How to customize the YFCY infographic:

The YFCY infographic is a  $11 \times 17$  portrait PowerPoint presentation that can be customized to feature your institution's data alongside the national data. Here are instructions to customize and print your institution's infographic:

- 1. Open the YFCY Customizable Infographic PowerPoint file "YFCY Customizable Infographic Final.PPTX"
- 2. Click on the grey placeholder text for "XX institution and insert your school" and write in your institution's name
- 4. Click on the text boxes for each individual percentage in grey and customize those values to your institution
- 5. Finalize your edits and save the document

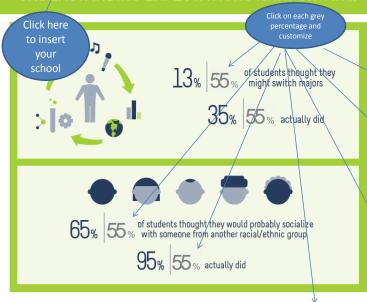
Please note: This is a 11" x 17" document and presentation. To print at presentation size, set your printer and paper tray to 11" x 17." For optimal printing results, use #100 glossy white paper.

# THE FIRST YEAR IS A BIG DEAL

About 25% of first-year students leave college before their sophomore year. Knowing the experiences of your students and the impact of first-year programs is key to creating positive change.

National results for Your First College Year survey are shown in Dark Blue. Results for XX institution are shown in Grey

# UNDERSTANDING EXPECTATIONS IS IMPORTANT.



27% 55% of students felt the admissions or recruitment materials didn't accurately portray campus

5/%

were satisfied with the relevance of coursework to everyday life

 $40_{\text{\%}}|_{55_{\text{\%}}}$ 

more students, upon entering college, sought personal counseling than they anticipated

COLLEGE CAN BE DEMANDING. **ACADEMICS ARE** ONE SOURCE OF STUDENT STRESS.

f students had difficulty adjusting to the demands of coursework

39% | 55%



of students had a hard time developing effective study skills

of students struggled with effective time management

55%

of students witnessed academic dishonesty or cheating

#### ANOTHER IMPORTANT ASPECT FOR STUDENTS IS ADJUSTING



belonging on campus





along with their

roommate









overwhelmed by

all they had to do









of students worried about their health

of students felt isolated from campus life

## BEING INVOLVED IN COURSEWORK IS KEY.

### BUT...



of students discussed course content with other students outside of class



40% 55% frequently felt hored in class



asleep in class





So, the more you get to know your students, the better you can understand their needs. With insight from CIRP's Your First College Year Survey, the most comprehensive tool addressing first-year programming and retention strategies, you'll be one step closer to providing the best environment for student learning.