Social Barometer Statements

Academically Related Statements/Questions

- 1. Is it possible to get A's and have a social life.
- 2. College academics are going to be too difficult for me.
- 3. It's okay to have someone else do my homework for me if I'm really in a bind.
- 4. My grade in a class is more important than what I learned in class.
- 5. I should get at least a C in a class simply by showing up.
- 6. It's really important to attend *extra-curricular* (explain what this means and give examples) activities on campus.
- 7. It's really important to attend *co-curricular* (explain what this means and give examples) activities on campus.
- 8. If I fail my first test I should drop the class.
- 9. I would never ask a question in class. It's too embarrassing.
- 10. If I don't understand something from class, I'll ask someone else for help.
- 11. I enjoy reading/writing/giving speeches.
- 12. It's important to get to know people in my classes.
- 13. I'm worried that I don't have a major.
- 14. It's not a big deal if I text my friends when I'm in class.

Social/Transition Related Statements/Questions

- 1. I talk/text to one of my parents every day.
- 2. My Mom/Dad/Sibling made sure I had my homework done every day.
- 3. I check my e-mail every day.
- 4. I'm afraid that I'm really going to miss my family/boyfriend/friends.

- 5. I'm really good at keeping track of what I need to do.
- 6. Having a roommate is going to be great.
- 7. Drinking in college isn't a big deal.
- 8. Everyone should practice abstinence instead of having to worry about STIs and pregnancy.
- 9. It is possible for a guy to be in a romantic relationship and also be best friends with another girl/guy.
- 10. The purpose of primarily black organizations, such as black student unions is only to talk about racism in various forms.
- 11. Racial, ethnic, or religious jokes are harmful.

Societal Statements/Questions

- 1. Members of minority groups have as many opportunities as whites in the business world.
- 2. In order to have power in America you need to have money.
- 3. Immigrants are taking jobs away from hardworking Americans.
- 4. Same-sex couples should be able to get married.
- 5. Sometimes war is needed in order to secure freedom.
- 6. Police officers should stop people who look suspicious.
- 7. Graffiti on public property is a form of artistic expression.
- 8. It is okay to share downloaded music.
- 9. Racism is still a major problem in America today.
- 10. It is okay to teach religion in schools.
- 11. Anyone who looks like a terrorist should be stopped in airports to keep us safe.
- 12. If you work really hard in America you can be successful.
- 13. The government should regulate the internet in order to keep children safe.
- 14. Women are better parents than men.