

**2008 TFS INSTITUTIONAL SUMMARY**

Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Men	Speech Women	Total	# Resp- ondents	Men	Northwestern Women	Total
<b>Number of Respondents</b>	69	114	183		670	799	1,469	
<b>How old will you be on December 31 of this year?</b>	183				1,468			
16 or younger		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.3	0.2
17		0.0	2.6	1.6		1.5	2.8	2.2
18		65.2	64.9	65.0		67.0	69.9	68.6
19		33.3	31.6	32.2		29.9	25.9	27.7
20		1.4	0.9	1.1		1.0	1.0	1.0
21 to 24		0.0	0.0	0.0		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
<b>Is English your native language?</b>	183				1,469			
Yes		98.6	92.1	94.5		87.2	86.0	86.5
No		1.4	7.9	5.5		12.8	14.0	13.5
<b>In what year did you graduate from high school?</b>	183				1,469			
2008		98.6	100.0	99.5		99.1	98.9	99.0
2007		1.4	0.0	0.5		0.4	1.1	0.8
2006		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.0	0.1
2005 or earlier		0.0	0.0	0.0		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
<b>How many miles is this college from your permanent home?</b>	183				1,469			
5 or less		1.4	0.9	1.1		2.2	1.5	1.8
6 to 10		0.0	0.0	0.0		2.1	1.9	2.0
11 to 50		5.8	7.0	6.6		15.1	11.3	13.0
51 to 100		4.3	3.5	3.8		3.7	4.3	4.0
101 to 500		20.3	23.7	22.4		18.2	21.3	19.9
Over 500		68.1	64.9	66.1		58.7	59.8	59.3
<b>What was your average grade in high school?</b>	183				1,469			
A or A+		52.2	58.8	56.3		55.2	61.6	58.7
A-		33.3	33.3	33.3		33.0	29.9	31.3
B+		11.6	7.9	9.3		10.0	7.1	8.4
B		1.4	0.0	0.5		1.5	1.4	1.4
B-		1.4	0.0	0.5		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
<b>From what kind of high school did you graduate?</b>	183				1,469			
Public school ( <u>not</u> charter or magnet)		65.2	57.9	60.7		61.6	66.2	64.1
Public charter school		0.0	0.9	0.5		1.5	0.5	1.0
Public magnet school		5.8	6.1	6.0		4.3	4.1	4.2
Private religious/parochial school		7.2	12.3	10.4		12.7	9.8	11.1
Private independent college-prep school		21.7	22.8	22.4		19.9	18.9	19.3
Home school		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.5	0.3
<b>Prior to this term, have you ever taken courses for credit at <u>this</u> institution?</b>	183				1,469			
No		95.7	100.0	98.4		94.8	96.5	95.7
Yes		4.3	0.0	1.6		5.2	3.5	4.3

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<b>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)?</b>	183				1,469			
No		87.0	89.5	88.5		90.3	90.2	90.3
Yes		13.0	10.5	11.5		9.7	9.8	9.7
<b>Where do you plan to live during the fall term?</b>	183				1,469			
With my family or other relatives		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.1	0.5	0.3
Other private home, apartment, or room		0.0	0.9	0.5		0.0	0.1	0.1
College residence hall		97.1	96.5	96.7		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		2.9	2.6	2.7		4.6	3.4	3.9
Other		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>To how many colleges other than this one did you apply for admission this year?</b>	182				1,467			
None		13.2	12.3	12.6		8.8	10.3	9.6
One		1.5	3.5	2.7		3.9	5.4	4.7
Two		2.9	2.6	2.7		4.3	5.3	4.8
Three		5.9	9.6	8.2		5.4	6.6	6.1
Four		5.9	4.4	4.9		8.4	8.4	8.4
Five		10.3	12.3	11.5		10.5	8.6	9.5
Six		14.7	11.4	12.6		8.7	9.0	8.9
Seven to ten		30.9	28.1	29.1		35.9	30.9	33.2
Eleven or more		14.7	15.8	15.4		14.1	15.5	14.9
<b>Were you accepted by your first choice college?</b>	182				1,466			
Yes		75.4	75.2	75.3		53.8	65.7	60.3
No		24.6	24.8	24.7		46.2	34.3	39.7
<b>Is this college your:</b>	182				1,465			
First choice?		73.9	69.9	71.4		50.4	62.6	57.0
Second choice?		14.5	22.1	19.2		26.0	20.2	22.9
Third choice?		8.7	5.3	6.6		14.5	11.2	12.7
Less than third choice?		2.9	2.7	2.7		9.1	6.0	7.4
<b>Citizenship status</b>	183				1,465			
U.S. citizen		95.7	95.6	95.6		90.3	91.7	91.1
Permanent resident (green card)		1.4	1.8	1.6		3.6	2.5	3.0
Neither		2.9	2.6	2.7		6.1	5.8	5.9
<b>Are your parents:</b>	183				1,468			
Both alive and living with each other?		82.6	79.8	80.9		85.5	82.5	83.9
Both alive, divorced or living apart?		15.9	20.2	18.6		11.8	15.3	13.7
One or both deceased?		1.4	0.0	0.5		2.7	2.3	2.5

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Men	Speech Women	Total	# Resp- ondents	Men	Northwestern Women	Total
<b>During high school (grades 9-12) how many years did you study each of the following subjects? [1]</b>								
English (4 years)	183	97.1	100.0	98.9	1,467	98.5	99.7	99.2
Mathematics (3 years)	183	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,466	99.7	99.7	99.7
Foreign Language (2 years)	183	100.0	97.4	98.4	1,466	98.8	98.6	98.7
Physical Science (2 years)	182	73.5	61.4	65.9	1,466	80.5	71.9	75.9
Biological Science (2 years)	183	59.4	49.1	53.0	1,466	51.7	58.3	55.3
History/Am. Govt. (1 year)	183	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,463	99.7	99.7	99.7
Computer Science (1/2 year)	183	49.3	35.1	40.4	1,466	48.1	37.8	42.5
Arts and/or Music (1 year)	183	95.7	96.5	96.2	1,464	87.3	92.1	89.9
<b>WHAT IS THE HIGHEST ACADEMIC DREGREE THAT YOU INTEND TO OBTAIN?</b>								
<b>Highest planned</b>	175				1,441			
None		1.5	0.9	1.1		0.3	0.6	0.5
Vocational certificate		1.5	0.0	0.6		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.)		15.2	21.1	18.9		6.4	8.5	7.5
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)		45.5	59.6	54.3		41.3	41.4	41.4
Ph.D. or Ed.D.		22.7	8.3	13.7		25.4	20.1	22.6
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M.		4.5	3.7	4.0		15.9	18.3	17.2
J.D. (Law)		7.6	4.6	5.7		9.4	9.7	9.6
B.D. or M.DIV. (Divinity)		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.0	0.1	0.1
Other		1.5	0.9	1.1		1.1	0.9	1.0
<b>Highest planned at this college</b>	169				1,426			
None		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4	0.2
Vocational certificate		1.6	0.0	0.6		0.2	0.3	0.2
Associate (A.A. or equivalent)		1.6	0.9	1.2		1.2	1.2	1.2
Bachelor's degree (B.A., B.S., etc.)		82.5	86.8	85.2		67.9	73.4	70.9
Master's degree (M.A., M.S., etc.)		11.1	8.5	9.5		19.5	15.2	17.2
Ph.D. or Ed.D.		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.0	2.6	3.2
M.D., D.O., D.D.S., D.V.M.		1.6	1.9	1.8		4.6	4.7	4.6
J.D. (Law)		1.6	1.9	1.8		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		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	1.2	0.8
<b>HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE THE RACIAL COMPOSITION OF THE:</b>								
<b>High school I last attended</b>	183				1,463			
Completely non-White		4.3	1.8	2.7		2.4	2.6	2.5
Mostly non-White		7.2	5.3	6.0		7.3	7.5	7.5
Roughly half non-White		24.6	25.4	25.1		18.4	23.6	21.3
Mostly White		59.4	64.9	62.8		65.8	60.9	63.2
Completely White		4.3	2.6	3.3		6.0	5.3	5.6
<b>Neighborhood where I grew up</b>	183				1,465			
Completely non-White		5.8	0.9	2.7		5.2	3.5	4.3
Mostly non-White		4.3	8.8	7.1		6.0	6.5	6.3
Roughly half non-White		17.4	7.9	11.5		11.1	10.3	10.6
Mostly White		59.4	58.8	59.0		61.4	64.9	63.3
Completely White		13.0	23.7	19.7		16.3	14.8	15.5

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

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Men	Speech Women	Total	# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
						Men	Women	Total
<b>Do you have a disability?</b>								
Hearing	183	0.0	1.8	1.1	1,469	0.3	0.4	0.3
Speech	183	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.0	0.0	0.0
Orthopedic	183	0.0	0.9	0.5	1,469	0.1	0.1	0.1
Learning disability	183	2.9	2.6	2.7	1,469	1.3	1.5	1.4
Partially sighted or blind	183	0.0	1.8	1.1	1,469	1.0	1.1	1.1
Health-related	183	0.0	0.9	0.5	1,469	0.6	0.6	0.6
Other	183	0.0	0.0	0.0	1,469	0.6	0.4	0.5
<b>HOW MUCH OF YOUR FIRST YEAR'S EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES (ROOM, BOARD TUITION, AND FEES) DO YOU EXPECT TO COVER FROM:</b>								
<b>Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)</b>	178				1,469			
None		2.9	1.8	2.2		6.4	5.3	5.8
Less than \$1,000		2.9	5.5	4.5		3.0	3.6	3.3
\$1,000 to 2,999		8.8	2.7	5.1		4.9	4.8	4.8
\$3,000 to 5,999		7.4	5.5	6.2		5.4	6.5	6.0
\$6,000 to 9,999		2.9	4.5	3.9		5.5	6.6	6.1
\$10,000 +		75.0	80.0	78.1		74.8	73.2	73.9
<b>My own resources (savings from work, work-study, other income)</b>	179				1,469			
None		25.4	31.3	29.1		39.1	34.4	36.6
Less than \$1,000		22.4	28.6	26.3		17.8	23.9	21.1
\$1,000 to 2,999		32.8	25.9	28.5		27.3	28.0	27.7
\$3,000 to 5,999		10.4	8.0	8.9		8.8	9.0	8.9
\$6,000 to 9,999		1.5	3.6	2.8		2.5	2.6	2.6
\$10,000 +		7.5	2.7	4.5		4.5	2.0	3.1
<b>Aid which need <u>not</u> be repaid (grants, scholarships, military funding, etc.)</b>	179				1,469			
None		35.3	47.7	43.0		40.6	42.8	41.8
Less than \$1,000		1.5	5.4	3.9		3.4	5.8	4.7
\$1,000 to 2,999		8.8	8.1	8.4		10.4	9.8	10.1
\$3,000 to 5,999		10.3	4.5	6.7		6.1	5.0	5.5
\$6,000 to 9,999		5.9	3.6	4.5		3.6	3.5	3.5
\$10,000 +		38.2	30.6	33.5		35.8	33.2	34.4
<b>Aid which <u>must</u> be repaid (loans, etc.)</b>	176				1,469			
None		45.5	64.5	57.4		58.1	61.5	59.9
Less than \$1,000		1.5	1.8	1.7		1.9	1.6	1.8
\$1,000 to 2,999		7.6	5.5	6.3		7.2	6.1	6.6
\$3,000 to 5,999		15.2	12.7	13.6		11.6	14.4	13.1
\$6,000 to 9,999		12.1	6.4	8.5		5.7	4.6	5.1
\$10,000 +		18.2	9.1	12.5		15.5	11.8	13.5
<b>Other than above</b>	172				1,469			
None		96.9	93.5	94.8		93.7	94.0	93.9
Less than \$1,000		3.1	4.6	4.1		2.5	3.1	2.9
\$1,000 to 2,999		0.0	0.9	0.6		1.0	1.3	1.2
\$3,000 to 5,999		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	0.1	0.5
\$6,000 to 9,999		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.4	0.3
\$10,000 +		0.0	0.9	0.6		1.5	1.1	1.3

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<b>What is your <u>best estimate</u> of your parents' total income last year? Consider income from all sources before taxes</b>	171				1,375			
Less than \$10,000		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	1.6	1.3
\$10,000 to 14,999		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.8	0.3	0.5
\$15,000 to 19,999		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	1.1	0.8
\$20,000 to 24,999		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	1.0	0.9
\$25,000 to 29,999		2.9	2.0	2.3		1.4	1.0	1.2
\$30,000 to 39,999		2.9	4.9	4.1		2.5	4.6	3.6
\$40,000 to 49,999		1.4	3.9	2.9		3.1	2.3	2.7
\$50,000 to 59,999		5.8	2.9	4.1		4.4	4.1	4.2
\$60,000 to 74,999		5.8	7.8	7.0		4.8	7.4	6.2
\$75,000 to 99,999		11.6	8.8	9.9		14.2	11.3	12.7
\$100,000 to 149,999		24.6	23.5	24.0		18.2	20.3	19.3
\$150,000 to 199,999		10.1	8.8	9.4		11.1	10.1	10.5
\$200,000 to 249,999		7.2	9.8	8.8		9.5	7.4	8.4
\$250,000 or more		27.5	27.5	27.5		27.7	27.6	27.6
<b>Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?</b>	182				1,455			
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)		37.7	48.7	44.5		41.7	39.0	40.2
Some (but I probably will have enough funds)		56.5	43.4	48.4		50.8	52.0	51.5
Major (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)		5.8	8.0	7.1		7.5	9.0	8.3
<b>Your current religious preference</b>	180				1,440			
Baptist		0.0	2.7	1.7		2.0	2.8	2.4
Buddhist		1.5	1.8	1.7		1.4	1.5	1.5
Church of Christ		2.9	0.0	1.1		1.8	0.9	1.3
Eastern Orthodox		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.8	1.3	1.0
Episcopalian		1.5	1.8	1.7		2.0	2.0	2.0
Hindu		0.0	0.0	0.0		2.9	2.7	2.8
Jewish		23.5	21.4	22.2		14.0	13.3	13.6
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.3	0.3
Lutheran		1.5	0.9	1.1		2.3	2.6	2.4
Methodist		5.9	5.4	5.6		4.0	4.3	4.2
Muslim		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.7	1.2	1.4
Presbyterian		4.4	8.0	6.7		5.9	5.2	5.6
Quaker		1.5	0.9	1.1		0.2	0.5	0.3
Roman Catholic		11.8	16.1	14.4		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		1.5	1.8	1.7		0.6	0.6	0.6
Other Christian		5.9	8.0	7.2		5.5	10.9	8.4
Other Religion		1.5	3.6	2.8		2.6	2.3	2.4
None		36.8	27.7	31.1		31.6	28.4	29.9

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<b>Father's current religious preference</b>	180				1,436			
Baptist		0.0	2.7	1.7		2.9	2.9	2.9
Buddhist		2.9	0.9	1.7		2.0	2.3	2.2
Church of Christ		2.9	0.0	1.1		2.6	1.4	1.9
Eastern Orthodox		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.2	1.5	1.4
Episcopalian		8.8	2.7	5.0		3.8	2.7	3.2
Hindu		0.0	0.0	0.0		3.8	3.2	3.5
Jewish		23.5	24.1	23.9		15.6	14.1	14.8
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Lutheran		5.9	1.8	3.3		3.5	3.5	3.5
Methodist		4.4	4.5	4.4		3.8	4.7	4.3
Muslim		0.0	0.9	0.6		2.1	1.8	1.9
Presbyterian		4.4	8.9	7.2		7.5	5.9	6.6
Quaker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.1	0.1
Roman Catholic		20.6	18.8	19.4		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		1.5	1.8	1.7		0.9	1.0	1.0
Other Christian		7.4	3.6	5.0		6.0	8.6	7.4
Other Religion		2.9	3.6	3.3		2.3	1.5	1.9
None		14.7	25.9	21.7		19.2	23.4	21.5
<b>Mother's current religious preference</b>	182				1,440			
Baptist		1.5	1.8	1.6		2.7	2.7	2.7
Buddhist		2.9	0.9	1.6		2.6	2.8	2.7
Church of Christ		4.4	0.9	2.2		2.7	1.8	2.2
Eastern Orthodox		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	1.7	1.6
Episcopalian		8.8	4.4	6.0		3.7	3.1	3.3
Hindu		0.0	0.9	0.5		3.8	3.7	3.8
Jewish		22.1	26.3	24.7		14.8	14.8	14.8
LDS (Mormon)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.4	0.3
Lutheran		2.9	0.0	1.1		4.3	3.3	3.8
Methodist		4.4	5.3	4.9		4.4	5.9	5.2
Muslim		0.0	0.9	0.5		1.8	1.4	1.6
Presbyterian		5.9	11.4	9.3		7.8	6.6	7.2
Quaker		0.0	0.9	0.5		0.3	0.3	0.3
Roman Catholic		22.1	21.9	22.0		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		1.5	1.8	1.6		0.9	0.8	0.8
Other Christian		7.4	6.1	6.6		6.2	9.6	8.1
Other Religion		2.9	3.5	3.3		2.9	1.7	2.2
None		13.2	13.2	13.2		13.4	16.2	14.9

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Speech			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
<b>During the past year, student "frequently" or "occasionally":</b>								
Attended a religious service	182	62.3	77.0	71.4	1,462	68.5	74.0	71.5
Was bored in class [2]	183	27.5	34.2	31.7	1,464	32.4	33.9	33.2
Participated in political demonstrations	183	34.8	41.2	38.8	1,463	27.6	29.3	28.5
Tutored another student	183	62.3	71.9	68.3	1,465	78.6	82.3	80.6
Studied with other students	183	92.8	96.5	95.1	1,465	94.0	96.1	95.2
Was a guest in a teacher's home	183	31.9	33.3	32.8	1,464	28.0	29.4	28.8
Smoked cigarettes [2]	182	4.3	0.9	2.2	1,462	1.9	1.6	1.8
Drank beer	182	53.6	31.9	40.1	1,457	40.5	32.4	36.1
Drank wine or liquor	182	56.5	47.8	51.1	1,456	43.1	42.4	42.7
Felt overwhelmed by all I had to do [2]	183	30.4	50.9	43.2	1,464	18.9	41.7	31.3
Felt depressed [2]	183	7.2	7.0	7.1	1,461	6.0	8.1	7.1
Performed volunteer work	183	92.8	95.6	94.5	1,465	93.1	96.2	94.8
Played a musical instrument	183	68.1	61.4	63.9	1,465	65.7	58.5	61.8
Asked a teacher for advice after class [2]	183	43.5	37.7	39.9	1,464	28.9	33.5	31.4
Voted in a student election [2]	183	36.2	29.8	32.2	1,465	22.8	28.0	25.6
Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group [2]	183	84.1	81.6	82.5	1,464	78.6	77.5	78.0
Came late to class	183	65.2	61.4	62.8	1,463	57.9	58.5	58.2
Used the Internet: [2]								
For research or homework	183	88.4	92.1	90.7	1,466	89.4	92.6	91.1
To read news sites	183	73.9	57.9	63.9	1,466	68.9	59.5	63.8
To read blogs	183	37.7	31.6	33.9	1,464	28.9	29.4	29.2
To blog	183	11.6	12.3	12.0	1,464	9.0	11.8	10.5
Performed community service as part of a class	183	60.9	63.2	62.3	1,466	59.3	61.5	60.5
Discussed religion [2]	183	47.8	44.7	45.9	1,464	39.5	39.9	39.8
Discussed politics [2]	182	66.7	55.8	59.9	1,464	52.5	54.1	53.4
Worked on a local, state or national political campaign	183	21.7	14.9	17.5	1,465	16.3	15.6	15.9
<b>Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" as compared with the average person of his/her age in:</b>								
Academic ability	183	97.1	98.2	97.8	1,464	97.9	97.5	97.7
Artistic ability	183	79.7	61.4	68.3	1,463	44.4	47.9	46.3
Computer skills	183	52.2	33.3	40.4	1,464	57.8	33.2	44.4
Cooperativeness	183	73.9	82.5	79.2	1,463	82.3	82.0	82.2
Creativity	183	94.2	84.2	88.0	1,464	76.6	71.4	73.8
Drive to achieve	183	89.9	95.6	93.4	1,463	91.8	94.3	93.2
Emotional health	183	69.6	55.3	60.7	1,463	72.9	60.0	65.9
Leadership ability	183	88.4	81.6	84.2	1,464	82.3	79.5	80.8
Mathematical ability	183	68.1	47.4	55.2	1,464	85.9	68.3	76.4
Physical health	183	58.0	53.5	55.2	1,464	69.6	59.0	63.9
Popularity	183	66.7	49.1	55.7	1,464	59.3	45.7	51.9
Public speaking ability	183	88.4	73.7	79.2	1,464	67.4	58.2	62.4
Self-confidence (intellectual)	183	85.5	79.8	82.0	1,463	91.0	78.6	84.3
Self-confidence (social)	183	69.6	57.0	61.7	1,463	62.9	55.6	58.9
Self-understanding	183	78.3	78.1	78.1	1,464	77.7	68.5	72.7
Spirituality	183	39.1	40.4	39.9	1,462	39.1	37.0	38.0
Understanding of others	183	73.9	83.3	79.8	1,463	76.3	79.5	78.1
Writing ability	183	82.6	81.6	82.0	1,464	72.8	75.4	74.2

[2] Percentage responding "frequently" only.

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Men	Speech Women	Total	# Resp- ondents	Men	Northwestern Women	Total
<b>Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" as compared with the average person of his/her age in:</b>								
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective	182	88.2	88.6	88.5	1,465	83.2	83.7	83.5
Tolerance of others with different beliefs	182	95.6	91.2	92.9	1,465	90.6	88.7	89.6
Openness to having my own views challenged	182	77.9	74.6	75.8	1,465	78.0	69.6	73.4
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues	182	88.2	81.6	84.1	1,465	85.3	76.3	80.4
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people	182	92.6	91.2	91.8	1,465	89.7	89.0	89.3
<b>WHAT IS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF FORMAL EDUCATION OBTAINED BY YOUR PARENTS?</b>								
<b>Father</b>	181				1,459			
Grammar school or less		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	0.3	0.3
Some high school		1.5	0.9	1.1		0.6	0.6	0.6
High school graduate		4.4	0.0	1.7		3.8	3.5	3.6
Postsecondary school other than college		0.0	1.8	1.1		0.8	1.5	1.2
Some college		7.4	11.5	9.9		5.4	7.0	6.3
College degree		25.0	29.2	27.6		23.3	22.9	23.1
Some graduate school		1.5	0.9	1.1		2.7	3.3	3.0
Graduate degree		60.3	55.8	57.5		63.0	60.9	61.8
<b>Mother</b>	181				1,464			
Grammar school or less		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Some high school		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.5	0.3
High school graduate		1.5	1.8	1.7		4.5	3.9	4.2
Postsecondary school other than college		1.5	0.9	1.1		1.4	1.6	1.5
Some college		10.3	8.0	8.8		8.0	7.6	7.8
College degree		44.1	43.4	43.6		39.3	39.7	39.5
Some graduate school		1.5	0.9	1.1		3.3	5.4	4.4
Graduate degree		41.2	45.1	43.6		43.2	41.2	42.1
<b>During the past year, did you "frequently":</b>								
Ask questions in class	182	76.5	81.6	79.7	1,468	70.4	70.7	70.6
Support your opinions with a logical argument	182	88.2	87.7	87.9	1,467	87.6	83.7	85.5
Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others	182	76.5	82.5	80.2	1,467	77.2	77.8	77.6
Revise your papers to improve your writing	182	54.4	71.9	65.4	1,465	58.5	73.1	66.4
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received	182	63.2	63.2	63.2	1,467	59.9	60.2	60.1
Take a risk because you feel you have more to gain	182	52.9	41.2	45.6	1,465	46.4	40.6	43.2
Seek alternative solutions to a problem	182	57.4	52.6	54.4	1,468	58.9	55.2	56.9
Look up scientific research articles and resources	182	39.7	16.7	25.3	1,467	38.3	32.4	35.1
Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class	182	57.4	44.7	49.5	1,467	51.5	42.4	46.6
Accept mistakes as part of the learning process	182	60.3	64.0	62.6	1,468	59.2	58.7	58.9
Seek feedback on your academic work	182	72.1	73.7	73.1	1,467	57.9	66.0	62.3
Take notes during class	182	70.6	93.9	85.2	1,468	65.5	86.9	77.1



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	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	
<b>Your probable career occupation</b>	181			1,459						
Accountant or actuary	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.9	0.9	0.9				
Actor or entertainer	41.2	32.7	35.9	4.6	5.2	4.9				
Architect or urban planner	1.5	0.9	1.1	0.3	0.6	0.5				
Artist	7.4	7.1	7.2	0.7	1.1	1.0				
Business (clerical)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.3				
Business executive (management, administrator)	2.9	4.4	3.9	16.0	8.1	11.7				
Business owner or proprietor	2.9	0.9	1.7	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	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.8	1.4	1.6				
Computer programmer or analyst	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.1	0.4				
Conservationist or forester	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1				
Dentist (including orthodontist)	1.5	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.6	0.5				
Dietitian or nutritionist	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1				
Engineer	0.0	0.0	0.0	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	1.8	1.1	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	2.9	0.9	1.7	7.2	5.2	6.1				
Military service (career)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.0	0.1				
Musician (performer, composer)	0.0	0.9	0.6	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	2.9	2.7	2.8	12.7	14.8	13.8				
Policy maker/Government	2.9	2.7	2.8	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	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.2	2.1	3.1				
Social, welfare, or recreation worker	0.0	0.9	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.4				
Therapist (physical, occupational, speech)	0.0	3.5	2.2	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)	1.5	0.0	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.8				
Veterinarian	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.1				
Writer or journalist	4.4	4.4	4.4	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	16.2	13.3	14.4	2.7	3.2	2.9				
Undecided	11.8	23.0	18.8	13.3	19.2	16.5				

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Men	Speech Women	Total	# Resp- ondents	Men	Northwestern Women	Total
<b>Your father's occupation [3]</b>	181				1,449			
Artist		4.4	3.5	3.9		2.4	1.5	1.9
Business		36.8	32.7	34.3		37.9	33.4	35.5
Business (clerical)		1.5	0.0	0.6		0.5	1.1	0.8
Clergy		1.5	0.0	0.6		0.9	0.5	0.7
College teacher		1.5	1.8	1.7		2.7	3.0	2.9
Doctor (MD or DDS)		8.8	8.0	8.3		11.5	12.8	12.2
Education (secondary)		1.5	1.8	1.7		2.0	0.9	1.4
Education (elementary)		1.5	0.9	1.1		0.6	0.4	0.5
Engineer		5.9	7.1	6.6		9.1	9.0	9.0
Farmer or forester		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.4	0.3
Health professional		1.5	0.9	1.1		1.4	0.8	1.0
Homemaker (full-time)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Lawyer		10.3	9.7	9.9		8.3	9.3	8.8
Military (career)		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.5	0.4	0.4
Nurse		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.0	0.3	0.1
Research scientist		2.9	1.8	2.2		1.2	3.6	2.5
Social/welfare/rec worker		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.0	0.4	0.2
Skilled worker		4.4	2.7	3.3		2.7	2.5	2.6
Semi-skilled worker		2.9	1.8	2.2		1.4	1.1	1.2
Unskilled worker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	0.9	0.7
Unemployed		0.0	3.5	2.2		1.1	2.4	1.8
Other		14.7	21.2	18.8		15.3	15.2	15.3
<b>Your mother's occupation [3]</b>	180				1,452			
Artist		9.0	6.2	7.2		5.3	3.8	4.5
Business		14.9	11.5	12.8		15.7	16.3	16.0
Business (clerical)		6.0	0.9	2.8		2.4	2.5	2.5
Clergy		1.5	0.9	1.1		0.6	0.6	0.6
College teacher		3.0	0.9	1.7		2.1	1.3	1.7
Doctor (MD or DDS)		1.5	4.4	3.3		4.2	5.2	4.8
Education (secondary)		13.4	8.8	10.6		6.6	4.8	5.6
Education (elementary)		4.5	5.3	5.0		5.4	4.3	4.8
Engineer		0.0	0.9	0.6		2.1	2.0	2.1
Farmer or forester		1.5	0.0	0.6		0.5	0.0	0.2
Health professional		1.5	3.5	2.8		3.8	3.5	3.7
Homemaker (full-time)		14.9	15.0	15.0		17.6	19.6	18.7
Lawyer		4.5	6.2	5.6		3.5	3.9	3.7
Military (career)		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.2	0.0	0.1
Nurse		4.5	7.1	6.1		3.9	5.1	4.5
Research scientist		1.5	1.8	1.7		0.6	1.8	1.2
Social/welfare/rec worker		1.5	2.7	2.2		2.1	1.9	2.0
Skilled worker		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.9	0.6	0.8
Semi-skilled worker		0.0	1.8	1.1		1.4	1.5	1.4
Unskilled worker		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.2	0.9	0.6
Unemployed		4.5	2.7	3.3		7.1	4.7	5.8
Other		11.9	18.6	16.1		13.9	15.5	14.7
<b>How would you characterize your political views?</b>	183				1,457			
Far left		7.2	10.5	9.3		4.7	5.8	5.3
Liberal		58.0	63.2	61.2		48.0	54.4	51.5
Middle-of-the-road		24.6	21.1	22.4		31.5	28.2	29.7
Conservative		8.7	5.3	6.6		15.1	11.3	13.0
Far right		1.4	0.0	0.5		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	Speech			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
<b>Student agrees "strongly" or "somewhat:"</b>								
There is too much concern in the courts for the rights of criminals	180	39.7	37.5	38.3	1,440	46.1	44.0	45.0
Abortion should be legal	179	86.8	84.7	85.5	1,446	79.2	77.9	78.5
The death penalty should be abolished	180	53.7	70.8	64.4	1,440	51.8	56.2	54.2
Marijuana should be legalized	180	69.1	51.8	58.3	1,440	54.1	44.2	48.8
It is important to have laws prohibiting homosexual relationships	181	2.9	7.1	5.5	1,445	12.7	11.6	12.1
Racial discrimination is no longer a major problem in America	181	14.7	8.0	10.5	1,449	17.1	12.4	14.6
Realistically, an individual can do little to bring about changes in our society	181	20.6	10.6	14.4	1,445	24.6	17.8	20.9
Wealthy people should pay a larger share of taxes than they do now	180	65.7	67.3	66.7	1,439	62.2	63.1	62.7
Same-sex couples should have the right to legal marital status	181	89.7	89.4	89.5	1,443	78.8	83.0	81.1
Affirmative action in college admissions should be abolished	177	75.0	52.3	61.0	1,435	64.2	60.8	62.4
Federal military spending should be increased	180	14.7	8.0	10.6	1,433	16.1	11.4	13.5
The federal government should do more to control the sale of handguns	180	77.9	94.6	88.3	1,443	81.0	90.7	86.2
Only volunteers should serve in the armed forces	180	89.7	89.3	89.4	1,441	82.9	82.2	82.5
The federal government is not doing enough to control environmental pollution	180	92.6	91.1	91.7	1,446	86.9	92.1	89.7
A national health care plan is needed to cover everybody's medical costs	179	76.5	83.8	81.0	1,438	68.7	78.0	73.7
Undocumented immigrants should be denied access to public education	179	32.4	22.5	26.3	1,431	40.5	29.0	34.3
Through hard work, everybody can succeed in American society	180	72.1	66.1	68.3	1,445	71.6	67.2	69.2
Dissent is a critical component of the political process	179	91.0	84.8	87.2	1,420	91.1	86.7	88.7
Colleges have the right to ban extreme speakers from campus	180	39.7	29.5	33.3	1,440	44.3	36.3	40.0
Students from disadvantaged social backgrounds should be given preferential treatment in college admissions	180	45.6	42.0	43.3	1,439	42.0	37.9	39.7
The federal government should raise taxes to reduce the deficit	178	61.8	40.0	48.3	1,430	51.5	41.9	46.3
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority	180	89.7	90.2	90.0	1,446	82.2	85.8	84.2

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Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents			Speech			# Resp- ondents			
	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	
<b>DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?</b>										
<b>Studying/homework</b>	182						1,461			
None		1.5	0.0	0.5			0.3	0.1	0.2	
Less than one hour		5.9	0.0	2.2			2.6	0.8	1.6	
1 to 2 hours		7.4	4.4	5.5			8.9	4.9	6.7	
3 to 5 hours		17.6	12.3	14.3			18.8	11.3	14.7	
6 to 10 hours		33.8	30.7	31.9			24.9	23.9	24.4	
11 to 15 hours		13.2	23.7	19.8			24.0	22.4	23.1	
16 to 20 hours		7.4	19.3	14.8			10.1	18.1	14.4	
Over 20 hours		13.2	9.6	11.0			10.5	18.5	14.9	
<b>Socializing with friends</b>	182						1,462			
None		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.0	0.3	0.1	
Less than one hour		0.0	0.9	0.5			0.8	0.6	0.7	
1 to 2 hours		4.4	7.9	6.6			4.8	4.1	4.4	
3 to 5 hours		17.6	19.3	18.7			17.3	22.6	20.2	
6 to 10 hours		29.4	35.1	33.0			32.9	36.2	34.7	
11 to 15 hours		27.9	21.1	23.6			20.1	21.5	20.9	
16 to 20 hours		10.3	9.6	9.9			13.5	7.4	10.2	
Over 20 hours		10.3	6.1	7.7			10.7	7.3	8.8	
<b>Talking with teachers outside of class</b>	182						1,462			
None		2.9	0.9	1.6			5.4	3.8	4.5	
Less than one hour		32.4	27.2	29.1			40.4	33.5	36.7	
1 to 2 hours		42.6	44.7	44.0			37.1	40.5	38.9	
3 to 5 hours		16.2	23.7	20.9			13.5	19.0	16.5	
6 to 10 hours		2.9	3.5	3.3			2.6	2.4	2.5	
11 to 15 hours		2.9	0.0	1.1			0.8	0.5	0.6	
16 to 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.2	0.4	0.3	
Over 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.2	0.0	0.1	
<b>Exercise or sports</b>	182						1,462			
None		2.9	2.6	2.7			2.1	2.9	2.5	
Less than one hour		11.8	12.3	12.1			6.5	8.7	7.7	
1 to 2 hours		16.2	28.1	23.6			11.6	16.8	14.4	
3 to 5 hours		30.9	21.1	24.7			23.0	23.7	23.4	
6 to 10 hours		20.6	14.0	16.5			25.4	19.8	22.4	
11 to 15 hours		8.8	16.7	13.7			16.4	15.8	16.1	
16 to 20 hours		1.5	1.8	1.6			7.2	6.7	6.9	
Over 20 hours		7.4	3.5	4.9			8.0	5.5	6.6	
<b>Partying</b>	181						1,456			
None		26.5	36.3	32.6			30.2	35.8	33.2	
Less than one hour		14.7	16.8	16.0			15.9	17.2	16.6	
1 to 2 hours		14.7	19.5	17.7			20.0	19.7	19.8	
3 to 5 hours		33.8	21.2	26.0			20.8	18.8	19.7	
6 to 10 hours		7.4	6.2	6.6			9.5	6.8	8.0	
11 to 15 hours		1.5	0.0	0.6			2.1	1.5	1.8	
16 to 20 hours		0.0	0.0	0.0			0.8	0.0	0.3	
Over 20 hours		1.5	0.0	0.6			0.8	0.1	0.4	

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	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	
<b>DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?</b>										
<b>Working (for pay)</b>	182			1,461						
None	54.4	51.8	52.7	59.4	52.4	55.6				
Less than one hour	4.4	5.3	4.9	3.5	4.0	3.8				
1 to 2 hours	5.9	8.8	7.7	7.2	8.0	7.7				
3 to 5 hours	7.4	11.4	9.9	9.2	11.6	10.5				
6 to 10 hours	8.8	14.0	12.1	8.6	11.6	10.2				
11 to 15 hours	7.4	4.4	5.5	6.2	7.2	6.7				
16 to 20 hours	5.9	2.6	3.8	3.5	3.4	3.4				
Over 20 hours	5.9	1.8	3.3	2.6	1.9	2.2				
<b>Volunteer work</b>	182			1,459						
None	22.1	14.0	17.0	20.2	12.3	15.9				
Less than one hour	22.1	21.1	21.4	22.7	20.4	21.5				
1 to 2 hours	33.8	38.6	36.8	32.0	34.6	33.4				
3 to 5 hours	11.8	16.7	14.8	18.0	22.0	20.2				
6 to 10 hours	7.4	7.9	7.7	4.4	7.6	6.1				
11 to 15 hours	0.0	0.9	0.5	1.5	1.9	1.7				
16 to 20 hours	1.5	0.9	1.1	0.3	0.5	0.4				
Over 20 hours	1.5	0.0	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.8				
<b>Student clubs/groups</b>	182			1,459						
None	2.9	2.6	2.7	8.3	5.5	6.8				
Less than one hour	7.4	7.0	7.1	9.9	6.4	8.0				
1 to 2 hours	23.5	21.9	22.5	27.4	23.4	25.2				
3 to 5 hours	22.1	19.3	20.3	25.1	29.5	27.5				
6 to 10 hours	14.7	15.8	15.4	13.4	19.0	16.4				
11 to 15 hours	10.3	14.0	12.6	6.8	8.9	8.0				
16 to 20 hours	5.9	9.6	8.2	3.9	3.1	3.5				
Over 20 hours	13.2	9.6	11.0	5.3	4.0	4.6				
<b>Watching TV</b>	182			1,458						
None	2.9	5.3	4.4	8.9	7.8	8.3				
Less than one hour	7.4	15.8	12.6	10.5	12.4	11.5				
1 to 2 hours	19.1	23.7	22.0	23.3	25.1	24.3				
3 to 5 hours	42.6	31.6	35.7	28.0	32.4	30.4				
6 to 10 hours	17.6	12.3	14.3	17.9	15.9	16.8				
11 to 15 hours	7.4	9.6	8.8	5.9	4.0	4.9				
16 to 20 hours	0.0	1.8	1.1	2.6	1.6	2.1				
Over 20 hours	2.9	0.0	1.1	3.0	0.8	1.8				
<b>Household/childcare duties</b>	182			1,458						
None	14.7	12.3	13.2	19.4	13.9	16.4				
Less than one hour	22.1	26.3	24.7	23.9	25.3	24.7				
1 to 2 hours	38.2	41.2	40.1	31.7	35.1	33.5				
3 to 5 hours	17.6	18.4	18.1	19.8	19.5	19.7				
6 to 10 hours	7.4	1.8	3.8	3.9	4.2	4.0				
11 to 15 hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	1.4	1.0				
16 to 20 hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.5	0.4				
Over 20 hours	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.1	0.3				

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<b>DURING YOUR LAST YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL, HOW MUCH TIME DID YOU SPEND DURING A TYPICAL WEEK DOING THE FOLLOWING?</b>								
<b>Reading for pleasure</b>	182				1,458			
None		11.8	13.2	12.6		15.8	12.0	13.7
Less than one hour		19.1	27.2	24.2		21.5	20.9	21.2
1 to 2 hours		30.9	27.2	28.6		31.7	30.5	31.1
3 to 5 hours		20.6	21.1	20.9		19.5	23.8	21.9
6 to 10 hours		13.2	7.9	9.9		7.8	9.1	8.5
11 to 15 hours		2.9	3.5	3.3		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		1.5	0.0	0.5		0.9	1.0	1.0
<b>Playing video/computer games</b>	182				1,459			
None		29.4	67.5	53.3		24.4	67.5	47.8
Less than one hour		19.1	21.9	20.9		16.4	17.1	16.8
1 to 2 hours		13.2	8.8	10.4		21.4	9.4	14.9
3 to 5 hours		23.5	1.8	9.9		20.5	4.7	11.9
6 to 10 hours		5.9	0.0	2.2		10.7	0.6	5.2
11 to 15 hours		4.4	0.0	1.6		3.9	0.3	1.9
16 to 20 hours		1.5	0.0	0.5		1.2	0.0	0.5
Over 20 hours		2.9	0.0	1.1		1.7	0.4	1.0
<b>Online social networks (MySpace, Facebook, etc.)</b>	182				1,459			
None		2.9	2.6	2.7		7.7	4.5	6.0
Less than one hour		8.8	5.3	6.6		15.9	13.2	14.5
1 to 2 hours		27.9	39.5	35.2		32.8	28.7	30.6
3 to 5 hours		32.4	28.9	30.2		25.1	32.0	28.9
6 to 10 hours		16.2	18.4	17.6		11.6	15.1	13.5
11 to 15 hours		8.8	2.6	4.9		4.1	4.3	4.2
16 to 20 hours		1.5	0.9	1.1		1.1	1.0	1.0
Over 20 hours		1.5	1.8	1.6		1.8	1.1	1.4
<b>Are you: [4]</b>	183				1,460			
White/Caucasian		81.2	79.8	80.3		68.4	68.6	68.5
African American/Black		0.0	5.3	3.3		2.9	4.9	4.0
American Indian/Alaska Native		1.4	0.9	1.1		0.9	0.8	0.8
Asian American/Asian		14.5	9.6	11.5		26.8	26.4	26.6
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		0.0	0.9	0.5		0.6	0.3	0.4
Mexican American/Chicano		2.9	0.9	1.6		2.4	2.4	2.4
Puerto Rican		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.5	1.1	0.8
Other Latino		5.8	4.4	4.9		4.5	4.5	4.5
Other		0.0	5.3	3.3		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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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
<b>Reasons noted as "very important" in influencing student's decision to attend this particular college</b>								
My parents wanted me to come here	182	13.2	15.8	14.8	1,460	11.3	15.2	13.4
My relatives wanted me to come here	182	1.5	1.8	1.6	1,456	2.6	3.3	3.0
My teacher advised me	182	11.8	7.9	9.3	1,453	6.3	7.8	7.2
This college has a very good academic reputation	182	97.1	93.9	95.1	1,461	92.5	92.6	92.5
This college has a good reputation for its social activities	182	38.2	44.7	42.3	1,456	33.0	36.4	34.9
I was offered financial assistance	181	26.9	32.5	30.4	1,449	29.3	31.9	30.7
The cost of attending this college	182	16.2	27.2	23.1	1,449	20.4	22.1	21.3
High school counselor advised me	182	11.8	9.6	10.4	1,452	7.7	8.4	8.1
Private college counselor advised me	180	7.4	4.5	5.6	1,442	4.5	2.9	3.7
I wanted to live near home	182	2.9	3.5	3.3	1,455	4.1	5.6	4.9
Not offered aid by first choice	179	4.5	7.1	6.1	1,436	5.9	7.5	6.8
Could not afford first choice	179	3.0	5.4	4.5	1,431	4.9	5.4	5.2
This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools	181	44.1	36.3	39.2	1,451	58.1	58.7	58.4
This college's graduates get good jobs	181	75.0	77.0	76.2	1,454	70.6	74.7	72.8
I was attracted by the religious affiliation/orientation of the college	180	0.0	2.7	1.7	1,443	1.1	2.1	1.6
I wanted to go to a school about the size of this college	182	29.4	37.7	34.6	1,455	31.5	41.1	36.7
Rankings in national magazines	182	38.2	37.7	37.9	1,456	39.9	42.0	41.1
Information from a website	182	29.4	30.7	30.2	1,446	22.5	28.9	25.9
I was admitted through an Early Action or Early Decision program	181	17.6	28.3	24.3	1,442	15.9	27.3	22.1
The athletic department recruited me	179	1.5	1.8	1.7	1,434	3.8	5.8	4.9
A visit to campus	182	64.7	65.8	65.4	1,451	45.3	56.0	51.1

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	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	
<b>YOUR PROBABLE MAJOR</b>										
<b>Arts and Humanities</b>	181			1,464						
Art, fine and applied		4.4	1.8	2.8		0.4	0.5	0.5		
English (language & literature)		0.0	1.8	1.1		1.5	4.0	2.9		
History		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.7	1.5	1.2		
Journalism		0.0	0.9	0.6		6.0	13.8	10.2		
Language and Literature (except English)		0.0	0.9	0.6		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		4.4	0.9	2.2		0.6	0.1	0.3		
Theater or Drama		48.5	37.2	41.4		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		4.4	8.8	7.2		0.7	2.0	1.4		
<b>Biological Science</b>										
Biology (general)		0.0	0.9	0.6		4.0	6.2	5.2		
Biochemistry or Biophysics		0.0	0.0	0.0		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	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.8	0.5		
Zoology		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0		
Other Biological Science		1.5	0.0	0.6		0.1	0.8	0.5		
<b>Business</b>										
Accounting		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.4	0.2		
Business Admin. (general)		1.5	0.9	1.1		1.5	0.8	1.1		
Finance		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.2	1.8	2.9		
International Business		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.9	1.8	1.8		
Marketing		0.0	0.9	0.6		0.6	0.9	0.8		
Management		0.0	0.9	0.6		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		
<b>Education</b>										
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		1.5	0.0	0.6		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		
<b>Engineering</b>										
Aeronautical or Astronautical Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.3	0.0	0.1		
Civil Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.8	1.0	1.4		
Chemical Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		3.1	1.6	2.3		
Computer Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	0.0	0.7		
Electrical or Electronic Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		2.5	0.6	1.5		
Industrial Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		2.4	0.8	1.5		
Mechanical Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		4.3	1.0	2.5		
Other Engineering		0.0	0.0	0.0		6.3	4.3	5.2		



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<b>YOUR PROBABLE MAJOR</b>								
<b>Physical Science</b>								
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		0.0	0.0	0.0		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		0.0	0.0	0.0		2.1	1.1	1.6
Physics		0.0	0.0	0.0		1.5	0.4	0.9
Other Physical Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.7	0.5	0.6
<b>Professional</b>								
Architecture or Urban Planning		0.0	0.0	0.0		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	0.0	0.0		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		4.4	2.7	3.3		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	1.8	1.1		0.1	0.4	0.3
Other Professional		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Social Science</b>								
Anthropology		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.4	1.4	1.0
Economics		0.0	0.0	0.0		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)		2.9	0.0	1.1		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
<b>Technical</b>								
Building Trades		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Data Processing or Computer Programming		0.0	0.0	0.0		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
<b>Other Fields</b>								
Agriculture		0.0	0.0	0.0		0.0	0.0	0.0
Communications		22.1	36.3	30.9		2.5	5.3	4.0
Computer Science		0.0	0.0	0.0		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		1.5	0.0	0.6		0.3	0.3	0.3
Undecided		2.9	2.7	2.8		4.8	7.7	6.4

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		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
<b>Objectives considered to be "essential" or "very important":</b>								
Becoming accomplished in one of the performing arts (acting, dancing, etc.)	181	66.2	66.4	66.3	1,457	26.1	30.9	28.7
Becoming an authority in my field	181	75.0	77.9	76.8	1,459	76.8	75.1	75.9
Obtaining recognition from my colleagues for contributions to my special field	181	79.4	71.7	74.6	1,458	67.3	66.4	66.8
Influencing the political structure	181	33.8	25.7	28.7	1,455	27.6	25.3	26.3
Influencing social values	181	45.6	52.2	49.7	1,454	41.3	46.6	44.2
Raising a family	181	77.9	76.1	76.8	1,457	77.3	72.8	74.8
Being very well off financially	181	57.4	51.3	53.6	1,457	71.5	65.3	68.2
Helping others who are in difficulty	181	63.2	78.8	72.9	1,458	67.9	77.6	73.2
Making a theoretical contribution to science	181	10.3	0.9	4.4	1,455	27.9	16.6	21.7
Writing original works (poems, novels, short stories, etc.)	181	48.5	37.2	41.4	1,458	25.2	29.5	27.5
Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, decorating, etc.)	181	41.2	27.4	32.6	1,456	16.1	18.1	17.2
Becoming successful in a business of my own	181	44.1	30.1	35.4	1,454	39.6	30.8	34.8
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment	181	27.9	38.9	34.8	1,457	31.6	33.7	32.7
Developing a meaningful philosophy of life	181	76.5	77.0	76.8	1,455	68.4	65.7	66.9
Participating in a community action program	181	27.9	45.1	38.7	1,452	28.9	44.3	37.3
Helping to promote racial understanding	181	35.3	49.6	44.2	1,454	37.5	46.2	42.2
Keeping up to date with political affairs	181	63.2	66.4	65.2	1,454	61.7	61.3	61.5
Becoming a community leader	181	44.1	52.2	49.2	1,455	42.9	44.5	43.8
Improving my understanding of other countries and cultures	181	67.6	86.7	79.6	1,456	71.5	78.9	75.5
Adopting "green" practices to protect the environment	181	57.4	64.6	61.9	1,456	51.4	62.4	57.3

**2008 TFS INSTITUTIONAL SUMMARY**

Northwestern University First-time Full-time	# Resp- ondents	Speech			# Resp- ondents	Northwestern		
		Men	Women	Total		Men	Women	Total
<b>Student estimates chances are "very good" that he/she will:</b>								
Change major field	181	11.8	19.5	16.6	1,457	19.8	21.6	20.8
Change career choice	181	20.6	27.4	24.9	1,456	22.0	26.0	24.2
Participate in student government	181	11.8	14.2	13.3	1,458	8.3	13.4	11.0
Get a job to help pay for college expenses	181	57.4	48.7	51.9	1,456	45.2	53.2	49.5
Work full-time while attending college	181	2.9	1.8	2.2	1,457	1.5	1.6	1.6
Join a social fraternity or sorority	181	16.2	17.7	17.1	1,457	12.8	20.3	16.9
Play varsity/intercollegiate athletics	181	7.4	6.2	6.6	1,457	12.0	11.2	11.6
Make at least a "B" average	181	88.2	85.8	86.7	1,459	90.2	84.3	87.0
Need extra time to complete your degree requirements	181	0.0	3.5	2.2	1,458	3.5	3.0	3.2
Participate in student protests or demonstrations	181	17.6	23.9	21.5	1,453	11.6	14.7	13.3
Transfer to another college before graduating	181	0.0	0.9	0.6	1,455	0.9	1.1	1.0
Be satisfied with your college	181	83.8	92.0	89.0	1,457	82.2	84.2	83.3
Participate in volunteer or community service work	180	32.4	63.4	51.7	1,457	39.5	62.5	52.0
Seek personal counseling	181	7.4	12.4	10.5	1,453	6.8	9.5	8.3
Communicate regularly with your professors	181	69.1	69.0	69.1	1,457	65.4	71.6	68.8
Socialize with someone of another racial/ethnic group	181	91.2	98.2	95.6	1,457	88.1	94.8	91.8
Participate in student clubs/groups	181	85.3	95.6	91.7	1,458	74.2	87.0	81.2
Participate in a study abroad program	181	51.5	72.6	64.6	1,457	42.6	68.9	56.9
Have a roommate of different race/ethnicity	181	42.6	50.4	47.5	1,454	49.3	58.3	54.2
Discuss course content with students outside of class	181	83.8	93.8	90.1	1,458	79.4	86.4	83.2
Work on a professor's research project	181	19.1	22.1	21.0	1,457	34.2	37.9	36.2
Get tutoring help in specific courses	181	17.6	19.5	18.8	1,455	18.4	29.8	24.6