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Sexual Orientation among College Students

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Abstract — In this presentation, I will be exploring the relationship between sexual orientation with depression, stress and self-esteem among college students.

I. Introduction

My main reason for the research was to compare heterosexual and non-heterosexual students. I found that non-heterosexual students had lower self-esteems and higher depression compared to heterosexual students. A possible reason could be because society still holds a bias when it comes to sexual orientation. It is important to address such issues as it might also affect a student's academic performance.

II. FINDINGS

Non-heterosexual students had significantly higher levels of depression compared to heterosexual students.

Non-heterosexual students had significantly lower levels of self-esteem compared to heterosexual students.

No significant difference for stress between non-heterosexual students and heterosexual students.

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