

**IUPUI STUDENT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SCALE**  
**Fall 2008**  
**Campus Version**

**Directions:** During your time at IUPUI you have had a number of educational opportunities to be **involved with the community**, either through coursework or extra-curricular activities. Examples of involvement with the community may include *volunteer service, political activities, service-learning or other community-based learning experiences, one-time service projects, and service activities through a religious organization or student club*. This survey is being conducted by the Center for Service and Learning to understand the influence of community involvement on your academic, personal, and civic development.

Your responses to these questions are kept completely anonymous—we will not be asking for your name or other identifying information. All results will be reported as summarized, group data only.

**SECTION I**

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First, please answer a few general questions about yourself.

1. Student ID (last 4 digits): \_\_\_\_\_
  
2. Sex:
  - Male
  - Female
  
3. College class:
  - Freshman
  - Sophomore
  - Junior
  - Senior
  - Graduate student
  - Non-degree
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_
  
6. Did you transfer to IUPUI from another campus?
  - No
  - Yes
  
7. Have you participated in community service at IUPUI as part of a scholarship? (e.g., Sam H. Jones Scholarship, Fugate Scholarship)
  - No
  - Yes

8. Please estimate the number of courses that you have taken at IUPUI that have included community involvement such as volunteer service, community-based learning experiences, one-time service projects, or other service activities:
- 0 courses
  - 1-2 courses
  - 3-4 courses
  - 5 or more courses

## **SECTION II**

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Please indicate how often you have participated in the following *as part of your student experiences OUTSIDE of the classroom at IUPUI*:

- 1 = None/Never**  
**2 = Once each school year**  
**3 = Once or twice each semester**  
**4 = About once a month**  
**5 = Nearly every week**

- 1 2 3 4 5 Volunteering with others from IUPUI for one-time service activities such as United Way Day of Caring, Dr. Martin Luther King Day On, Service in the City, or Make a Difference Day
- 1 2 3 4 5 Volunteering for campus events such as Campus Day or Race for the Cure
- 1 2 3 4 5 Participation in a public debate, working on a political campaign, or assisting with voter registration
- 1 2 3 4 5 Writing or discussing something on the blackboards in Democracy Plaza (under the BS/SPEA building)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Community involvement through a campus organization or club
- 1 2 3 4 5 Community involvement as a part of Federal Work Study (e.g., America Reads, America Counts)
- 1 2 3 4 5 Service through another organization not connected to IUPUI

### SECTION III

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Realizing that you have had a variety of experiences at IUPUI, we are interested in the opportunities you may have had to be **involved with the community**, either through coursework or extra-curricular activities. Examples of these activities may include *volunteer service, political activities, service-learning or other community-based learning experiences, one-time service projects, and service activities through a religious organization or student club.*

**Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements by circling the appropriate number. (1=Strongly Disagree, 6=Strongly Agree).**

<u>Strongly Disagree</u>			<u>Strongly Agree</u>			
1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	2	3	4	5	6	1. My experiences at IUPUI have helped me learn a lot about opportunities to become involved in the community.
1	2	3	4	5	6	2. As a result of my experiences at IUPUI, other students who know me well would describe me as a person who can discuss controversial social issues with civility and respect.
1	2	3	4	5	6	3. My experiences at IUPUI have prepared me to write a letter to the newspaper or community leaders about a community issue.
1	2	3	4	5	6	4. My IUPUI education has given me the knowledge and professional skills that I need to help address community issues.
1	2	3	4	5	6	5. My experiences at IUPUI have helped make me a good listener, even when peoples' opinions differ from mine.
1	2	3	4	5	6	6. Based on my experiences at IUPUI, I would say that most other students know less about community organizations and volunteer opportunities than I do.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7. My experiences at IUPUI have helped me realize that it is important for me to vote and be politically involved.
1	2	3	4	5	6	8. My education at IUPUI has increased my confidence that I can contribute to improving life in my community.

**Strongly  
Disagree**

**Strongly  
Agree**

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| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 9. Because of my IUPUI education, I believe that my community is enriched by having some cultural or ethnic diversity.                                      |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 10. My experiences at IUPUI have helped me realize that when members of my group disagree on how to solve a problem, I like to try to build consensus.      |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 11. My education at IUPUI has made me aware of a number of community issues that need to be addressed.  |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 12. My experiences at IUPUI have increased my motivation to participate in advocacy or political action groups after I graduate.                            |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 13. Through my experiences at IUPUI, I am very familiar with clubs and organizations that encourage and support community involvement for college students. |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 14. My IUPUI experiences helped me to realize that I like to be involved in addressing community issues.  |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 15. Because of my experiences at IUPUI, I believe that having an impact on community problems is within my reach.   |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 16. Because of my IUPUI experiences, I plan to stay current with the local and national news after I graduate.  |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 17. My experiences at IUPUI have enabled me to plan or help implement an initiative that improves the community.  |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 18. My experiences at IUPUI have helped me realize that I prefer to work in settings in which I interact with people who are very different from me.        |
| <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> | 19. Because of the experiences I had at IUPUI, I feel a deep conviction in my career goals to achieve purposes that are beyond my own self-interest.        |

<b>Strongly Disagree</b>			<b>Strongly Agree</b>			
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	
1	2	3	4	5	6	20. My experiences at IUPUI have helped me develop my ability to respond to others with empathy, regardless of their backgrounds.
1	2	3	4	5	6	21. Because of my experiences at IUPUI, I intend to be involved in volunteer service after I graduate.
1	2	3	4	5	6	22. My education at IUPUI has motivated me to stay up to date on the current political issues in the community.
1	2	3	4	5	6	23. My IUPUI education has convinced me that social problems are <u>not</u> too complex for me to help solve.
1	2	3	4	5	6	24. I believe that I have a responsibility to use the knowledge that I have gained at IUPUI to serve others.
1	2	3	4	5	6	25. My IUPUI education has prepared me to listen to others and understand their perspective on controversial issues.
1	2	3	4	5	6	26. Based on my experiences at IUPUI, I would say that the main purposes of work are to improve society through my career.
1	2	3	4	5	6	27. As a result of my experiences at IUPUI, I want to dedicate my career to improving society.
1	2	3	4	5	6	28. After being a student at IUPUI, I feel confident that I will be able to apply what I have learned in my classes to solve real problems in society.
1	2	3	4	5	6	29. When discussing controversial social issues during my time at IUPUI, I have often been able to persuade others to agree with my point of view.
1	2	3	4	5	6	30. My IUPUI experience has helped me develop my sense of who I am, which now includes a sincere desire to be of service to others.

**Thank you for completing this survey.**