

sex talk.

answers to your questions about sex and relationships

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According to new research by Professor William Jankowiak of UNLV, less than half of all societies use kissing to express sexual desire – and some even find the act repulsive.

Am I the only virgin on campus?

No, definitely not. It's not uncommon for UA students to report they are not having intercourse, especially first year students. In fact, quite a few seniors are "still" virgins, too. We know this from asking thousands of students in our anonymous annual Health & Wellness Survey since the 1990s.

You're a savvy college student. Take a look at our Spring 2016 survey data, gathered from 3,113 UA students.

When asked, "**Have you ever had vaginal sex?**" here's the breakdown:

- First Years: 60%
- Sophomores: 72%
- Juniors: 74%
- Seniors: 83%

"**Have you ever had oral sex?**"

The numbers are slightly higher than vaginal sex:

- First Years: 63%
- Sophomores: 75%
- Juniors: 76%
- Seniors: 83%

"**Have you ever had anal sex?**"

The numbers are much lower:

- First Years: 16%
- Sophomores: 20%
- Juniors: 26%
- Seniors: 33%

While the majority of students report having had oral or vaginal sex at least once in their lives, we know that not everyone at the UA is "doin' it." Reasons that people cite for not having sex include religion, fear of STIs or pregnancy, and waiting for the right person or time in life. Some people are choosing other, lower risk ways to enjoy sexual pleasure, avoiding sexual intercourse through kissing, fondling, mutual masturbation, "hand jobs," dry-humping and so on.

So, take heart ye virgins! You are not alone. And you probably won't regret waiting until you are ready or the right person for you comes along.



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