

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES**  
**Department of Economics**

**Economics 134 – Environmental Economics**

**Entrance Survey (Spring 1999)**

I much prefer to do surveys “online,” but since part of this survey seeks to ascertain your degree of access to online resources, we are going to do this on paper for now. No formal statistical analysis of these data will be conducted, but I will use the information to get an idea of class perspectives and resources.

**1. Why are you taking this course? (check all that apply)**

- ? It is one of the only Economics courses being offered this quarter that I have not already taken
- ? I consider myself to be an environmentalist
- ? The time slot was convenient
- ? It sounds interesting, although I know nothing about the subject
- ? I would like to have some professional credentials in the Environmental Economics
- ? Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**2. As relevant prior course work, I have completed the following (or the equivalent, elsewhere):**

Course	Subject	Professor (if UCLA)	When (e.g.F'98)	Approx. grade
Economics 1	Intro Micro			
Economics 11	Micro			
Economics 101	Micro			
Economics 143	Applied Regression Analysis			

**3. Concerning computers and World-wide Web access (check all that apply)**

- ? I have essentially exclusive use of a computer with fast and zero-marginal-cost WWW access
- ? I have essentially exclusive use of a computer with dial-up WWW access (slower and more costly)
- ? I have shared use of a computer with fast WWW access
- ? I have shared use of a computer with dial-up WWW access
- ? I *must* use the CLICC or Social Sciences Computing labs, or similar, for WWW access
- ? Other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

**4. For each of the following online databases, please indicate your level of expertise (add others as relevant):**

Database	None	Minimal	Beginner	Interm.	Expert
ISI WebOfScience					
WebSPIRS EconLit					
UC Melvyl					
LA Times Archives					

**5. What is your level of experience with the following types of software (add others as relevant):**

Software	None	Minimal	Beginner	Interm.	Expert
Netscape or Internet Explorer					
Excel					
Endnote or ProCite					
MS Word (or similar)					
Shazam or Stata					

**6. What hours of the week are you committed to classes or work? We will use this schedule to try to minimize conflicts for review sessions and office hours. (For quarter-hour divisions, draw a horizontal line through the relevant box.)**

Hour	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00 am					
8:30					
9:00					
9:30					
10:00					
10:30					
11:00					
11:30					
12:00					
12:30 pm					
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4:30					
5:00					
5:30					

**7. What is your major?**

- ? Economics
- ? Econ/International
- ? Bus/Econ
- ? Math/Econ
- ? Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**8. What are your career goals?**

**9. Please indicate your current reactions to the following statements:**

a. Environmental considerations are important, but not when they compromise the manner in which private property can be used.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

b. Since we all depend on the world's ecosystems for our very survival, the environmental should be preserved. It doesn't really matter how much it costs.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

c. Environmental regulations are necessary, but the government needs to pay more attention to the costs that they impose on businesses and thus their effects on regional economic activity and jobs.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

d. Every extinction of a species is a disaster for humankind.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

e. Mountain bikes and stock should be kept off of wilderness hiking trails.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

f. In cleaning up the environment, it is fairest if everybody has to meet the same standard than if some people are allowed to "buy" their way out of complying with the standard.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly

g. When an environmental disaster is caused by the negligence of a large company, the company (not the government) should pay to clean up the mess. They should also pay a large penalty, analogous to the "pain and suffering" penalties often handed down in personal injury cases.

?	?	?	?	?	?	?
Disagree Strongly	Disagree Moderately	Disagree Slightly	Neutral	Agree Slightly	Agree Moderately	Agree Strongly