FIRST YEAR STUDENTS @ WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
UNDERSTANDING INCOMING STUDENTS AND THEIR TRANSITION TO COLLEGE

Wayne State University Results are shown in GREEN
National Results are shown in GREY

OUR INCOMING STUDENTS HAVE ACADEMIC HABITS TIED TO SUCCESS IN COLLEGE
ENTERING WAYNE STATE STUDENTS, AS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

60% 57%
Frequently Asked
Questions In Class

63% 56%
Accepted Their Own Mistakes
As Part of the Learning Process

50% 50%
Revised Their Papers To
Improve Their Writing

However
6 in 10
Don't Expect To
Communicate Regularly With Their Professors

BUT MORE STUDENTS THAN EVER ARE ENTERING COLLEGE FEELING OVERWHELMED
WOMEN STUDENTS ESPECIALLY HAVE THIS EXPERIENCE

32% 30%
Were Frequently Overwhelmed by All That They Had To Do As High School Seniors

OUR STUDENTS ARE AMBITIOUS, COMFORTABLE WITH DIVERSITY, & WANT TO SUCCEED PROFESSIONALLY

81% 78%
Indicated That They Have an Above Average Drive to Achieve

85% 81%
Believe That They Have An Above Average Ability To Work With People From Diverse Backgrounds

90% 88%
Said That Attending College To Get A Better Job Is Important To Them

FINANCING COLLEGE IS A CHALLENGE FOR OUR STUDENTS

36% 19%
Expect To Receive No Financial Assistance From Their Families

7 in 8
Expect To Work During College

31% 22%
Strongly Agree That The Current Economic Situation Strongly Influenced Their Choice Of College

AND THEIR EXPECTATIONS ABOUT HOW LONG IT TAKES TO GRADUATE DIFFER FROM THE REALITY

76%
Of WSU Students Think That They Will Graduate In Four Years

But only 13% of them actually graduate that soon

Despite Being Worried About Paying For College, Many Will End Up Paying For Six or More Years

To join a conversation about our new students, contact the CENTER FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING atwayne.edu

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