (2)	0		0	0
I would have taken more science and math classes if my school had offered them. (3)	0		0	0
I would have taken more classes in the arts, humanities, and social sciences if my school had offered them. (4)			0	0

Q27 During your last year of high school, about how often did you ...

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Often (4)	Very Often (5)
Get excited by a class (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Participate in class discussions (2)	0	0	0	0	0
Discuss ideas from your readings or classes with teachers outside of class (3)	0	0	0	0	0
Discuss politics, religion, race or other pressing social issues (4)	0	0	0	0	0
Revise a paper two or more times before handing it in (5)	0	0	0	0	0
Perform volunteer work not for a class or graduation requirement (6)		0	0	0	0

Have a conversation with an individual from a background different from yours (e.g., politically, religiously, economically, ethnically) about systemic inequality or discrimination (7)	0				
Apply ideas from a class to other courses or interests (8)	0	0	0	0	0
Feel challenged by a class (9)	0	0	0	0	\circ
Hang out with friends (in person or online) for fun (10)	0	0	0	0	0
Prepare for class with an informal study group (11)	0	0	0	0	0

Q28 During your last year of high school, for how many months did you take classes remotely (either fully remote or hybrid)?
O 0 (1)
O 1 month (2)
O 2 months (3)
3+ months (4)
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Q56 We'd like to know if you did any of the following during your high school years. Some of these may not have been for a class or other school requirement.

While you were in high school did you...

·	Yes (1)	No (2)
Write a long (e.g., 15 pages or more) research paper that combined information from many sources (1)	0	0
Perform community service as part of a class or graduation requirement (2)	0	0
Perform community service NOT as part of a class or graduation requirement (3)		\circ
Complete an online college class (4)	0	0
Take a class for college credit at a local college or university (5)		
Do an internship (6)	0	0
Visit another country (7)		\circ
Become fluent in a language other than English (8)		\circ

Q31 While in	high school did you (select all that apply):
	Have a leadership role in a student group, club, or team (within your school) (1)
(2)	Have a leadership role in a community group, club, or team (outside of school)
meetings,	Participate in politics beyond voting (campaign, volunteer, attend public etc.) (3)
	Play one or more varsity sports (4)
Q32 Did you v	work for pay during your senior year of high school?
O Yes (1)
O No (2	

Q33 During your last year of high school, about how often did you...

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Often (4)	Very Often (5)
Feel overwhelmed by all you had to do (1)	0	0	0	0	0
Feel very sad (2)	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0
Feel so depressed it was difficult to function (3)	0	0	\circ	0	\circ
Stay up all night to finish an academic assignment or prepare for an exam (4)	0	0	0	0	0
Feel out of place or that you just didn't fit in at your school (5)	0	0	0	0	0
Find a balance between schoolwork and other aspects of your life (6)		0	0	0	0
Drink beer, wine, or liquor (7)	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ
Smoke tobacco products (e.g., cigarettes, cigars, hookah, etc.)	0		0	0	0

Smoke electronic cigarettes (e.g., e-cigs, vapes, etc.) (9)	\circ	0			0		
Use a prescription stimulant (i.e., Ritalin, Adderall, Concerta) without a prescription (10)		0			0		
Q34 Which of the following statements most accurately reflects your use of marijuana? I have never used marijuana (1) I have used marijuana, but not within the past year (2) I have used marijuana within the past year, but not within the past 30 days (3) I have used marijuana in the past 30 days (4)							

Q35 About You

As of now, how many members of your class at Cornell University have you communicated with?
○ None (1)
O 1 (2)
O 2-3 (3)
O 4-5 (4)
○ More than 5 (5)
Display This Question: If About You As of now, how many members of your class at Cornell University have you communicated w! = None
Q36 How many of these people did you personally know prior to being admitted?
O None (1)
O 1 (2)
O 2-3 (3)
O 4-5 (4)
○ More than 5 (5)
Q39 Is English your native/first language?
O Yes (1)
O No (2)

Q55 What language did teachers in your high school use in class?
O Entirely English (1)
O Mostly English (2)
○ A mix of English and other languages (3)
○ Most/entirely in language(s) other than English (4)
Q40 What language did students in your high school speak to one another outside of class?
O Entirely English (1)
O Mostly English (2)
A mix of English and other languages (3)
O Mostly/entirely in language(s) other than English (4)
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Q41 Which of the following applies to your experience of receiving care or support from a mental health professional?
I am currently meeting with a mental health professional (1)
I have met with a mental health professional in the past, but I'm not currently (2)
O I've never met with a mental health professional before, but I would go if I needed to (3)
I've never met with a mental health professional before, and I would not go to one (4)
Q42 While you are an undergraduate at Cornell, how likely are you to receive care or support from a mental health professional? Your best guess is fine.
O Very unlikely (1)
Ounlikely (2)
Clikely (3)
○ Very likely (4)

Q43	B Do you h	ave any of the following disabilities or medical conditions? Select all that apply.
		ADHD or ADD (1)
		Autism spectrum disorder (2)
		Mobility-related disability (e.g., spinal cord injury, muscular dystrophy, etc.) (3)
		Sensory disability (e.g., hard of hearing, low vision, etc.) (4)
	(5)	Chronic mental health condition (e.g., anxiety disorder, depression, PTSD, etc.)
		Chronic medical condition (e.g., cystic fibrosis, diabetes, chronic pain, etc.) (6)
		Other disability or chronic medical condition (please specify) (7)
		I do not have a disability or chronic condition (8)
		Prefer not to disclose (9)
	•	u are an undergraduate at Cornell, how likely are you to seek academic and/or modations through Student Disability Services? Your best guess is fine.
	O Very u	nlikely (1)
	O Unlike	ly (2)
	Clikely	(3)
	O Very li	kely (4)

Q45 Which of	the following best describes your gender identity? Select all that apply.
	Agender (1)
	Genderqueer (2)
	Man (3)
	Non-binary (4)
	Questioning or unsure (5)
	Transgender man/Trans masculine (6)
	Transgender woman/Trans feminine (7)
	Two spirit (8)
	Woman (9)
	My gender identity is not listed. I identify as: (10)
	Prefer not to disclose (11)

Q46 Which of	the following best describes your sexual orientation? Select all that apply.
	Asexual spectrum (1)
	Bisexual (2)
	Gay (3)
	Lesbian (4)
	Pansexual (5)
	Queer (6)
	Questioning or unsure (7)
	Straight or heterosexual (8)
	My sexual orientation is not listed. I identify as: (9)
	Prefer not to disclose (10)

	the following best describes your ethnic or racial identity (regardless of Select all that apply.
	American Indian or Alaskan Native (1)
	Asian (2)
	Black (3)
	Hispanic or Latina/o/x (4)
	Middle Eastern or North African (5)
	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (6)
	White (7)
	Another ethnic or racial identity (please describe) (8)
	Prefer not to answer (9)
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Q48 Which re all that apply.	ligious, spiritual, or philosophical tradition do you practice or identify with? Select
	Atheist (1)
	Buddhist (2)
	Hindu (3)
	Jewish (4)
	Muslim (5)
	No religious affiliation, but spirituality is important to me (6)
	Protestant (7)
	Roman Catholic (8)
	Another type of Christian (e.g., Orthodox, LDS, etc.) (9)
	Some other religious, spiritual, or philosophical tradition (10)
	Other (please describe) (11)
	No religious affiliation, and spirituality is not important to me (12)

	9 How would you describe your political views?
	O Very liberal (1)
	O Liberal (2)
	○ Moderate/Middle of the road (3)
	Oconservative (4)
	O Very conservative (5)
	O Something else (please describe) (6)
	O Haven't thought that much about it (7)
	O Prefer not to say (8)
Q5	0 What is the highest level of education completed by any of your parents?
Q5	0 What is the highest level of education completed by any of your parents? No high school diploma (1)
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Q5	O No high school diploma (1)
Q5	No high school diploma (1)High school diploma or equivalent (2)
Q5	 No high school diploma (1) High school diploma or equivalent (2) Attended college but did not complete a degree (3)
Q5	 No high school diploma (1) High school diploma or equivalent (2) Attended college but did not complete a degree (3) Associate's degree (4)
Q5	 No high school diploma (1) High school diploma or equivalent (2) Attended college but did not complete a degree (3) Associate's degree (4) Bachelor's degree (5)
Q5	 No high school diploma (1) High school diploma or equivalent (2) Attended college but did not complete a degree (3) Associate's degree (4) Bachelor's degree (5) Master's degree (6)

Q51 Did any o	of your parents attend Cornell? Select all that apply.
	Yes, for undergraduate studies (1)
	Yes, for graduate or professional studies (2)
	⊗ No (3)
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Q52 Which of the following best describes your social-economic class when you were growing up?
O Low income (1)
○ Working class (2)
○ Middle class (3)
O Upper-middle class (4)
○ Wealthy (5)
Q53 Please give us your best estimate of the total before-tax income of your parent(s) and/or stepparents. If you have a parent who does not live with you, but will help pay for college, include their income as well. Your best guess is fine.
O Less than \$25,000 (1)
S25,000 - \$49,999 (2)
\$50,000 - \$74,999 (3)
S75,000 - \$99,999 (4)
\$100,000 - \$149,000 (5)
\$150,000 - \$199,999 (6)
\$200,000 - \$249,999 (7)
S250,000 - \$499,999 (8)
○ \$500,000 or above (9)
O Unsure/Don't know (10)

			

Q55 Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Have a great fall semester!

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