



Goals & Aspirations

27. Students have different ideas about what they hope to achieve in college. Indicate how important each of the following goals is to you.

	Not important	Of little importance	Somewhat important	Important	Very important	Essential
Establish meaningful relationships	43 (1.8%)	95 (4.1%)	260 (11.1%)	544 (23.2%)	688 (29.4%)	713 (30.4%)
Be in a position to give something back to my community after finishing my education	46 (2.0%)	127 (5.4%)	408 (17.5%)	665 (28.5%)	545 (23.3%)	546 (23.4%)
Acquire a well-rounded general education	20 (0.9%)	49 (2.1%)	220 (9.4%)	611 (26.1%)	758 (32.4%)	683 (29.2%)
Discover what kind of person I really want to be	39 (1.7%)	64 (2.7%)	209 (8.9%)	469 (20.1%)	668 (28.6%)	888 (38.0%)
Achieve a high GPA	43 (1.8%)	95 (4.1%)	449 (19.2%)	762 (32.6%)	563 (24.1%)	426 (18.2%)
Form romantic relationships	285 (12.2%)	429 (18.3%)	676 (28.9%)	555 (23.7%)	268 (11.4%)	129 (5.5%)
Prepare for graduate or professional school	60 (2.6%)	119 (5.1%)	340 (14.5%)	558 (23.9%)	644 (27.5%)	617 (26.4%)
Obtain the skills I need to pursue my chosen career	21 (0.9%)	29 (1.2%)	160 (6.8%)	472 (20.2%)	737 (31.5%)	918 (39.3%)
Be in a position to make a lot of money after I finish my education	128 (5.5%)	277 (11.8%)	563 (24.0%)	611 (26.1%)	441 (18.8%)	325 (13.9%)
Explore new ideas	9 (0.4%)	37 (1.6%)	263 (11.2%)	619 (26.5%)	728 (31.1%)	684 (29.2%)
Decide on what career I want to pursue	38 (1.6%)	56 (2.4%)	227 (9.7%)	612 (26.2%)	780 (33.4%)	620 (26.6%)
Enjoy my college years before assuming adult responsibilities	116 (5.0%)	147 (6.3%)	389 (16.6%)	558 (23.9%)	550 (23.5%)	578 (24.7%)
Improve my level of physical fitness and skill	151 (6.5%)	338 (14.5%)	587 (25.1%)	615 (26.3%)	417 (17.8%)	230 (9.8%)
Develop a personal code of values and ethics	79 (3.4%)	147 (6.3%)	384 (16.5%)	697 (29.9%)	595 (25.5%)	432 (18.5%)

Prepare to be an informed citizen	63 (2.7%)	114 (4.9%)	394 (16.9%)	746 (31.9%)	619 (26.5%)	401 (17.2%)
Develop an in-depth understanding of a specific field of study	18 (0.8%)	58 (2.5%)	233 (9.9%)	630 (26.9%)	758 (32.4%)	645 (27.5%)