

# University of Idaho CIRP Freshman Survey 2018 Results

First-time, Full-time Freshmen

University of Idaho N=989

Public Universities-medium selectivity N=18,469

#### **INCOMING FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS**

The CIRP Freshman Survey (TFS) collects important information on what your incoming students are like before they experience college. Key sections of the survey examine:

- College admissions decisions
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#### A Note about CIRP Constructs

We use the CIRP Constructs throughout this PowerPoint to help summarize important information about your students from the TFS.

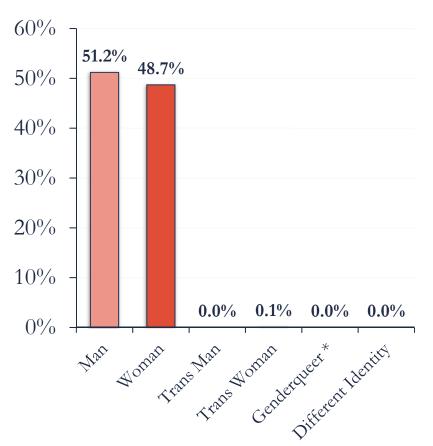
Constructs statistically aggregate the results from CIRP questions that tap into key aspects of the college experience. They focus on student traits and institutional practices contributing to students' academic and social development.



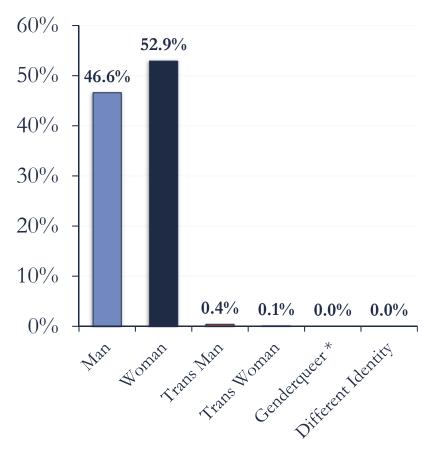
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#### **Gender Identity**

#### **Your Institution**



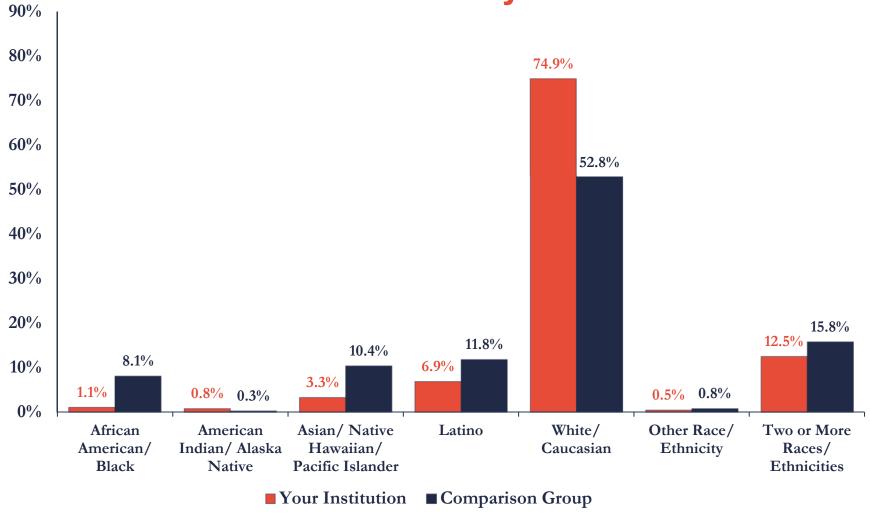
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#### **Demographics**

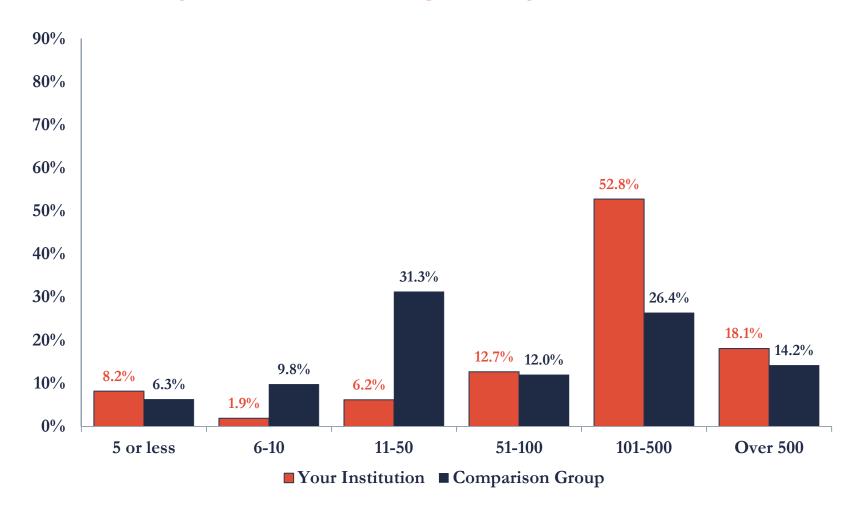
#### Race/Ethnicity





#### **Demographics**

#### How many miles is this college from your permanent home?





## College Admissions Decisions

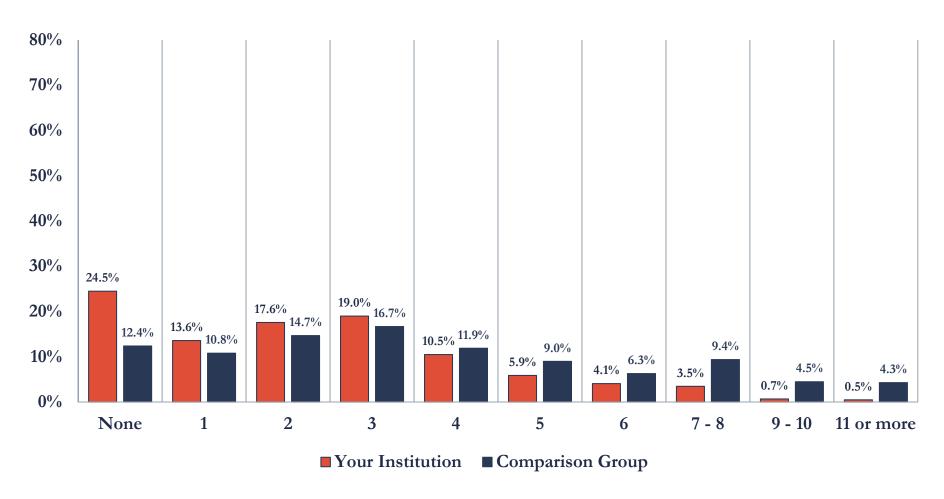
Many factors impact incoming students' college choice, including the benefits they see in attending college and considerations about which specific college to attend.

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#### College Admissions Decisions

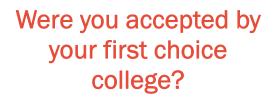
# To how many colleges <u>other than this one</u> did you apply for admission this year?

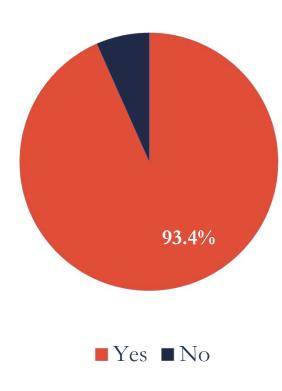


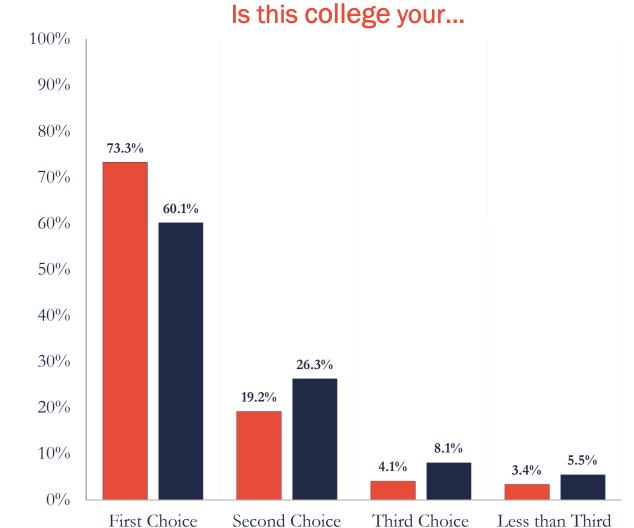
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#### College Acceptance





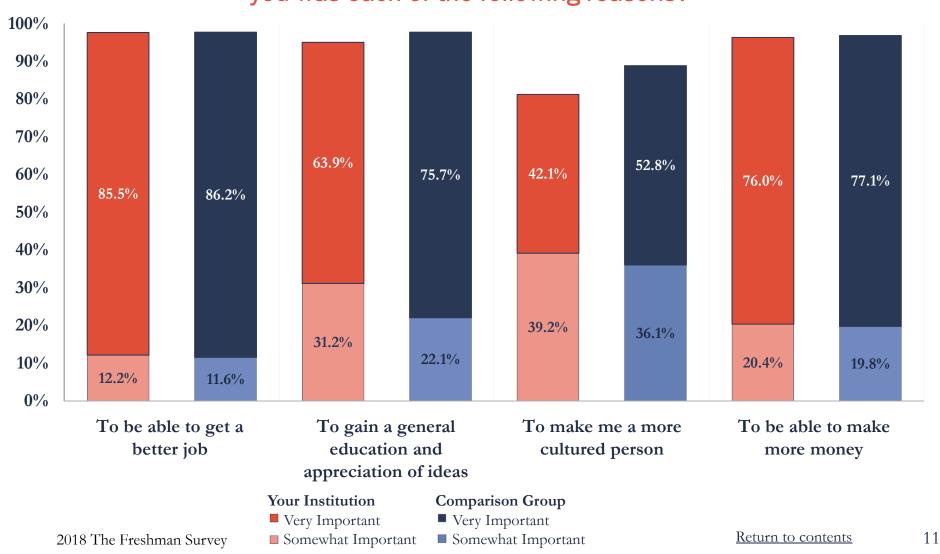


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Choice

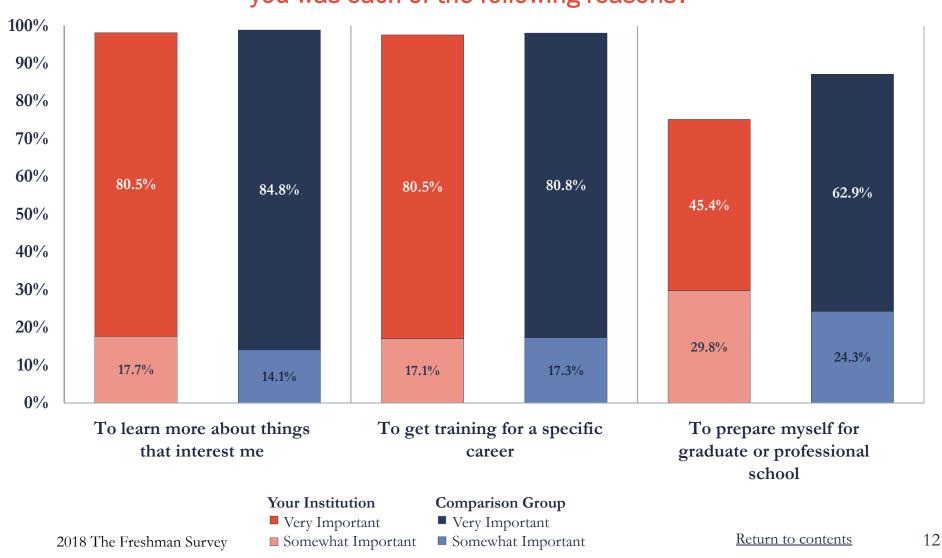


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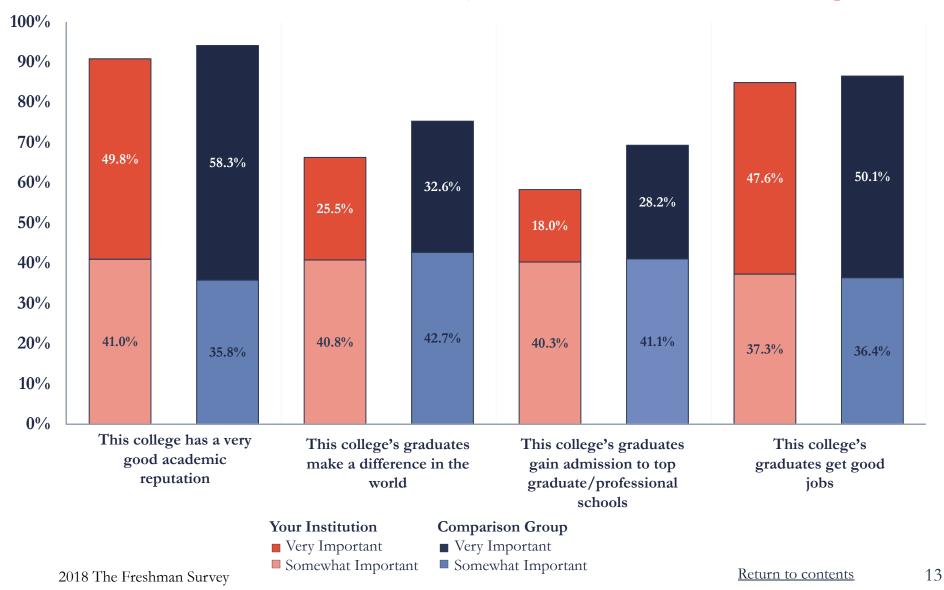


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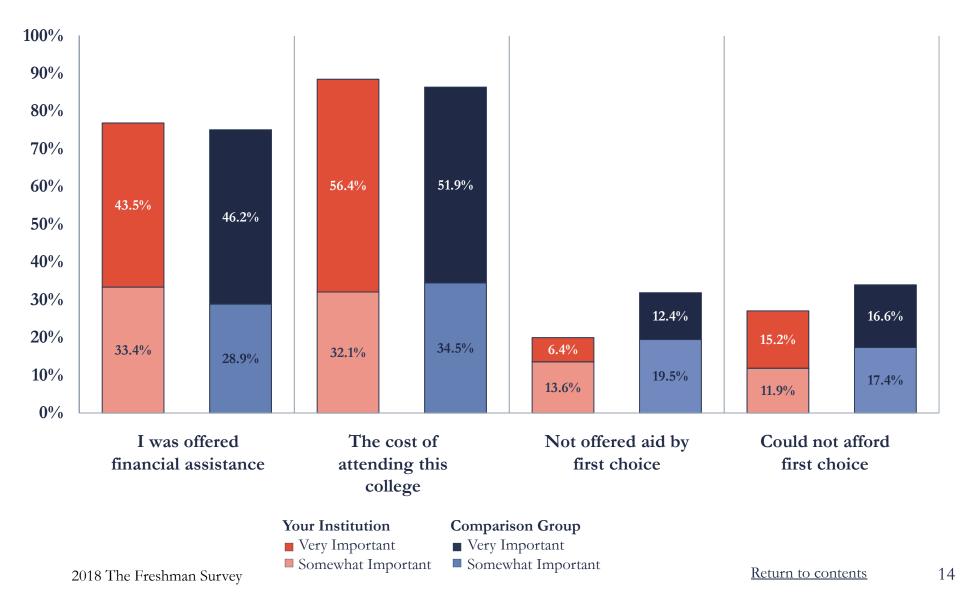


How important was each reason in your decision to attend this college?





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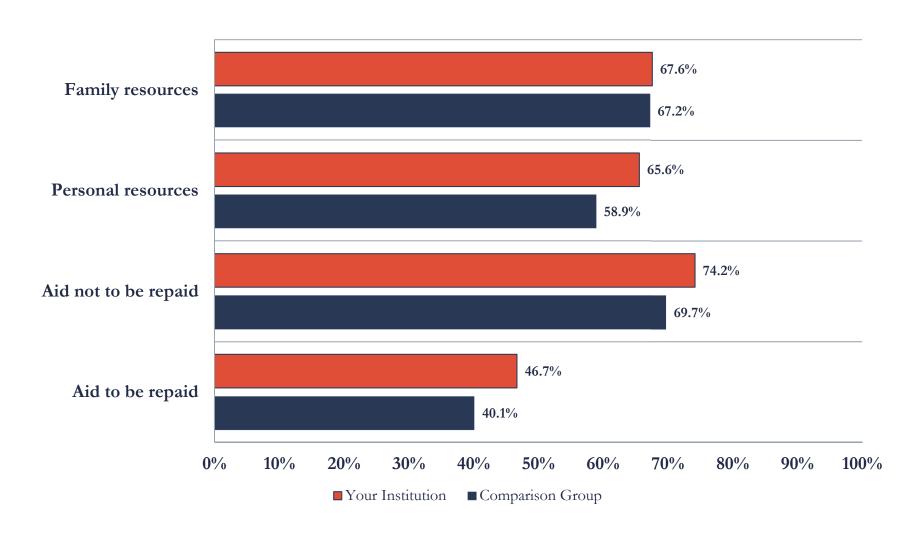




Economic factors play an important role in students' decisions about college.

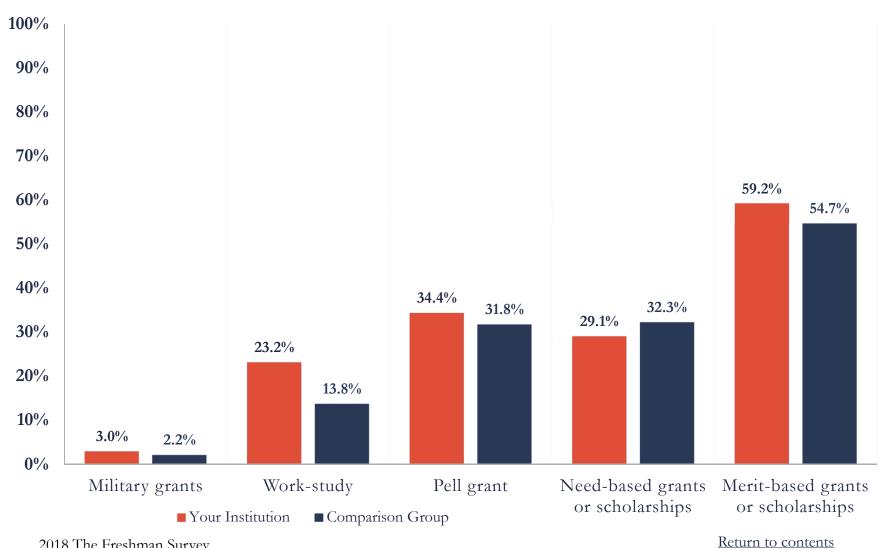


#### Students' first year funding sources:





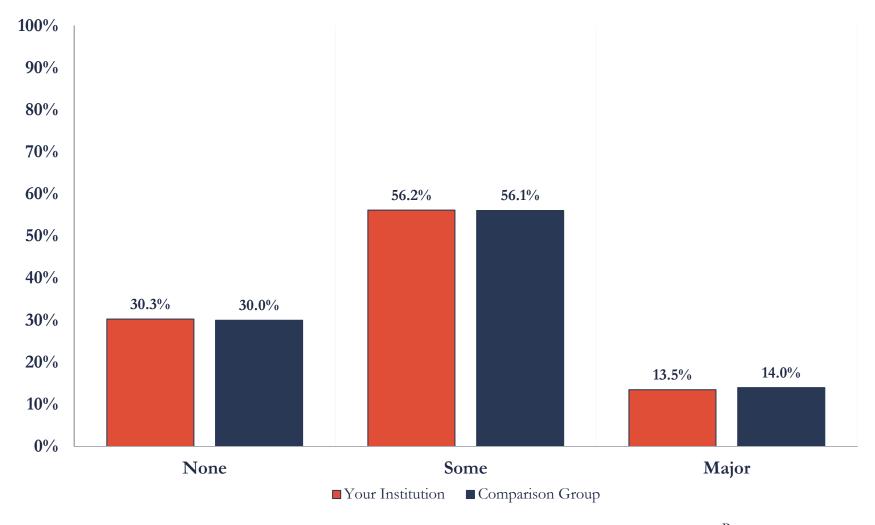
#### Did you receive any of the following forms of financial aid?



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Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?





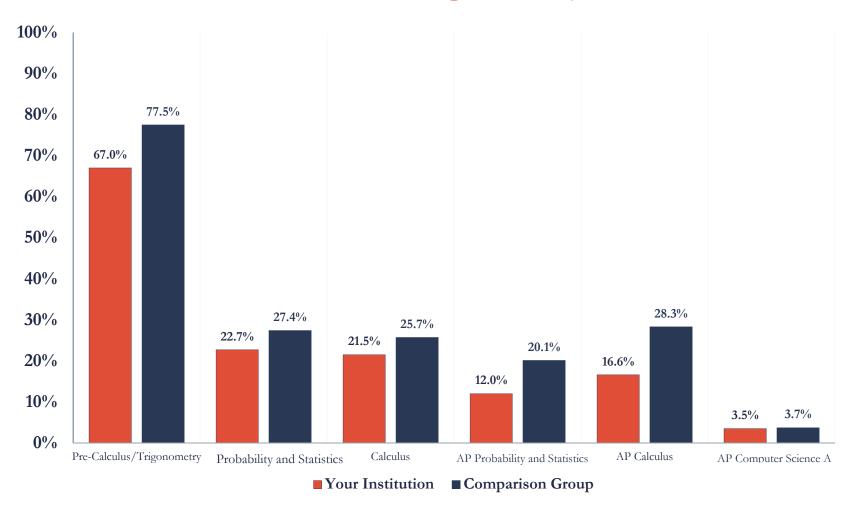
# **High School Experiences**

Understanding students' established behaviors in high school helps foster skills, knowledge, and abilities in the curriculum and co-curriculum.



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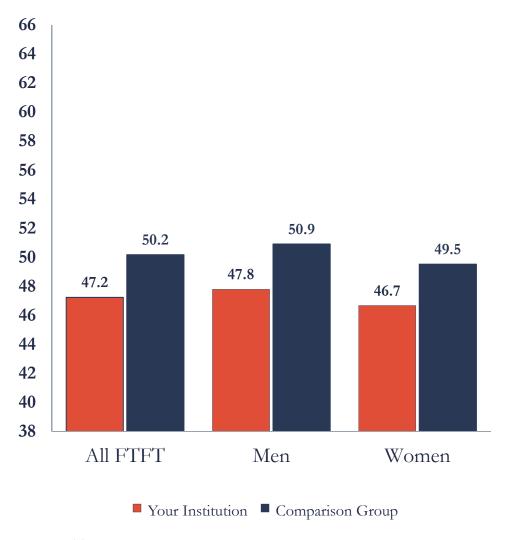
Please mark which of the following courses you have completed.





#### **Habits of Mind**

Habits of Mind is a unified measure of the behaviors and traits associated with academic success. These learning behaviors are seen as the foundation for lifelong learning.



#### **Construct Items**

- Support your opinions with a logical argument
- Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others
- Seek alternative solutions to a problem
- Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received
- · Ask questions in class
- Take a risk because you felt you had more to gain
- · Take on a challenge that scares you
- Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class
- Analyze multiple sources of information before coming to a conclusion
- Look up scientific research articles and resources
- Accept mistakes as part of the learning process



#### **Pluralistic Orientation**

Pluralistic Orientation measures skills and dispositions appropriate for living and working in a diverse society.



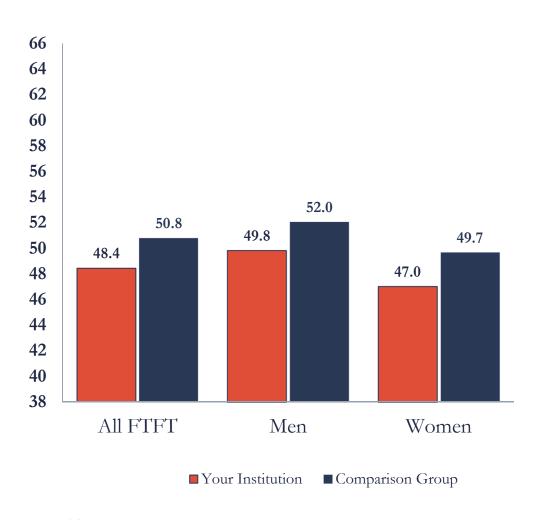
#### **Construct Items**

- Tolerance of others with different beliefs
- Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people
- Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues
- Openness to having my views challenged
- Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective
- Critical thinking skills
- Ability to manage your time effectively



#### **Academic Self-Concept**

Self-awareness and confidence in academic environments help students learn by encouraging their intellectual inquiry. *Academic Self-Concept* is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.



#### **Construct Items**

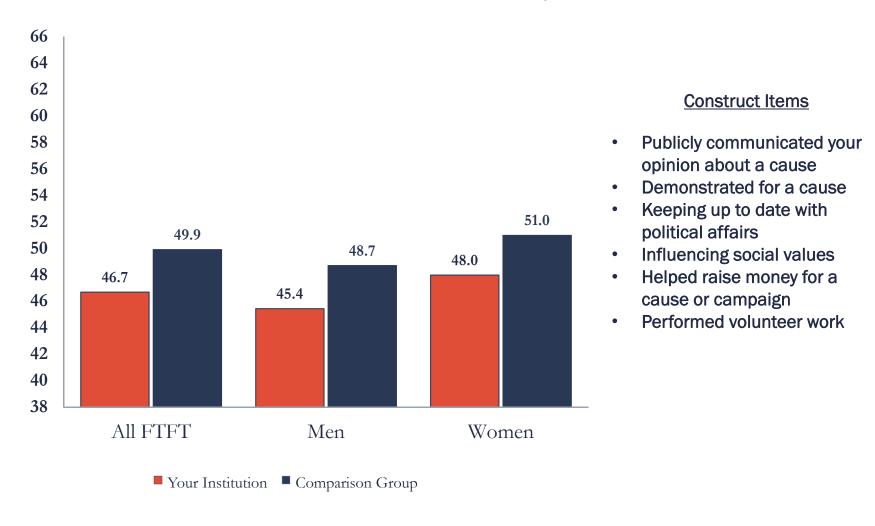
- Self-rated academic ability
- Self-rated mathematical ability
- Self-rated self-confidence (intellectual)
- · Self-rated drive to achieve



#### Civic Engagement

Engaged citizens are a critical element in the functioning of our democratic society.

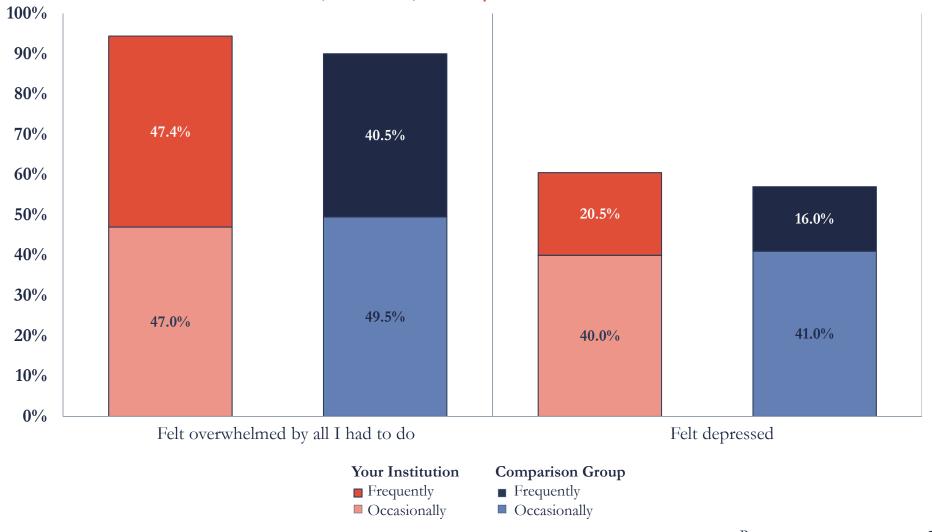
Civic Engagement measures the extent to which students are motivated and involved in civic, electoral and political activities.





#### **Health and Wellness**

Students' physical and emotional well-being can affect many important aspects of the student experience including academic performance and persistence. These items gauge student behaviors, attitudes, and experiences related to health and wellness.





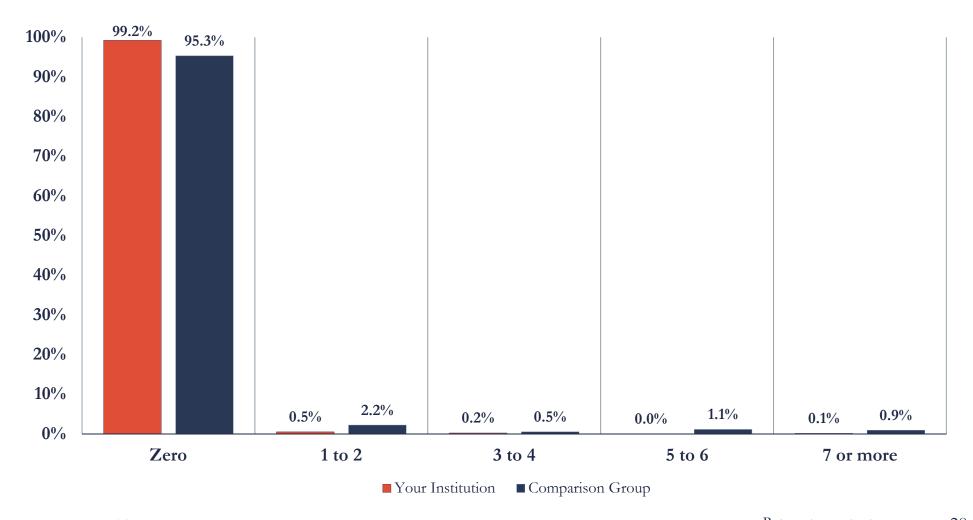
## **College Preparation**

These items illustrate students' academic preparation.



#### Summer Bridge Program

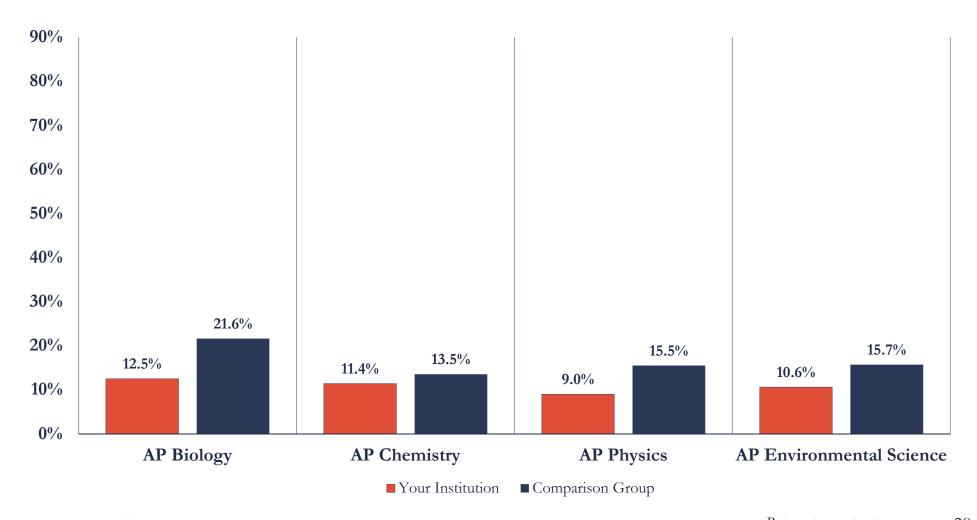
How many weeks this summer did you participate in a bridge program at this institution?





#### **AP Coursework**

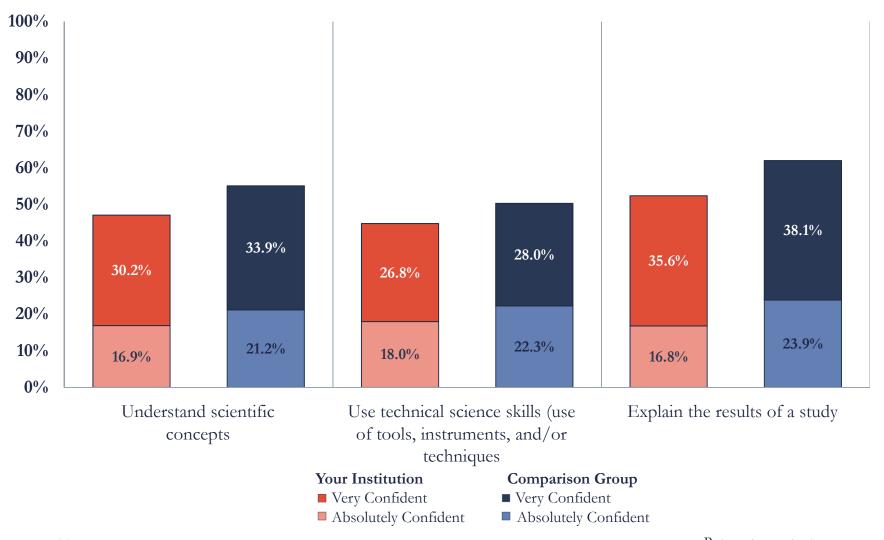
Please mark which of the following courses you have completed.





#### Science/Research Self-Efficacy

#### How confident are you that you can do the following?





### **Expectations for College: Major and Career**

Understanding students' intended majors and career aspirations helps them plot an intentional and meaningful course of study.



#### **Expectations: Major**

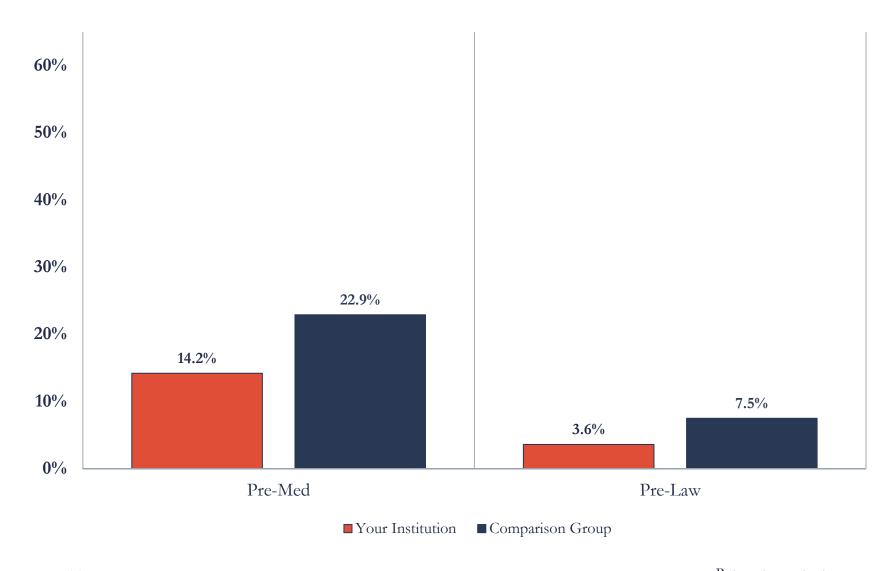
#### Please indicate your intended major.

	Your	Comp		Your	Comp
	<u>Inst</u>	<u>Group</u>		<u>Inst</u>	<u>Group</u>
Agriculture	5.4%	0.5%	Fine Arts	4.4%	4.5%
Biological Sciences	13.5%	14.9%	Mathematics or Computer Science	4.6%	4.8%
Business	15.3%	24.6%	Physical Science	0.0%	0.0%
Education	6.6%	2.9%	Social Science	8.4%	7.6%
Engineering	14.6%	10.1%	Justice and Security	0.8%	1.9%
English	0.9%	0.8%	Library Science	0.0%	0.0%
Health Professions	8.9%	11.3%	Other Non-technical	4.8%	3.1%
History or Political Science	2.1%	3.5%	Undecided	3.8%	6.6%
Arts & Humanities	5.9%	3.0%			



#### **Expectations: Major**

#### Do you consider yourself Pre-Med or Pre-Law?



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#### **Expectations: Career**

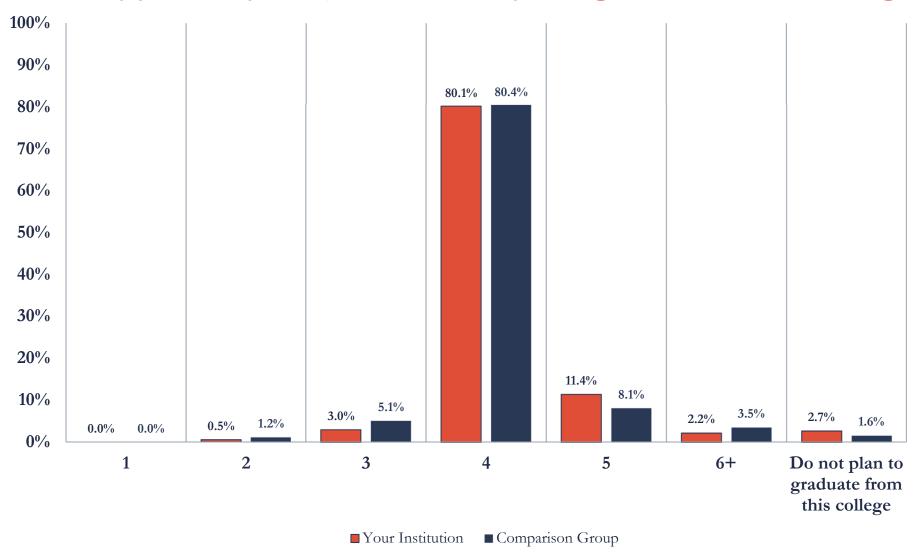
#### Please indicate your intended career.

	Your <u>Inst</u>	Comp <u>Group</u>		Your <u>Inst</u>	Comp <u>Group</u>
Agriculture/Natural Resources	8.3%	1.1%	Health Professional	11.0%	8.1%
Artist	7.0%	6.3%	Homemaker/Stay-at-Home Parent	0.1%	0.0%
Business	13.9%	22.9%	Information Technology Professional	4.1%	3.5%
Business (Admin Assistant)	0.3%	0.3%	Lawyer	2.2%	4.0%
Clergy	0.2%	0.0%	Military	1.4%	0.5%
College Faculty	0.2%	0.2%	Nurse	1.8%	4.1%
Communications	1.4%	1.5%	Research Scientist	3.2%	3.1%
Doctor (MD or DDS)	5.3%	12.1%	Service Industry	0.0%	0.1%
Education (elementary/secondary)	6.7%	3.4%	Skilled worker	0.0%	0.1%
Engineer	11.2%	8.4%	Social/Non-Profit Services	0.6%	0.3%
Government	2.7%	2.9%	Other	11.4%	8.8%



#### **Expectations: Time-to-Degree**

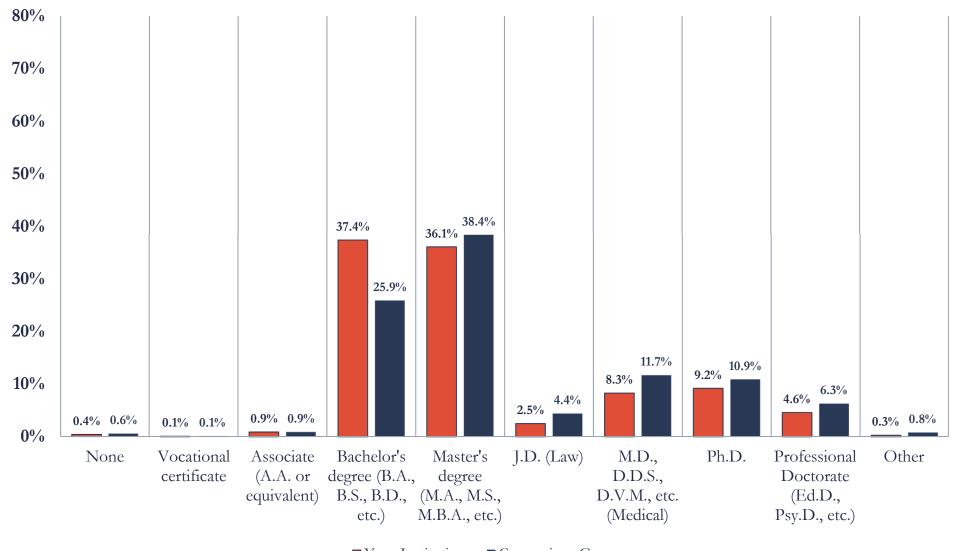
How many years do you expect it will take you to graduate from this college?





#### **Expectations: Degree Aspirations**

What is the highest academic degree that you intend to attain?



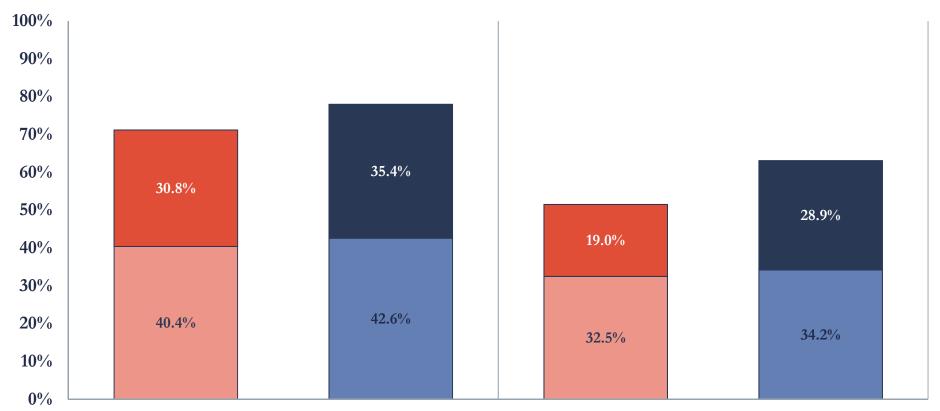
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Understanding students' expectations helps provide opportunities for students to grow intellectually, interpersonally, and affectively.



#### What is your best guess as to the chances that you will:



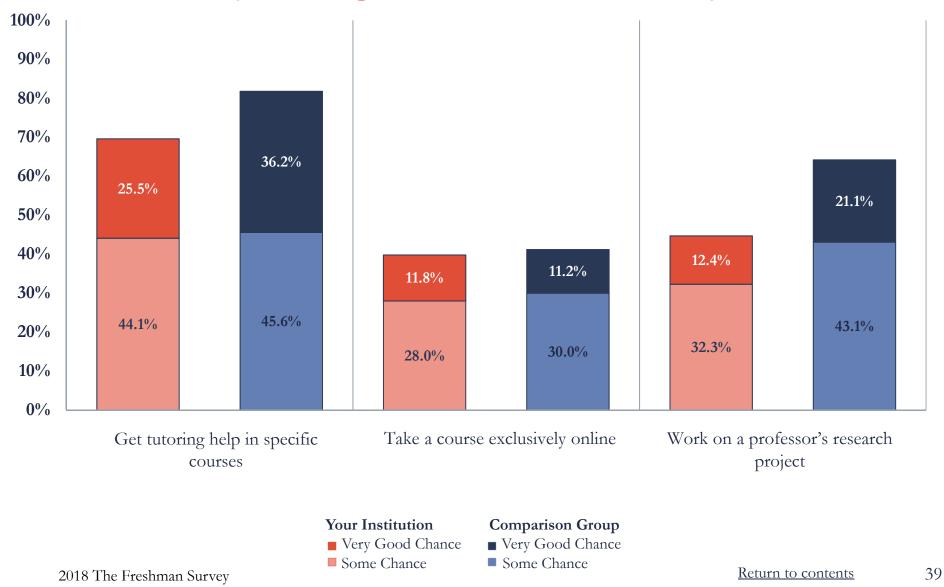
Participate in volunteer or community service work

Participate in a study abroad program



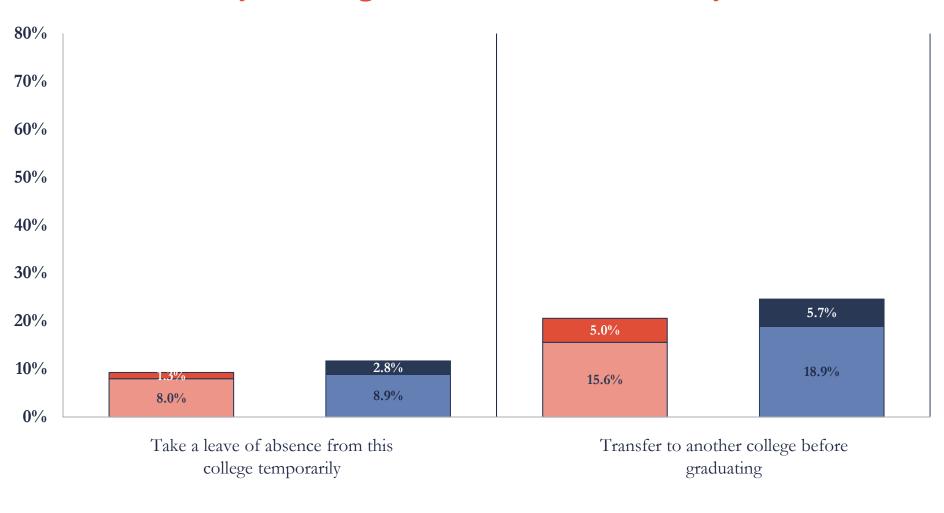


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■ Very Good Chance

■ Some Chance



# The more you get to know your students, the better you can understand their needs.

# For more information about HERI/CIRP Surveys

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Your First College Year Survey
Diverse Learning Environments Survey
College Senior Survey
Staff Climate Survey
The Faculty Survey

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