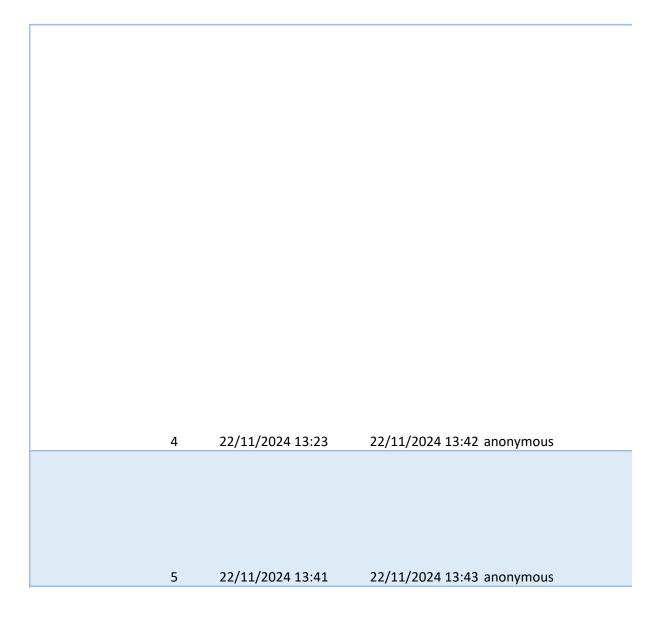
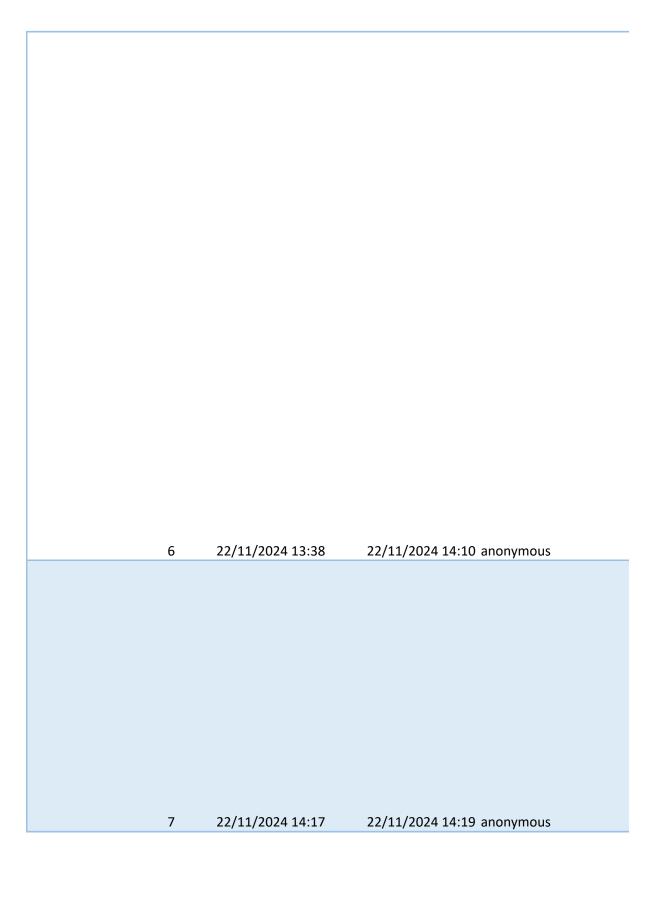
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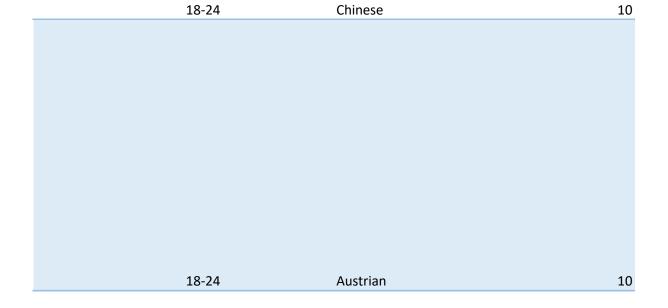
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Name	What is your age group?	What is your nationality?	On a scale of 1 to 10, how important is it to you to feel a sense of belonging on your course?
	18-24	Indian	10

18-24 Hong Kong 10

18-24 America 9

18-24 Indian 10



25-34	Chilean	10
18-24	Indian	8

18-24 German 10 18-24 Brazilian 8

On a scale of 1 to 10, to what extent do you feel a sense of belonging on your course?	How comfortable are you reaching out to faculty or staff for support?	Which factors contribute most to your sense of belonging? (Select all that apply)	Which of the following initiatives would you find most beneficial for promoting belonging?
	7 Somewhat comfortable	Support from academic staff;Positive relationships with classmates;Campus facilities and resources;	Inclusive social events
	9 Somewhat comfortable	Positive relationships with classmates; Support from academic staff; Opportunities for collaborative learning; Campus facilities and resources;	Collaborative projects across courses
		Positive relationships	
	7 Somewhat comfortable	with classmates;Support from academic staff;Opportunities for collaborative learning;	Inclusive social events

Positive relationships with classmates;Support from academic staff;Availability of student support

7 Somewhat comfortable services;

Inclusive social events

	Positive relationships
	with
	classmates;Alignment
	with course values and
	goals;Campus facilities
10 Very comfortable	and resources; Mentorship programs

Positive relationships

with

classmates;Support

from academic

staff;Alignment with

course values and goals; Availability of

student support

services;Opportunities

for collaborative

Cultural diversity celebrations learning;

9 Very comfortable

Positive relationships

with

classmates;Support

from academic

staff;Availability of

student support

services; Alignment with

course values and

goals;Opportunities for

collaborative

learning;Campus Collaborative projects

10 Somewhat comfortable facilities and resources; across courses

Positive relationships with classmates;Support from academic staff; Availability of student support services;Opportunities for collaborative learning;Campus 7 Somewhat comfortable facilities and resources; Mentorship programs Positive relationships with classmates;Support from academic staff;Opportunities for collaborative learning;Campus

Positive relationships

7 Somewhat comfortable facilities and resources; Mentorship programs

with

classmates;Support

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staff;Opportunities for

9 Somewhat comfortable collaborative learning; Inclusive social events

Positive relationships

with

classmates;Support from academic

staff;Availability of student support

8 Somewhat comfortable services; Inclusive social events

In your own words, what does "belonging" in an academic setting mean to you?	Have you encountered any barriers to feeling a sense of belonging in your course? If so, please describe:	What changes or initiatives could help you and your peers feel a greater sense of belonging?
Being heard and seen.		More social events outside university
Feeling comfortable to share ideas but also worries, not only with class mates but with staff.	No	More collaboration across courses
	Sometimes, but I think my non-smooth English speaking skills mainly cause that. The idea of	
	being accepted by others plays a significant role in feeling belonging. As I can't though-rolly express my thoughts, it causes a barrier for others to understand	1. Speak under a chill mood: Removing stress can help me express myself slightly better. This might create a bigger chance of letting my expression be understood by others.
My thoughts are being accepted or supported in classes.	fully, and further accept or agree with me, creating a belonging feeling for myself.	2. Keep practicing speaking skills and self-improvement.

I think that in an academic setting "belonging" is very

connected to being respected and not scared to voice your thoughts and opinions on a topic even if they are different. I also think it's important that issue is when they do student contributions to discussion are valued students understand and help to lead to broader discussion. Another component is

I think the biggest barrier is when a lecturer or seminar leader is not

encouraging or is very dismissive of students and their ideas. Another this will give students not try to help the where they are going wrong and help them to maybe gain for understand and try to fix it. Some teachers will friends. These can be just say you are wrong and not explain further. tutor.

One option may be group tutoring sessions, the opportunity to interact with more people outside of their seminar group and perspectives and more student led or with a

Being able to freely express your feelings and emotions amongst a group that you have similar interests and values as you

the ability to be

connected with other

people on your course.

Not at all

Maybe more mini group projects that offer more hands on creativity.

an academic setting means feeling that my values are in sync with what the institution stands for and teaches. That's one of the main reasons I chose the MA Strategic Fashion Marketing programme at LCF—its strong focus on sustainability really resonated with me.

Belonging also means being part of a community where I can I've noticed a small connect with people—peers and professors—who share similar values. It makes discussions more meaningful and collaborations more rewarding. Of course, embracing diverse perspectives is important, but having

strong passion for fashion and sustainability, along with the support from my classmates and professors, has made me feel really in my course. I'm truly grateful for this and have rarely felt any barriers to belonging.

That said, there have been moments when number of classmates or lecturers take a more Korean pop culture dismissive attitude towards sustainability, which left me feeling a bit disheartened. However, I recognise that differing perspectives are shaped Celebrating diversity by individual experiences and are a

exchange activities would really help create a stronger sense of belonging. These kinds of activities would let us find common ground in our differences, making welcomed and cared for it easier to connect and understand each other. For example, the shared aspects of Italian and Chinese food cultures could help students from both countries bond, while the common ground between American and could help students from those countries connect and understand each other better.

Feeling comfortable coming into uni and always feeling open to talk to others

No! I would have loved Collabs! Seminars more collabs with other where we can actually courses as it broadens your knowledge but that's about it!

use what we are learning by helping other masters

while also highlighting

the things we have in

Being able to have a sense of community and support, without judgements

Sometimes language barriers and also having the people in your always the same classmates

Have a wider opportunity to meet courses

Feeling like you can

blend in smoothly with a group. Getting to express your opinions without fear of judgement

Different backgrounds and thought processes can sometimes make discussions uncomfortable

More social and informal activities outside classes

While I highly value the relationship between students and faculty staff, especially regarding the availability of resources encountered lecturers and help when needed, that were very willing I relate belonging to the to help wherever they relationships between Connecting with likeminded people and being able to discuss in challenge have helped classes comfortably due me find my group of is what mafe me feel like I belong.

I cannot say that I have. I have mostly can and discuss any me and other students. topic. Group projects in Activities like a cultural seminars and classes like the collaborative to the friendships I have people, which definitely food, etc.) would be increased my feeling of belonging.

I thoroughly enjoyed the group projects that were mire creative, as it really helped me connect with others. evening or gatherings within the course (christmas party, potluck with cultural great to see more of on campus.

Feeling like I'm heard

and part of something bigger; that my research matters

Lack of support from staff while being

tutored during a project More tutorial sections