



University of California, Merced

Survey and Demographic Data on UC Merced Students

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What do we know about UC Merced students and the characteristics that impact their health?



Presentation Plan



New Student Survey
2011



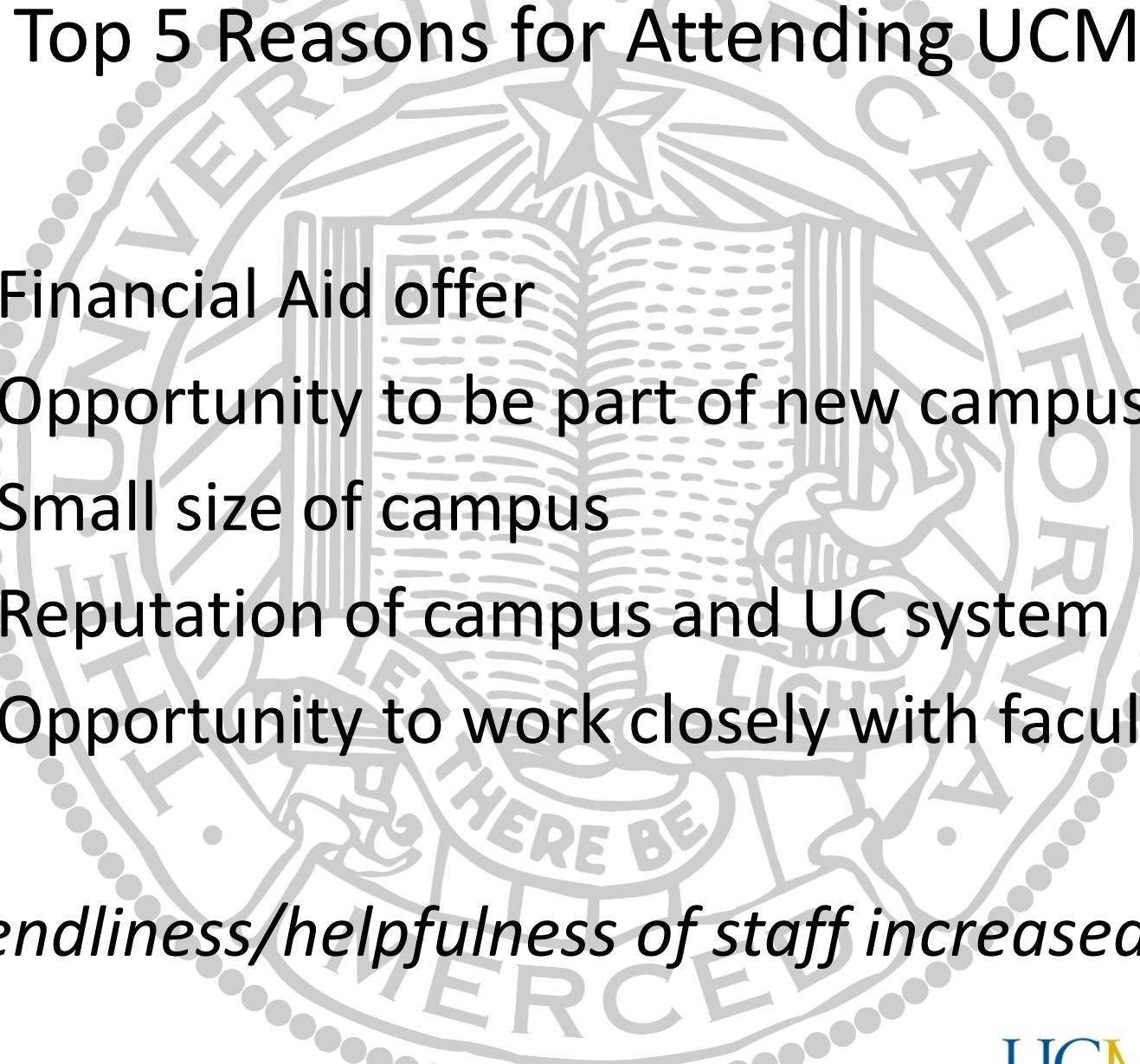
Characteristics of UCM
students



UC Undergraduate
Experience Survey 2012

New Student Survey 2011





Top 5 Reasons for Attending UCM

1. Financial Aid offer
2. Opportunity to be part of new campus
3. Small size of campus
4. Reputation of campus and UC system
5. Opportunity to work closely with faculty

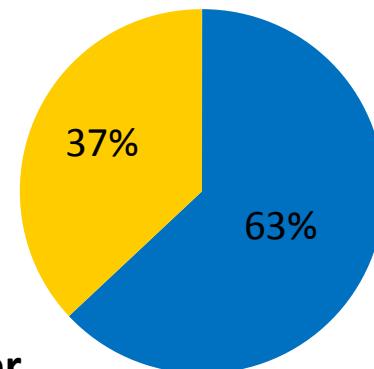
Friendliness/helpfulness of staff increased



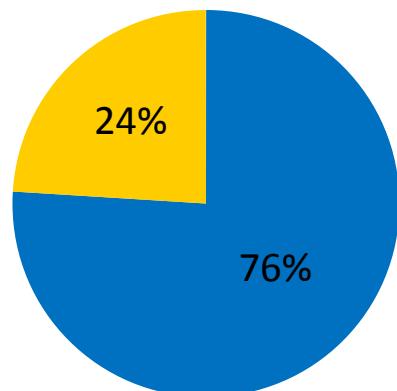
Recreation and Athletics

Worked out/taken exercise class in RC

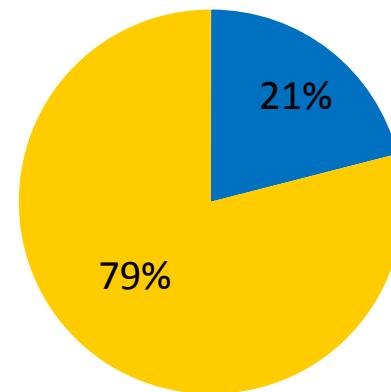
■ Yes ■ No



Visited the Recreation Center



Joined a club sports team



First Year Students Living On Campus

More Likely to:

- View campus as very welcoming
- Be satisfied with –
 - Making new friends
 - Involvement
 - Sense of community
 - Overall experience

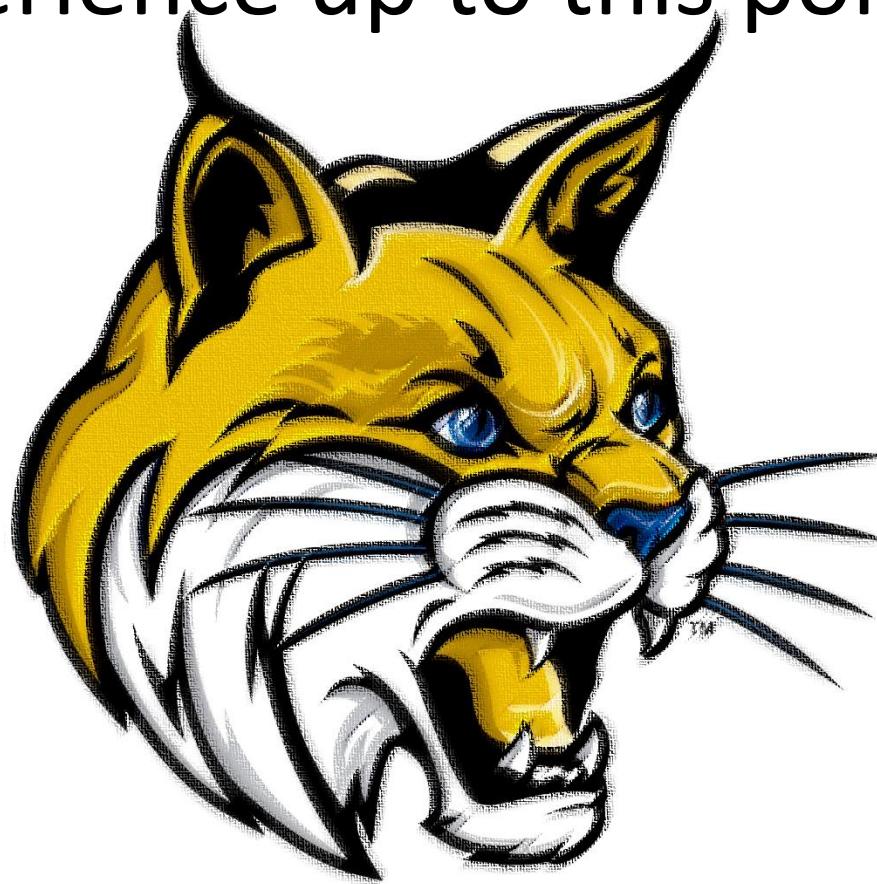


First Year Students Living Off Campus

- More satisfied with opportunities to explore community
- Less likely to attend:
 - WoW events
 - Campus social activities

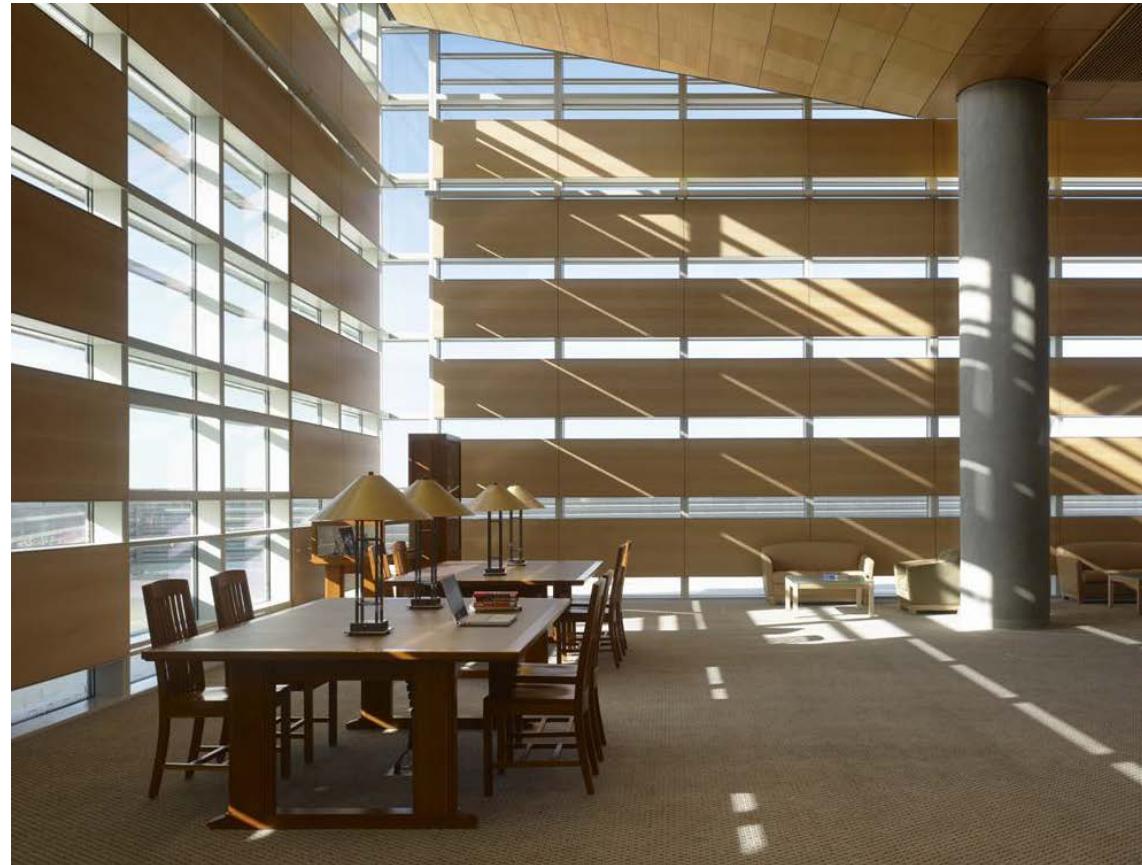


What, if anything, would you have done differently that would have enhanced your undergraduate experience up to this point?





**Join more clubs &
attend more activities**



**Better manage time &
be more organized**



**Get more involved in the
Merced community &
be more social**

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**Study hard from the first day,
don't skip class, & attend
tutoring and group study
sessions**

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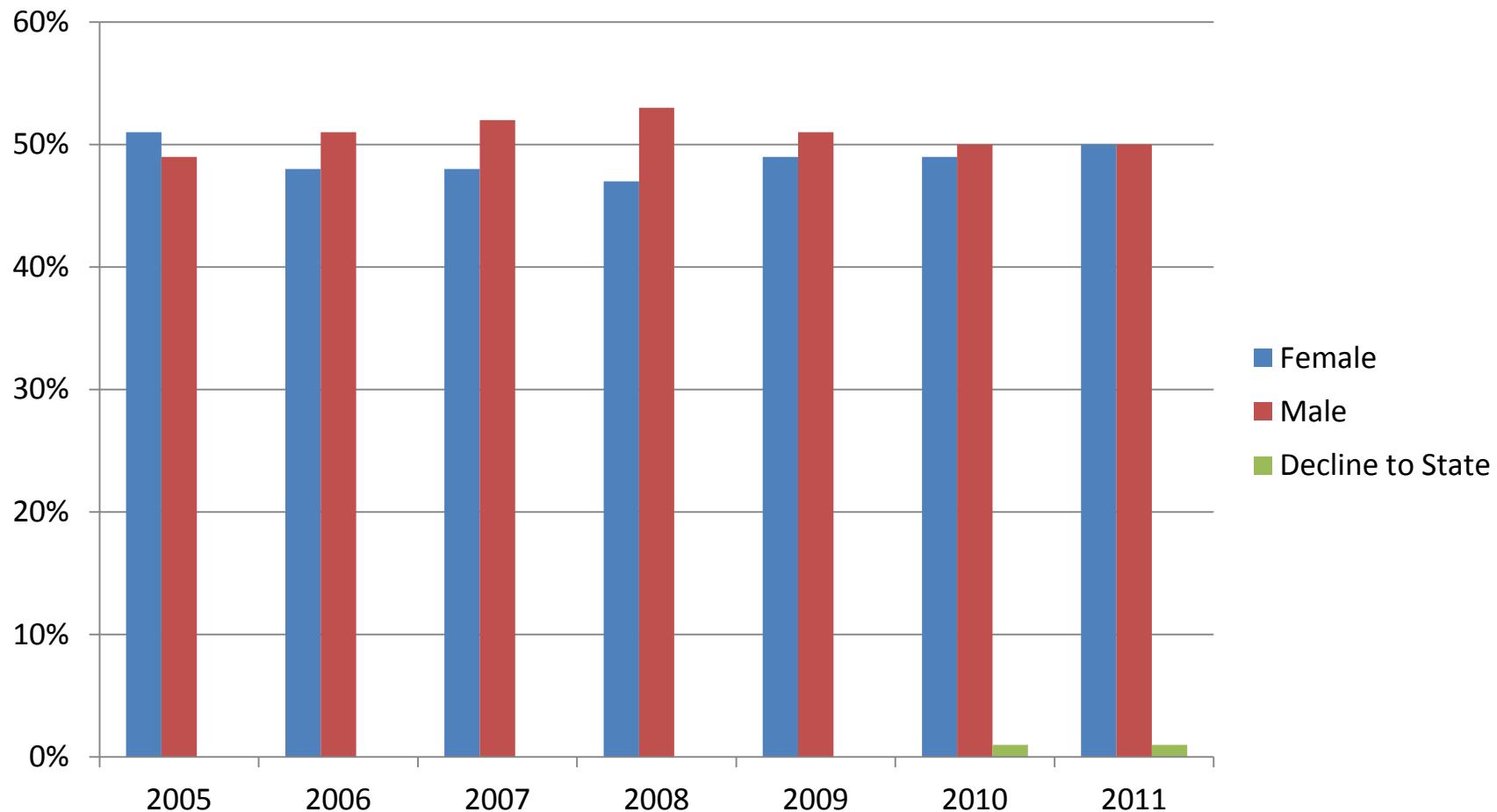


**Begin attending office
hours the first week & get
to know professors**

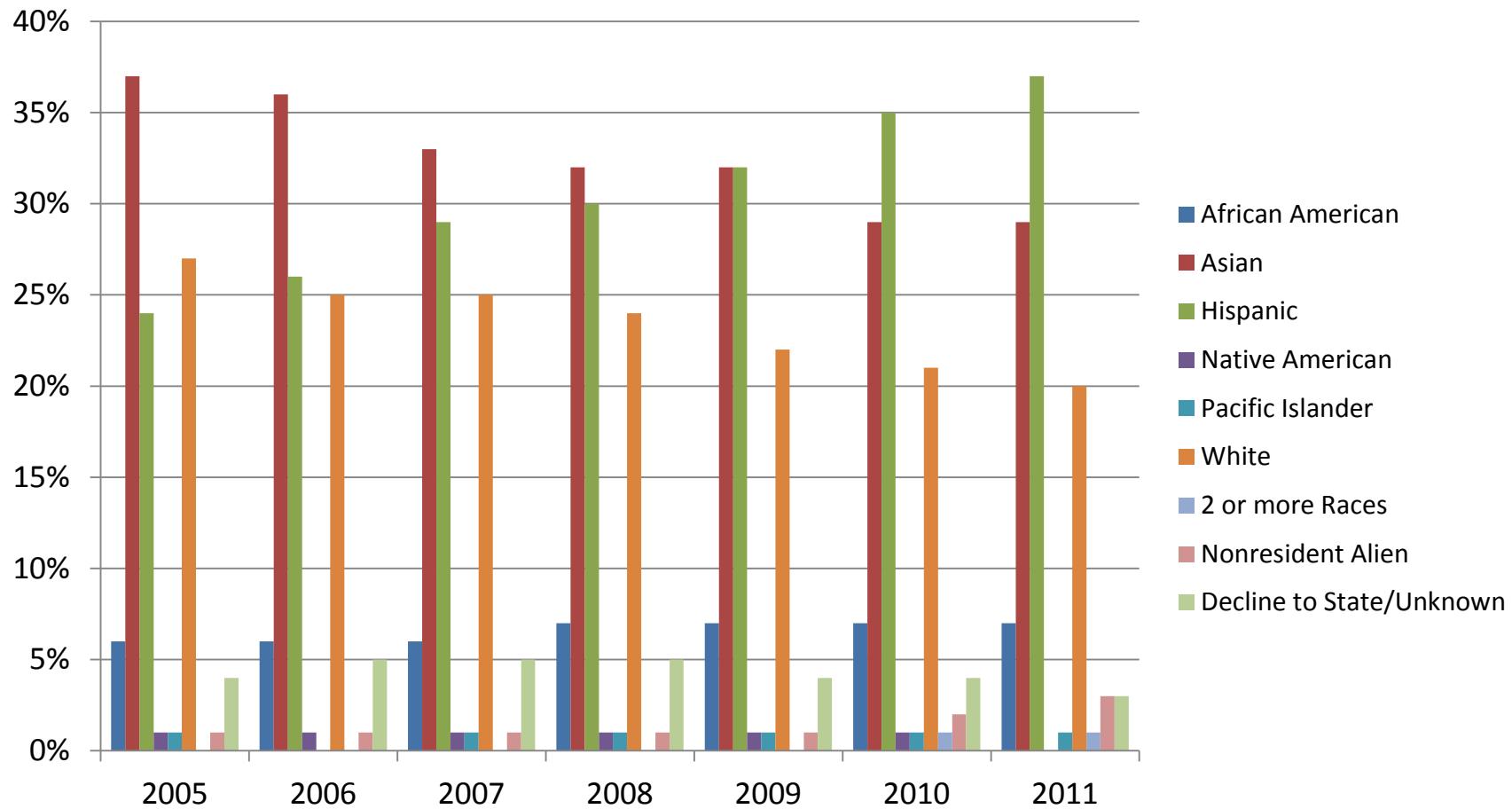
UCM Student Characteristics



Undergraduates by Biological Sex



Undergraduates by Race and Ethnicity



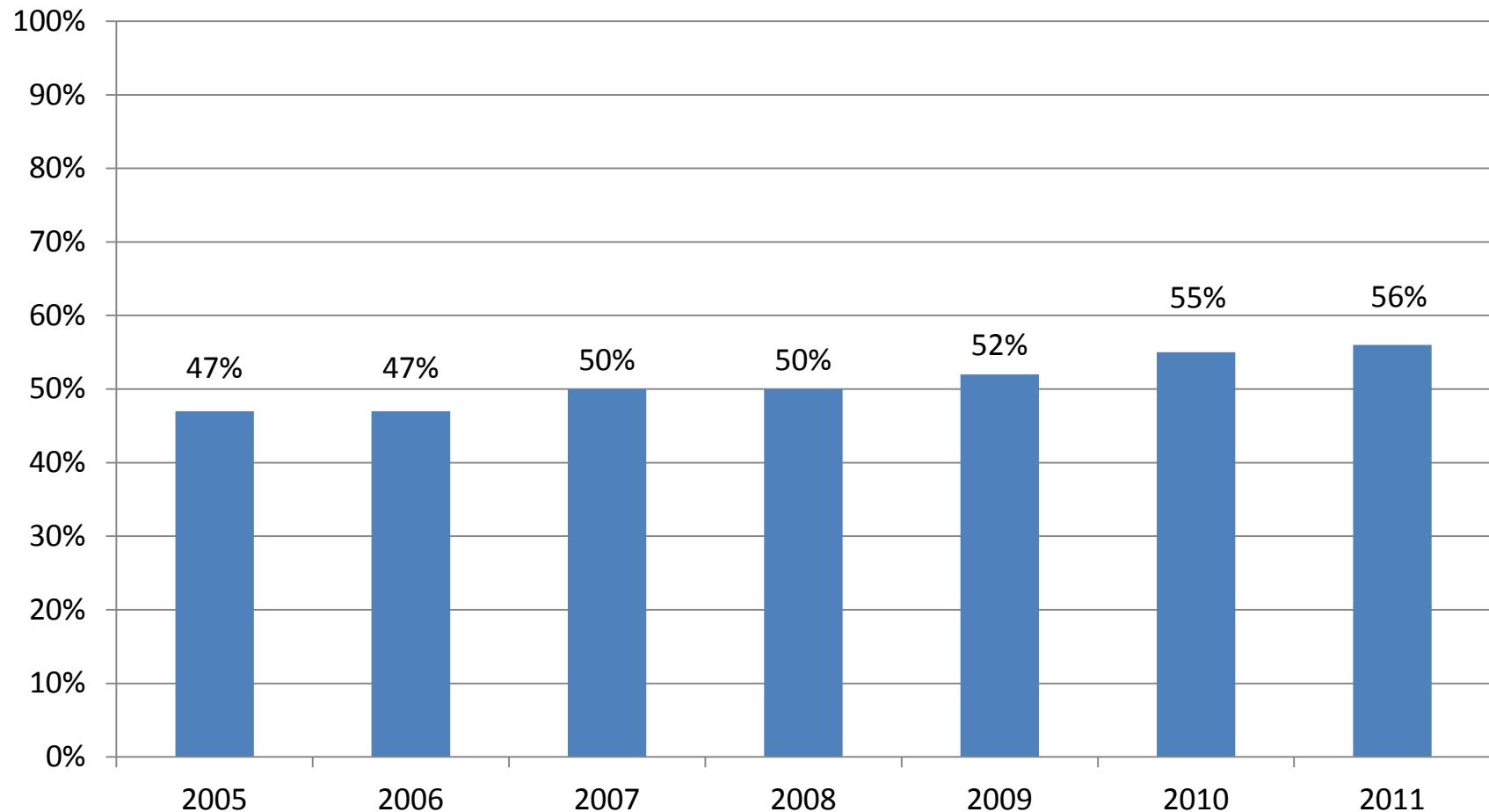
*Note: “2 or more Races” became an option in 2010



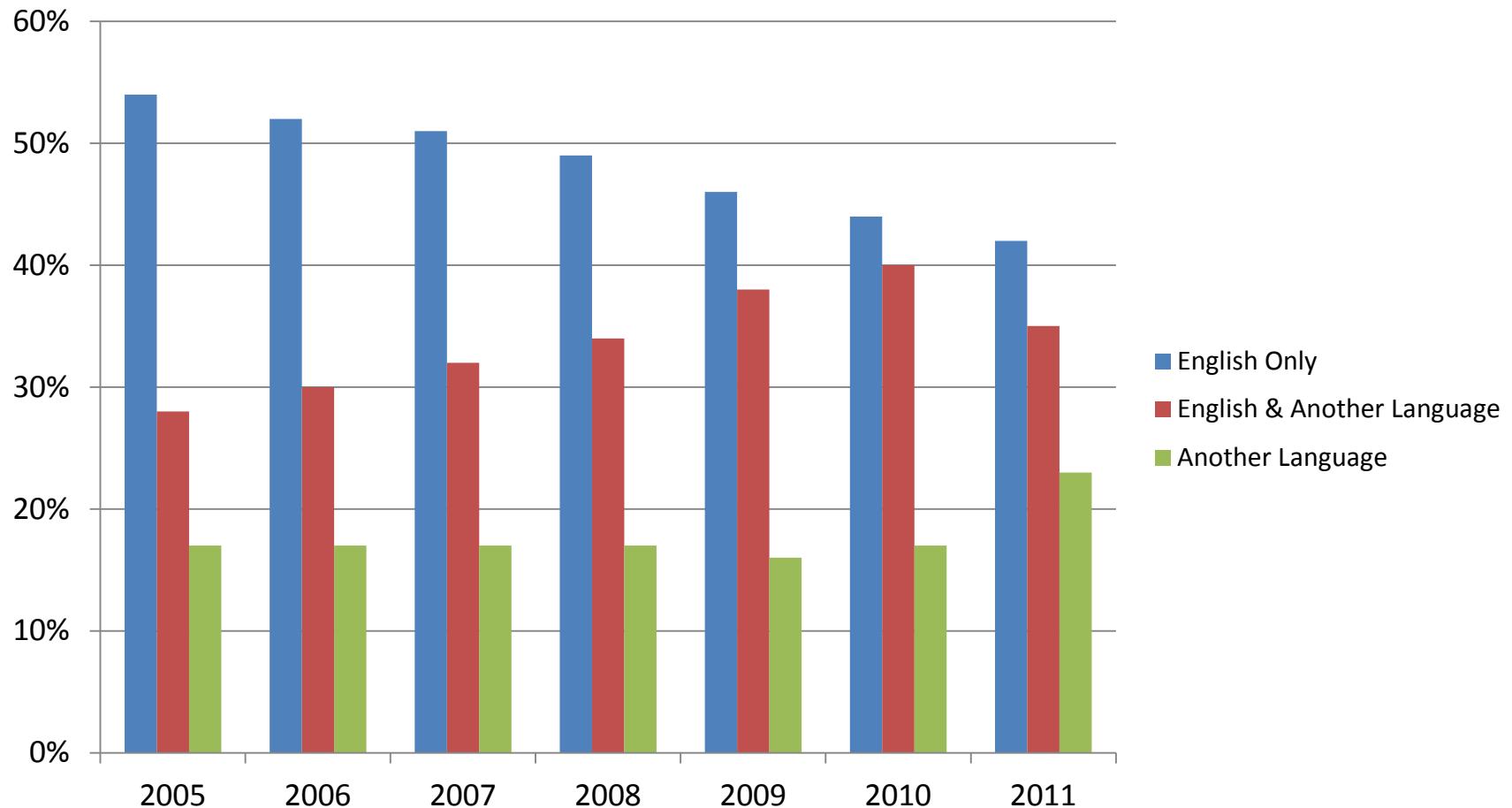
Undergraduates by Region



First Generation College Students



Language Spoken at Home



*Note: Change in UC admissions application changed 2011 data

UC Undergraduate Experience Survey 2012





Obstacles to Academic Success

Obstacle	Frequently (%)	All the time (%)
Job responsibilities	12%	5%
Family responsibilities	16%	9%
Other responsibilities	16%	6%
Weak English skills	4%	2%
Weak math skills	7%	4%
Inadequate study skills	13%	5%
Poor study behaviors	22%	10%
Bad study environment	17%	7%
Feeling depressed/stressed	21%	9%
Physical illness/condition	8%	2%

Hours per Week – School/Work

Hours	Attend Class/labs	Study	Work	Commute
0	0%	1%	64%	27%
1-5	4%	14%	5%	47%
6-10	14%	27%	7%	15%
11-15	28%	22%	9%	4%
16-20	27%	14%	9%	2%
21-25	15%	9%	2%	1%
26-30	7%	6%	1%	1%
30+	6%	6%	2%	2%

Hours per Week – Social

Hours	Volunteer	Clubs/Orgs	Socializing	Partying	Family
0	46%	34%	3%	56%	44%
1-5	35%	36%	37%	33%	30%
6-10	10%	15%	27%	5%	11%
11-15	4%	6%	15%	2%	5%
16-20	2%	4%	8%	1%	3%
21-25	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%
26-30	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%
30+	1%	2%	6%	1%	3%

Hours per Week – Activities

Hours	Entertain	Exercise	Spiritual	Creative	Computer	TV
0	21%	15%	59%	19%	1%	32%
1-5	55%	48%	31%	47%	26%	41%
6-10	15%	23%	4%	18%	25%	14%
11-15	4%	8%	2%	8%	16%	5%
16-20	3%	4%	1%	3%	10%	3%
21-25	1%	1%	1%	2%	6%	1%
26-30	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	1%
30+	1%	1%	1%	2%	11%	1%

Average Hours of Sleep on Weeknights

Average Hours per Week	Percentage
0-2	0%
3-4	7%
5-6	46%
7-8	39%
9-10	6%
11+	1%

Thank You, HEROES!

