

2017 FRESHMEN

National results are shown in NAVY & WHITE | **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.



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

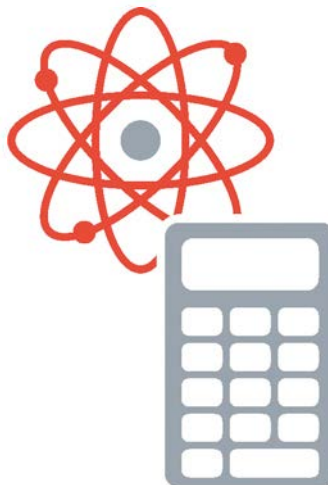
40% | 55%
AP Calculus

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.

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