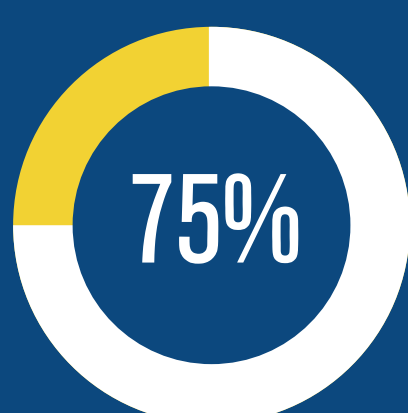


# THINK YOU KNOW THE FACTS ABOUT TODAY'S COLLEGE STUDENTS?

## BALANCING MULTIPLE RESPONSIBILITIES



### THREE-QUARTERS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS

today juggle family, jobs, or both while commuting to class, and 40 percent attend school only part-time.



STUDENTS WORK ON AVERAGE

## 19 HOURS PER WEEK



ABOUT

## 40 PERCENT

OF COMMUNITY-COLLEGE STUDENTS work 20 or more hours per week, and 20 percent of students enrolled at four-year colleges do.

## OLDER AND MORE RACIALLY DIVERSE



ABOUT

## 40 PERCENT

OF ALL TODAY'S STUDENTS ARE OLDER THAN 25.

The vision that most of us have of college students – 18- to 21-year-olds who attend school full-time – only make up about a third of the college population.



ENROLLMENT AMONG  
HISPANIC STUDENTS

## TRIPLED

SINCE THE MID-1990'S,



AND BLACK STUDENT ENROLLMENT GREW BY

## 72 PERCENT.

And those trends are expected to continue through 2021, with Black enrollment projected to grow by 25 percent, Hispanic students projected to increase by 42 percent, and only a 4 percent increase in White students forecasted.

## FINANCIALLY INDEPENDENT...AND OFTEN STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET



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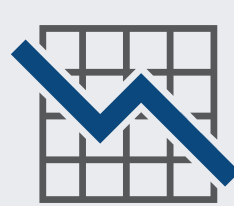
## TODAY'S STUDENTS

ARE ON THEIR OWN FINANCIALLY. HALF OF THOSE STUDENTS (25%) HAVE FINANCIAL DEPENDENTS OF THEIR OWN.



## 3.9 MILLION

POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS ARE PARENTS, AND OF THOSE, 57 PERCENT ARE LOW-INCOME.

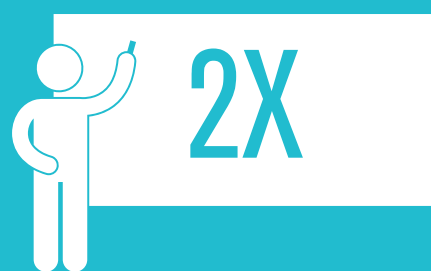


MORE THAN

## 42 PERCENT

OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS LIVED NEAR OR BELOW POVERTY IN 2008.

## LESS LIKELY TO GRADUATE



STUDENTS WITH ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL, WORK AND FAMILY OBLIGATIONS ARE

## TWICE AS LIKELY TO DROP OUT OF SCHOOL

in their first year as students fresh out of high school – 38 percent compared to 16 percent.



STUDENTS WHO BEGIN ON CAMPUS AS FULL-TIME STUDENTS

ARE MORE LIKELY TO REMAIN FULL-TIME STUDENTS,

enabling them to more quickly advance towards earning their degrees.