

2015 Campus Climate Survey: Undergraduate Students:
h2: What do you think needs to be done to improve the diversity climate at NC State?
Open-End Comments (Topic: Social Media)

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Be open about the racial tension on campus (its been seen in the free expression tunnel and on social media outlets) - discuss what sector of freedom of speech is actual covered by the constitution, etc. Also, support/promote events held by minority groups on campus	AfAmer/Black	Female
More monitoring of social media comments, especially on the Wolfpack Students Page.	AfAmer/Black	Male
There needs to be more done to help educate students on gender and sexual diversity. Many times have I gone on apps such as Yik Yak and see rude and hurtful words said about Trans and gender-nonconforming individuals, calling them "The reason America is going to the birds" and such. This shouldn't be tolerated, but it is next to impossible to police an anonymous app. Therefore, more information about groups such as these must be made available in mandatory learning environments.	AfAmer/Black	Male
Open dialogue or creative project involving social media/	Asian	Male
I believe that a lot still needs improvement. Adequate training for staff of all levels-- a few years ago, the Latin community on campus had an issue with campus dining during a Cinco de Mayo event-- spreading marketing pictures/ads of white kid wearing sombreros and fake mustaches. We are more than a costume ! / / Working with the Greek Council for caucasian fraternities is important and necessary-- we, the students, know and hear about many incidents where the hazing/pledging process for white fraternities include sexual assault. But, due to white privilege, and systematic injustices, the students receive no consequence-- until it is reported to the news or outside organizations. / / I believe that NCSU can put as much effort as they do in "diversity" marketing and claiming that this campus is diverse into actually making an inclusive campus--- having more trainings for staff, having insightful programs and requiring the white students to come and all-in-all practicing what they preach. / / I firmly believe that hiring more "diverse" staff is important at the university-- the university cannot claim that they value diversity, yet I can count the few staff/faculty members of color at the university. How about hiring more latino/as, transgender individuals, native americans, etc? / / Having diversity courses taught by privileged white professors will bring about nothing but a boring class. Professors that are guiding conversations of races/diversity should be highly skilled people that have either lived it or are truly familiar with the concept. / / The university DOES NOT give consequences to the privileged individuals that really deserve it. When Khari Cyrus (the current student body president) was elected, students broke his signs in the brickyard, then used social media platforms to say very racist comments. Why aren't these conversations being had? / / Why do we not have conversations about white privilege on campus? Why can't one of our required summer readings be something that will shed light on these issues? A reading like "Unpacking the Invisible Backpack" by Peggy McIntosh.	Hispanic/Latino	Female
Students need to be exposed to more cultures in their intro classes--though in general there is a pretty good understanding of what's going on. Facebook and Yik Yak forums sometimes tend to stray into what can be considered "offensive" but on the whole stays relatively civil and the discussions have opened my mind to other opinions on the whole.	Hispanic/Latino	Male
Work to remove anonymity from hateful speech. Not with the free expression tunnel: someone with a different opinion will see it and decide that their paint color will look great right on top of it and how quickly that happens is an indicator to the rest of the student body how prevalent/accepted the idea is. Yik Yak lets people be vehemently hateful with no repercussions without a clear source of erasure or override and only a marginal ability to see how the idea is received by the overall student body with the app (recognizing that their may be an unproportionate number of people from one group on the app in order to express these ideas because they are censored by their peers in outlets such as the Free Expression Tunnel).	White	Female
The students themselves tend to be more conservative and unaccepting of different groups of people, particularly people of different sexual orientation. I've only spent two years on campus and I've experienced harassment and exclusion of people in different groups. YikYak and any other anonymous social media is also a huge problem. People say whatever they want without regard to other groups. Sometimes, I think I would fit in at a more liberal, less southern school where bigotry is less common.	White	Female
I think more work could be done on emphasizing the importance of diversity through social media. Most of the negative comments I have seen from students at State have been through websites like Twitter, Facebook, and apps like Yik Yak.	White	Female
Social media often has negative things	White	Female

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I think more disciplinary action needs to be taken in response to racist and sexist posts online and on apps like Yik Yak.	White	Female
The issues I found surrounding the diversity climate at NC State can be traced to students who speak intolerantly about people different from them, whether it be through social media or in public. The worst instance that I can remember is when students celebrating at the bell tower refused to cheer with some Indian kids and later commented behind their backs, "They need get out of our school". We need to hold ourselves to higher standard as a student body. It sickens me how some of the students treat other members of the pack with intolerance.	White	Male
There are a lot of opportunities to learn about diversity at NC State, but a student has to already be dedicated to diversity issues to go to these events. I go to a to of diversity events and I see the same people over and over. If a student wanted to go their whole time at State without learning about diversity they could. I think we should find more ways to make diversity education required especially for STEM majors because the attitude I receive from a lot of them is that diversity and cultural issues aren't as important as their science and math education. Also speaking out against racist, sexist, homophobic, etc comments on social media platforms connected to the school. Also get the song Blurred Lines off the university's song list, it's not ok for it to be played in gym classes and other university sanctioned events. That song literally talks about rape, I don't feel good about a school that endorses it.	White	Trans