



Beginning College

2023 Survey of Student Engagement

First-Year Students

1,416 First-Year Students were Surveyed

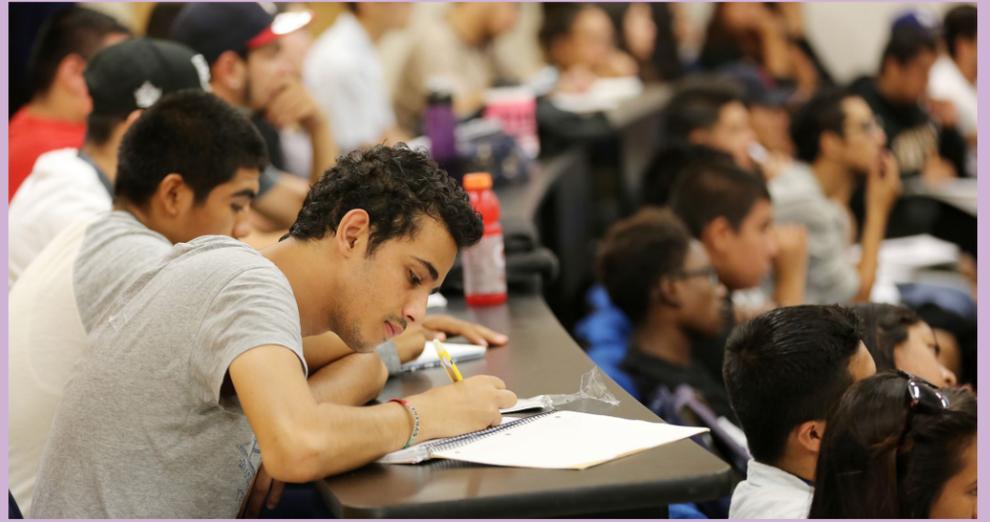
Student Profile

56% of respondents were female

73% completed at least 1 AP course in high school

86% are first generation students

74% are using grants and scholarships



Our Students' Expectations

82% expect to graduate from Cal State LA

68% expect to prepare for exams with other students

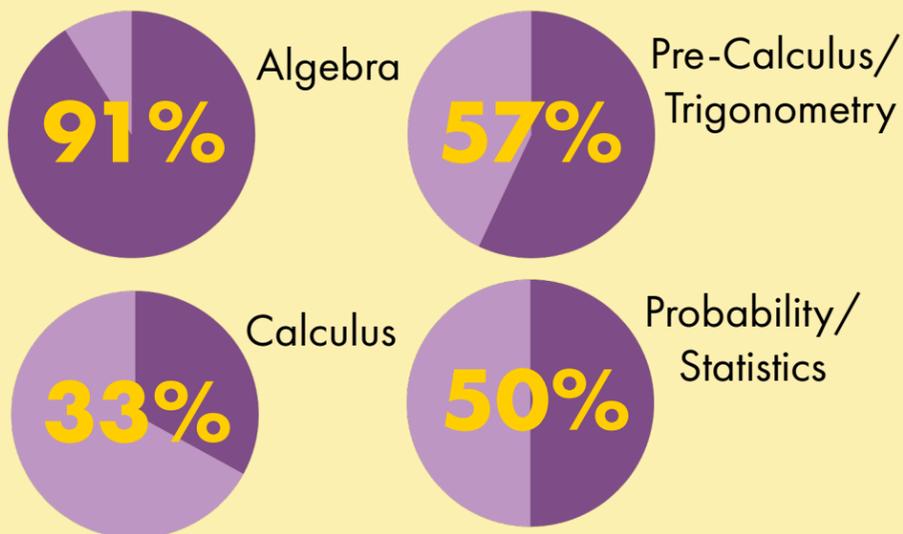
62% feel that its important that Cal State LA helps students to succeed academically

59% expect to seek help from academic advisors

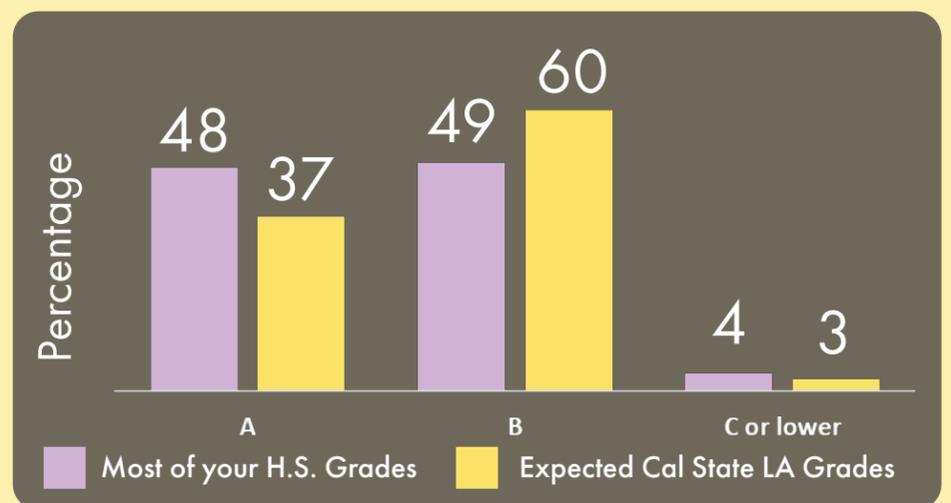
43% expect to work with a faculty member on activities outside of coursework



Earned a "C" or Better in H.S.



High School/College Grades



High School Habits vs College Expectations

23% spent more than 10 hours a week preparing for class

35% worked for pay in high school

25% spent over 10 hours in co-curricular activities

32% spent more than 10 hours per week relaxing and socializing

48% expect to spend more than 10 hours a week preparing for class

68% expect to work during first year of college

17% expect to spend over 10 hours a week in extracurricular activities

27% expect to spend more than 10 hours a week relaxing and socializing



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Transfer Students

738 Transfer Students were Surveyed

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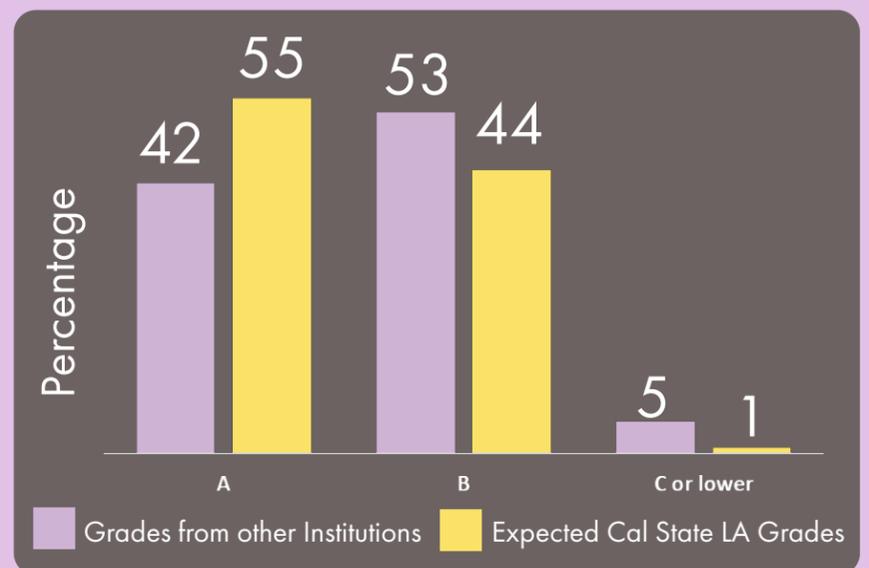
- 62%** of respondents were female
- 95%** transferred from CC or JC
- 81%** are first generation students
- 76%** plan to graduate in 1-2 years
- 98%** plan to graduate from this institution
- 53%** plan to seek help from academic advisors



Why did you choose Cal State LA?

- 90%** Offers majors interested in
- 88%** Able to transfer all credits
- 79%** Affordability
- 78%** Quality of academic programs
- 78%** Flexibility of scheduling courses
- 77%** Location
- 68%** Able to finish degree quickly
- 48%** Family or personal relationships

Grades from Other Institutions vs Expected Cal State LA Grades



College Expectations

- 74%** expect to spend more than 10 hours a week preparing for class
- 80%** expect to be working for pay
- 15%** expect to spend over 10 hours a week in extracurricular activities
- 22%** expect to spend more than 10 hours a week relaxing and socializing

Highest Causes of Stress

- 62%** balancing school and other commitments (work, family, etc)
- 47%** not having enough money for college expenses (tuition, fees, books, etc)
- 37%** not having enough money for basic needs (housing, food, and transportation)
- 28%** commuting to campus