

CIRP Freshman Survey
Table 6A: Political Beliefs

	Miami University - Historical Trends				Current Results: 2013	
	2009	2010	2011	2012	Miami University	Public Universities - High Selectivity
For the activities below, indicate which ones you did during the past year.						
How would you characterize your political views?						
Far left	2.6%	NA	1.9%	1.5%	1.8%	2.5%
Liberal	25.3%	NA	22.1%	21.2%	21.6%	32.3%
Middle-of-the-road	38.3%	NA	41.3%	42.1%	38.6%	40.5%
Conservative	30.9%	NA	32.3%	32.6%	34.5%	23.1%
Far right	2.9%	NA	2.5%	2.5%	3.5%	1.6%
Percentage of students who agree "strongly" or "somewhat" with the following statements:						
Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now.	NA	NA	NA	46.2%	48.4%	62.0%
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished.	NA	NA	NA	NA	53.4%	55.1%
The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns.	NA	NA	NA	NA	56.2%	66.0%
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs.	NA	NA	44.3%	45.7%	43.7%	56.5%
The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit.	NA	NA	NA	NA	34.6%	41.4%
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority.	NA	NA	53.1%	NA	50.8%	61.6%
The chief benefit of a college education is that it increases one's earning power.	NA	NA	70.7%	NA	67.7%	68.7%
Gays and lesbians should have the legal right to adopt a child.	NA	NA	NA	NA	85.2%	88.0%
Undocumented immigrants should be denied access to public education.	NA	NA	55.3%	NA	51.8%	40.0%