

How to customize the YFCY infographic:

The YFCY infographic is a 11 x 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.

Click here to insert your school

Click on each grey percentage and customize



13% | 55% of students thought they might switch majors

35% | 55% actually did

65% | 55% of students thought they would probably socialize with someone from another racial/ethnic group

95% | 55% actually did

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

57% | 55% were satisfied with the relevance of coursework to everyday life

40% | 55% more students, upon entering college, sought personal counseling than they anticipated

36% | 55% of students had difficulty adjusting to the demands of coursework

39% | 55% of students had a hard time developing effective study skills

48% | 55% of students struggled with effective time management

47% | 55% of students witnessed academic dishonesty or cheating

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

ANOTHER IMPORTANT ASPECT FOR STUDENTS IS ADJUSTING.

80% | 55% felt a sense of belonging on campus

48% | 55% had difficulty getting along with their roommate

61% | 55% felt lonely or homesick

51% | 55% of students felt overwhelmed by all they had to do

45% | 55% of students worried about their health

37% | 55% of students felt isolated from campus life

BEING INVOLVED IN COURSEWORK IS KEY.

BUT...

42% | 55% of students discussed course content with other students outside of class



40% | 55% frequently felt bored in class



43% | 55% had fallen 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.

