

Alder College
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Action Research : 2023

Research and Development Cell, Alder College in collaboration with Alder College Students Union (ACSU) conducted an action research on the topic "Student's perception on Alder College uniform". The study was conducted from March 2023 to May 2023.

Objectives of the study:

1. To adequately understand the opinion of the students on the current college uniform.
2. To assess the level of satisfaction among the students on college uniform.
3. To suggest change in college uniform.

Delimitation of the study:

The study was delimited to the degree students of Alder College.

Methodology:

The method adopted was qualitative and descriptive in nature.

Sample:

The sample comprise of 176 students who constitute 2nd, 4th and 6th semester students (2023) of Alder college.

Tool:

A questionnaire with a set of 17 questions was used for the study.

Data collection:

Data was collected by personally administering the questionnaire to the students by the investigators.

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Dear students,

Research and Development Cell, Alder College, in collaboration with Alder College Students Union (ACSU) is conducting an Action Research on the topic **“Students’ Perception on Alder college uniform”**. In this regard, a questionnaire has been prepared for all the degree students of the College. We therefore, solicit your cooperation by filling up the questionnaire with honesty. The names of the respondents and other particulars will be kept confidential. While, the responses collected will be duly analysed to understand students’ perception on college uniform and recommend suggestions for necessary actions.

Your co-operation will be highly appreciated.

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Questionnaire

Name :

Class :

Roll No. :

Section :

Sex :

1. Does uniform influence students' choice of college?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
2. Are you satisfied with the current college uniform?
a. Yes b. No c. To some extent
3. The current uniform adds to the ambience of the college atmosphere.
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
4. Would you agree to continue with the current uniform?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
5. Does uniform improve discipline among students?
a. Yes b. No c. To some extent
6. College uniform helps promote equal footing among students.
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
7. With a blazer and T-shirt as college uniform, do you feel comfortable/proud to be in the midst of students from other colleges?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
8. Should college uniform be gender neutral?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
9. Enforcing college uniforms helps students save money.
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree

10. College uniform helps prevent dress discrimination among students.
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
11. Would you favour a change in the college uniform?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
12. Would you prefer a new full-set uniform? (T-shirt, Blazer, Trouser)
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
13. Do you think a new set of uniform would generate a sense of pride and loyalty among the students?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
14. Would you prefer two sets of uniforms for use on alternate days?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree
15. A new and a full set uniform will result in higher cost in comparison to the current uniform. Would you be willing to pay?
a. Strongly agree b. Agree c. Disagree
d. Strongly disagree

16. Should the college uniform be made compulsory on all working days?

- a. Yes b. No

If 'No', specify:

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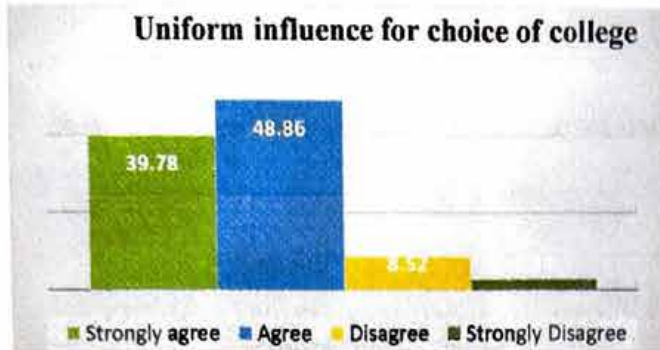
17. What would you suggest to bring a change in college uniform?

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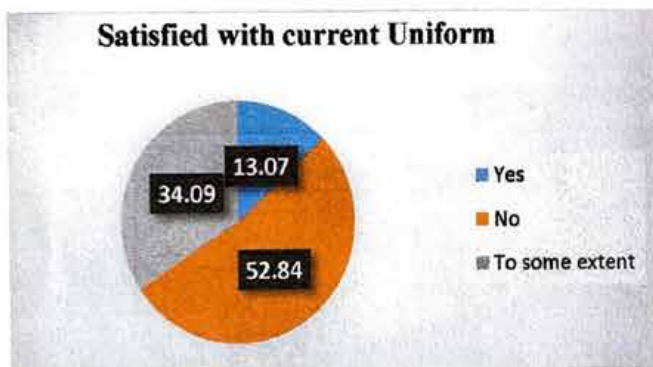
Analysis and Interpretation

1. Does uniform influence students' choice of college?



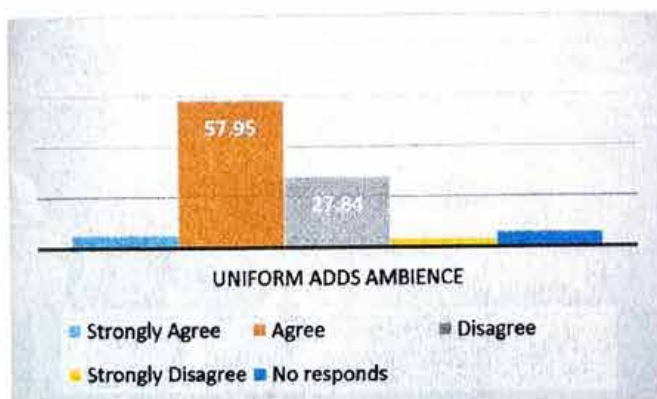
As per the histogram, 39.78% students strongly agree that uniform influence students' choice of college. 48.86% students agree. While, 8.52% students disagree and 2.84% students strongly disagree.

2. Are you satisfied with the current college uniform?



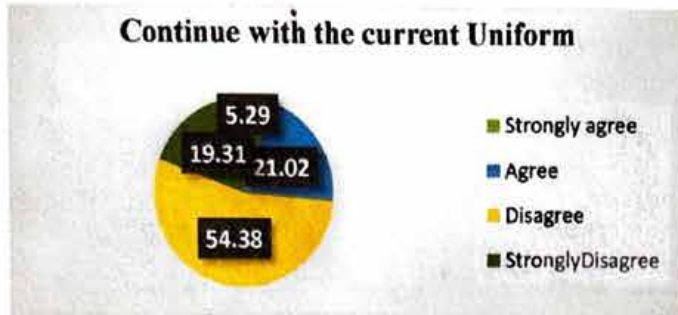
The above diagram depicted that 13.07% students are satisfied with the current college uniform. 52.84% students are not satisfied, while, 34.09% students are satisfied to some extent.

3. The current uniform adds to the ambience of the college atmosphere.



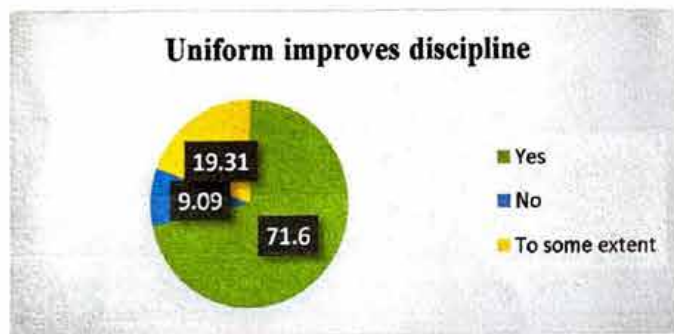
The above diagram shows that 5.11% students strongly agree that the current uniform adds to the ambience of the college atmosphere, 57.95% students agree, 27.84% students disagree, and a few i.e. 3.4% strongly disagree. Meanwhile, 5.7% students did not respond.

4. Would you agree to continue with the current uniform?



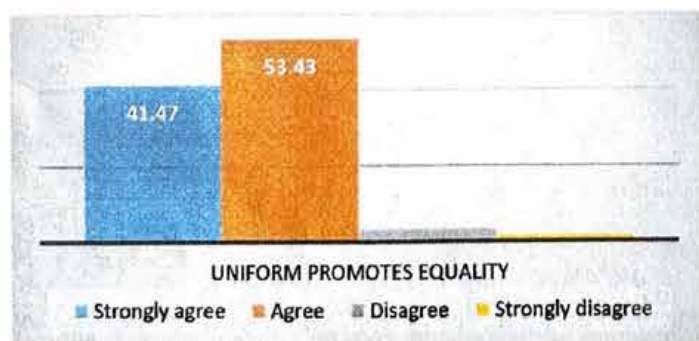
As seen in the pie diagram, majority of the students i.e. 54.38% disagree to continue with the current uniform, while, 21.02% students agree. 5.29% students strongly agree whereas, 19.31% students strongly disagree.

5. Does uniform improve discipline among students?



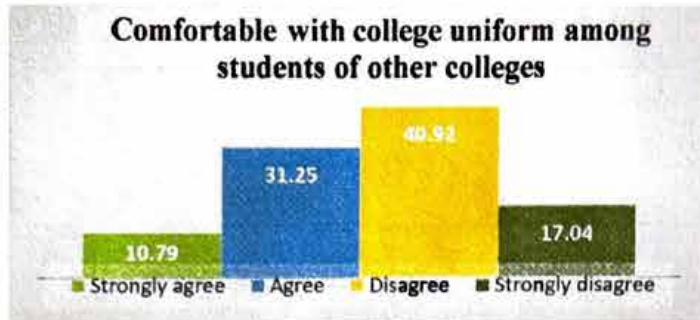
From the above pie diagram, 71.6% students responded that uniform improves discipline among students, 9.09% students responded 'No', while, 19.31% students responded to some extent.

6. College uniform helps promote equal footing among students.



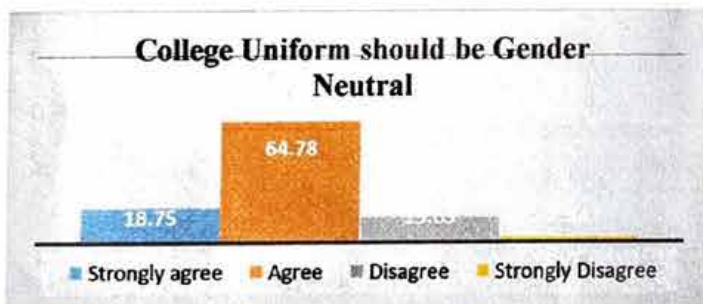
The above histogram shows that 41.47% students strongly agree that college uniform helps promote equal footing among students and 53.43% students agree. While 3.4% students disagree and 1.7% students strongly disagree.

7. With a blazer and T-Shirt as college uniform, do you feel comfortable/proud to be in the midst of students from other colleges?



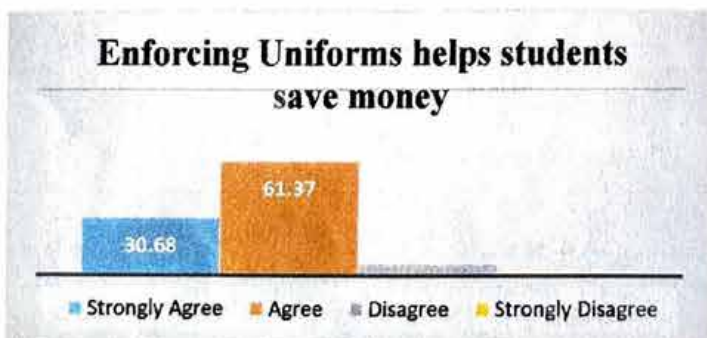
It is seen in the diagram that 10.79% students strongly agree that they are comfortable/proud to be in the midst of students from other colleges. 31.25% students agree. 40.92% students disagree and 17.04% students strongly disagree to it.

8. Should college uniform be gender neutral?



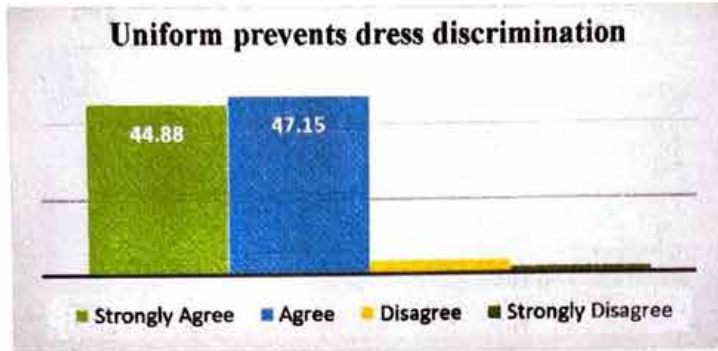
As seen in the histogram, majority i.e. 64.78% students agree that the college uniform should be gender neutral, 18.75% students strongly agree, while 13.63% and 2.84% disagree and strongly disagree respectively.

9. Enforcing college uniform helps students save money.



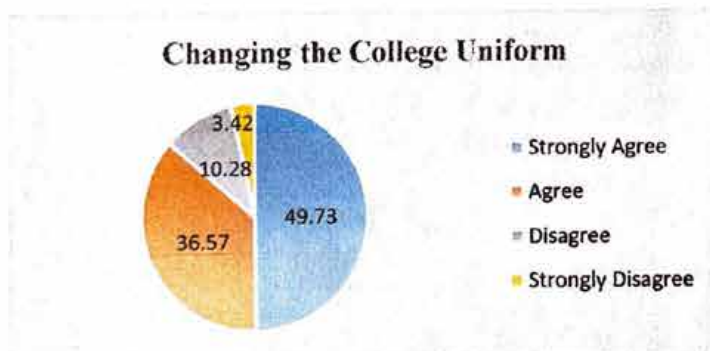
The above diagram indicates that 30.68% students strongly agree that enforcing uniforms helps students save money, majority i.e. 61.37% students agree, 6.25% students disagree, while 1.7% strongly disagree.

10. College uniform helps prevent dress discrimination among students.



As per the diagram, 44.88% students strongly agree that college uniform helps in preventing dress discrimination among the students. Also, 47.15% of the students agree, 3.4% disagree, and 1.7% strongly disagree. 2.87% did not respond.

11. Would you favour a change in the college uniform?



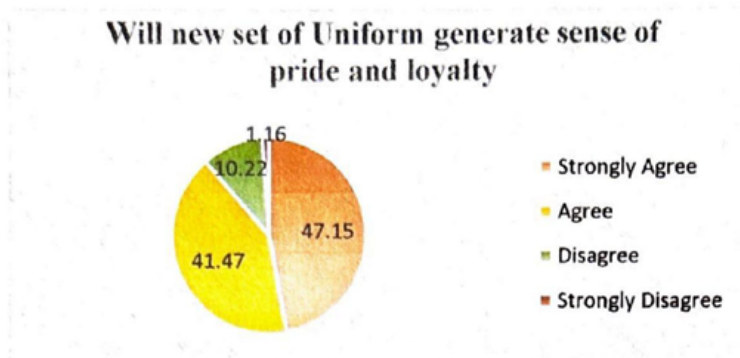
The pie diagram shows that 49.73% students strongly agree to change the college uniform, 36.57% students agree, 10.28% students disagree and 3.42% students strongly disagree.

12. Would you prefer a new full-set uniform? (T-shirt, Blazer, Trouser)



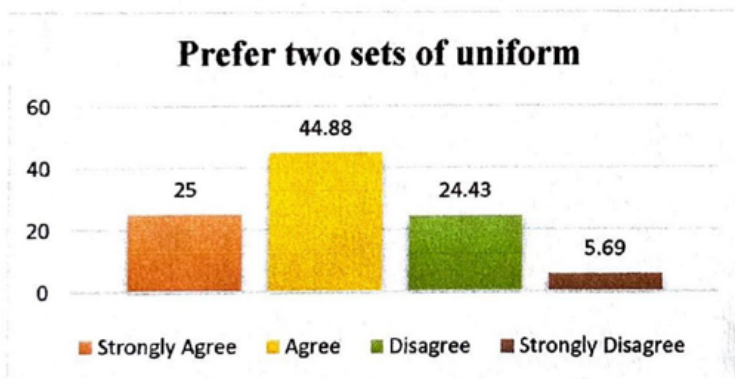
A vast majority of the students i.e. 59.09% and 25% strongly agree and agree respectively that they prefer a new full-set of uniform; that includes T-Shirt, Blazer and Trouser. Very few students i.e. 10.22% and 5.69% of the students disagree and strongly disagree respectively.

13. Do you think a new set of uniform would generate a sense of pride and loyalty among the students?



The pie chart shows that 47.15% students strongly agree that new set of uniform will generate a sense of pride and loyalty among the students, also 41.47% of the students agree to this. But, 10.22% of the students disagree and 1.16% students strongly disagree.

14. Would you prefer two sets of uniforms for use on alternate days?



It is seen that 25% of the students strongly agree in preferring two sets of uniform for use on alternate days and 44.88% students agree. Whereas, 24.43% of the students disagree and 5.69% strongly disagree.

15. A new and full set uniform will result in higher cost in comparison to the current uniform. Will you be willing to pay?



As shown in the above histogram, 31.81% of the students strongly agree to pay for the new full set of uniform. A majority of students i.e 55.7% agree that they are willing to pay. While a few i.e 7.95% and 4.54% of the students disagree and strongly disagree respectively.

16. Should the college uniform be made compulsory on all working days?



In the above pie chart, majority of the students i.e. 69.32% responded that uniform should be made compulsory on all working days, whereas, 30.68% responded otherwise.

Reasons not to put uniform on all working days:

Present system is good (Monday –Wednesday)

Not comfortable with the same dress everyday

One single set cannot be put on all working days

Students get bored

Not comfortable working outside with college uniform

Might create excuses (washed/wet uniform) and affects students' attendance

No alternate uniform

Prefer a non-uniform day

Prefer casual dress

Prefer two sets of uniform

17. Suggestions to bring a change in college uniform

In addition to the current uniform, add Hoodies, Trousers

Fine with the current blazer

Two sets of uniform

Change of T-Shirt

Alternate T-Shirt for Wednesday and Saturday

White collar shirt

Trouser (Black in colour)

Hoodies

A Tie

ID Card

Jacket and Muffler

Black Shoes

A Traditional touch (Any of the working day)

Department Uniform

Analysis and interpretation was done involving both faculty members of Research and Development Cell and students office bearers. Basing on the analysis some of the major findings are:

1. 73.69% students disagreed and strongly disagreed to continue with the current uniform.
2. 86.30% students strongly agreed and agreed to change the College uniform.
3. 74.09% students strongly agreed & agreed preferring a new full set of uniforms
4. 86.88% students strongly agreed and agreed to bear the expenses for the new full set of uniforms.

Meetings conducted:

Meeting	Date	Purpose
Faculty members of research and development cell	01/02/2023	Discussion on action research on college uniform
Research and development cell	03/02/2023	Deliberated on action research.
ACSU office bearers and research and development cell	03/03/2023	To collaborate together for the action research. Entrusted the students for preparing questionnaire.
Faculty members of research and development cell	10/03/2023	Approach authority
Faculty members of research and development cell	20/03/2023	Finalizing the questionnaire for action research.
Faculty member of research and development cell and ACSU	13/04/2023	Analysis of the questionnaire.
	14/04/2023	Update on analysis to the students.
Faculty members of research and development cell, ACSU, Principal, Vice Principal and Administrator.	03/05/2023	Discussion on students suggestion on college uniform. To bring change in uniform wef. The next semester.

Action taken:

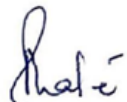
Meeting held with Principal, Vice Principal, Administrator, faculty members (Research and Development Cell), ACSU office bearers got approval from the management through Principal and administrator and actions taken are:

1. Full set of uniform to be introduced in combination with white shirt, blazer, trouser and a tie.
2. Full set of uniform to be worn on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Current t shirt to be worn on Wednesday and Saturday.
3. Departmental t shirt, hoodies are to be kept as option and steps to be taken.
4. Targeted month to implement new full set uniform in the month of June/July 2023.

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