**2007 COLLEGE STUDENTS’ BELIEFS AND VALUES FOLLOW-UP SURVEY**

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10. Current religious preference: (Mark one)
   Baptist ......................................... Presbyterian .................
   Buddhist ...................................... Quaker .........................
   Church of Christ ................................... Roman Catholic ....
   Eastern Orthodox ..................................... Seventh Day Adventist .
   Episcopalian ........................................ Unitarian/Universalist ....
   Hindu ............................................... UCC/Congregational ......
   Islamic ............................................ Other Christian ....
   Jewish .............................................. Other Religion ....
   LDS (Mormon) ...................................... None .................
   Lutheran ............................................. Methodist ....

11. Do you consider yourself an evangelical Christian?
   ○ Yes ○ No

12. Please indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following: (Mark one for each item)

- Not Important
- Somewhat Important
- Very Important
- Essential

Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts (acting, dancing, etc.) .................................
Becoming an authority in my field ........................................
Influencing the political structure ........................................
Influencing social values ........................................
Raising a family ........................................
Being very well off financially ........................................
Helping others who are in difficulty ...................................
Making a theoretical contribution to science ...................................
Writing original works (poems, novels, short stories, etc.) ...................................
Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, decorating, etc.) ...................................
Becoming successful in a business of my own ...................................
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment ...................................
Developing a meaningful philosophy of life ...................................
Participating in a community action program ...................................
Helping to promote racial understanding ...................................
Keeping up to date with political affairs ...................................
Becoming a community leader ...................................
Integrating spirituality into my life ...................................
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures ...................................

13. Please indicate your agreement with each of the following statements: (Mark one for each item)

- Disagree Strongly
- Disagree Somewhat
- Agree Somewhat
- Agree Strongly

Love is at the root of all the great religions ...................................
All life is interconnected ........................................
Believing in supernatural phenomena is foolish ...................................
We are all spiritual beings ........................................
It is futile to try to discover the purpose of existence ...................................
People who don’t believe in God will be punished ...................................
Non-religious people can lead lives that are just as moral as those of religious believers ...................................
Pain and suffering are essential to becoming a better person ...................................
The universe arose by chance ........................................
In the future, science will be able to explain everything ...................................
While science can provide important information about the physical world, only religion can truly explain existence ...................................
My campus allows for personal expressions of spirituality ...................................

14. For me, the relationship between science and religion is one of: (Mark one)

- Conflict; I consider myself to be on the side of religion.
- Conflict; I consider myself to be on the side of science.
- Independence; they refer to different aspects of reality.
- Collaboration; each can be used to help support the other.

15. Do you pray?  
   ○ Yes ○ No (Skip to #17)

16. If yes, why do you pray? (Mark one for each item)

- For help in solving problems
- To be in communion with God
- To express gratitude
- For emotional strength
- For forgiveness
- To relieve the suffering of others
- For loved ones
- For wisdom
- To praise God

17. How often do you engage in the following activities? (Mark one for each item)

- Not At All
- Occasionally
- Frequently
- Daily
- Several Times/Week
- Monthly
- Once/Week
- Less Than Monthly
- Not At All

Self-reflection ........................................
Prayer ........................................
Meditation ........................................
Yoga, Tai Chi, or similar practice ........................................
Religious singing/chanting ........................................
Reading sacred texts ........................................
Other reading on religion/spirituality ........................................

18. Please indicate the extent to which each of the following describes you: (Mark one for each item)

- Not At All
- To Some Extent
- To A Great Extent

Having an interest in spirituality ........................................
Believing in the sacredness of life ........................................
Feeling unsettled about spiritual and religious matters ...................................
Feeling good about the direction in which my life is headed ...................................
Feeling a sense of connection with God/Highest Power that transcends my personal self ...................................
Feeling a strong connection to all humanity ...................................
Feeling disillusioned with my religious upbringing ...................................
Having an interest in different religious traditions ...................................
Being committed to introducing people to my faith ...................................
Believing in the goodness of all people ...................................
Being thankful for all that has happened to me ...................................
Seeing each day, good or bad, as a gift ...................................
Believing in life after death ...................................
Feeling obligated to follow my parents’ religious practices ...................................
Being on a spiritual quest ...................................
Being an ethical person ...................................

19. How would you characterize your political views? (Mark one)

- Far left
- Liberal
- Middle-of-the-road
- Conservative
- Far right
20. Which of the following best characterizes your conception of or experience with God? (Mark all that apply)

- Universal Spirit
- Divine Mystery
- Enlightenment
- Love
- Protector
- Creator
- Friend
- Nature
- Brother
- None of the above

21. Do you believe in God?

- Yes
- Not sure
- No

22. Please indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following: (Mark one for each item)

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23. Have you ever had a spiritual experience while: (Mark one for each item)

- In a house of worship
- Listening to beautiful music
- Viewing a great work of art
- Participating in a musical or artistic performance
- Engaging in athletics
- Witnessing the beauty and harmony of nature
- Meditating
- In a loving relationship
- Reading sacred texts

Other:

24. Since you entered college, please indicate how often you have: (Mark one for each item)

- Participated in community food or clothing drives
- Helped friends with personal problems
- Donated money to charity
- Felt distant from God
- Struggled to understand evil, suffering, and death
- Questioned your religious/spiritual beliefs
- Felt loved by God
- Disagreed with your family about religious matters
- Spent time with people who share your religious views
- Felt angry with God
- Felt that your life is filled with stress and anxiety
- Been able to find meaning in times of hardship
- Expressed gratitude to others
- Felt at peace/centered
- Explored religion online
- Attended a class, workshop, or retreat on matters related to religion/spirituality
- Performed volunteer work
- Found new meaning in the rituals and practices of your religion
- Taken a religious studies class
- Experienced a conflict between your coursework and your religious beliefs
- Attended a political meeting or rally

25. How would you describe your current views about spiritual/religious matters? (Mark all that apply)

- Conflicted
- Secure
- Doubting
- Seeking
- Not Interested

26. How many of your close friends:

- Share your religious/spiritual views?
- Are searching for meaning/purpose in life?
- Go to church/temple/other house of worship?
- Belong to a campus religious organization?

(Mark one for each item)

27. Please indicate the extent to which you engage in the following activities: (Mark one for each item)

- Searching for meaning/purpose in life
- Trying to change things that are unfair in the world
- Accepting others as they are
- Having discussions about the meaning of life with my friends

28. Please indicate your agreement with each of the following statements: (Mark one for each item)

- What happens in my life is determined by forces larger than myself
- Whether or not there is a Supreme Being doesn't matter to me
- I gain spiritual strength by trusting in a Higher Power
- It doesn't matter what I believe as long as I lead a moral life
- I have never felt a sense of sacredness
- I find religion to be personally helpful
- It is difficult to reconcile the existence of a loving God with the pain and suffering in the world
- I consider myself a religious person
- I consider myself a spiritual person
- My spiritual/religious beliefs:
  - Have helped me develop my identity
  - Are one of the most important things in my life
  - Give meaning/purpose to my life
  - Help define the goals I set for myself
  - Provide me with strength, support, and guidance
  - Lie behind my whole approach to life
  - Have been formed through much personal reflection and searching

29. Since you entered college, which of the following experiences has changed your religious/spiritual beliefs? (Mark one for each item)

- Romantic relationship
- Personal injury or illness
- Parents' divorce or separation
- Death of a close friend or family member
- Natural disaster
- Campus tragedy
- The war in Iraq
- Interactions with faculty
- Interactions with other campus staff
- Student/Peer interactions
- Course content
30. Mark one for each item:

- There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals.
- Abortion should be legal.
- The death penalty should be abolished.
- Marijuana should be legalized.
- It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships.
- Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America.
- Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society.
- Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes.
- Some students have the right to protest in a nonviolent manner.
- Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status.
- The activities of married women are best confined to the home and family.
- Federal military spending should be increased.
- Colleges should prohibit racist/sexist speech on campus.
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- Students should have the right to privacy.
- Student evaluations of their own work should be made public.
- Majors should not be required to take courses in areas outside their major.
- There should be a distinct separation between church and state.
- Prayer should be allowed in public schools.
- Contemplation/meditation should be part of the college curriculum.

31. Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age. We want the most accurate estimate of how you see yourself. (Mark one for each item)

- Academic ability
- Compassion
- Cooperativeness
- Courage
- Creativity
- Drive to achieve
- Emotional health
- Forgiveness
- Generosity
- Kindness
- Leadership ability
- Mathematical ability
- Physical health
- Public speaking ability
- Reliability
- Self-confidence (intellectual)
- Self-confidence (social)
- Self-understanding
- Spirituality
- Time management abilities
- Understanding others
- Writing ability
- Empathy
- Helpfulness
- Humility
- Interpersonal skills
- Optimism
- Popularity

32. In how many of the courses that you have taken have your professors used each of the following teaching methods? (Mark one for each item)

- Community service as part of coursework
- Cooperative learning (small groups)
- Class discussions
- Extensive lecturing
- Group projects
- Portfolios
- Reflective writing/journaling
- Student evaluations of each other's work
- Student evaluations of their own work
- Student-selected topics for course content
- Prayer
- Contemplation/meditation

33. How often have professors at your current college: (Mark one for each item)

- Encouraged exploration of questions of meaning and purpose
- Assisted you in your career decisions
- Encouraged you to pursue post-graduate study
- Enhanced your self-understanding
- Taken an interest in your personal welfare
- Encouraged discussion of religious/spiritual matters
- Encouraged personal expression of spirituality
- Encouraged discussion of ethical issues
- Acted as spiritual models for you

34. Please rate your satisfaction with your current college on each of the aspects of campus life listed below. (Mark one for each item)

- Relevance of coursework to everyday life
- Sense of community on campus
- Opportunities for religious/spiritual reflection
- Career counseling and advising
- Amount of contact with faculty
- Interaction with other students
- Respect for diverse spiritual/religious beliefs
- Overall college experience

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