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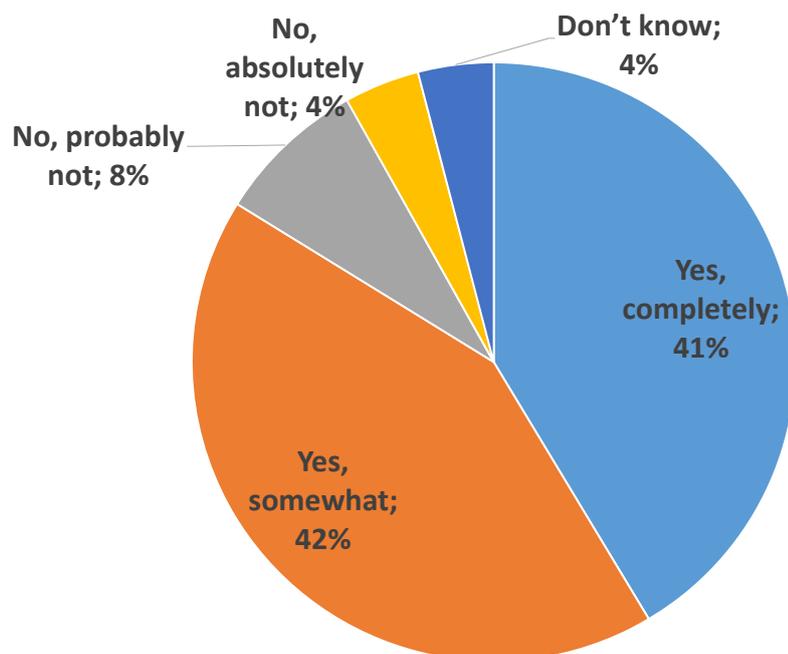
HEPI / YouthSight Monitor (Wave 2)

- Conducted using YouthSight's 135,000 strong OpinionPanel Community, which is the UK's largest panel of young people, built using data from UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service)
- Respondents were 1,006 full-time undergraduates in years 1, 2 or 3 studying at publicly-funded higher education institutions across the UK
- Quotas were set on gender, university type and year of study, based on HESA data and weights were applied after the fieldwork to ensure a balanced sample
- Respondents received a £1 Amazon gift voucher
- The fieldwork occurred between the 16th and 22nd March 2016



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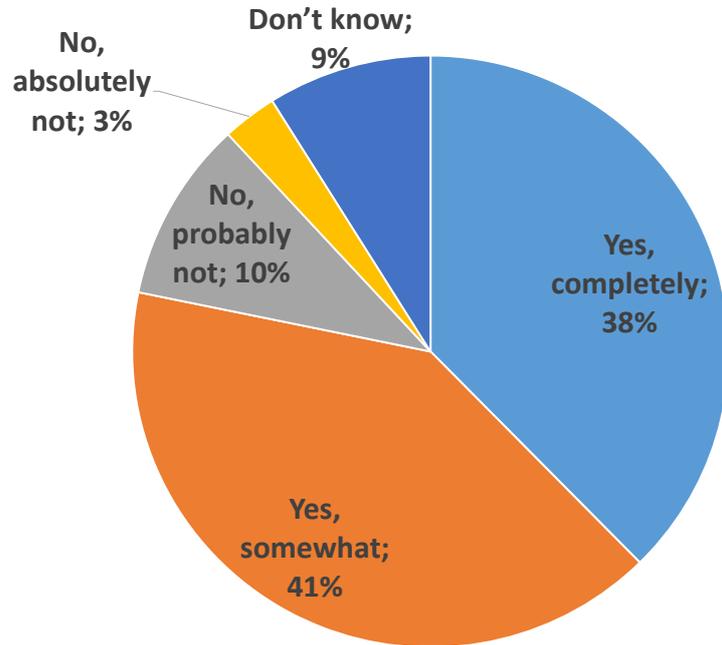
At your university, do you currently feel you are free to express your opinions and political views openly and without any restriction?





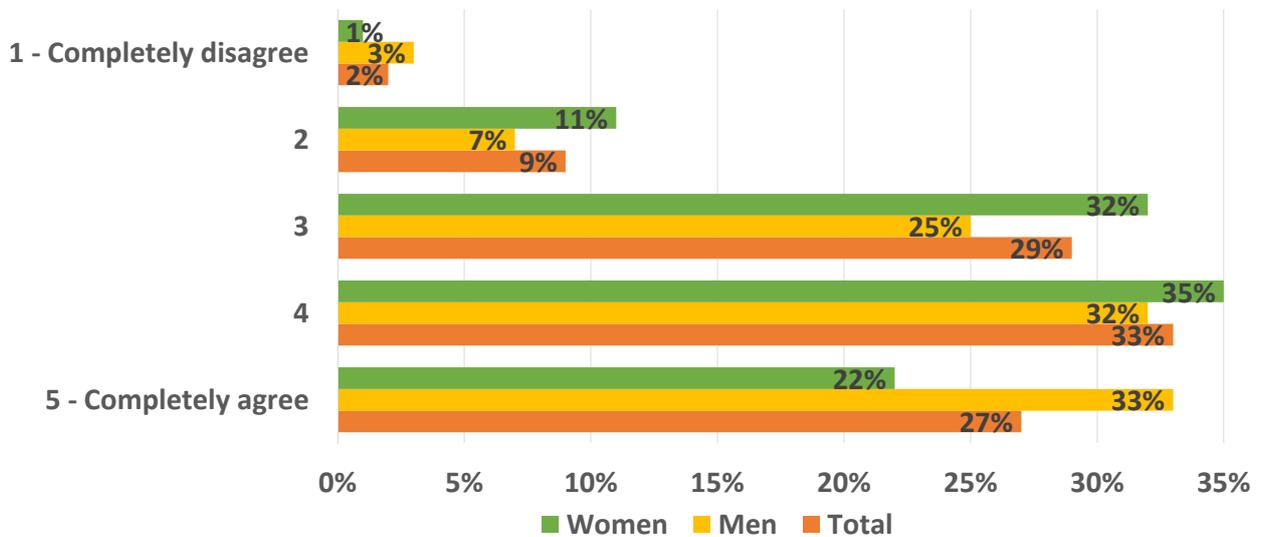
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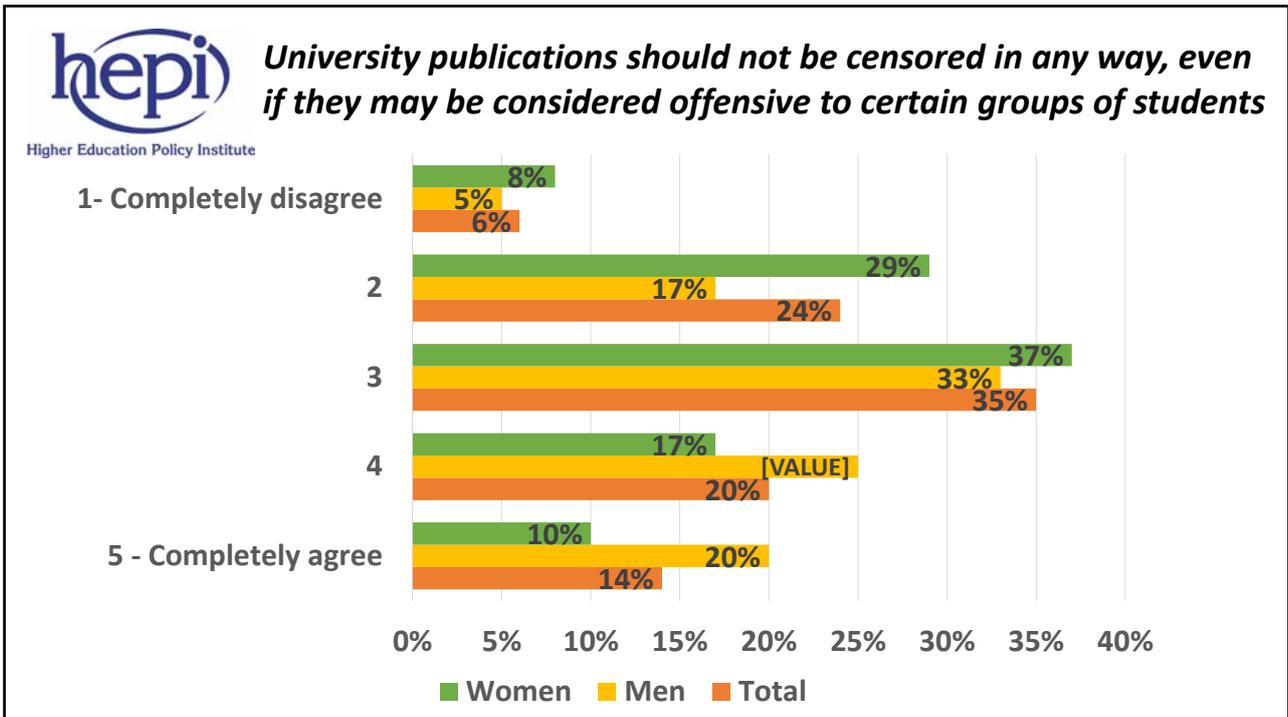
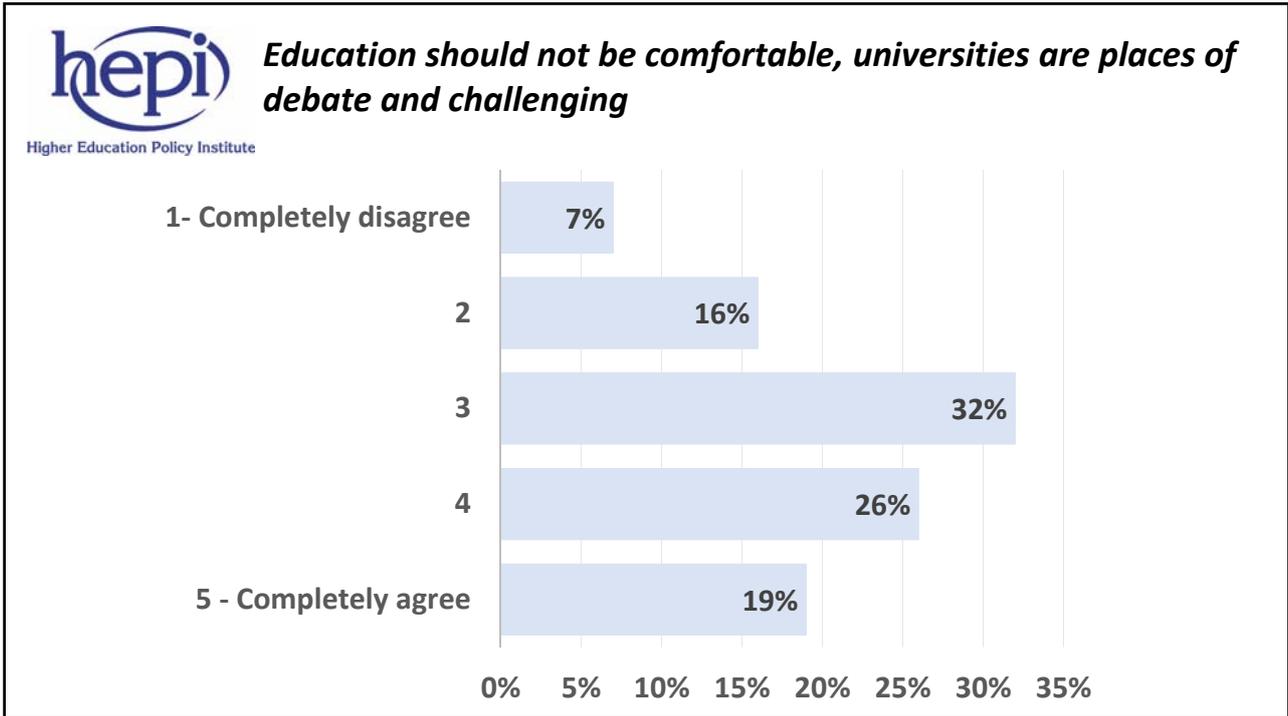
And currently at your university, do you feel you have satisfactory protection to stop you from experiencing any discrimination or emotional harm?

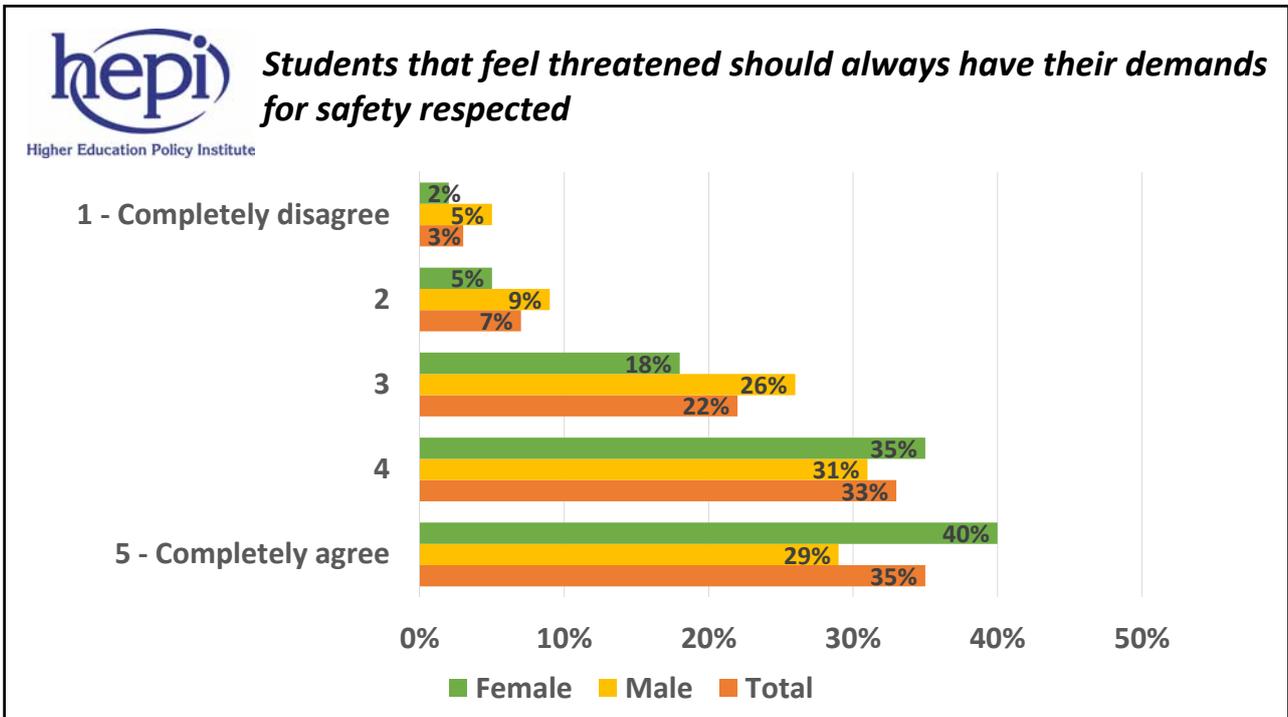
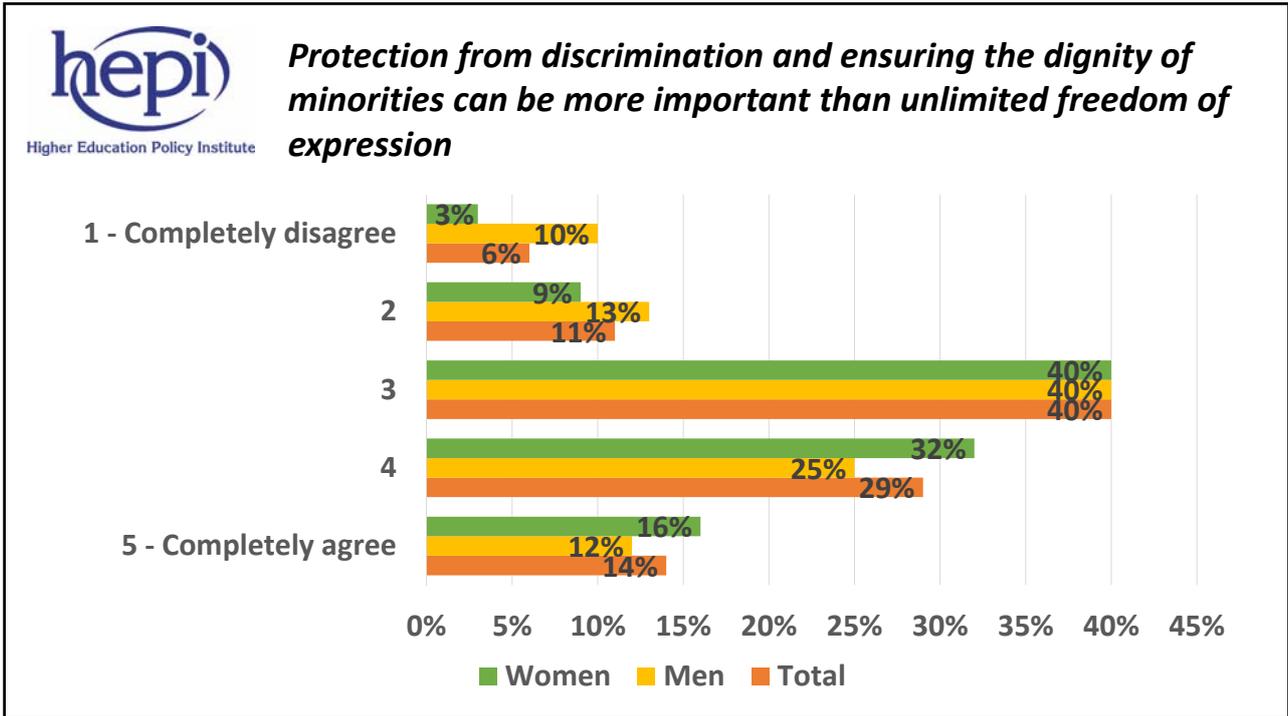


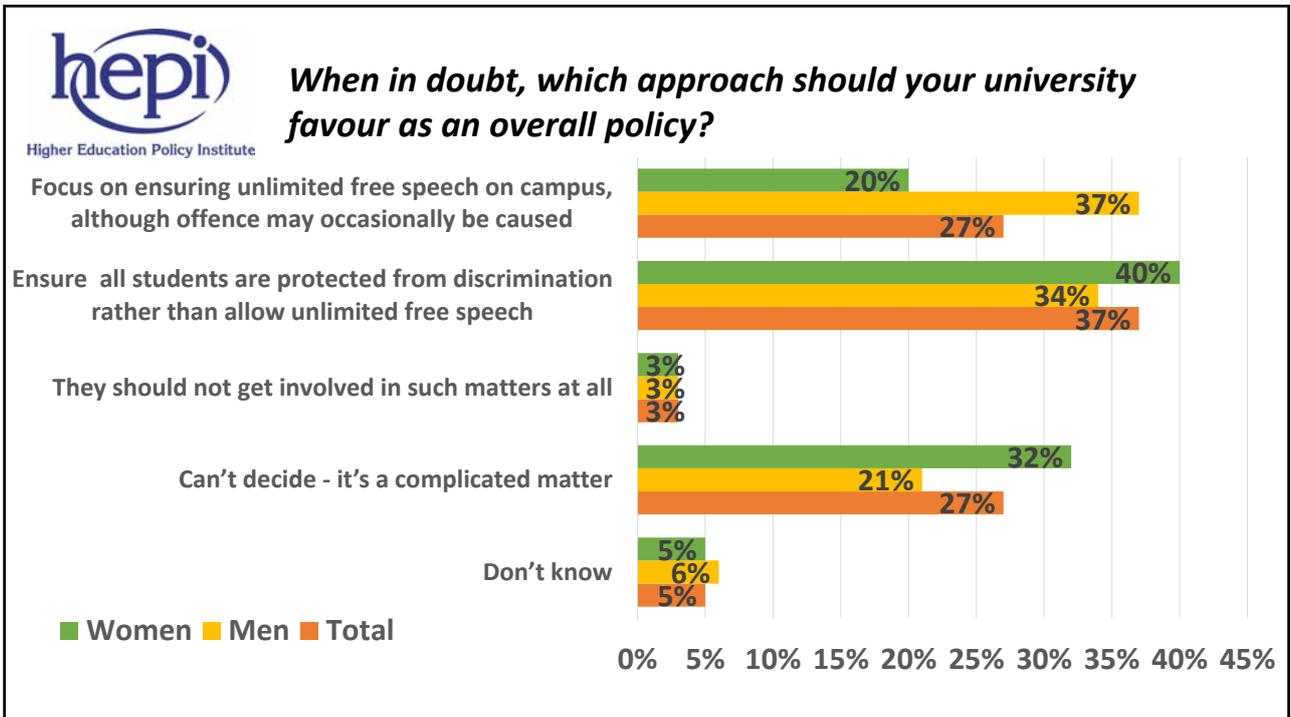
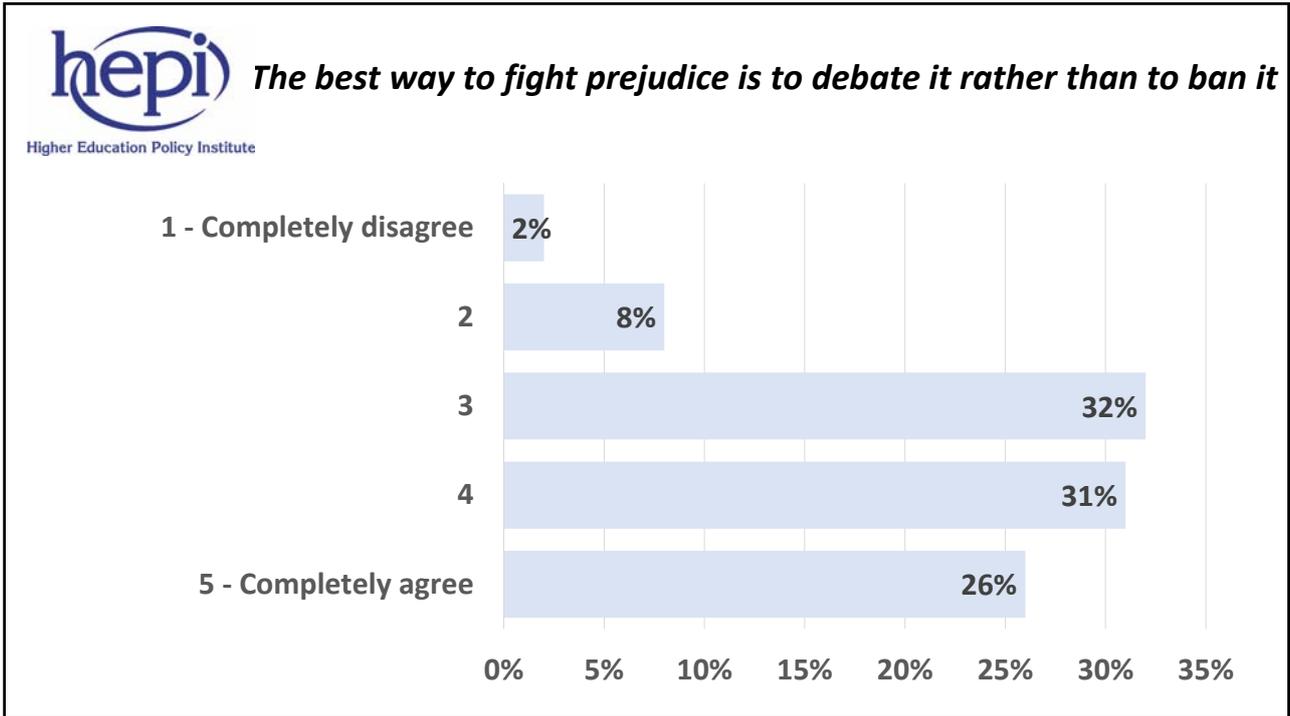
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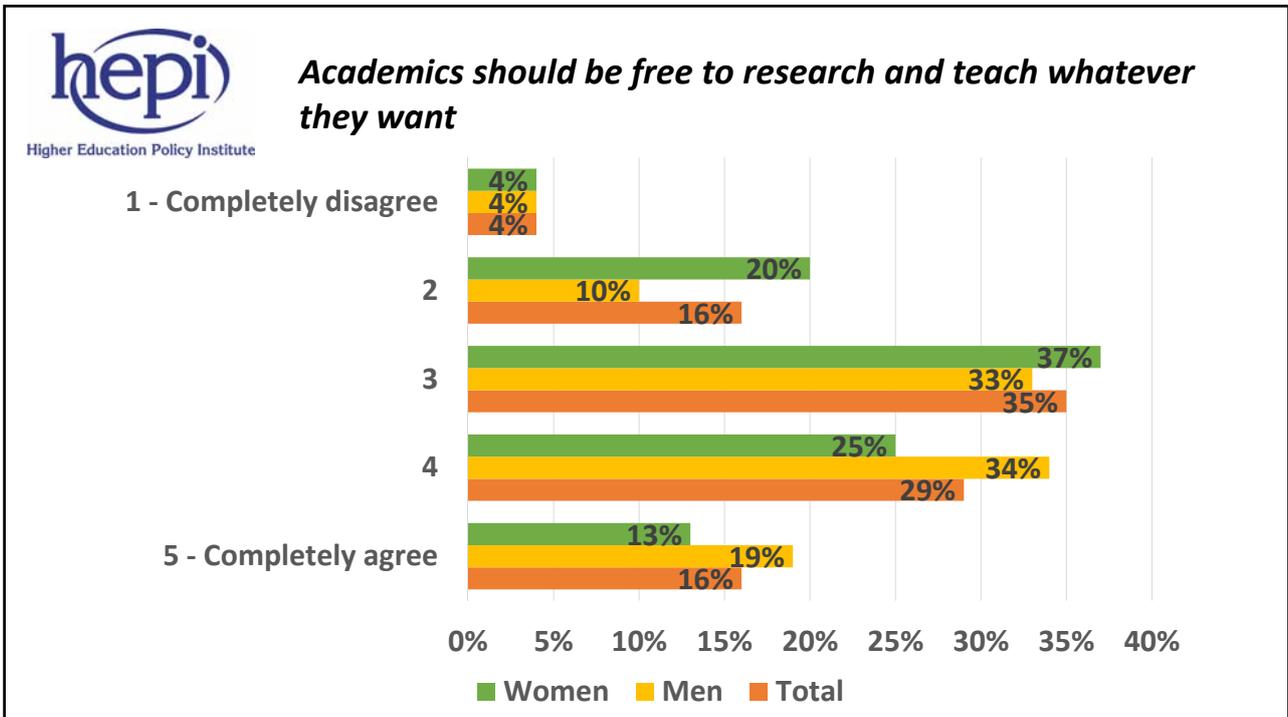
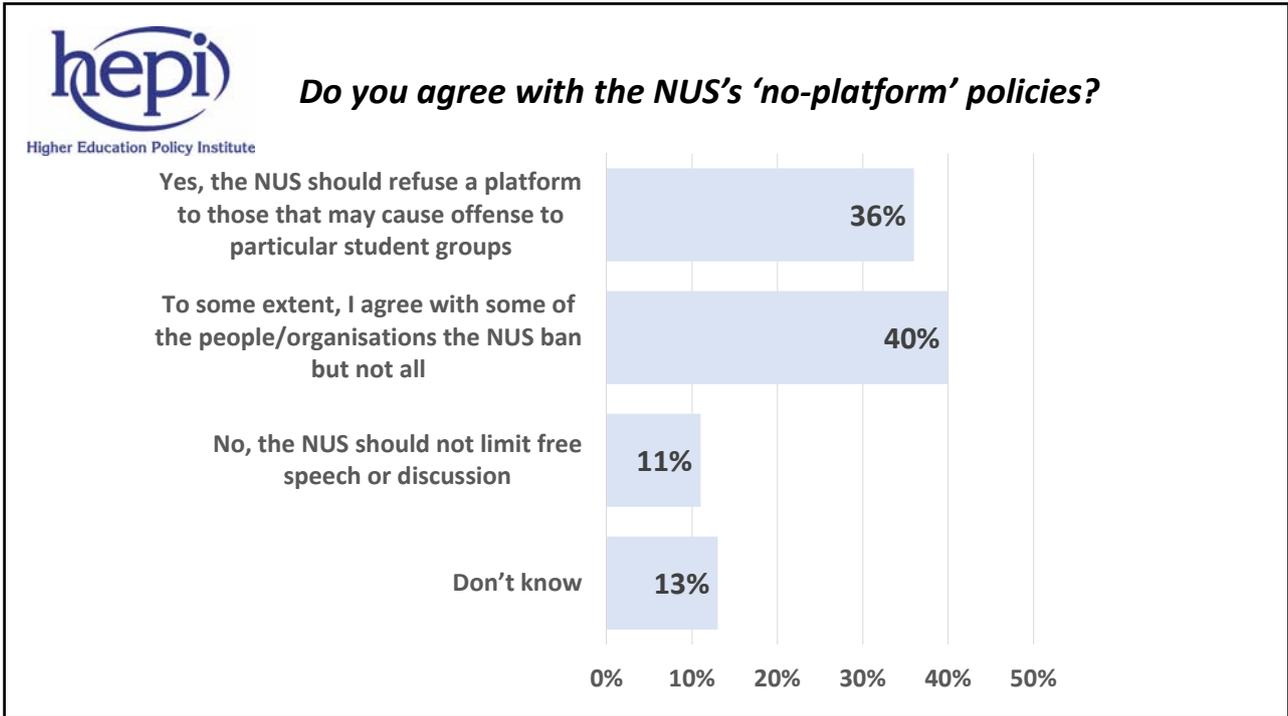
Universities should never limit free speech













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Safe spaces

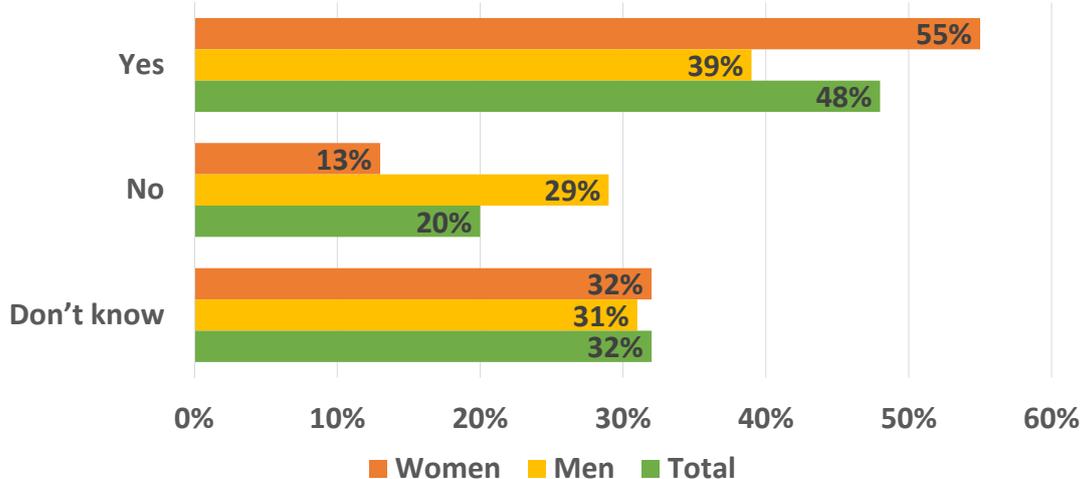
There have been calls for universities to be run as safe spaces, so that debate takes place within specific guidelines in order to ensure people do not feel threatened because of their gender, sexual orientation or ethnicity. This might include anti-discrimination and anti-harassment measures in official university missions, value statements in universities' official communications and staff training.

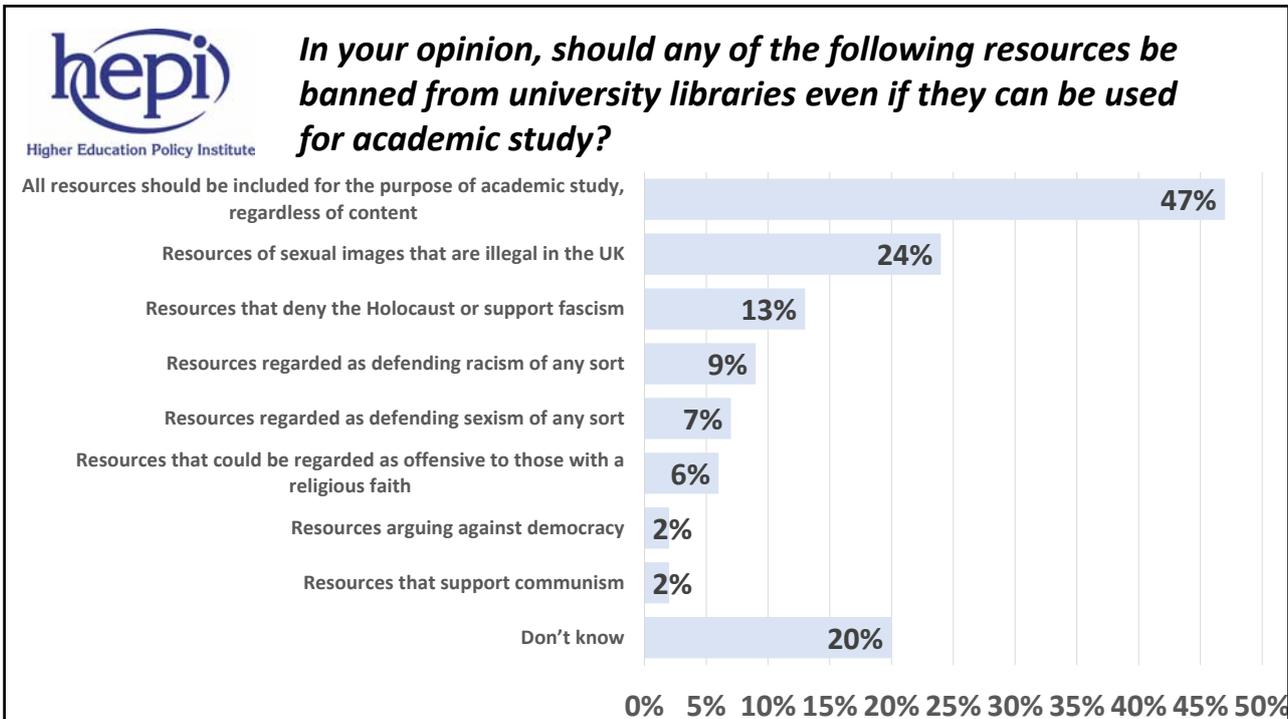
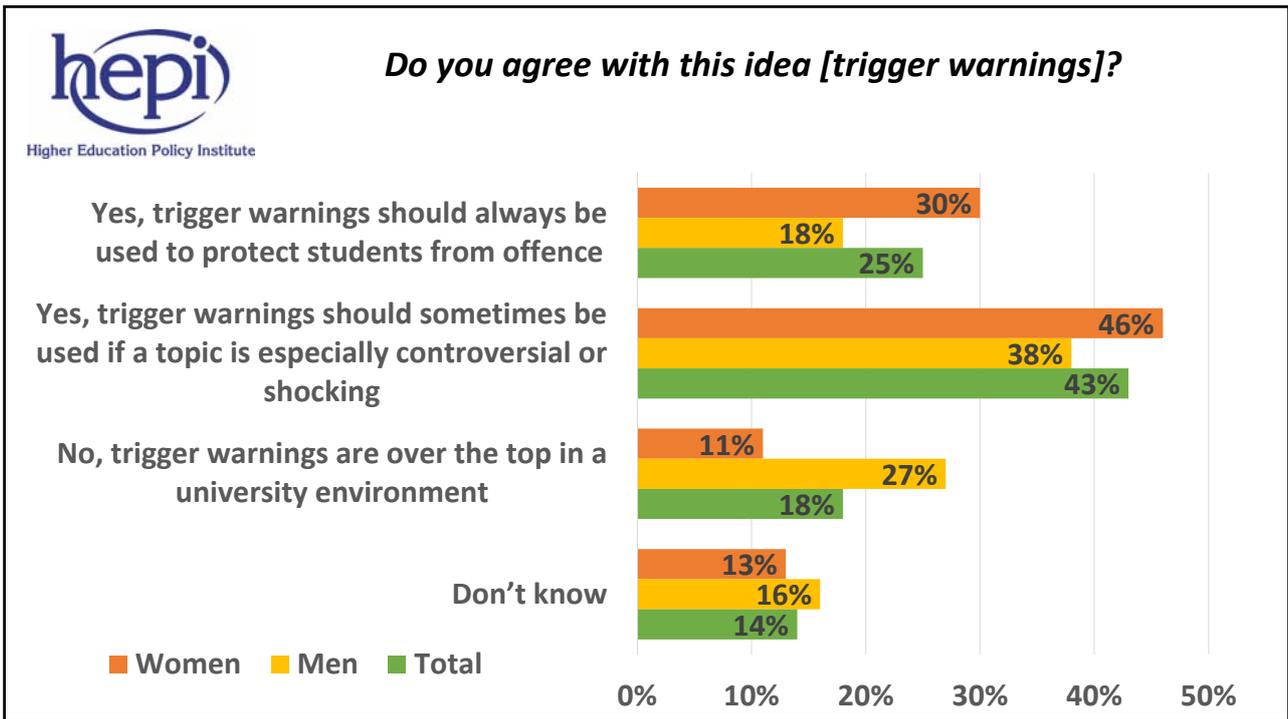
However, opponents of safe space policies fear free speech might be suppressed and differing political views stifled as a result of safe space policies.

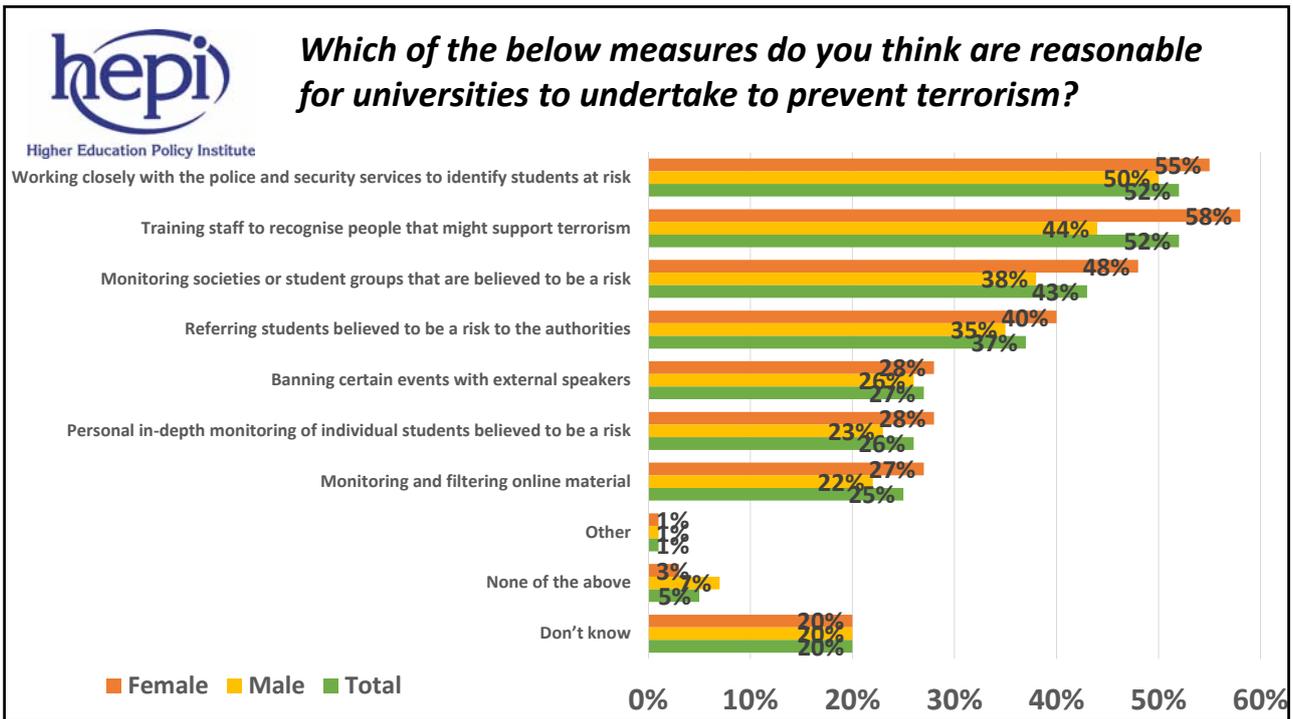


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Do you think universities should adopt safe spaces policies?







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Memorials

Many universities accepted gifts in the past from people whose views are often regarded as outdated today, and still have memorials for those donors.

Advocates for removing such memorials say universities should reflect modern opinion and consider the potential offence such memorials might cause. Opponents of removing them say these memorials are part of a university's history from a different time, and that history should not be rewritten in accordance with today's morals.

