

# THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT COLLEGE IS A VALUABLE EXPERIENCE



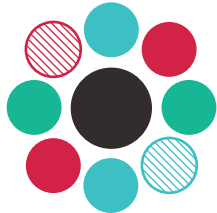
Most students (88%) feel that their first year of college exposed them to diverse opinions, cultures, and values. And 58% feel their coursework was relevant to everyday life.



## STUDENTS STRONGLY AGREE THAT THEIR COLLEGE HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THEIR:



**30%**  
Critical thinking skills



**24%**  
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures



**25%**  
Ability to work as part of a team

## CLASSROOM EXPERIENCES HAVE LASTING EFFECTS...



**62%**  
Are satisfied with the relevance of coursework to their future career plans



**43%**  
Frequently felt courses inspired them to think new ways



**35%**  
Performed community service as part of a class



## ...WHEN STUDENTS ARE PAYING ATTENTION.



**34%**  
Were frequently bored in class

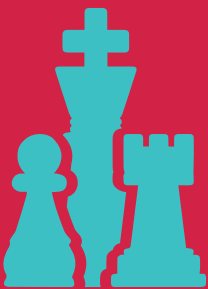
Sup?

Nothing. I'm bored.

Me too.

**79%**  
Texted during class

## BUT COLLEGE ISN'T ALL ABOUT THE CLASSROOM. FOR AT LEAST 3 HOURS A WEEK:



**26%**  
Were active in student clubs/groups



**31%**  
Partied



**56%**  
Exercised or played sports

## OF COURSE, FINANCIAL AID IS ALWAYS A CONCERN.



**19%**  
Of students have major concerns about paying for college



**37%**  
Felt their jobs interfered with schoolwork

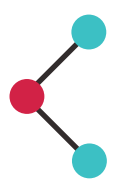


**43%**  
Took advantage of financial aid advising



**58%**  
Took out loans for educational expenses

## BALANCE IS KEY...



**63%**  
Are satisfied with their social lives



**79%**  
Successfully balance academics and extracurriculars



**28%**  
Frequently maintain a healthy diet

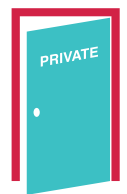
## ...AND SO ARE SUPPORT NETWORKS.



**76%**  
Turned to other students for advice or counseling



**58%**  
Frequently felt support from their family to succeed



**22%**  
Utilized student psychological services



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