

This questionnaire is based on the suggestions of students enrolled in POLI 185 at the University of California-Santa Cruz. It was developed as part of a class exercise to learn more about research and about the views of students at the University of Victoria.

The questions were formulated after reviewing media reports of recent events. For the most part they are about general preferences and values, so there are no right or wrong answers. And your responses are to be anonymous, so do not include your name or other identifying information.

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Please circle the response that corresponds most closely to your view.

1. If the current negotiations with NAFTA reach an impasse, should Canada strike a deal with Mexico?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

2. Should Canada join the Trans-Pacific Partnership to promote potential exports to Asia?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

3. Given the ecological impact of oil pipelines should Canada stop building them?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

4. In view of the Alberta oil sands' \$885 billion USD contribution to the Canadian economy, should their production levels be increased, maintained, decreased or altogether eliminated?

1. Increased
2. Maintained
3. Decreased
4. Eliminated

5. Is Canada doing enough to help its impoverished citizens?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

6. Compared to current levels of public spending, how much should be allocated to the rehabilitating those with drug addictions?

1. Much more
2. Somewhat more
3. Same as now
4. Somewhat less
5. Much less

7. On a scale from 0-10, how supportive are you of Canada offering political asylum to refugees from areas of pervasive war and violence?

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

8. Since the right to seek asylum from persecution is part of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, should decisions about refugee policy be made by everyone using national referenda?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

9. Do you support or oppose the agreement between United States and Canada, which stipulates that refugees must apply for asylum wherever they first arrive?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

10. Should refugees be allowed to use social welfare programs to support themselves?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

11. In dealing with a dangerous and unstable enemy like North Korea, should the Trump administration continue diplomatic efforts, or actively consider military alternatives?

1. Continue diplomacy
2. Consider military alternatives
3. Not sure

12. To what extent do you favour or oppose Canada's recent 70% increase to its military budget following Donald Trump's calling many in the NATO alliance "freeloaders"?

1. Strongly favour
2. Somewhat favour
3. Somewhat oppose
4. Strongly oppose

13. To what extent is it morally acceptable to own a firearm for self-defence?

1. Very acceptable
2. Somewhat acceptable
3. Not at all acceptable

14. On a scale from 0-10, how adequate are the Trudeau government's recent increased budgetary commitments, particularly in light of the ongoing criticisms of groups such as the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society?

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

15. To what extent do you support the BC government's decision to remove tolls on the Port Mann and Golden Ears bridges?

1. Strongly support
2. Somewhat support
3. Don't support at all

16. In order to avoid increasing premiums, the UVic Student Society (UVSS) recently switched its healthcare plan to one with fewer benefits for students. As a result, some students are no longer able to afford essential medicines. To what extent do you support/oppose the move to the new plan?

1. Strongly support
2. Support
3. Oppose
4. Strongly oppose

17. Sometimes we have to choose between two things that are both important. If you had to choose, which of these is more important?

1. Equal rights for men and women
2. Environmental rights

18. In light of recent clashes over controversial speakers at UC Berkeley, how supportive are you of greater campus restrictions on free speech?

1. Very supportive
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Not at all supportive

19. Should a person who makes hateful statements regarding immigrants be subject to prosecution under Canadian hate laws?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

20. Do you consider voting to be a universal right??

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

21. Has white supremacy and the alt-right become more prevalent in today's global society since Trump's presidential win in 2016?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

22. Given the opioid crisis, should cities create more safe injection sites?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

23. With the number of Fentanyl overdoses in BC, should a limit be introduced to the number of times life-saving Narcan can be administered to an over-dosing user?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Not sure

24. When you decide whether something is right or wrong, to what extent are the following considerations relevant to your thinking? Please rate each statement using this scale:

0 = not at all relevant (This consideration has nothing to do with my judgments of right and wrong)

5 = extremely relevant (This is one of the most important factors when I judge right and wrong)

4 = very relevant

3 = somewhat relevant

2 = slightly relevant

1 = not very relevant

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone suffered emotionally

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not some people were treated differently than others

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone's action showed love for his or her country

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone showed a lack of respect for authority

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone violated standards of purity and decency

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone cared for someone weak or vulnerable

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone acted unfairly

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone did something to betray his or her group

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone conformed to the traditions of society

\_\_\_\_\_ Whether or not someone did something disgusting

25. Please read the following sentences and indicate your agreement or disagreement:

0	1	2	3	4	5
Strongly disagree	Moderately disagree	Slightly disagree	Slightly agree	Moderately agree	Strongly agree

\_\_\_\_\_ Compassion for those who are suffering is the most crucial virtue.

\_\_\_\_\_ When the government makes laws, the number one principle should be ensuring that everyone is treated fairly.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am proud of my country's history.

\_\_\_\_\_ Respect for authority is something all children need to learn.

\_\_\_\_\_ People should not do things that are disgusting, even if no one is harmed.

\_\_\_\_\_ One of the worst things a person could do is hurt a defenseless animal.

\_\_\_\_\_ Justice is the most important requirement for a society.

\_\_\_\_\_ People should be loyal to their family members, even when they have done something wrong.

\_\_\_\_\_ Men and women each have different roles to play in society.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would call some acts wrong on the grounds that they are unnatural.

Lastly, a few questions for statistical purposes.

26. In what year were you born?

27. Where were you born?

28. With which gender do you identify?

1. Female
2. Male
3. Other

29. Do you consider yourself a religious person?

1. Yes
2. Somewhat
3. No

30. Where would you place yourself on an ideological spectrum running from very liberal to very conservative?

1. very liberal
2. liberal
3. slightly liberal
4. moderate
5. slightly conservative
6. conservative
7. very conservative

31. With which federal political party do you identify?

1. Liberal
2. Conservative
3. New Democratic
4. Green

32. In which year of university are you?

1. First
2. Second
3. Third
4. Fourth
5. Fifth or beyond

33. As well as being a student, are you also employed?

1. Yes, full time
2. Yes, part time
3. No