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1. A poll was done at a public University asking undergraduate students whether they are an in state student or out of state student. A sample of 232 undergraduate students at the University were asked and it was revealed that 43% of students were from out of state. From the results, a 95% confidence interval was calculated to be (0.3663, 0.4937).

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Which of the following corresponds to the value of 43%? (Select all that apply)

☒ Statistic

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☐ Parameter

☒ Sample proportion

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☐ Population proportion

☒ Estimate of the population proportion

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☐ Test statistic

2. In order to make the above confidence interval researchers first had to check their assumptions. Select all the appropriate assumptions that are needed to create a one population proportion confidence interval.

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☐ The population proportion comes from data that is considered a simple random sample

☒ The sample proportion comes from data that is considered a simple random sample

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☒ The number of respondents who replied "out of state" must be at least 10

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☒ The number of respondents who replied "in state" must be at least 10

✓ **Correct**
Correct.

☐ The distribution of our population proportion must be normally distributed

3.

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What is the margin of error for the given 95% confidence interval above?

- ☐ 1.96
☐ 0.00106
☐ 0.0325
☒ 0.0637
☐ 0.1274

✓ **Correct**

4. A larger sample was taken and the same sample proportion was found. How would the width of the 95% confidence interval change from our initial interval?

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- ☐ Widen
- ☒ Shorten
- ☐ Stay the same
- ☐ Unable to tell

✓ Correct

5. If the researcher would like to have their confidence interval be narrower, more precise, which of the following would achieve this?

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- ☒ Change the confidence level to 90%
- ☐ Change the confidence level to 99%
- ☐ Calculate a conservative 95% confidence interval

✓ Correct

6. What minimum sample size does the researcher need in order to create a 95% conservative confidence interval with a margin of error of no more than 4%?

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- ☐ 24.5
- ☐ 25
- ☐ 600
- ☐ 600.25
- ☒ 601

✓ Correct

7. What minimum sample size does the researcher need in order to create a 98% conservative confidence interval with a margin of error of no more than 3%?

1 / 1 point

- ☐ 1067.11
- ☐ 1068
- ☐ 1502.85
- ☒ 1503

✓ Correct

8. Which of the following would be considered an appropriate interpretation of the given 95% confidence interval?

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- ☐ We estimate, with 95% confidence that the sample proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University is between (0.3663, 0.4937)
- ☒ We are 95% confident that the population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University is between 36.63% and 49.37%
- ☐ There is a 95% chance that the population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University is between 36.63% and 49.37%
- ☐ If we repeated this study many times we would expect to obtain the true population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University 95% of the time in the resulting confidence interval of (0.3663, 0.4937)

✓ Correct

9. Which of the following best describes the confidence level in the context of the problem?

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- ☐ If we repeated this study many times, each time producing a new sample (of the same size) from which a 95% confidence interval is computed, then we would expect the population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University to be contained within the (0.3663, 0.4937) interval 95% of the time.
- ☐ If we repeated a similar study many times, each time producing a new sample (of various sizes) from which a 95% confidence interval is computed, then 95% of the resulting confidence intervals would be expected to contain the population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University.
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confidence interval is computed, then 95% of the resulting confidence intervals would be expected to contain the population proportion of out of state undergraduate students at this University.

✓ Correct

10. Based on the reported 95% confidence interval (and no additional calculations), does it appear there is a minority of undergraduate students at the University that are from out of state? 1 / 1 point

- ☐ Yes, because 43% is below 50%
- ☐ No, because our sample size is not large enough
- ☐ No, because the entire interval is below 50%
- ☒ Yes, because the entire interval is below 50%
- ☐ Unable to tell

✓ Correct