



San Diego Community College District

# 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 at the beginning of the Fall 2010 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 2,300 students were emailed an invitation to take the survey at Miramar College. The survey was open for approximately two weeks, from October 27, 2010 through November 15, 2010. Of the 2,300 students invited, 309 students completed the survey; a response rate of 13%.

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, a second "reminder" email was sent prior to the end of data collection.

Of the Miramar College students that responded, 48% were female (n=149) and 52% male (n=160), which is slightly different than the college-wide proportions (female 45% and male 55%). 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 (71%), followed by ages 25 to 29 (13%), 30 to 34 and 35 to 39 (5%, each), 40 to 49 and 50 years or older (3%, each).

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 (85% of female and 85% of male respondents). Of the female students who answered that they had participated in a sports program, soccer and water polo were the most common sports (5%, each), followed by tennis (4%), badminton (2%), and finally softball (1%). Of the male students who answered that they are currently participating in a sport or had participated in a sports program, tennis, volleyball, water polo were the most common sports (5%, each), followed by basketball and swimming/diving (4%, each), baseball (3%), football, golf, and soccer (2%, each), and finally cross country and track/field (1%, each).

**Table 1. Miramar College Athletic Programs**

<u>Woman Sports</u>	<u>Male Sports</u>
Golf	Basketball
Water Polo	Water Polo

When asked to select an intercollegiate sport that they would like to participate in using the gender specific list provided, 41% of female respondents and 34% of male respondents chose *None of the above*. The most common selection for female respondents who were interested in participating in sports were: swimming/diving (21%), followed by soccer (15%), tennis (13%), badminton and volleyball (10%, each), basketball (9%), cross country, track/field, and water polo (7%, each), softball (6%), and golf (5%). Popular responses among male respondents included football (30%), followed by soccer (18%), baseball and swimming/diving (15%, each), basketball and track/field (14%, each), volleyball (13%), tennis (12%), golf and water polo (10%, each), and cross country (8%).

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 explanations from female students were a lack of experience and fitness to participate, and cited never having played sports before or lacking the skills required to play, and not being good enough to compete at the collegiate level. Among males, the most common explanation was their sport of interest was not offered on campus, and respondents cited Lacrosse, cross country, swimming, and tennis as sports they would have liked to have participated in had they been offered at Miramar College.

Other common responses among female and male students were a lack of information about the availability of sports at Miramar College or unaware how to sign up for a sport. Additionally, some students indicated they had a conflict with their class or work that prevented them from participating in a sport at Miramar College.

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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		22	7%
Mesa College		52	17%
Miramar College		305	99%

### 2. Which is your enrollment status?

Part-time student		17	6%
Full-time student		292	94%
Total		309	100%







### 3. Which is your age group?

18-24		219	71%
25-29		41	13%
30-34		16	5%
35-39		15	5%
40-49		8	3%
50 or more		10	3%
Total		309	100%







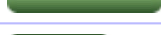





### 4. Which is your gender?

Female		149	48%
Male		160	52%
Total		309	100%

5. Check all of the intercollegiate sports you are currently participating in or have participated in previously at one of the colleges in the San Diego Community College District. (Female)

Badminton		3	2%
Basketball		0	0%
Cross Country		0	0%
Golf		0	0%
Soccer		6	5%
Softball		1	1%
Swimming/Diving		0	0%
Tennis		5	4%
Track/Field		0	0%
Volleyball		0	0%
Water Polo		6	5%
None of above		112	85%

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













Badminton		14	10%
Basketball		12	9%
Cross Country		9	7%
Golf		7	5%
Soccer		21	15%
Softball		8	6%
Swimming/Diving		29	21%
Tennis		18	13%
Track/Field		10	7%
Volleyball		14	10%
Water Polo		10	7%
None of the above		56	41%

9. Check all of the intercollegiate sports you are currently participating in or have participated in previously at one of the colleges in the San Diego Community College District. (Male)

Baseball		4	3%
Basketball		5	4%
Cross Country		1	1%
Football		3	2%
Golf		3	2%
Soccer		3	2%

Swimming/Diving		5	4%
Tennis		7	5%
Track/Field		1	1%
Volleyball		6	5%
Water polo		6	5%
None of the above		111	85%

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

Baseball		20	15%
Basketball		19	14%
Cross Country		11	8%
Football		41	30%
Golf		14	10%
Soccer		25	18%
Swimming/Diving		21	15%
Tennis		17	12%
Track/Field		19	14%
Volleyball		18	13%
Water polo		14	10%
None of the above		46	34%

## Open-End Comments: Female

**Female Responses:** 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.

Afraid it was strictly for students with previous experience.

Because I am a full time student and I also work part time I didnt have the time to dedicate to playing a sport.

Because I go to Miramar & there's no basketball or volleyball teams for girls at this specific college.

Conflict of class schedule for water polo. I only found out after I had my classes. Swimming has not started yet. This is my first semester.

Did not offer the sport

Did not realize the seasons. Not enough promotion of teams.

Didn't hear about swimming at miramar, just water polo

Fear of being a novice on a competitive team.

I did not know about the program.

I did not know how to obtain any information about them. Also, I do not have much free time since I have a 20 month old child and I am the main care provider.

I didnt know there was a team until I took a class at Mesa, strange as that sounds.

I do not know the tryout dates/times

I don't have time

I dont know how to swim

I don't play sports.

I don't think I'm good enough to compete with people who are devoting their lives to sports.

I Dont think I'm good enough.

i had no one to join with me (friends) and i didnt want to join alone.

I have played soccer in my middle school and high school and soccer is a sport that I have loved all my life. Unfortunately, since I started college I have been having between 12-15 units and work full time between 74-86 hours a week. So I didn't had the time to focus on playing a sport because I barely had time to study and to have some free time for myself.

I would love to take one of a Physics classes. However I am too busy for G.E to take one. I definitely will next semester.

I'm too old.

My busy schedule does not allow me to.

My class schedule conflicted with the sport class schedule.

My college didn't have the sport I wanted to participate in.

No cross country in miramar

Not enough time, was not physically strong enough either

Not good enough for the sport. It all seems to be advanced. It would be nice to have something for beginners BEDSIDES SPORTS CLASSES

They expected too much. They required that we open up our schedule which made things less convenient for me. It also would take too much time leaving barely anytime for my studies

Time consuming schedule conflicted with work and school plus I was not in shape at the time.

To busy with school  
Track and field and xcountry isn't offered at miramar.  
Wanted to focus on academics and did not have the time.



## Open-End Comments: 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.

Active Duty/Full-Time Student

because I am not that talented, I would be interested in helping the coaching staff.

because i have a hard time paying for my classes as it is. Maybe i would join if scholarships are available for playing sports. i've asked several people and have not replied to me about the scholarships that i could get from sports.

Because I thought about getting a job to pay out of state tuition instead.

Conflicted with schedule

did not have time for everyday practices

Did not know about intercollegiate sports in SDCCD.

did not know who to talk to/ where to sign up. I would like an opportunity to play a sport and make friends.

Don't have time. I work full time.

i am a full time student and i am also working 16 hrs a week

I am busy and focusing first with my studies and have no time for joining in intercollegiate sports.

i cant participate coz im working full time

I didnt know one existed. I wanted to play football so I checked everywhere but I didnt find anything.

I don't believe they are offered at my school, i've never seen anything about sports except mens basketball and womens soccer. I would mainly like to play Lacrosse which isnt listed

I don't know how, and I don't know if I qualify.

I just did not because It took up a lot of time with all the practices. Baseball is great, but very demanding.

I know Mesa College has a Cross Country team, however I do not have transportation abilities. If Miramar were to get either a cross country or swim team, I would be eager to join.

I took a summer class at city for soccer but was cut towards the end.(endurance) Want to get back into baseball, was good when i was younger but the high school soccer team was better had me all wrapped up. And well the only year i tried out(senior year) i made varsity volleyball and was starting libero. Just never thought about it after really besides just playing beach games.

I want coaches to train for fencing who are good. not beginners.

I want to be a basketball player on the team, but I had a class that coexisted with the class to be on the team!

I was interested in joining a basketball team, but i was told there was not a basketball team by a coach for a different sport. When the semester started, I learned that there is in fact a basketball team for Miramar.

I was interested in participating in Men's intercollegiate tennis, but Miramar College does not have a Mens's intercollegiate tennis team. However, I did manage to take tennis classes offered at Miramar College, which helped me improve. It would be really great if Miramar College could have a intercollegiate tennis team.

Im athletic but out of shape. Too out of shape to fully compete on the mesa football team. But now after joining the gym and getting back to my playing weight and ability im ready to go again

Made the mistake of not taking them in high school and probably dont have the competition as the kids coming out of high school do so I didn't bother signing up for either especially football. I would have enjoyed that as that is my favorite sport and enjoy playing it.

Miramar College does not have a swimming/diving program.

Mostly Time, I did not know when tryouts were at and I did not know if I had time to play.

My sport is fishing

No football or lacrosse team.

Not a sports guy, I'm better with guitars and computers. I take advantage of the lifelong fitness class, but other time of mine is better spent studying for engineering prep classes.

not physically fit anymore, haven't played Volleyball for a long time.

OK, I'm older and busy

Personal time restraints and scheduling problems.

The sports schedule did not fit into my school and work schedule

the teams i was interested in joining had not been formed at my school

There was no course in that area.

Time and distance.

too busy with study and work

too lazy