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National results are shown in NAVY & WHITE I Santa Clara University results are shown in GRAY

From creative endeavors to technology, incoming first-year students are interested in building on their skills. In fact, post-college jobs and making a difference in the world are motivating factors for the freshman class of 2017.

For freshmen, choosing a college is based on a variety of decisions.



18% | 46% Are attending a school



11% | 3%
Only applied to the college

1st

76% | 56%

Were accepted to their first-choice college



47% | 67%

Believed a campus visit was very important in selecting their college



85% | 86%

Consider being able to get a better job a very important reason to attend college

Some students are artistic...



29% | 31%

Believe their artistic ability is above average

16% | 12%

Think it's important to be successful in the performing arts

17% | 15%

Consider creating art very important

8% | 5%

Plan on majoring in an art-related field

6% | 2%

Of students have future career plans to be an artist

...And some are tech-savvy.

21% | 25%

Strongly agree that a basic understanding of programming is important for most careers today

20% | 28%

Have written code in the past year

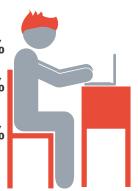
12% | 18%

Consider their computer programming skills above average

7% | 12% Took AP Computer Science A

3% | 5%

Took AP Computer Science Principles



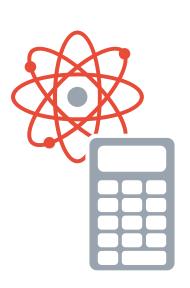
Students' experiences with AP courses varies:

7% | 7% Of incoming students attended high schools

that did not offer AP courses



Of those who attended high schools that offered AP courses, they took the following:



19% | 4%

Did not take any

23% | 27%
AP Probability and Statistics

40% | 55%

28% | 23% AP Biology

20% | 15% AP Chemistry

23% | 26% AP Physics

16% | 22%
AP Environmental Science



Information about students entering college helps enrollment planning, retention efforts, and provides a baseline for understanding college effectiveness. Register for the CIRP Freshman Survey at www.cirpsurveys.org. The 2017 CIRP Freshman Survey findings are available at www.heri.ucla.edu/publications-tfs.