THE CLASS OF 2020

CHARACTERISTICS 🎓

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FINANCES 💰

Sources you used to pay education expenses (tuition, fees, books, room and board)

81% grants or scholarships

69% job or personal savings

58% support from parents

40% Loans

13% other

LIVING/DRIVING TO CAMPUS 🏠

45% residence (house or apartment) farther than walking distance to campus

36% Residential Life and Housing

10% Residence (house or apartment) farther than walking distance to campus

77% drive less than 1 hour to campus

11% drive at least 1, less than 2 hours

8% drive at least 2, less than 4 hours

IN HIGH SCHOOL ⏰

How students spend their time

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Involvement in High School

28% Performing Arts or Visual Arts (band, chorus, theatre, art, etc.)

28% Athletic Teams

22% Academic Clubs or Honor Societies

17% Community service or volunteer work

7% Student Government

5% Publications (newspaper, yearbook)

5% Vocational clubs (business, health, technology)

5% Religious groups
### IN COLLEGE

How students plan to spend their time

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<th>Preparing for Class (studying, reading, doing homework)</th>
<th>27%</th>
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<td>11-15 hours per week</td>
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<th>Working for Pay</th>
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<th>Participation in co-curricular activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, etc.)</th>
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<td>1-5 hours per week</td>
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<th>Relaxing and socializing (with friends, video games, tv, videos, etc.)</th>
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### TRANSITION TO COLLEGE

**Very Difficult Top 3:**
1. Paying for College
2. Managing Your Time
3. Learning Course Material

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<th><strong>59%</strong></th>
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<td>VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE SUPPORT TO HELP STUDENTS SUCCEED ACADEMICALLY</td>
<td>VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICES (TUTORING, WRITING CENTER, ETC.)</td>
<td>VERY IMPORTANT TO HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO INTERACT WITH STUDENTS FROM DIFFERENT BACKGROUNDS</td>
<td>VERY IMPORTANT STUDENTS WANT A CHALLENGING ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE</td>
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<th><strong>43%</strong></th>
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<td>Students expect to ask another student often to help understand course material</td>
<td>Students often expect to prepare for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students</td>
<td>Students often expect to work with other students on course projects or assignments</td>
<td>Students often expect to talk about career plans with a faculty member</td>
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*These results are from the 2016 Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE). Data was pulled on September 1, 2016. There were 331 responses which represents over 75% of the Freshman Class of 2020.*