



The last year of college can be stressful. 46% of women and 27% of men frequently felt overwhelmed by all they had to do. But with post-college life on the horizon, graduating seniors are ready to embrace their next set of challenges.

**Graduating seniors feel prepared for life after college.**



**71%**  
Feel prepared for employment



**85%**  
Rate themselves as strong critical thinkers

**66%**

Have high intellectual self-confidence



**81%**  
Consider themselves highly driven to achieve

**A stable living is important...**



**49%**  
Consider a stable secure future essential



**59%**  
Think high income potential is very important

**And so is changing the world.**



**51%**  
View working for social change as integral to their careers



**83%**  
Aspire to help others in difficulty

**They recognize the help they receive from faculty.**



**83%**  
Felt faculty showed concern about their progress



**57%**  
Were frequently given honest feedback on their skills and abilities



**49%**  
Frequently applied classroom learning to "real life" issues



**80%**  
Were satisfied with their ability to find a mentor

**As well as from campus support services.**



**59%**  
Felt depressed at some point in their senior year



**35%**  
Sought personal counseling in the past year

**Students are ready to take on this diverse, complex world.**



**79%**  
Believe they are good at seeing others' perspectives



**81%**  
Express high tolerance for others with different beliefs



**83%**  
Work cooperatively with diverse people



The College Senior Survey (CSS) connects academic, civic, and diversity outcomes with a comprehensive set of college experiences to measure the impact of college. When used as a follow-up instrument to other CIRP surveys, such as the Freshman Survey (TFS) or the Your First College Year (YFCY) Survey, the CSS generates valuable longitudinal data on students' cognitive and affective growth as they graduate from college.

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