

# TRANSFER STUDENTS 2017

## TRANSFER STUDENT CHARACTERISTICS

AGE (Total n= 2,591)

8% 29% 24%

18 19 20

18% 7% 12% 2%

21-22 23-24 25-34 35+

TRANSFERRING FROM

36% 35% 14%

4 year public college/ university

Minnesota community or technical college

4 year private college/ university

11%  
Out of state community or technical college

4%  
Institution outside of the U.S.

TIMES TRANSFERRED

84% 12%

Once Twice

3% 1%

Three Four or more

CREDITS TRANSFERRED (Total n= 2,257)

11% 28%

Less than 15 credits 16-30 credits

45% 16%

31-60 credits Over 61 credits

Includes credits completed at previous postsecondary institution that applied toward degree (GPA credit).

## TRANSITION TO THE U

TOPICS OF CONCERN (COMBINES VERY CONCERNED AND CONCERNED ON A 5 POINT SCALE)

48%

are concerned with academic coursework (doing well in class, workload)

45%

have financial concerns (paying tuition, financial aid, managing money)

38%

are concerned with registering for classes

- 34% Are concerned with mental health (stress management, emotional health, anxiety and depression)
- 30% Deciding on a major/career path
- 28% Staying healthy (nutritious eating, physical fitness, healthy lifestyle)
- 27% Making friends and meeting people

OTHER TOPICS (COMBINES VERY LIKELY AND LIKELY ON A 5 POINT SCALE)

- 93% Socialize with someone of another ethnic/racial group
- 91% Make at least "B" average
- 89% Discuss course content with other students outside of class
- 85% Communicate regularly with their professors
- 67% Work on a professor's research project
- 3% Take a temporary leave of absence

## MAJOR

51%

are at various levels of major exploration with 3% having no idea and needing help assessing interests

49%

know exactly what they want to major in and do not plan to change their mind

## CHOOSING THE U

Students continue to choose the U for its top ranked programs, campus life opportunities, size, and wide variety of majors.

DECIDING TO GO TO COLLEGE (COMBINES VERY IMPORTANT/ IMPORTANT ON A 4 POINT SCALE)

- 98% Want to learn more about things that interest them
- 95% Say that getting a better job is very important
- 93% Want training for a specific career
- 94% To gain general education and appreciation of ideas

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## LIVING

**39%**  
plan to live off campus in an apartment

**30%**  
plan to live off campus in a house

**15%**  
plan to live in a campus owned apartment or house (on or off campus)

**12%**  
plan to live in a campus residence hall

### DISTANCE FROM CAMPUS

- **33%** On campus or less than 1 mile
- **21%** 1-2 miles
- **23%** 3-10 miles
- **15%** 11-20 miles
- **6%** 21 miles or more

## TIME MANAGEMENT

### HOW STUDENTS PLAN TO SPEND THEIR TIME

#### Studying or doing homework

**44%**  
11-20 hours per week

**28%**  
1-10 hours per week

**22%**  
21-30 hours per week

**7%**  
31-40 hours per week

#### Involvement, activities, lifestyle

**71%**  
plan on finding employment on or off campus

**71%**  
plan to pursue internship opportunities

**64%**  
plan to get involved with student groups

**55%**  
plan to pursue research opportunities

**50%**  
plan to get involved with volunteer organizations

## AFTER GRADUATION

**38%**  
plan to start working in the career they've chosen

**33%**  
plan to continue their education in professional or graduate school

**23%**  
plan to start working, but are unsure of what their career will be

**5%**  
plan to take a break before working or going back to school

## CONFIDENCE

### STUDENTS ARE CONFIDENT IN THEIR ABILITY TO...

(COMBINES VERY CONFIDENT AND CONFIDENT ON A 5 POINT SCALE)

**88%**  
set goals and strive to achieve them

**88%**  
communicate effectively with others

**87%**  
be a successful college student

**87%**  
understand their strengths

- **83%** Think critically to solve problems
- **82%** Understand what professors expect
- **81%** Adjust to the academic demands of college
- **79%** Develop effective study skills

## FINANCE

### TOP 3 METHODS OF FINANCING EDUCATION

**64%**  
parent or family

**56%**  
work during school

**52%**  
scholarships/loans

## ABOUT

These results are from the 2017 Pre-Orientation survey. Data was pulled in July 2017. Total of 2,796 responses from incoming, confirmed transfer students. Age and credits transferred were pulled from institutional data (7/13/17). Totals are indicated in those sections.