

THINK YOU KNOW THE FACTS? TODAY'S COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE...

BALANCING MULTIPLE RESPONSIBILITIES



**THREE-QUARTERS
OF COLLEGE STUDENTS**

COMMUTE TO CLASS WHILE JUGGLING PARENTING,
WORKING AND BOTH.

**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.

OLDER AND MORE RACIALLY DIVERSE



38 PERCENT

OF ALL TODAY'S UNDERGRADUATES
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 SUPPORT THEMSELVES... AND OFTEN STRUGGLE TO MAKE ENDS MEET



ALMOST HALF OF TODAY'S STUDENTS

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

4.8 MILLION

POSTSECONDARY STUDENTS ARE PARENTS, AND OF THOSE, **61 PERCENT** HAVE NO MONEY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST OF COLLEGE.



88 PERCENT

OF SINGLE STUDENT-PARENTS HAVE INCOMES **BELOW 200 PERCENT** OF THE POVERTY LINE.

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.**



NO MORE THAN **A QUARTER OF PART-TIME STUDENTS** MAKE IT TO GRADUATION, EVEN WHEN GIVEN TWICE AS LONG TO COMPLETE.

