Utah State University Family Communication and Relationships Lab presents:

Data Collection Report

FIRST YEAR STUDENTS FALL 2016

2,223 students
288 parents

PARTICIPANT COUNT

STUDENT INFORMATION
• 60% female and 40% male
• 88% White, 5% Hispanic, 2.3% Asian/Pacific Islander, 1.3% African American, 3.4% Other
• 11% first generation college students

PARENT INFORMATION
• 70% female
• 92% White
• 33% have Bachelor’s degree, 21% have Master’s degree or higher
• 22% first generation college students

Student Confidence Ratings

College Level Courses
Just before starting college, only 8.3% of USU students feel they are prepared to take college-level courses.

High School Courses
56% of students think their high school classes prepared them well for college.

Learning New Material
66.5% of students feel confident in their ability to find a way to learn the material, even if they don’t understand a class concept.

Study Skills
52% of students feel confident in their study skills. 21.5% do not. 26% were not sure whether they had strong study skills.

Average Student Concerns about College

USU Students have strong Family Support!

78% of students agree or strongly agree that they get the emotional help and support they need from their families.

90% of students agree or strongly agree that their family really tries to help them.

0 = low concerns, 100 = high concerns

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