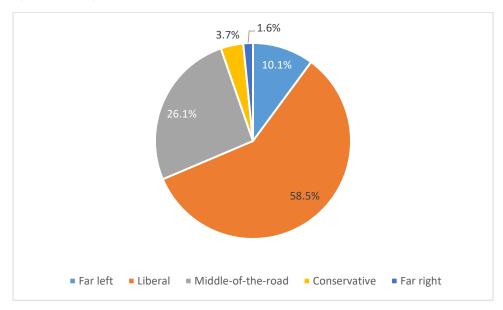


A majority of first year students (58.5%) consider themselves liberal.



First Years are engaged in political issues, with 86% indicating there is a very good chance they will vote in a local, state, or national election.

First years indicate the following personal goals are very important or essential to them...

Helping others in difficulty (75%)
Being involved in programs to clea

Being involved in programs to clean up the environment (40%)

Keeping up to date with political affairs (35%)

Becoming a community leader (34%)

Influencing social values (28%)

Participating in a community action program (28%)

Influencing the political structure (16%)

...but that does not always directly translate to behavior:

30% frequently discussed politics.
28% frequently performed volunteer work.
7% frequently publicly communicated their opinion about a cause (blog, email, petition).
6% frequently helped raise money for a cause or campaign.
2% frequently demonstrated for a cause (boycott, rally, protest).

With respect to specific issues raised in the 2024 election cycle:

