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TASK FORCE ON BLACKS - STUDENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Your thoughtful responses to this questionnaire will be vital to the recommendations of the Task Force. Please check each answer which best describes you or your ideas.

1. Sex:

1) ☒ Female 2) _____ Male

2. Marital Status:

1) ☒ Single 2) _____ Married

3) _____ Other _____
(please specify)

3. Age:

1) 17-19 yrs. _____; 2) 20-22 _____; 3) 23-25 ☒; 4) 26-30; 5) 31-40 _____; 6) 40+ _____

4. Class Level:

1) _____ Freshman
2) _____ Sophomore
3) _____ Junior
4) _____ Senior

5) ☒ Masters
6) _____ Doctoral
7) _____ Other _____
(please specify)

5. Housing:

1) On Campus ☒ 2) Married Student Housing _____ 3) Off Campus _____

6. Major in College of:

1) _____ Agriculture
2) _____ Architecture
3) _____ Business
4) _____ Communications
5) _____ Education
6) _____ Engineering

7) _____ Home Economics
8) _____ Nursing
9) _____ Law
10) ☒ Liberal Arts
11) _____ Other _____
(please specify)

7. I prefer to be called:

1) _____ Negro
2) _____ Afro-American
3) _____ Colored

4) ☒ Black
5) _____ American
6) _____ Other _____
(please specify)

8. Current cumulative grade point average:

1) below 1.00 _____; 2) 1.00 to 1.50 _____; 3) 1.51 to 2.00 _____
4) 2.01 to 2.50 _____; 5) 2.51 to 3.00 _____; 6) 3.01 to 3.50 ☒;
7) 3.51 to 4.00 _____

9. How many hours a week do you work?

1) _____ 0-5 hrs.
2) _____ 6-10 hrs.
3) ☒ 11-15 hrs.
4) _____ 16-20 hrs.

5) _____ 21-25 hrs.
6) _____ 26-30 hrs.
7) _____ 31-35 hrs.
8) _____ 36-40 hrs.

(over)

10. How long have you been a student at UT Knoxville?

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> Less than one year | 5) <u> </u> 4 to 5 years |
| 2) <u>✓</u> 1 to 2 years | 6) <u> </u> 5 to 6 years |
| 3) <u> </u> 2 to 3 years | 7) <u> </u> More than 6 years |
| 4) <u> </u> 3 to 4 years | |

11. The student body of my senior high school was:

- | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> 25% Black | 3) <u> </u> 75% Black |
| 2) <u> </u> 50% Black | 4) <u>✓</u> 100% Black |

12. With which of the following organizations or activities do you spend most of your free time:

- | | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1) <u> </u> Student Senate | 7) <u> </u> BEACON |
| 2) <u> </u> Fraternity | 8) <u> </u> ROTC |
| 3) <u> </u> Sorority | 9) <u> </u> Campus Religious Centers |
| 4) <u> </u> Intramurals | 10) <u> </u> AASLF |
| 5) <u> </u> Band | 11) <u>✓</u> Other (Please specify) |
| 6) <u> </u> Theatre | A. <u>None</u> |
| | B. <u> </u> |

13. What is the main reason that you are going to college? (Select only one)

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| 1) <u> </u> Family and/or peer group pressure | 4) <u> </u> To become a better educated person |
| 2) <u>✓</u> To secure employment | 5) <u> </u> To participate in athletics |
| 3) <u> </u> To find a spouse | 6) <u> </u> Other <u> </u>
(please specify) |

14. Approximate total annual family income before taxes:

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1) <u> </u> Below \$3,000 | 5) <u> </u> \$10,000 to \$15,000 |
| 2) <u> </u> \$3,000 to \$5,000 | 6) <u> </u> \$15,000 to \$20,000 |
| 3) <u> </u> \$5,000 to \$7,000 | 7) <u> </u> \$20,000 to \$25,000 |
| 4) <u> </u> \$7,000 to \$10,000 | 8) <u>✓</u> Over \$25,000 |

15. Which of the following factors were most influential in your attending UT? (Check Two)

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|--|--|
| 1) <u> </u> Athletics | 6) <u>✓</u> Black Alumni |
| 2) <u> </u> AASLF | 7) <u> </u> White Alumni |
| 3) <u> </u> Black Recruiters | 8) <u> </u> Academic Program |
| 4) <u> </u> High School Counselor | 9) <u> </u> Other <u> </u>
(please specify) |
| 5) <u> </u> Friends | |

16. In your estimation, have your UT Knoxville Black Instructors been as competent as their white counterparts in relating classroom material to you?

1. Yes; 2. No; 3. Unsure; 4. ✓ Not applicable

17. At this point in time, would you date a white person?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
18. Based on your own experience, do you generally find white students to be friendly and courteous?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
19. Have you recently (last 2 years) encountered any obvious racism while attempting to secure housing off campus?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☒ Not applicable
20. Have you ever taken a class at UT Knoxville that had a Black instructor?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
21. Do you feel that you will support UT as an alumnus?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
22. Do you think that the library facilities at UT Knoxville are adequate for your needs?
1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
23. Does Black peer group pressure influence your relationship with non-Black students?
1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
24. Would you mind having a white roommate?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
25. Has the Daily Beacon been representative of your point of view on campus issues?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
26. Has the course content of your classes, where appropriate, generally included the participation of Black people in American life?
1. ☒ Yes; 2. ☐ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
27. Do you feel that UT Knoxville is as responsive to your needs and interests as it is to other students'?'
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable
28. At this point in time, would you marry a white person?
1. ☐ Yes; 2. ☒ No; 3. ☐ Unsure; 4. ☐ Not applicable

(over)

Directions: Please indicate the answer that best represents your attitude toward each of the following by circling only one of the four possible choices listed below.

0 - Not Applicable 1 - Favorable 2 - Neutral 3 - Unfavorable

29. The quality of the guidance and counseling given to Black students by counseling personnel

0 1 2 (3)

30. The amount of financial aid furnished to you by the University

0 1 2 (3)

31. The effectiveness of the present recruitment program as it is related to the attracting of Black students

0 1 2 (3)

32. The Black sorority at UT Knoxville

0 (1) 2 3

33. The Black fraternity at UT Knoxville

0 1 (2) 3

34. The relevance of my UT Knoxville education to my future employment goals

0 1 (2) 3

35. The existence of the Afro-American Student Liberation Force

0 1 (2) 3

36. The number of Black cheerleaders and Black majorettes

0 1 2 (3)

37. The general attitude of UT Knoxville faculty members in my major department toward Black students

0 1 2 (3)

38. The number of Black students of opposite sex available for dating

0 1 2 (3)

39. Entrance requirements for admission to UT Knoxville

0 (1) 2 3

40. The quality of my high school education as a preparatory base for college

0 (1) 2 3

41. The quality of general education for personal growth and development that UT is affording you

0 1 2 (3)

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Directions: Please indicate the answer that best represents your attitude toward each of the following by circling only one of the four possible choices listed below.

0 - Not Applicable 1 - Favorable 2 - Neutral 3 - Unfavorable

42. The guest speakers brought to the UT Knoxville campus

0 1 (2) 3

43. The establishment of a Black Cultural Center at UT Knoxville

0 (1) 2 3

44. Expansion of the Black Studies program

0 1 (2) 3

45. In response to the general concerns of Black students at UT Knoxville, how do you rate each of the following groups?

<u>Supportive</u>		<u>Obstructive</u>	
1. _____	1. Alumni	✓	1.
2. _____	2. The Board of Trustees	✓	2.
3. ✓	3. Black Students		3.
4. _____	4. The Administration	✓	4.
5. _____	5. The Community at Large	✓	5.
6. _____	6. The Faculty	✓	6.
7. _____	7. The Legislature	✓	7.
8. _____	8. White Students	✓	8.
9. ✓	9. Black Faculty and Staff		9.
10. _____	10. Other _____		10.
		(please specify)	

46. Type of financial assistance you have had at UT Knoxville:

<u>Previous Years</u>		<u>Current Year</u>	
1. ✓	1. None	✓	1.
2. _____	2. National Defense Student Loan		2.
3. _____	3. Graduate Assistantship		3.
4. _____	4. Teaching Assistantship		4.
5. _____	5. Non-service Fellowship		5.
6. _____	6. Black Non-service Fellowship		6.
7. _____	7. Federal Work Study		7.
8. _____	8. Opportunity Grant		8.
9. _____	9. Other _____		9.
		(please specify)	

(over)

45. What do you desire that would make your stay at UT Knoxville more pleasant?
(Please select the two toward which you feel most strongly.)

1. ☐ The recruitment of more Black athletes
2. ☒ The recruitment of more Black students
3. ☐ The recruitment of more Black faculty and staff
4. ☒ More Black cultural events
5. ☐ A University-wide tutorial program
6. ☐ Other (Please specify)
A. _____
B. _____

46. In what leisure time activities would you like to participate for which the University does not now offer the opportunity? (Please be specific)

Black Cultural Events

47. If you have experienced or observed problems not mentioned, or too briefly stated in this questionnaire, please take the time to discuss them in the space provided below.

- A. Racism is reflected in the grading of subjective ~~tests~~ tests and term papers.
- B. Racism as a factor in adding classes.
- C. Racism as a factor in receiving accurate information and explanations that are pertinent to
 1. course assignments
 2. curriculum expectations
 3. graduation requirements
- D. Exclusion of race related incidents in public documents.
- E. Run-around for Blacks when asking for money
- F. Lowest forms of work-study appears to be done by Blacks and other minority students.
- G. Teachers overtly watch Black students when taking exams but do not stand over white students in that manner.
- H. Some teachers exploit black students as authoritarian resources on black issues other ignore the relation of blacks to whatever they are doing.
- I. Some classes—(teachers & students) use language when referring to blacks that is offensive yet neither makes a move to correct it.
- J. Black movies should be shown on campus
- K. There should be a selection of black things to go to—plays, movies, concerts, etc.