Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement

FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS

2,214 Students responded to the survey in 2021. 57% were first-time freshmen. 65% of respondents were female. **53%** had Cal State LA as their first choice for college. **83%** are first-generation college students. **89%** expect to graduate from Cal State LA. **78%** completed at least 1 AP course in high school. **34%** expect learning course material will be difficult. **75%** feel it is important that Cal State LA helps students to succeed academically. **73%** are using grants and scholarships. 64% expect to seek help from academic advisors. **43%** expect to work with a faculty member on activities outside of coursework. 66% expect to prepare for exams by working with other students.

Earned a "C" or Better in: High School/College Grades **HS** Grades **Expected Cal State LA Grades** 48 53 Pre-calculus/ **92%** 60 47 43 Algebra Trigonometry 50 40 BERCENTAGE 30 20 Probability/ 38% **52%** Calculus **Statistics** 10 0 A B C or lower

College Expectations High School Habits VS

spent more than 10 hours a week preparing for cla

worked for pay in high school

8% spent over 10 hours in co-curricular activities

spent more than 10 hours per week relaxing and socializing.

55% expect to spend more than 10 hours a week preparing for class.

69% expect to work during first year of college.

16% expect to spend over 10 hours a week in extracurricular activities.

26% expect to spend more than 10 hours a week relaxing and socializing.

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TRANSFER STUDENTS

2,214 Students responded to the survey in 2021. 41% of respondents are transferring from another institution.

97% transferred from a community college or junior college.

68% had Cal State LA as their first choice for college.

83% are first-generation college students.

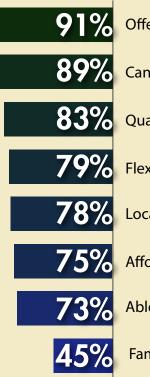
69% of respondents were female.

76% of transfers plan to graduate in 1-2 years.

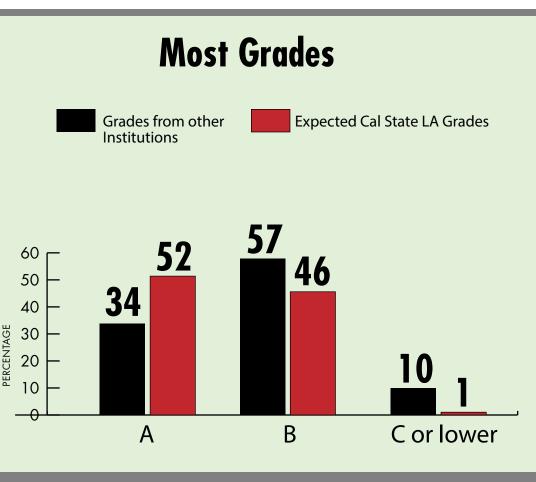
6 % of transfers expect to seek help from academic advisors.



Why did you choose Cal State LA?



Offers majors of interest Can transfer all/most credits Quality of academic program Flexibility of courses Location Affordability Able to finish degree quickly Family/personal relationship



College Expectations

Highest Causes of Stress



8% expect to spend more than 10 hours a week preparing for class. 0% expect to be working for pay. 1% expect to spend over 10 hours a week in extracurricular activities. expect to spend more than 10 hours a week relaxing and socializing.

balancing school and other commitments (work and family). 48% not having enough money for college expenses (tuition, fees, books, etc.). 33% transitioning back to being a student. 32% not having enough money for basic needs (housing, food, transportation, etc.).

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