

# Results from Pulse Survey #1

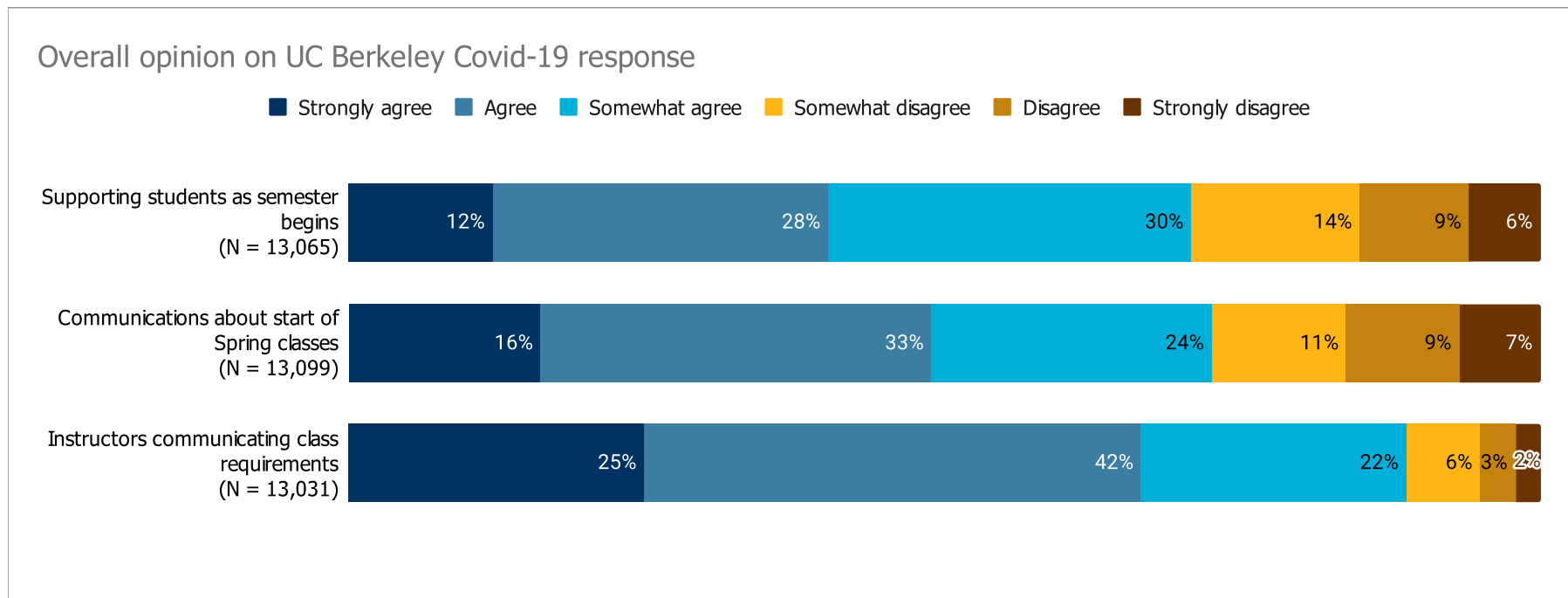
UC Berkeley Student Experiences in Spring 2022  
February 2022



As we continually adjust to the changes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, UC Berkeley will administer two Pulse Surveys in Spring 2022 to better understand and address student needs. The first survey of Spring 2022 was administered during the 1st to 3rd week of classes, and all undergraduate (N = 30,001) and graduate (N = 12,796) students were invited to take the survey. The response rate was 31% (n = 9,298) for undergraduates and 30% (n = 3,886) for graduate students.

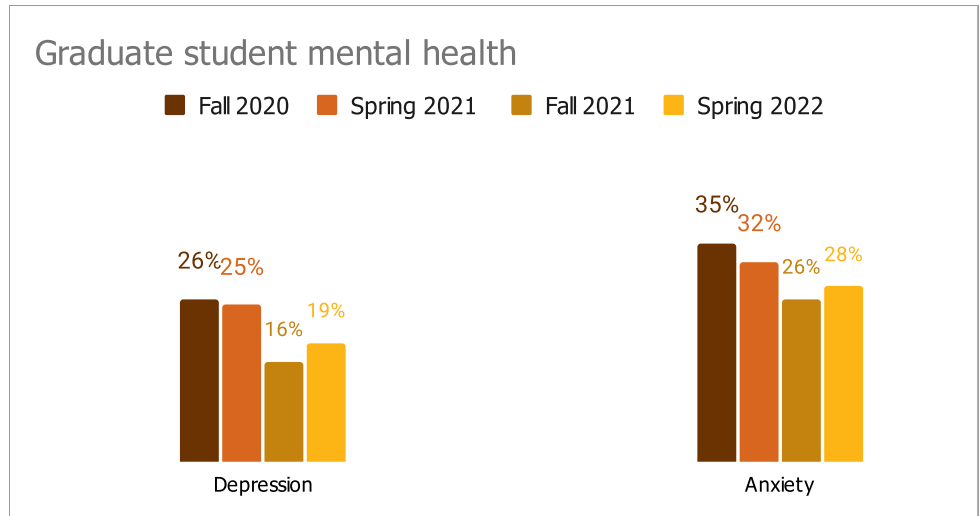
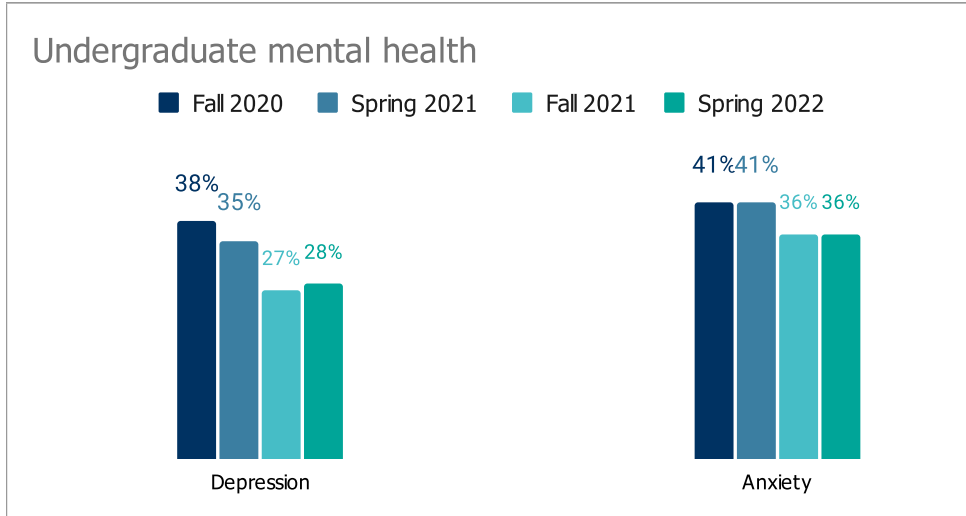
## Student opinion on campus communications and support

There were high levels of agreement that students were supported, and that campus and instructors communicated well at the start of the semester.



## Mental health

Self-reported symptoms of depression and anxiety among both undergraduates and graduate students were lower at the start of Spring 2022 compared with the same time period in Fall 2020 and Spring 2021.

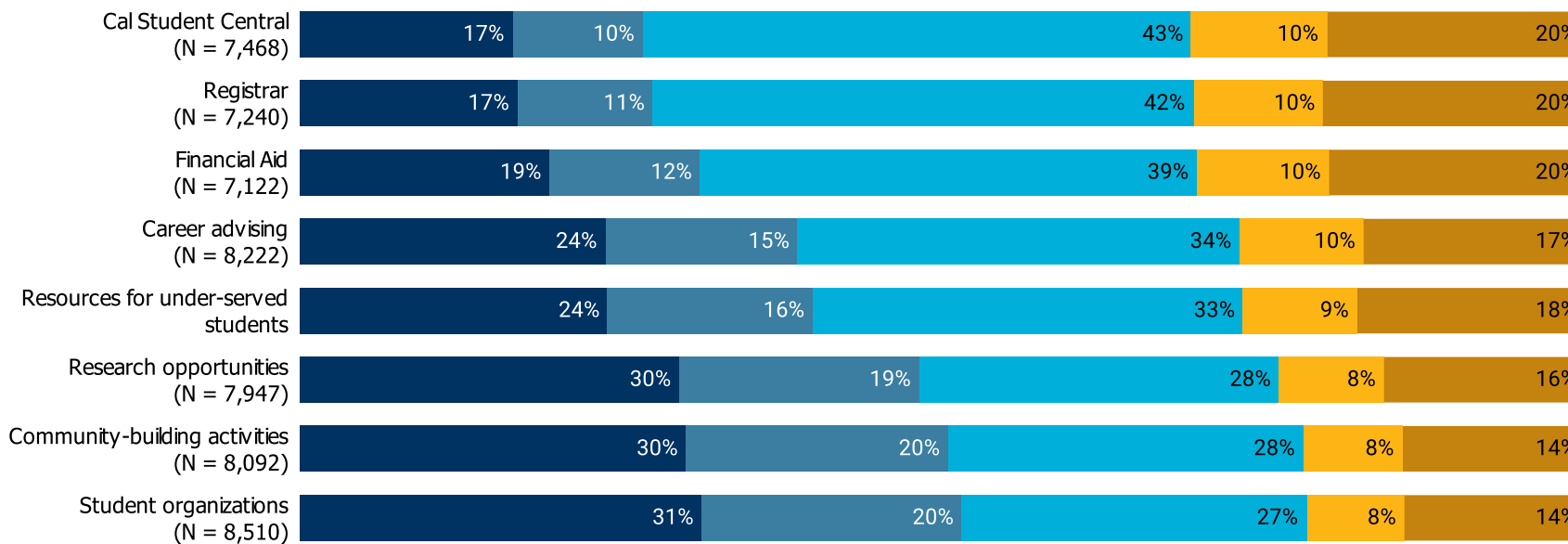


### Mix of remote and in-person student services

When asked about their preferences for in-person or remote services and activities, undergraduate results depended greatly on the type of service or activity, with a strong preference for more in-person interaction for research opportunities, community-building activities, and student organization meetings.

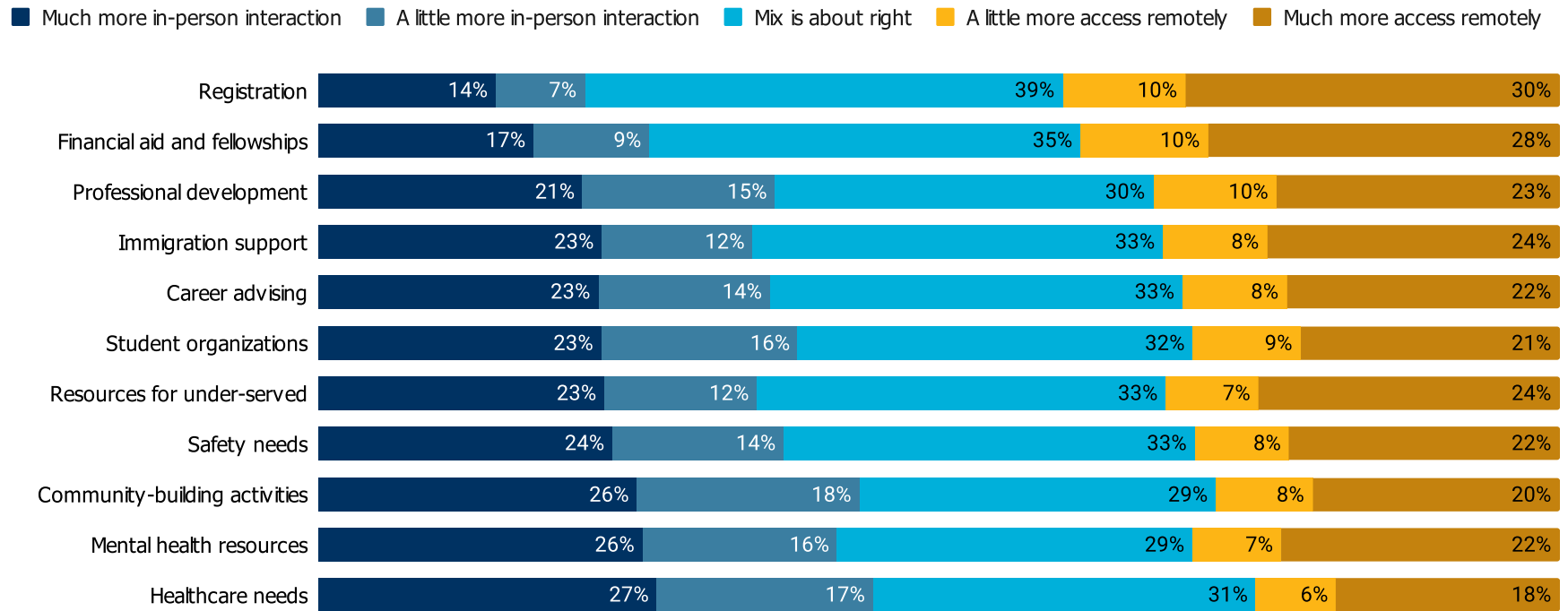
#### Undergraduate preferences for services and activities

■ Much more in-person interaction  
 ■ A little more in-person interaction  
 ■ Mix is about right  
 ■ A little more access remotely  
 ■ Much more access remotely



Graduate students would like more remote access to registration and financial aid services. There are graduate students requesting more in-person interaction and others requesting more remote access for many of the services, which may point to the preference for in-person interaction when students have a complex question and virtual service when their task is straightforward. Graduate students prefer in-person interaction for community-building activities, mental health resources, and healthcare needs.

### Graduate student preferences for services and activities



### Student attendance at in-person activities

The majority of students said they would probably or definitely study on campus, attend classes with fewer than 200 students, and attend meetings of student organizations and clubs; although graduate students were more conservative than undergraduates in their willingness to attend. There was more hesitation among undergraduates around attending campus events and colloquia. Most students said they would probably or definitely not attend classes with 200 or more students or large social gatherings.

#### Effect of COVID-19 concerns on in-person attendance

■ I definitely would not attend   ■ I probably would not attend   ■ I probably would attend   ■ I definitely would attend

