

League of Women Voters of California

Community College System Study

Faculty Survey

Spring 2003

As part of its current study of the California community college system, the League of Women Voters of California has been interviewing trustees, administrators, faculty, staff, students, local employers, high school administrators and ordinary citizens in many districts around the state.

Especially at this time of severe and sudden budget cuts, we want to ascertain the needs and long-term prospects for full-time and part-time faculty in our community colleges.

If you would like to know more about our study, please add your name and e-mail address at the end of your completed survey, and we will connect you to the League nearest you.

By March 31, 2003, please send your completed survey to Helene L. Lecar, League of Women Voters of California Community College Systems Study Chair at HLECAR1@IX.NETCOM.COM, OR 1119 Grizzly Peak Blvd., Berkeley, CA 94708.

Part IA. About You:

- a. I teach _____(subjects) at _____ College (*if you teach at more than one campus/district, please list them all*) _____

- b. My primary district affiliation is with _____ district.
- c. I work part-time _____ full-time _____
- d. I have _____ do not have _____ tenure
- e. I have been teaching in the California community colleges for _____ years
- f. I have a _____ MA/MS _____ Ph.D. _____ (*other-specify*)

Part II. Your Experience at the College(s) at Which You Teach

- a. Students who want to enroll in your classes can get into them about _____% of the time
- b. The quality and availability of resources available to you as you taught THIS FALL SEMESTER were E=excellent; B=better than expected, S=so-so, NGE=not good enough, P=poor, DN-Don't know

	Quality	Availability
Opportunities for meeting with students	_____	_____
for meeting with administrators	_____	_____
for professional development	_____	_____
Sufficiency of student counseling	_____	_____
financial aid	_____	_____
academic tutoring	_____	_____
transfer/career guidance	_____	_____
Adequacy of on-campus resources		
Classroom supplies	_____	_____
Computers and copiers	_____	_____
Library books, hours	_____	_____
Office space	_____	_____
Personal e-mail account	_____	_____
Telephone	_____	_____
Paid office hours	_____	_____
Reimbursement for professional conferences	_____	_____

Part IIIA. Your Views about the State of Your College

a. The parts of my teaching experience at my college(s) I value the most are

b. The college's most pressing needs are:

(please rank on a scale of 1-10, 1 being the lowest)

Compensation _____

Infrastructure _____

Space _____

Smaller Classes _____

Access to Supplies _____

Governance _____

Finance _____

Other (Please list) _____

c. Our district's efforts to meet the current budget crunch will affect me in the following ways: _____

Part IIIB. Conditions of Work

a. *Work Environment*

1. How many campuses do you work at _____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ (other)

2. How many districts do you teach in _____ 1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ (other)

3. If you work in more than one district, how many hours of the week do you spend in transit from one district to another? _____

b. *Evaluation*

1. Have you been evaluated? _____ yes _____ no

2. When was the most recent evaluation? _____

3. By whom? _____ faculty members _____ administration

Staff Development

1. Do you have a mentor? _____yes _____no
2. Does your district encourage staff development activities? _____yes
_____ no
3. If you are a part-timer, are you allowed to participate in staff development? _____yes _____no
4. If so, are you reimbursed for your participation? _____yes _____no

Part III.C. About Your Involvement

a. *Campus Activities*

1. Are you encouraged to participate in campus activities (Committees, Academic Senate, etc.)? _____ yes _____no,
2. Do you participate? _____yes _____no, if yes, please list your activities_____

b. *Professional Organizations*

1. Do you belong to any professional organizations? _____yes _____no, If yes, please list _____
2. Do you attend any of their meetings? _____ yes _____no

Part IV. Additional Comments: _____

Part V. Personal Information:

- a. Name (Optional): _____
- b. E-mail (Optional): _____
- c. District (Requested): _____

Thank you for your candid responses. Your answers will help us to create a picture of how well the Community College System supports its faculty.