

2008 TFS INSTITUTIONAL SUMMARY

Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	McCormick			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Number of Respondents		161	88	249		670	799	1,469
How old will you be on December 31 of this year?	249				1,468			
16 or younger		0.6	2.3	1.2		0.1	0.3	0.2
17		1.9	0.0	1.2		1.5	2.8	2.2
18		68.3	69.3	68.7		67.0	69.9	68.6
19		26.7	26.1	26.5		29.9	25.9	27.7
20		1.2	1.1	1.2		1.0	1.0	1.0
21 to 24		1.2	1.1	1.2		0.4	0.1	0.3
25 to 29		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
30 to 39		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
40 to 54		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
55 or older		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Is English your native language?	249				1,469			
Yes		83.2	77.3	81.1		87.2	86.0	86.5
No		16.8	22.7	18.9		12.8	14.0	13.5
In what year did you graduate from high school?	249				1,469			
2008		98.1	95.5	97.2		99.1	98.9	99.0
2007		0.6	4.5	2.0		0.4	1.1	0.8
2006		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
2005 or earlier		1.2	0.0	0.8		0.3	0.0	0.1
Did not graduate but passed G.E.D. test		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Never completed high school		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
How many miles is this college from your permanent home?	249				1,469			
5 or less		1.9	3.4	2.4		2.2	1.5	1.8
6 to 10		0.0	3.4	1.2		2.1	1.9	2.0
11 to 50		13.0	12.5	12.9		15.1	11.3	13.0
51 to 100		4.3	2.3	3.6		3.7	4.3	4.0
101 to 500		19.9	25.0	21.7		18.2	21.3	19.9
Over 500		60.9	53.4	58.2		58.7	59.8	59.3
What was your average grade in high school?	249				1,469			
A or A+		55.3	60.2	57.0		55.2	61.6	58.7
A-		34.8	31.8	33.7		33.0	29.9	31.3
B+		9.3	8.0	8.8		10.0	7.1	8.4
B		0.6	0.0	0.4		1.5	1.4	1.4
B-		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.0	0.1
C+		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
C		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
D		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
From what kind of high school did you graduate?	249				1,469			
Public school (<u>not</u> charter or magnet)		57.8	76.1	64.3		61.6	66.2	64.1
Public charter school		1.2	0.0	0.8		1.5	0.5	1.0
Public magnet school		3.7	4.5	4.0		4.3	4.1	4.2
Private religious/parochial school		16.1	6.8	12.9		12.7	9.8	11.1
Private independent college-prep school		21.1	11.4	17.7		19.9	18.9	19.3
Home school		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.0	0.5	0.3
Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at <u>this</u> institution?	249				1,469			
No		95.7	93.2	94.8		94.8	96.5	95.7
Yes		4.3	6.8	5.2		5.2	3.5	4.3

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Since leaving high school, have you ever taken courses, whether for credit or not for credit, at <u>any other</u> institution (university, 4- or 2-year college, technical, vocational, or business school)?	249				1,469			
No		90.1	81.8	87.1		90.3	90.2	90.3
Yes		9.9	18.2	12.9		9.7	9.8	9.7
Where do you plan to live during the fall term?	249				1,469			
With my family or other relatives		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.1	0.5	0.3
Other private home, apartment, or room		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
College residence hall		95.7	95.5	95.6		95.1	96.0	95.6
Fraternity or sorority house		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Other campus student housing		4.3	3.4	4.0		4.6	3.4	3.9
Other		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
To how many colleges other than this one did you apply for admission this year?	249				1,467			
None		6.2	9.1	7.2		8.8	10.3	9.6
One		5.6	2.3	4.4		3.9	5.4	4.7
Two		4.3	4.5	4.4		4.3	5.3	4.8
Three		5.0	10.2	6.8		5.4	6.6	6.1
Four		9.3	11.4	10.0		8.4	8.4	8.4
Five		9.3	6.8	8.4		10.5	8.6	9.5
Six		8.7	8.0	8.4		8.7	9.0	8.9
Seven to ten		36.6	33.0	35.3		35.9	30.9	33.2
Eleven or more		14.9	14.8	14.9		14.1	15.5	14.9
Were you accepted by your first choice college?	248				1,466			
Yes		47.2	62.1	52.4		53.8	65.7	60.3
No		52.8	37.9	47.6		46.2	34.3	39.7
Is this college your:	249				1,465			
First choice?		42.2	56.8	47.4		50.4	62.6	57.0
Second choice?		32.3	25.0	29.7		26.0	20.2	22.9
Third choice?		17.4	13.6	16.1		14.5	11.2	12.7
Less than third choice?		8.1	4.5	6.8		9.1	6.0	7.4
Citizenship status	248				1,465			
U.S. citizen		85.1	85.1	85.1		90.3	91.7	91.1
Permanent resident (green card)		5.6	2.3	4.4		3.6	2.5	3.0
Neither		9.3	12.6	10.5		6.1	5.8	5.9
Are your parents:	249				1,468			
Both alive and living with each other?		87.0	85.2	86.3		85.5	82.5	83.9
Both alive, divorced or living apart?		11.2	8.0	10.0		11.8	15.3	13.7
One or both deceased?		1.9	6.8	3.6		2.7	2.3	2.5

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
During high school (grades 9-12) how many years did you study each of the following subjects? [1]								
English (4 years)	248	98.8	100.0	99.2	1,467	98.5	99.7	99.2
Mathematics (3 years)	248	99.4	98.9	99.2	1,466	99.7	99.7	99.7
Foreign Language (2 years)	248	99.4	98.9	99.2	1,466	98.8	98.6	98.7
Physical Science (2 years)	248	80.7	78.2	79.8	1,466	80.5	71.9	75.9
Biological Science (2 years)	247	46.0	51.2	47.8	1,466	51.7	58.3	55.3
History/Am. Govt. (1 year)	245	98.7	98.8	98.8	1,463	99.7	99.7	99.7
Computer Science (1/2 year)	247	47.8	47.7	47.8	1,466	48.1	37.8	42.5
Arts and/or Music (1 year)	247	86.3	87.2	86.6	1,464	87.3	92.1	89.9
WHAT IS THE HIGHEST ACADEMIC DREGREE THAT YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN?								
Highest planned	247				1,441			
None		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.3	0.6	0.5
Vocational certificate		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.2	0.3	0.2
Associate (A.A. or equivalent)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)		5.6	10.3	7.3		6.4	8.5	7.5
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)		53.8	41.4	49.4		41.3	41.4	41.4
Ph.D. or Ed.D.		27.5	29.9	28.3		25.4	20.1	22.6
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M.		8.1	12.6	9.7		15.9	18.3	17.2
J.D. (Law)		4.4	3.4	4.0		9.4	9.7	9.6
B.D. or M.DIV. (Divinity)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Other		0.6	0.0	0.4		1.1	0.9	1.0
Highest planned at this college	246				1,426			
None		0.0	1.2	0.4		0.0	0.4	0.2
Vocational certificate		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.3	0.2
Associate (A.A. or equivalent)		0.6	2.3	1.2		1.2	1.2	1.2
Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)		63.1	74.4	67.1		67.9	73.4	70.9
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)		25.0	17.4	22.4		19.5	15.2	17.2
Ph.D. or Ed.D.		6.3	1.2	4.5		4.0	2.6	3.2
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M.		3.1	2.3	2.8		4.6	4.7	4.6
J.D. (Law)		1.3	1.2	1.2		2.1	1.2	1.6
B.D. or M.DIV. (Divinity)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.5	1.2	0.8
HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE RACIAL COMPOSITION OF THE:								
High school I last attended	248				1,463			
Completely non-White		2.5	4.6	3.2		2.4	2.6	2.5
Mostly non-White		9.9	9.2	9.7		7.3	7.5	7.5
Roughly half non-White		19.3	23.0	20.6		18.4	23.6	21.3
Mostly White		60.9	59.8	60.5		65.8	60.9	63.2
Completely White		7.5	3.4	6.0		6.0	5.3	5.6
Neighborhood where I grew up	248				1,465			
Completely non-White		6.2	9.2	7.3		5.2	3.5	4.3
Mostly non-White		7.5	5.7	6.9		6.0	6.5	6.3
Roughly half non-White		8.7	10.3	9.3		11.1	10.3	10.6
Mostly White		62.7	62.1	62.5		61.4	64.9	63.3
Completely White		14.9	12.6	14.1		16.3	14.8	15.5

[1] Based on the recommendations of the National Commission on Excellence in Education.

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Do you have a disability?								
Hearing	249	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.3	0.4	0.3
Speech	249	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.0	0.0	0.0
Orthopedic	249	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.1	0.1	0.1
Learning disability	249	1.2	1.1	1.2	1,469	1.3	1.5	1.4
Partially sighted or blind	249	1.2	2.3	1.6	1,469	1.0	1.1	1.1
Health-related	249	0.6	0.0	0.4	1,469	0.6	0.6	0.6
Other	249	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.6	0.4	0.5
HOW MUCH OF YOUR FIRST YEAR'S EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES (ROOM, BOARD TUITION, AND FEES) DO YOU EXPECT TO COVER FROM:								
Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)	246				1,469			
None		6.3	4.7	5.7		6.4	5.3	5.8
Less than \$1,000		3.1	4.7	3.7		3.0	3.6	3.3
\$1,000 to 2,999		6.3	5.8	6.1		4.9	4.8	4.8
\$3,000 to 5,999		5.6	7.0	6.1		5.4	6.5	6.0
\$6,000 to 9,999		5.0	10.5	6.9		5.5	6.6	6.1
\$10,000 +		73.8	67.4	71.5		74.8	73.2	73.9
My own resources (savings from work, work-study, other income)	246				1,469			
None		35.6	26.7	32.5		39.1	34.4	36.6
Less than \$1,000		15.0	24.4	18.3		17.8	23.9	21.1
\$1,000 to 2,999		29.4	33.7	30.9		27.3	28.0	27.7
\$3,000 to 5,999		10.6	11.6	11.0		8.8	9.0	8.9
\$6,000 to 9,999		2.5	2.3	2.4		2.5	2.6	2.6
\$10,000 +		6.9	1.2	4.9		4.5	2.0	3.1
Aid which need <u>not</u> be repaid (grants, scholarships, military funding, etc.)	244				1,469			
None		39.6	32.9	37.3		40.6	42.8	41.8
Less than \$1,000		4.4	8.2	5.7		3.4	5.8	4.7
\$1,000 to 2,999		8.8	10.6	9.4		10.4	9.8	10.1
\$3,000 to 5,999		5.7	5.9	5.7		6.1	5.0	5.5
\$6,000 to 9,999		4.4	3.5	4.1		3.6	3.5	3.5
\$10,000 +		37.1	38.8	37.7		35.8	33.2	34.4
Aid which <u>must</u> be repaid (loans, etc.)	240				1,469			
None		56.3	65.9	59.6		58.1	61.5	59.9
Less than \$1,000		1.9	1.2	1.7		1.9	1.6	1.8
\$1,000 to 2,999		6.3	4.9	5.8		7.2	6.1	6.6
\$3,000 to 5,999		16.5	13.4	15.4		11.6	14.4	13.1
\$6,000 to 9,999		5.1	2.4	4.2		5.7	4.6	5.1
\$10,000 +		13.9	12.2	13.3		15.5	11.8	13.5
Other than above	239				1,469			
None		94.9	91.5	93.7		93.7	94.0	93.9
Less than \$1,000		2.5	4.9	3.3		2.5	3.1	2.9
\$1,000 to 2,999		0.0	2.4	0.8		1.0	1.3	1.2
\$3,000 to 5,999		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.9	0.1	0.5
\$6,000 to 9,999		0.0	1.2	0.4		0.3	0.4	0.3
\$10,000 +		1.9	0.0	1.3		1.5	1.1	1.3

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
What is your <u>best estimate</u> of your parents' total income last year? Consider income from all sources before taxes	237				1,375			
Less than \$10,000		0.6	4.9	2.1		0.9	1.6	1.3
\$10,000 to 14,999		0.0	1.2	0.4		0.8	0.3	0.5
\$15,000 to 19,999		0.6	2.5	1.3		0.5	1.1	0.8
\$20,000 to 24,999		1.3	3.7	2.1		0.9	1.0	0.9
\$25,000 to 29,999		0.6	1.2	0.8		1.4	1.0	1.2
\$30,000 to 39,999		3.8	6.2	4.6		2.5	4.6	3.6
\$40,000 to 49,999		3.8	4.9	4.2		3.1	2.3	2.7
\$50,000 to 59,999		2.6	4.9	3.4		4.4	4.1	4.2
\$60,000 to 74,999		5.8	7.4	6.3		4.8	7.4	6.2
\$75,000 to 99,999		16.0	6.2	12.7		14.2	11.3	12.7
\$100,000 to 149,999		24.4	17.3	21.9		18.2	20.3	19.3
\$150,000 to 199,999		11.5	12.3	11.8		11.1	10.1	10.5
\$200,000 to 249,999		7.7	7.4	7.6		9.5	7.4	8.4
\$250,000 or more		21.2	19.8	20.7		27.7	27.6	27.6
Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?	247				1,455			
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)		37.9	40.7	38.9		41.7	39.0	40.2
Some (but I probably will have enough funds)		50.9	48.8	50.2		50.8	52.0	51.5
Major (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)		11.2	10.5	10.9		7.5	9.0	8.3
Your current religious preference	242				1,440			
Baptist		1.3	4.8	2.5		2.0	2.8	2.4
Buddhist		2.5	2.4	2.5		1.4	1.5	1.5
Church of Christ		1.3	1.2	1.2		1.8	0.9	1.3
Eastern Orthodox		0.6	1.2	0.8		0.8	1.3	1.0
Episcopalian		0.6	2.4	1.2		2.0	2.0	2.0
Hindu		3.2	1.2	2.5		2.9	2.7	2.8
Jewish		8.9	6.0	7.9		14.0	13.3	13.6
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	1.2	0.4		0.3	0.3	0.3
Lutheran		3.8	2.4	3.3		2.3	2.6	2.4
Methodist		3.2	1.2	2.5		4.0	4.3	4.2
Muslim		1.9	1.2	1.7		1.7	1.2	1.4
Presbyterian		7.6	8.3	7.9		5.9	5.2	5.6
Quaker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.5	0.3
Roman Catholic		25.3	21.4	24.0		20.7	19.2	19.9
Seventh Day Adventist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
United Church of Christ/Congregational		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.6	0.6	0.6
Other Christian		4.4	8.3	5.8		5.5	10.9	8.4
Other Religion		1.9	1.2	1.7		2.6	2.3	2.4
None		32.9	35.7	33.9		31.6	28.4	29.9

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Father's current religious preference	241				1,436			
Baptist		2.5	3.6	2.9		2.9	2.9	2.9
Buddhist		3.2	4.8	3.7		2.0	2.3	2.2
Church of Christ		3.2	1.2	2.5		2.6	1.4	1.9
Eastern Orthodox		1.9	1.2	1.7		1.2	1.5	1.4
Episcopalian		2.5	1.2	2.1		3.8	2.7	3.2
Hindu		3.8	2.4	3.3		3.8	3.2	3.5
Jewish		10.8	6.0	9.1		15.6	14.1	14.8
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Lutheran		4.4	4.8	4.6		3.5	3.5	3.5
Methodist		3.2	2.4	2.9		3.8	4.7	4.3
Muslim		2.5	1.2	2.1		2.1	1.8	1.9
Presbyterian		7.6	8.4	7.9		7.5	5.9	6.6
Quaker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Roman Catholic		27.2	21.7	25.3		22.6	21.3	21.9
Seventh Day Adventist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
United Church of Christ/Congregational		1.3	2.4	1.7		0.9	1.0	1.0
Other Christian		4.4	6.0	5.0		6.0	8.6	7.4
Other Religion		1.9	0.0	1.2		2.3	1.5	1.9
None		19.6	32.5	24.1		19.2	23.4	21.5
Mother's current religious preference	241				1,440			
Baptist		3.2	3.6	3.3		2.7	2.7	2.7
Buddhist		4.4	7.2	5.4		2.6	2.8	2.7
Church of Christ		3.2	2.4	2.9		2.7	1.8	2.2
Eastern Orthodox		1.9	1.2	1.7		1.5	1.7	1.6
Episcopalian		1.9	1.2	1.7		3.7	3.1	3.3
Hindu		4.4	3.6	4.1		3.8	3.7	3.8
Jewish		10.8	6.0	9.1		14.8	14.8	14.8
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	1.2	0.4		0.2	0.4	0.3
Lutheran		6.3	4.8	5.8		4.3	3.3	3.8
Methodist		4.4	2.4	3.7		4.4	5.9	5.2
Muslim		1.9	1.2	1.7		1.8	1.4	1.6
Presbyterian		6.3	10.8	7.9		7.8	6.6	7.2
Quaker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.3	0.3
Roman Catholic		31.0	25.3	29.0		25.9	23.4	24.5
Seventh Day Adventist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
United Church of Christ/Congregational		1.3	1.2	1.2		0.9	0.8	0.8
Other Christian		5.7	9.6	7.1		6.2	9.6	8.1
Other Religion		1.9	0.0	1.2		2.9	1.7	2.2
None		11.4	18.1	13.7		13.4	16.2	14.9

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	McCormick			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
During the past year, student "frequently" or "occasionally":								
Attended a religious service	247	65.4	70.5	67.2	1,462	68.5	74.0	71.5
Was bored in class [2]	247	30.2	33.0	31.2	1,464	32.4	33.9	33.2
Participated in political demonstrations	247	23.3	20.5	22.3	1,463	27.6	29.3	28.5
Tutored another student	248	83.8	85.2	84.3	1,465	78.6	82.3	80.6
Studied with other students	248	93.8	95.5	94.4	1,465	94.0	96.1	95.2
Was a guest in a teacher's home	247	26.4	23.9	25.5	1,464	28.0	29.4	28.8
Smoked cigarettes [2]	247	0.0	1.1	0.4	1,462	1.9	1.6	1.8
Drank beer	245	34.6	26.7	31.8	1,457	40.5	32.4	36.1
Drank wine or liquor	245	40.3	33.7	38.0	1,456	43.1	42.4	42.7
Felt overwhelmed by all I had to do [2]	247	16.4	31.8	21.9	1,464	18.9	41.7	31.3
Felt depressed [2]	247	3.1	5.7	4.0	1,461	6.0	8.1	7.1
Performed volunteer work	248	93.1	96.6	94.4	1,465	93.1	96.2	94.8
Played a musical instrument	248	62.5	63.6	62.9	1,465	65.7	58.5	61.8
Asked a teacher for advice after class [2]	247	22.6	28.4	24.7	1,464	28.9	33.5	31.4
Voted in a student election [2]	248	16.9	22.7	19.0	1,465	22.8	28.0	25.6
Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group [2]	247	78.0	72.7	76.1	1,464	78.6	77.5	78.0
Came late to class	247	56.6	54.5	55.9	1,463	57.9	58.5	58.2
Used the Internet: [2]								
For research or homework	248	92.5	94.3	93.1	1,466	89.4	92.6	91.1
To read news sites	248	65.6	52.3	60.9	1,466	68.9	59.5	63.8
To read blogs	247	27.7	29.5	28.3	1,464	28.9	29.4	29.2
To blog	247	10.1	15.9	12.1	1,464	9.0	11.8	10.5
Performed community service as part of a class	249	60.9	51.1	57.4	1,466	59.3	61.5	60.5
Discussed religion [2]	248	38.8	28.4	35.1	1,464	39.5	39.9	39.8
Discussed politics [2]	248	45.6	37.5	42.7	1,464	52.5	54.1	53.4
Worked on a local, state or national political campaign	248	10.6	6.8	9.3	1,465	16.3	15.6	15.9
Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" as compared with the average person of his/her age in:								
Academic ability	249	98.1	98.9	98.4	1,464	97.9	97.5	97.7
Artistic ability	248	33.8	51.1	39.9	1,463	44.4	47.9	46.3
Computer skills	249	64.0	43.2	56.6	1,464	57.8	33.2	44.4
Cooperativeness	248	83.1	86.4	84.3	1,463	82.3	82.0	82.2
Creativity	249	68.9	63.6	67.1	1,464	76.6	71.4	73.8
Drive to achieve	248	95.0	92.0	94.0	1,463	91.8	94.3	93.2
Emotional health	249	73.3	64.8	70.3	1,463	72.9	60.0	65.9
Leadership ability	249	80.1	77.3	79.1	1,464	82.3	79.5	80.8
Mathematical ability	249	96.9	94.3	96.0	1,464	85.9	68.3	76.4
Physical health	249	77.0	59.1	70.7	1,464	69.6	59.0	63.9
Popularity	249	56.5	33.0	48.2	1,464	59.3	45.7	51.9
Public speaking ability	249	55.9	40.9	50.6	1,464	67.4	58.2	62.4
Self-confidence (intellectual)	249	92.5	79.5	88.0	1,463	91.0	78.6	84.3
Self-confidence (social)	249	59.0	47.7	55.0	1,463	62.9	55.6	58.9
Self-understanding	249	77.0	69.3	74.3	1,464	77.7	68.5	72.7
Spirituality	248	37.5	38.6	37.9	1,462	39.1	37.0	38.0
Understanding of others	249	72.7	75.0	73.5	1,463	76.3	79.5	78.1
Writing ability	249	57.1	53.4	55.8	1,464	72.8	75.4	74.2

[2] Percentage responding "frequently" only.

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" as compared with the average person of his/her age in:								
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective	249	80.7	81.8	81.1	1,465	83.2	83.7	83.5
Tolerance of others with different beliefs	249	90.1	88.6	89.6	1,465	90.6	88.7	89.6
Openness to having my own views challenged	249	78.3	73.9	76.7	1,465	78.0	69.6	73.4
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues	249	85.7	71.6	80.7	1,465	85.3	76.3	80.4
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people	249	90.1	88.6	89.6	1,465	89.7	89.0	89.3
WHAT IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF FORMAL EDUCATION OBTAINED BY YOUR PARENTS?								
Father	249				1,459			
Grammar school or less		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.5	0.3	0.3
Some high school		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.6	0.6	0.6
High school graduate		3.1	5.7	4.0		3.8	3.5	3.6
Postsecondary school other than college		2.5	2.3	2.4		0.8	1.5	1.2
Some college		6.2	4.5	5.6		5.4	7.0	6.3
College degree		26.7	29.5	27.7		23.3	22.9	23.1
Some graduate school		2.5	5.7	3.6		2.7	3.3	3.0
Graduate degree		58.4	51.1	55.8		63.0	60.9	61.8
Mother	249				1,464			
Grammar school or less		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.2	0.0	0.1
Some high school		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.2	0.5	0.3
High school graduate		4.3	6.8	5.2		4.5	3.9	4.2
Postsecondary school other than college		2.5	2.3	2.4		1.4	1.6	1.5
Some college		8.1	9.1	8.4		8.0	7.6	7.8
College degree		40.4	42.0	41.0		39.3	39.7	39.5
Some graduate school		3.1	5.7	4.0		3.3	5.4	4.4
Graduate degree		41.0	33.0	38.2		43.2	41.2	42.1
During the past year, did you "frequently":								
Ask questions in class	249	67.1	60.2	64.7	1,468	70.4	70.7	70.6
Support your opinions with a logical argument	249	90.1	84.1	88.0	1,467	87.6	83.7	85.5
Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others	248	83.1	87.5	84.7	1,467	77.2	77.8	77.6
Revise your papers to improve your writing	248	52.5	64.8	56.9	1,465	58.5	73.1	66.4
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received	248	55.6	59.1	56.9	1,467	59.9	60.2	60.1
Take a risk because you feel you have more to gain	248	42.5	42.0	42.3	1,465	46.4	40.6	43.2
Seek alternative solutions to a problem	249	62.7	64.8	63.5	1,468	58.9	55.2	56.9
Look up scientific research articles and resources	248	44.4	39.8	42.7	1,467	38.3	32.4	35.1
Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class	248	49.4	36.4	44.8	1,467	51.5	42.4	46.6
Accept mistakes as part of the learning process	249	60.2	67.0	62.7	1,468	59.2	58.7	58.9
Seek feedback on your academic work	248	50.6	64.8	55.6	1,467	57.9	66.0	62.3
Take notes during class	249	67.1	86.4	73.9	1,468	65.5	86.9	77.1

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Your probable career occupation	247				1,459			
Accountant or actuary		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.9	0.9	0.9
Actor or entertainer		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.6	5.2	4.9
Architect or urban planner		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.3	0.6	0.5
Artist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.7	1.1	1.0
Business (clerical)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.3	0.3
Business executive (management, administrator)		15.0	5.7	11.7		16.0	8.1	11.7
Business owner or proprietor		3.8	0.0	2.4		3.7	1.0	2.3
Business salesperson or buyer		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.1	0.2
Clergy (minister, priest)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Clergy (other religious)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Clinical psychologist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	1.6	1.0
College administrator/staff		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
College teacher		1.3	2.3	1.6		1.8	1.4	1.6
Computer programmer or analyst		2.5	1.1	2.0		0.7	0.1	0.4
Conservationist or forester		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Dentist (including orthodontist)		1.3	0.0	0.8		0.4	0.6	0.5
Dietitian or nutritionist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Engineer		57.5	57.5	57.5		14.2	6.6	10.1
Farmer or rancher		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Foreign service worker (including diplomat)		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.0	2.4	1.8
Homemaker (full-time)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Interior decorator (including designer)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Lab technician or hygienist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Law enforcement officer		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Lawyer (attorney) or judge		2.5	3.4	2.8		7.2	5.2	6.1
Military service (career)		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.3	0.0	0.1
Musician (performer, composer)		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.9	3.0	3.9
Nurse		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.4	0.3
Optometrist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Pharmacist		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Physician		4.4	12.6	7.3		12.7	14.8	13.8
Policymaker/Government		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	2.0	1.8
School counselor		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
School principal or superintendent		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Scientific researcher		3.1	4.6	3.6		4.2	2.1	3.1
Social, welfare, or recreation worker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.5	0.4
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	1.0	0.5
Teacher or administrator (elementary)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4	0.2
Teacher or administrator (secondary)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	0.6	0.8
Veterinarian		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Writer or journalist		0.6	0.0	0.4		6.1	15.8	11.4
Skilled trades		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Laborer (unskilled)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Semi-skilled worker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unemployed		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other		0.0	1.1	0.4		2.7	3.2	2.9
Undecided		6.3	10.3	7.7		13.3	19.2	16.5

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	McCormick			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Your father's occupation [3]	246				1,449			
Artist		0.0	1.1	0.4		2.4	1.5	1.9
Business		40.9	41.4	41.1		37.9	33.4	35.5
Business (clerical)		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.5	1.1	0.8
Clergy		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.9	0.5	0.7
College teacher		3.8	4.6	4.1		2.7	3.0	2.9
Doctor (MD or DDS)		8.8	5.7	7.7		11.5	12.8	12.2
Education (secondary)		1.3	0.0	0.8		2.0	0.9	1.4
Education (elementary)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.6	0.4	0.5
Engineer		15.7	11.5	14.2		9.1	9.0	9.0
Farmer or forester		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.4	0.3
Health professional		2.5	1.1	2.0		1.4	0.8	1.0
Homemaker (full-time)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Lawyer		3.1	4.6	3.7		8.3	9.3	8.8
Military (career)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	0.4	0.4
Nurse		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Research scientist		0.6	3.4	1.6		1.2	3.6	2.5
Social/welfare/rec worker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4	0.2
Skilled worker		3.8	2.3	3.3		2.7	2.5	2.6
Semi-skilled worker		0.6	1.1	0.8		1.4	1.1	1.2
Unskilled worker		1.3	1.1	1.2		0.5	0.9	0.7
Unemployed		0.0	2.3	0.8		1.1	2.4	1.8
Other		16.4	17.2	16.7		15.3	15.2	15.3
Your mother's occupation [3]	247				1,452			
Artist		2.5	1.1	2.0		5.3	3.8	4.5
Business		18.1	18.4	18.2		15.7	16.3	16.0
Business (clerical)		1.9	2.3	2.0		2.4	2.5	2.5
Clergy		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.6	0.6	0.6
College teacher		1.3	2.3	1.6		2.1	1.3	1.7
Doctor (MD or DDS)		4.4	3.4	4.0		4.2	5.2	4.8
Education (secondary)		3.1	2.3	2.8		6.6	4.8	5.6
Education (elementary)		5.0	1.1	3.6		5.4	4.3	4.8
Engineer		1.9	2.3	2.0		2.1	2.0	2.1
Farmer or forester		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	0.0	0.2
Health professional		5.0	4.6	4.9		3.8	3.5	3.7
Homemaker (full-time)		20.0	19.5	19.8		17.6	19.6	18.7
Lawyer		3.1	0.0	2.0		3.5	3.9	3.7
Military (career)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Nurse		2.5	5.7	3.6		3.9	5.1	4.5
Research scientist		0.6	2.3	1.2		0.6	1.8	1.2
Social/welfare/rec worker		2.5	1.1	2.0		2.1	1.9	2.0
Skilled worker		1.3	0.0	0.8		0.9	0.6	0.8
Semi-skilled worker		1.3	1.1	1.2		1.4	1.5	1.4
Unskilled worker		0.0	2.3	0.8		0.2	0.9	0.6
Unemployed		7.5	6.9	7.3		7.1	4.7	5.8
Other		17.5	21.8	19.0		13.9	15.5	14.7
How would you characterize your political views?	246				1,457			
Far left		3.8	6.9	4.9		4.7	5.8	5.3
Liberal		39.6	47.1	42.3		48.0	54.4	51.5
Middle-of-the-road		39.0	33.3	37.0		31.5	28.2	29.7
Conservative		15.7	12.6	14.6		15.1	11.3	13.0
Far right		1.9	0.0	1.2		0.8	0.3	0.5

[3] Recategorization of this item from a longer list is shown in Appendix C of "The American Freshman".

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	McCormick			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Student agrees "strongly" or "somewhat:"								
There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals	245	48.4	40.7	45.7	1,440	46.1	44.0	45.0
Abortion should be legal	246	80.5	72.4	77.6	1,446	79.2	77.9	78.5
The death penalty should be abolished	243	44.6	45.3	44.9	1,440	51.8	56.2	54.2
Marijuana should be legalized	243	51.0	34.9	45.3	1,440	54.1	44.2	48.8
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships	245	17.8	15.9	17.1	1,445	12.7	11.6	12.1
Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America	247	14.5	12.5	13.8	1,449	17.1	12.4	14.6
Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society	244	24.5	23.5	24.2	1,445	24.6	17.8	20.9
Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now	244	63.3	64.0	63.5	1,439	62.2	63.1	62.7
Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status	244	75.8	79.3	77.0	1,443	78.8	83.0	81.1
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished	243	65.0	57.0	62.1	1,435	64.2	60.8	62.4
Federal military spending should be increased	242	17.8	7.1	14.0	1,433	16.1	11.4	13.5
The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns	245	79.9	93.0	84.5	1,443	81.0	90.7	86.2
Only volunteers should serve in the armed forces	242	80.9	77.6	79.8	1,441	82.9	82.2	82.5
The federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution	246	88.7	90.8	89.4	1,446	86.9	92.1	89.7
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs	244	63.3	79.1	68.9	1,438	68.7	78.0	73.7
Undocumented immigrants should be denied access to public education	244	43.9	31.0	39.3	1,431	40.5	29.0	34.3
Through hard work, everybody can succeed in American society	245	75.5	57.0	69.0	1,445	71.6	67.2	69.2
Dissent is a critical component of the political process	240	87.9	75.9	83.8	1,420	91.1	86.7	88.7
Colleges have the right to ban extreme speakers from campus	244	41.1	44.2	42.2	1,440	44.3	36.3	40.0
Students from disadvantaged social backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admissions	242	35.7	35.3	35.5	1,439	42.0	37.9	39.7
The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit	242	49.0	36.5	44.6	1,430	51.5	41.9	46.3
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority	245	79.2	86.0	81.6	1,446	82.2	85.8	84.2

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?								
Studying/homework	249				1,461			
None		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.3	0.1	0.2
Less than one hour		2.5	0.0	1.6		2.6	0.8	1.6
1 to 2 hours		8.7	5.7	7.6		8.9	4.9	6.7
3 to 5 hours		20.5	8.0	16.1		18.8	11.3	14.7
6 to 10 hours		22.4	28.4	24.5		24.9	23.9	24.4
11 to 15 hours		25.5	12.5	20.9		24.0	22.4	23.1
16 to 20 hours		9.9	18.2	12.9		10.1	18.1	14.4
Over 20 hours		9.9	27.3	16.1		10.5	18.5	14.9
Socializing with friends	249				1,462			
None		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Less than one hour		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.8	0.6	0.7
1 to 2 hours		8.1	3.4	6.4		4.8	4.1	4.4
3 to 5 hours		17.4	33.0	22.9		17.3	22.6	20.2
6 to 10 hours		33.5	36.4	34.5		32.9	36.2	34.7
11 to 15 hours		17.4	15.9	16.9		20.1	21.5	20.9
16 to 20 hours		12.4	4.5	9.6		13.5	7.4	10.2
Over 20 hours		10.6	6.8	9.2		10.7	7.3	8.8
Talking with teachers outside of class	249				1,462			
None		7.5	4.5	6.4		5.4	3.8	4.5
Less than one hour		41.6	34.1	39.0		40.4	33.5	36.7
1 to 2 hours		38.5	36.4	37.8		37.1	40.5	38.9
3 to 5 hours		9.9	21.6	14.1		13.5	19.0	16.5
6 to 10 hours		1.9	2.3	2.0		2.6	2.4	2.5
11 to 15 hours		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.8	0.5	0.6
16 to 20 hours		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.2	0.4	0.3
Over 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Exercise or sports	249				1,462			
None		2.5	2.3	2.4		2.1	2.9	2.5
Less than one hour		3.1	9.1	5.2		6.5	8.7	7.7
1 to 2 hours		8.7	14.8	10.8		11.6	16.8	14.4
3 to 5 hours		19.3	21.6	20.1		23.0	23.7	23.4
6 to 10 hours		29.8	15.9	24.9		25.4	19.8	22.4
11 to 15 hours		24.8	17.0	22.1		16.4	15.8	16.1
16 to 20 hours		6.2	11.4	8.0		7.2	6.7	6.9
Over 20 hours		5.6	8.0	6.4		8.0	5.5	6.6
Partying	247				1,456			
None		32.5	42.5	36.0		30.2	35.8	33.2
Less than one hour		19.4	27.6	22.3		15.9	17.2	16.6
1 to 2 hours		16.9	14.9	16.2		20.0	19.7	19.8
3 to 5 hours		16.3	11.5	14.6		20.8	18.8	19.7
6 to 10 hours		10.0	3.4	7.7		9.5	6.8	8.0
11 to 15 hours		2.5	0.0	1.6		2.1	1.5	1.8
16 to 20 hours		1.3	0.0	0.8		0.8	0.0	0.3
Over 20 hours		1.3	0.0	0.8		0.8	0.1	0.4

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DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?								
Working (for pay)	248				1,461			
None		58.8	61.4	59.7		59.4	52.4	55.6
Less than one hour		1.3	3.4	2.0		3.5	4.0	3.8
1 to 2 hours		6.9	6.8	6.9		7.2	8.0	7.7
3 to 5 hours		8.8	10.2	9.3		9.2	11.6	10.5
6 to 10 hours		11.3	11.4	11.3		8.6	11.6	10.2
11 to 15 hours		5.6	4.5	5.2		6.2	7.2	6.7
16 to 20 hours		4.4	0.0	2.8		3.5	3.4	3.4
Over 20 hours		3.1	2.3	2.8		2.6	1.9	2.2
Volunteer work	247				1,459			
None		22.5	13.8	19.4		20.2	12.3	15.9
Less than one hour		23.8	23.0	23.5		22.7	20.4	21.5
1 to 2 hours		33.1	35.6	34.0		32.0	34.6	33.4
3 to 5 hours		14.4	20.7	16.6		18.0	22.0	20.2
6 to 10 hours		4.4	3.4	4.0		4.4	7.6	6.1
11 to 15 hours		1.3	1.1	1.2		1.5	1.9	1.7
16 to 20 hours		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.3	0.5	0.4
Over 20 hours		0.0	2.3	0.8		0.9	0.6	0.8
Student clubs/groups	248				1,459			
None		8.8	10.2	9.3		8.3	5.5	6.8
Less than one hour		13.8	8.0	11.7		9.9	6.4	8.0
1 to 2 hours		26.3	25.0	25.8		27.4	23.4	25.2
3 to 5 hours		30.6	27.3	29.4		25.1	29.5	27.5
6 to 10 hours		12.5	15.9	13.7		13.4	19.0	16.4
11 to 15 hours		4.4	8.0	5.6		6.8	8.9	8.0
16 to 20 hours		1.9	2.3	2.0		3.9	3.1	3.5
Over 20 hours		1.9	3.4	2.4		5.3	4.0	4.6
Watching TV	248				1,458			
None		10.0	8.0	9.3		8.9	7.8	8.3
Less than one hour		13.1	11.4	12.5		10.5	12.4	11.5
1 to 2 hours		28.1	27.3	27.8		23.3	25.1	24.3
3 to 5 hours		24.4	29.5	26.2		28.0	32.4	30.4
6 to 10 hours		17.5	15.9	16.9		17.9	15.9	16.8
11 to 15 hours		5.6	5.7	5.6		5.9	4.0	4.9
16 to 20 hours		0.6	0.0	0.4		2.6	1.6	2.1
Over 20 hours		0.6	2.3	1.2		3.0	0.8	1.8
Household/childcare duties	247				1,458			
None		20.0	11.5	17.0		19.4	13.9	16.4
Less than one hour		29.4	24.1	27.5		23.9	25.3	24.7
1 to 2 hours		27.5	33.3	29.6		31.7	35.1	33.5
3 to 5 hours		18.1	23.0	19.8		19.8	19.5	19.7
6 to 10 hours		3.8	5.7	4.5		3.9	4.2	4.0
11 to 15 hours		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.5	1.4	1.0
16 to 20 hours		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.3	0.5	0.4
Over 20 hours		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.5	0.1	0.3

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DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?								
Reading for pleasure	248				1,458			
None		23.8	13.6	20.2		15.8	12.0	13.7
Less than one hour		19.4	25.0	21.4		21.5	20.9	21.2
1 to 2 hours		30.0	30.7	30.2		31.7	30.5	31.1
3 to 5 hours		17.5	19.3	18.1		19.5	23.8	21.9
6 to 10 hours		6.9	9.1	7.7		7.8	9.1	8.5
11 to 15 hours		1.9	2.3	2.0		2.3	2.1	2.2
16 to 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	0.5	0.5
Over 20 hours		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.9	1.0	1.0
Playing video/computer games	248				1,459			
None		20.0	56.8	33.1		24.4	67.5	47.8
Less than one hour		15.0	20.5	16.9		16.4	17.1	16.8
1 to 2 hours		20.0	10.2	16.5		21.4	9.4	14.9
3 to 5 hours		21.9	9.1	17.3		20.5	4.7	11.9
6 to 10 hours		16.3	2.3	11.3		10.7	0.6	5.2
11 to 15 hours		3.1	1.1	2.4		3.9	0.3	1.9
16 to 20 hours		1.9	0.0	1.2		1.2	0.0	0.5
Over 20 hours		1.9	0.0	1.2		1.7	0.4	1.0
Online social networks (MySpace, Facebook, etc.)	248				1,459			
None		8.8	6.8	8.1		7.7	4.5	6.0
Less than one hour		18.1	13.6	16.5		15.9	13.2	14.5
1 to 2 hours		35.0	22.7	30.6		32.8	28.7	30.6
3 to 5 hours		24.4	36.4	28.6		25.1	32.0	28.9
6 to 10 hours		11.3	13.6	12.1		11.6	15.1	13.5
11 to 15 hours		0.6	6.8	2.8		4.1	4.3	4.2
16 to 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.1	1.0	1.0
Over 20 hours		1.9	0.0	1.2		1.8	1.1	1.4
Are you: [4]	249				1,460			
White/Caucasian		65.2	64.8	65.1		68.4	68.6	68.5
African American/Black		4.3	3.4	4.0		2.9	4.9	4.0
American Indian/Alaska Native		1.2	0.0	0.8		0.9	0.8	0.8
Asian American/Asian		31.7	35.2	32.9		26.8	26.4	26.6
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.6	0.3	0.4
Mexican American/Chicano		1.9	2.3	2.0		2.4	2.4	2.4
Puerto Rican		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	1.1	0.8
Other Latino		3.1	1.1	2.4		4.5	4.5	4.5
Other		1.9	0.0	1.2		2.0	3.1	2.6

[4] Percentages will add to more than 100.0 if any student marked more than one category.

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Reasons noted as "very important" in influencing student's decision to attend this particular college								
My parents wanted me to come here	248	8.1	19.3	12.1	1,460	11.3	15.2	13.4
My relatives wanted me to come here	248	0.6	1.1	0.8	1,456	2.6	3.3	3.0
My teacher advised me	247	3.8	3.4	3.6	1,453	6.3	7.8	7.2
This college has a very good academic reputation	247	92.5	93.1	92.7	1,461	92.5	92.6	92.5
This college has a good reputation for its social activities	246	30.0	32.6	30.9	1,456	33.0	36.4	34.9
I was offered financial assistance	246	35.0	38.4	36.2	1,449	29.3	31.9	30.7
The cost of attending this college	246	24.4	24.4	24.4	1,449	20.4	22.1	21.3
High school counselor advised me	245	6.9	8.2	7.3	1,452	7.7	8.4	8.1
Private college counselor advised me	244	3.8	2.4	3.3	1,442	4.5	2.9	3.7
I wanted to live near home	246	4.4	7.0	5.3	1,455	4.1	5.6	4.9
Not offered aid by first choice	245	5.6	12.9	8.2	1,436	5.9	7.5	6.8
Could not afford first choice	243	3.1	9.6	5.3	1,431	4.9	5.4	5.2
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	245	58.8	61.2	59.6	1,451	58.1	58.7	58.4
This college's graduates get good jobs	246	75.0	70.9	73.6	1,454	70.6	74.7	72.8
I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college	245	0.6	0.0	0.4	1,443	1.1	2.1	1.6
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	246	31.3	47.7	37.0	1,455	31.5	41.1	36.7
Rankings in national magazines	246	43.8	50.0	45.9	1,456	39.9	42.0	41.1
Information from a website	246	20.6	33.7	25.2	1,446	22.5	28.9	25.9
I was admitted through an Early Action or Early Decision program	246	13.1	25.6	17.5	1,442	15.9	27.3	22.1
The athletic department recruited me	245	1.3	5.9	2.9	1,434	3.8	5.8	4.9
A visit to campus	246	43.1	53.5	46.7	1,451	45.3	56.0	51.1

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
YOUR PROBABLE MAJOR								
Arts and Humanities	249				1,464			
Art, fine and applied		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.4	0.5	0.5
English (language & literature)		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	4.0	2.9
History		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.7	1.5	1.2
Journalism		0.0	0.0	0.0		6.0	13.8	10.2
Language and Literature (except English)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	1.5	0.9
Music		0.0	0.0	0.0		5.4	3.4	4.3
Philosophy		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	0.3	0.5
Speech		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.6	0.1	0.3
Theater or Drama		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.9	5.4	5.2
Theology or Religion		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Arts and Humanities		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.7	2.0	1.4
Biological Science								
Biology (general)		0.6	0.0	0.4		4.0	6.2	5.2
Biochemistry or Biophysics		1.2	0.0	0.8		2.5	1.6	2.0
Botany		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Environmental Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.6	0.5
Marine (Life) Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Microbiology or Bacteriology		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.3	0.8	0.5
Zoology		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Biological Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.8	0.5
Business								
Accounting		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4	0.2
Business Admin. (general)		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	0.8	1.1
Finance		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.2	1.8	2.9
International Business		0.0	2.3	0.8		1.9	1.8	1.8
Marketing		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.6	0.9	0.8
Management		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.6	1.4	1.0
Secretarial Studies		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Business		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Education								
Business Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.3	0.2
Elementary Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Music or Art Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.4	0.1	0.3
Physical Education or Recreation		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Secondary Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.5	0.4
Special Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Education		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Engineering								
Aeronautical or Astronautical Engineering		1.2	0.0	0.8		0.3	0.0	0.1
Civil Engineering		7.5	9.1	8.0		1.8	1.0	1.4
Chemical Engineering		12.4	14.8	13.3		3.1	1.6	2.3
Computer Engineering		6.2	0.0	4.0		1.5	0.0	0.7
Electrical or Electronic Engineering		10.6	5.7	8.8		2.5	0.6	1.5
Industrial Engineering		8.1	6.8	7.6		2.4	0.8	1.5
Mechanical Engineering		17.4	9.1	14.5		4.3	1.0	2.5
Other Engineering		26.1	36.4	29.7		6.3	4.3	5.2

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YOUR PROBABLE MAJOR								
Physical Science								
Astronomy		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Atmospheric Science (incl. Meteorology)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Chemistry		0.6	0.0	0.4		2.5	2.0	2.3
Earth Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.1	0.1
Marine Science (incl. Oceanography)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Mathematics		1.2	1.1	1.2		2.1	1.1	1.6
Physics		0.6	0.0	0.4		1.5	0.4	0.9
Other Physical Science		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.7	0.5	0.6
Professional								
Architecture or Urban Planning		0.6	1.1	0.8		0.1	0.3	0.2
Family & Consumer Sciences		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Health Technology (medical, dental, laboratory)		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.1	0.1	0.1
Library or Archival Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine		0.6	5.7	2.4		4.6	6.0	5.4
Nursing		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Pharmacy		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Therapy (occupational, physical, speech)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.4	0.3
Other Professional		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Social Science								
Anthropology		0.0	1.1	0.4		0.4	1.4	1.0
Economics		0.6	0.0	0.4		10.9	3.4	6.8
Ethnic Studies		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.0	0.1
Geography		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Political Science (gov't., international relations)		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.5	5.0	4.8
Psychology		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	4.3	3.0
Public Policy		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.9	0.5
Social Work		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.1	0.1
Sociology		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.4	0.4	0.4
Women's Studies		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Social Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.3	0.1
Technical								
Building Trades		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Data Processing or Computer Programming		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.3	0.0	0.1
Drafting or Design		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Electronics		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Mechanics		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Technical		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Fields								
Agriculture		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Communications		0.6	0.0	0.4		2.5	5.3	4.0
Computer Science		1.2	1.1	1.2		0.3	0.1	0.2
Forestry		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Kinesiology		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Law Enforcement		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
Military Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Other Field		0.6	0.0	0.4		0.3	0.3	0.3
Undecided		0.0	2.3	0.8		4.8	7.7	6.4

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Objectives considered to be "essential" or "very important":								
Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts (acting, dancing, etc.)	247	15.7	17.0	16.2	1,457	26.1	30.9	28.7
Becoming an authority in my field	247	74.8	71.6	73.7	1,459	76.8	75.1	75.9
Obtaining recognition from my colleagues for contributions to my special field	247	62.9	61.4	62.3	1,458	67.3	66.4	66.8
Influencing the political structure	246	16.4	11.5	14.6	1,455	27.6	25.3	26.3
Influencing social values	246	27.0	40.2	31.7	1,454	41.3	46.6	44.2
Raising a family	246	78.6	69.0	75.2	1,457	77.3	72.8	74.8
Being very well off financially	247	76.7	70.5	74.5	1,457	71.5	65.3	68.2
Helping others who are in difficulty	247	64.2	79.5	69.6	1,458	67.9	77.6	73.2
Making a theoretical contribution to science	246	41.5	43.7	42.3	1,455	27.9	16.6	21.7
Writing original works (poems, novels, short stories, etc.)	246	10.7	10.3	10.6	1,458	25.2	29.5	27.5
Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, decorating, etc.)	247	10.7	14.8	12.1	1,456	16.1	18.1	17.2
Becoming successful in a business of my own	246	40.9	34.5	38.6	1,454	39.6	30.8	34.8
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment	247	39.6	44.3	41.3	1,457	31.6	33.7	32.7
Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	247	66.0	67.0	66.4	1,455	68.4	65.7	66.9
Participating in a community action program	244	25.2	47.1	32.8	1,452	28.9	44.3	37.3
Helping to promote racial understanding	245	32.7	43.0	36.3	1,454	37.5	46.2	42.2
Keeping up to date with political affairs	245	55.3	50.0	53.5	1,454	61.7	61.3	61.5
Becoming a community leader	246	37.1	33.3	35.8	1,455	42.9	44.5	43.8
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures	246	64.8	69.0	66.3	1,456	71.5	78.9	75.5
Adopting "green" practices to protect the environment	246	54.7	62.1	57.3	1,456	51.4	62.4	57.3

2008 TFS INSTITUTIONAL SUMMARY

Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	McCormick			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
Student estimates chances are "very good" that he/she will:								
Change major field	246	18.2	11.5	15.9	1,457	19.8	21.6	20.8
Change career choice	246	20.8	18.4	19.9	1,456	22.0	26.0	24.2
Participate in student government	247	6.3	9.1	7.3	1,458	8.3	13.4	11.0
Get a job to help pay for college expenses	246	51.6	54.0	52.4	1,456	45.2	53.2	49.5
Work full-time while attending college	247	1.3	2.3	1.6	1,457	1.5	1.6	1.6
Join a social fraternity or sorority	247	10.1	11.4	10.5	1,457	12.8	20.3	16.9
Play varsity/intercollegiate athletics	247	16.4	14.8	15.8	1,457	12.0	11.2	11.6
Make at least a "B" average	248	90.0	84.1	87.9	1,459	90.2	84.3	87.0
Need extra time to complete your degree requirements	247	5.0	3.4	4.5	1,458	3.5	3.0	3.2
Participate in student protests or demonstrations	246	10.1	6.9	8.9	1,453	11.6	14.7	13.3
Transfer to another college before graduating	246	1.3	2.3	1.6	1,455	0.9	1.1	1.0
Be satisfied with your college	247	78.6	85.2	81.0	1,457	82.2	84.2	83.3
Participate in volunteer or community service work	247	38.4	58.0	45.3	1,457	39.5	62.5	52.0
Seek personal counseling	247	7.5	9.1	8.1	1,453	6.8	9.5	8.3
Communicate regularly with your professors	247	57.9	63.6	59.9	1,457	65.4	71.6	68.8
Socialize with someone of another racial/ethnic group	246	84.3	89.7	86.2	1,457	88.1	94.8	91.8
Participate in student clubs/groups	247	71.1	83.0	75.3	1,458	74.2	87.0	81.2
Participate in a study abroad program	247	32.1	58.0	41.3	1,457	42.6	68.9	56.9
Have a roommate of different race/ethnicity	246	54.1	58.6	55.7	1,454	49.3	58.3	54.2
Discuss course content with students outside of class	247	79.2	83.0	80.6	1,458	79.4	86.4	83.2
Work on a professor's research project	247	44.0	52.3	47.0	1,457	34.2	37.9	36.2
Get tutoring help in specific courses	247	18.9	31.8	23.5	1,455	18.4	29.8	24.6