



2019 Assessment Symposium

Social Justice Coding Activity

Data Source: 2018 Student Engagement Survey Excerpt

Demographic Questions: Gender (write in), Race/Ethnicity, Class Level

Open-Ended Question: We want all students to know that they matter and belong on our campus. What can UT do to enhance your sense of belonging on campus?

Instructions: Code the data provided using the following list of *a priori* codes (terms that reflect social justice).

- Work individually.
- Use the numbers as codes.
- You may use more than 1 code per data point.
- If time permits, consider how students responded to the open gender question and what trends/differences you see by class or identification.

| Terms that reflect Social Justice (<i>a priori</i> codes) | Description |
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| 1. Discourse | Constellation of hidden historical rules that govern what can and cannot be said and done, and who can speak and act. Discourses shape how we operate in the world, and what we consider to be true |
| 2. Equality | Providing the same intervention so that everyone is treated equally |
| 3. Equity | Providing differential interventions in the aim of achieving equitable results/outcomes |
| 4. Democracy | Control of an organization/entity by a majority of its members |
| 5. Justice | Equitable distribution of resources; elimination of inequitable/oppressive systems |
| 6. Integrity | Acting in a way that reflects moral principles |

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| 7. Participation | Having the ability to actively participate/engage |
| 8. Inclusive | The practice of a dominant group or group member intentionally working to include marginalized/minoritized individuals |
| 9. Multiculturalism | The practice of acknowledging and respecting differences based largely on race, culture, ethnicity |
| 10. Diversity | The reflection of the vast multitudes of the ways in which people are different |
| 11. Individuality | An acknowledgement of human agency and the ability to govern one's own actions |
| 12. Respect | A reflection of truly respecting individuality and diversity |
| 13. Social good | The concept that there are things that exist to benefit society |
| 14. Responsibility to society | As a moral actor, seeing oneself as being responsible to society at large (can connect to allyship) |
| 15. Representation | The extent to which a subpopulation is reflected in an institution's enrollment, faculty, etc. |
| 16. Belonging | A feeling that an individual belongs, and that feeling is reflected through respect |

Note: Codes and definitions provided by Dr. Brian Bourke (Editor, College Student Affairs Journal; President, ACPA Kentucky, College Personnel Association of Kentucky) from Davis, T., & Harrison, L.M. (2013). *Advancing social justice: Tools, pedagogies, and strategies to transform your campus*. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass.

****Please leave the student data sheets at your table.****