



# Fall Return to Campus Survey

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## Survey Background

- Fall 2021 students
- Online web survey
- July 28 to August 13, 2021
- Incentive offered
- Two batches to account for ongoing registration
  - July 27 and August 4



# Student Respondents

915

Total headcount = 6,455 | Response rate = 14% | Based on number of students who received survey invite on August 4, 2021.



## Student Respondents by Ethnicity

| <u>Survey</u> |                 | <u>Fall 2021</u> |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 27%           | <b>Asian</b>    | 30%              |
| 3%            | <b>Black</b>    | 4%               |
| 3%            | <b>Filipinx</b> | 5%               |
| 22%           | <b>Latinx</b>   | 28%              |
| 26%           | <b>White</b>    | 27%              |



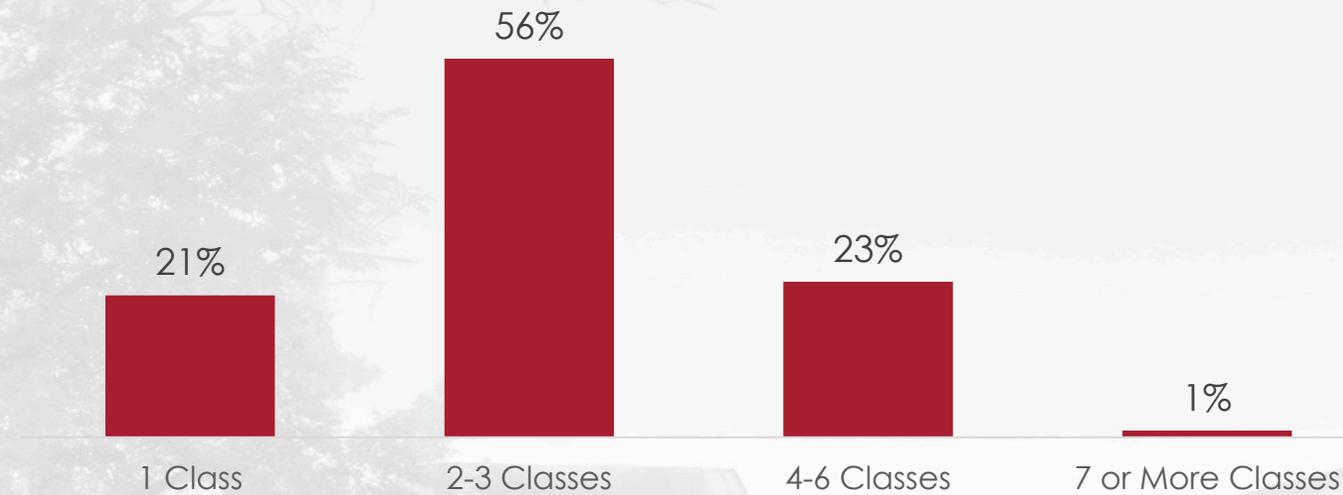
# Have you enrolled in classes at Foothill BEFORE Fall 2021?



Majority of students have enrolled BEFORE Fall 2021.



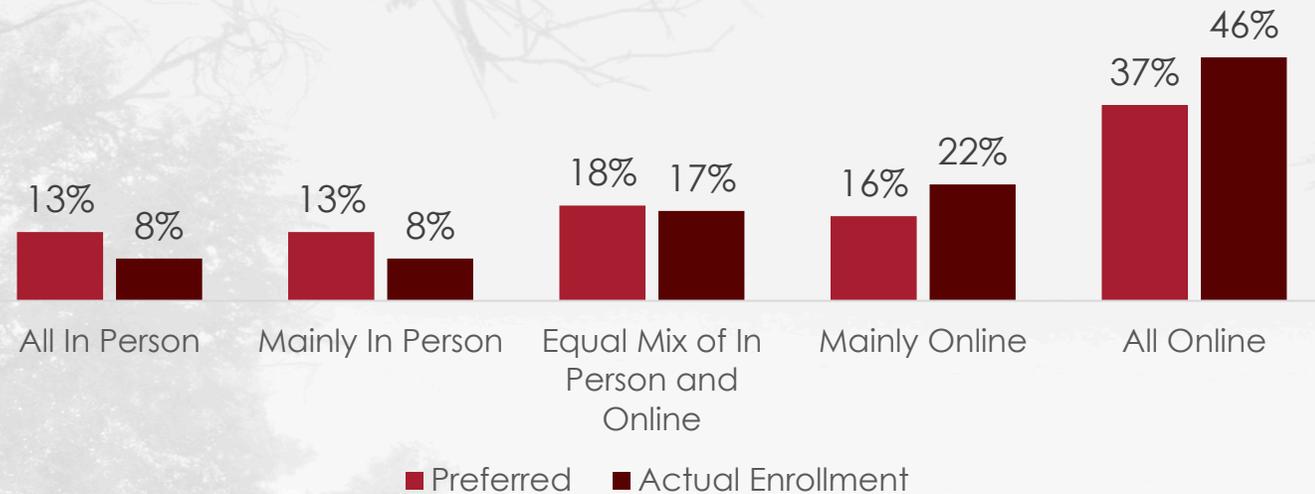
## How many classes are you registered for/planning to register for this fall?



More than  $\frac{1}{2}$  students are registered or plan to register for between 2 to 3 classes.



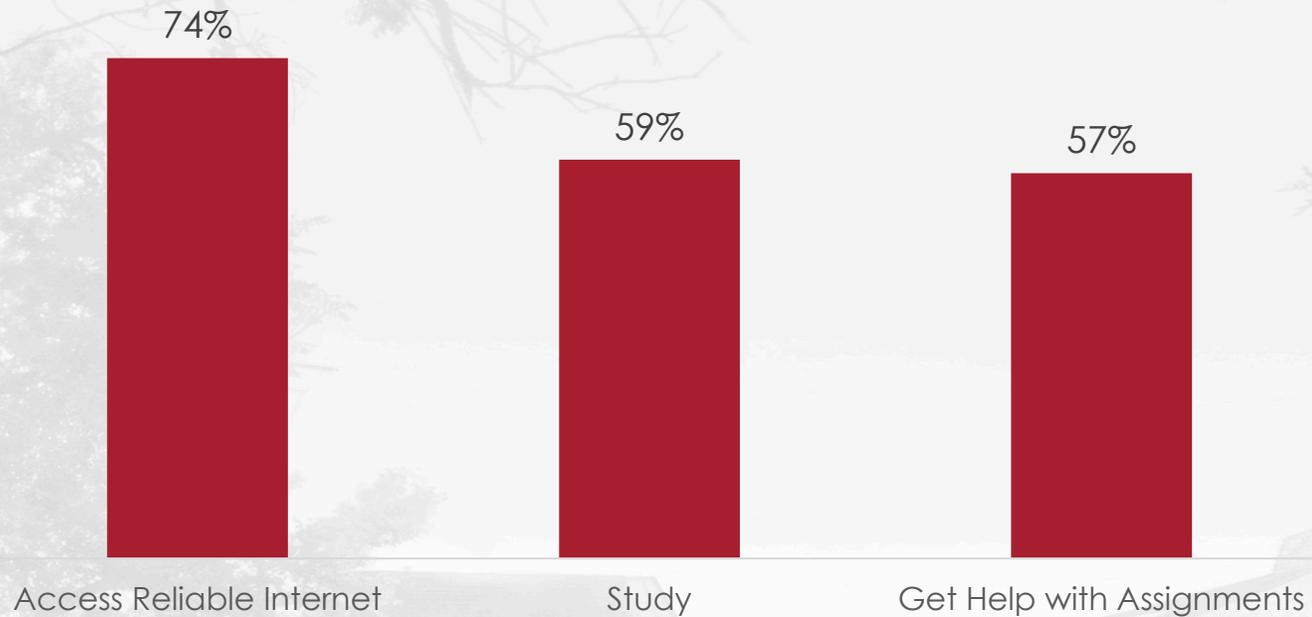
# What is your preferred way of taking classes?



Majority of students prefer and are enrolled in classes with at least some online component (71%), with roughly 1 out of 4 seeking out fully online sections.



## What activities would be very important to do in person on campus?



**Top 3 activities involve instructional support**

Other available response options included: Meet with counselors (53%); Check out books/reference materials (53%); Use computers/printers (53%); Interact with instructors/staff (52%); Purchase food (30%); Hang out with other students (24%); Participate in student clubs (19%)

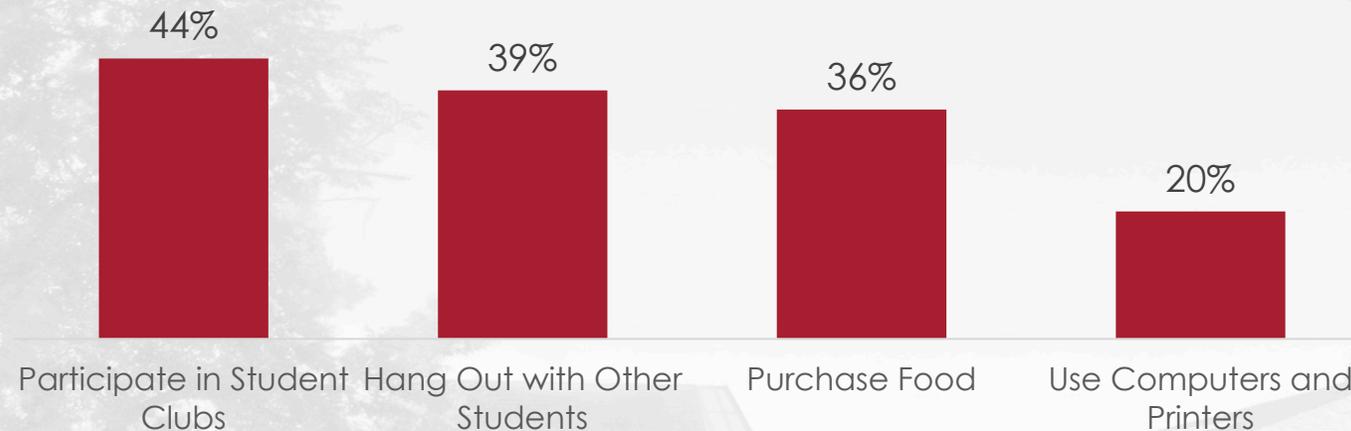


## Other very important services or activities to do in person?

- Gym, physical ed, intramurals, pool
- Social activities
- Owl cards
- Career services
- Health services
- Food pantry



## What activities would not be important to do in person on campus?

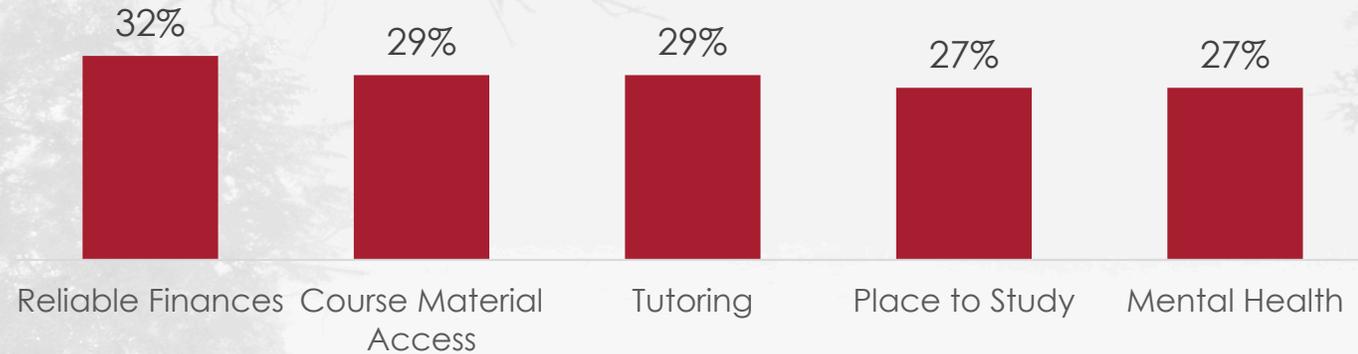


Students identified student interactions, food service, and technology hardware use as less important.

Other available response options included: Study (16%); Access reliable internet (13%); Meet with counselors (13%); Check out books/reference materials (13%); Get help with assignments (13%); Interact with instructors/staff (11%)



## What issues are of significant concern where your ability to remain enrolled and/or be successful in your classes may be affected?



At least 1 out of 4 identified their finances, learning resources access, or mental health

Other available response options included: Computer/Mobile device access (24%); Reliable transportation (22%); Technology troubleshooting (21%); Reliable housing (19%); Reliable food source (18%); Disability issue(s) (12%)



## COVID-19 Perspectives

- Some students will not be vaccinated
- Some students have concerns
  - Vaccine mandate
  - Social distancing
  - Delta variant
  - Instructor flexibility



## COVID-19 Perspectives: Student Questions

- How is Foothill sure they won't be the reason we have more covid cases? How can Foothill ensure our safety?



## COVID-19 Perspectives: Student Questions

- What will happen if there was a second shutdown?
- Will class be able to be taken online if you are immune compromised and unable to attend in person?



## **COVID-19 Perspectives: Communication**

- Please continue to publicize campus policies. Profiles about the human beings who implement on-campus cleaning could enhance morale of students and staff!



## **COVID-19 Perspectives: No Mandate**

- If Foothill were to implement any non-voluntary contact tracing or vaccine mandate I would drop all my classes immediately and cease all activity or engagement with the institution on a permanent basis. I would consider any such act a violation of my Constitutional rights and direct attack on the foundation and core principles of freedom in the United States of America.



## Anything to share?

- Students do not want to lose online options
  - Online only enrollment
  - Live virtual options (online synchronous)
  - Instructor office hours
  - Labs online



## Anything to share: F2F and Online offerings requested

- I don't like that some classes with labs that don't need to be in person have no alternatives for those who cannot attend for health reasons. Just because the school or CDC says it might be ok doesn't make it ok for me.



## Anything to share: F2F and Online offerings requested

- I'm a working adult, so you need to understand how badly you have \*\*\*\*\* me by making me return to campus to take lab....I'll need to spend EXTRA money on parking permits and gasoline....Very disappointed in your lack of understanding and empathy for working adults who need to take class at a community college to move forward in their career.



## Anything to share: Student Suggestions

- I just think there should have been more live virtual options as opposed to self-paced online courses.
- I would appreciate more tutoring services and safe spaces to get study sessions in. Allow the library and gym to be open for students to use for mental breaks.
- A solid syllabus. If a syllabus were published at the beginning of a class then it should never be changed or altered by the instructor.
- It would be awesome if Foothill could somehow offer more interaction for online classes.



## Anything to share: Student Suggestions

- The tutoring lab and taking different computer science classes each quarter with different software programs may require tech help with disability accessibility.



## Anything to share: Student Suggestions

- Professors being flexible and being aware of the workload placed upon students. Maintaining communication and do not push assignments for the sake of requirement.
- Teachers and admin should be understanding bc we are in a pandemic still and we can't predict when things are gonna go bad in life...



## Anything to share: Student Suggestions

- There are a lot of cheating going on during online exams....I hope Foothill will bring back Proctorio service. Even though the service isn't perfect, it does offer cool features that can deter cheating.



## Anything to share: Student Suggestions

- Better response time and resolutions in:
  - Admissions & Records
  - Counseling
  - Financial Aid
  - Transcript evaluations
  - Book support



## Survey Summary

- Most students are familiar with Foothill
- Majority are enrolled in mainly or all online classes
- Students prefer online and in-person options
- Students still find Foothill a great place
  - The college is awesome!
  - So far I'm pretty impressed with Foothill College.



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