Please indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

**Educational Goals & Plans**

What is the highest academic degree that you hope to attain?

- BA/BS: 8%
- MA/MS: 41%
- PhD/EdD: 34%
- MD/DO/DDS: 7%
- JD: 8%

Who say there is a ‘very good chance’ they will:
- 71% communicate regularly with professors
- 42% work on a professor’s research project
- 69% participate in a study abroad program
- 79% make at least a ‘B’ average
- 60% get a job to help pay for college expenses

Reasons for going to college (% ‘very important’):
- 95% to learn more about things that interest me
- 87% to gain a general ed. & appreciation of ideas
- 76% to be able to get a better job
- 73% to make me a more cultured person
Rate yourself on each of the traits as compared to the average person your age:

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Student Demographics

Total first-year students 585

Percent of first-year students who are:

- Female: 60%
- Male: 40%
- US students of color: 20%
- LGBQ or “other” (self-reported): 20%
- International students: 18%
- From Minnesota: 14%
- First-generation college: 13%

- No. of countries represented: 51
- No. of US states/territories: 47

Number of First-Year US Students of Color by Race/Ethnicity:

- Asian: 35
- Hispanic: 35
- Black: 32
- Native American: 1

Response Rate: The Macalester 2015 response rate is 94% (9/4/15).

Source: The CIRP Freshman Survey, administered by HERI at UCLA, is a 50-year national study designed to learn more about what happens to students when they attend college by looking at who they are when they begin.