

1. Service-Learning Pre-Course Survey

This survey, designed to measure general attitudes and perceptions of Ohio State University students enrolled in Service-Learning courses, will provide useful information for measuring the effectiveness of service-learning courses and enhancing the quality of the Service-Learning experience.

We encourage your thoughtful response to this survey because the results will be helpful in development of improved educational experiences for students. However, your participation is strictly voluntary, and your decision to participate or not to participate will not affect your grade in this course.

Please respond as honestly as possible, relying on your current feelings on each topic. Your responses will be kept confidential; your name will not be connected to specific results of this survey.

2. Section I. Basic Demographic Information.

1. Please enter your date of birth.

Date of birth: MM DD YYYY
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2. Your initials:

3. Please select your gender.

- Male
- Female

4. Please enter your ethnicity; check all responses that apply. (Optional)

- Black, non-Hispanic
- American Indian or Alaskan Native
- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Hispanic
- White, non-hispanic
- Other (please specify):

5. Please enter your year in school:

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd
- 4th
- 5th
- Other (please specify):

3. Section II. Current Activities, Past Experiences, Learning and Teaching Sty...

1. Approximately, how many hours per week are you currently involved in the following:

Employment:

Co-curricular activities (e.g.

sports, band, newspaper,
student government,
student organizations, etc.):

Community Service (e.g.

volunteer activities, etc.):

2. What are your current career goals?

3. Have you ever engaged in community service before coming to OSU?

Yes

No

If Yes, why were you involved in community service?

4. Were you involved in community service in high school?

Yes

No

If Yes, was the service required or voluntary?

5. Did you vote in the last state and/or national election?

Yes

No

Not citizen

Not old enough

6. Why did you enroll in this class? Mark one answer for each reason below.

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Neutral	Somewhat Agree	Agree	Strongly Agree	N/U: Never thought about it or Uncertain
It was required as part of my major/minor.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was interested in the subject matter.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was told the professor was very good at teaching.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I wanted to participate in service activities in the community.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My academic advisor recommended the course.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It was offered at a convenient time for my schedule.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I want to have a service experience for my resume.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify):

5. Section IV.

1. Which of these statements most closely reflects your attitude toward community service in general?

- The most important community service is to change public policy.
- The most important community service is to help individuals.
- The most important community service is to create programs to address social problems.

2. Which of these following statements most accurately reflects your feelings toward participating in community service in this class?

- It is required by the class, therefore I have to participate.
- It is important for me personally to volunteer my time helping people in need.
- It is important for me personally to become a community leader.
- It is important for me personally to work toward equal opportunity for all U.S. citizens.

3. Which of the following statements most closely reflects your view of society?

- All people in the USA have equal access to education, health care, and employment opportunity.
- People have different access to education, health care and employment opportunity due to race, gender, and other socioeconomic reasons.

4. Which of the following statements most closely reflects your understanding of an explanation for poverty or a need for social services?

- The problems that cause people to need social services are frequently the result of circumstances beyond their control.
- There are boundless opportunities available to all people, but some people are poor because they choose to be poor.

5. Which of the following statements most closely reflects your understanding of the reason for people's misfortune?

- Most misfortunes that occur to people are frequently the result of circumstances beyond their control.
- Individuals are responsible for their own misfortunes.

6. In order to address social problems, which of the following ways do you think would be most effective?

- We should reach out to specific people in need and provide charitable giving.
- We need to institute reforms within the current system to change our communities.
- We should change the political structures of the society to increase equity in access to resources.