

## UC Riverside Standards for Collecting Race/Ethnicity Data

- ✚ UC Riverside reports race/ethnicity based on the [Definitions for New Race and Ethnicity Categories](#) by the Integrated Post Secondary Education Data System (IPEDS). See the Institutional Research website ([ir.ucr.edu](http://ir.ucr.edu)) for examples of official campus statistics using IPEDS such as the [Common Data Set](#).
- ✚ UC Riverside uses these standards to collect and analyze race and ethnicity data with surveys, forms, applications, databases, etc. in a systematic way. These standards are not mandatory, however Student Affairs is encouraged to be consistent with campus reporting by increasing the collection of comparison data using validated measures.

The IPEDS Definitions for New Race and Ethnicity Categories utilizes the following format for collecting data on student race and ethnicity:

1. Individuals are asked to first designate ethnicity as:
  - Hispanic or Latino or
  - Not Hispanic or Latino

✚ *Recommendation: Consider updating the first option to Hispanic or Latinx*

2. Second, individuals are asked to indicate one or more races that apply among the following:
  - American Indian or Alaska Native
  - Asian
  - Black or African American
  - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
  - White
  - Two or More Races

✚ *Recommendation: Use a “check all that apply” or multiple selection response option.*

✚ *Note: The UC systemwide undergraduate application uses an expanded list of ethnicity categories and utilizes “check all that apply” response options for students with multiple ethnicities and ethnicities not listed in the IPEDS format such as Middle Eastern/North African. This is a more inclusive list of a diverse array of ethnicities and may be better suited in some situations. See the UC Application categories for an example and the [Student Ethnicity Collection and Reporting at UC](#) for more information.*

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