



## Understanding the 2014 Full-Time, Degree-Seeking, Indianapolis Only External Transfer Student Cohort

### Demographic Institutional Data

- 1183 total full-time, degree-seeking transfer students in 2014 cohort
- Gender
  - Female 596 (50.4%)
  - Male 587 (49.6%)
- 1082 (91.5%) are Indiana residents
- 5.2% are international students
- Ethnicity
  - Black/African American-160 (13.5%)
  - Hispanic/Latino-60 (5.1%)
  - Two or More Races-46 (3.9%)
  - White-801 (67.7%)
  - Asian-37 (3.1%)
  - American Indian/Alaska Native-2 (0.2%)
- Mean Age- 23.81

### Academic Institutional Data

- Last Post-Secondary Institution
  - Community College- 582 (53.8%)
  - 4 Year Institution- 532 (45.6%)
- Academic Level at Transfer
  - Freshman-188 (15.9%)
  - Sophomore- 560 (47.3%)
  - Junior- 340 (28.7%)
  - Senior- 95 (8.0%)
- 294 (24.9%) received an Academic Honors Diploma from an Indiana High School \*\*\*\*\*
- Average SAT score-990
- Average Transfer GPA – 2.93
- Average number of transfer hours: 46 credits
- Average Course Load first semester at IUPUI-13.87 credit hours
- 524 (44.3%) are direct/dual school admits
- 126 (10.7%) students are 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholar Eligible
- 72 (6.1%) students are receiving 21<sup>st</sup> Century Scholar Scholarships
- 397 (33.6%) are First Generation students (neither parent attended college)
- 50 (4.2%) students elected to live in campus housing
- 1 student is enrolled in the Honors College



## Entering Student Survey Data<sup>1</sup>

### Sense of Belonging

*Based on survey responses of “Moderately Agree or Strongly Agree”*

- 58% (287) feel a sense of belonging at IUPUI
- 50% (249) feel they are a member of the IUPUI community
- 55% (272) feel that fit right in on campus
- 41% (204) feel connected with other IUPUI students
- 55% (266) see themselves as part of the IUPUI community
- 71% (339) believe it is important for them to graduate from IUPUI (rather than from another college)

### Commitment to and Pride in IUPUI

*Based on survey responses of “Moderately Agree or Strongly Agree”*

- 11% (53) intend on transferring to another institution.
- 19% (91) report that it would take very little change in their present circumstances to cause me to leave this college.
- 71% (347) indicate they are proud to tell others they go to school at IUPUI.
- 59% (289) report they are extremely glad they chose IUPUI over other colleges
- 6% (29) report that there’s not much to be gained by sticking to this college indefinitely.
- 11% (56) report they could just as well be attending a different college with the same major.
- 4% (22) report that deciding to attend IUPUI was a definite mistake on their part.

### Academic Hope

*Based on survey responses of “Mostly and Definitely True”*

- 66% (325) report if I should find myself in a jam, I could think of many ways to get out of it.
- 74% (366) report that at the present time, I am energetically pursuing my goals
- 58% (285) report there are lots of ways around any school-related problems that I face
- 66% (321) report that right now I see myself as being pretty successful
- 71% (347) report I can think of many ways to reach my current academic goals
- 80% (395) report I see myself meeting the goals I have set for myself.

### Past Behavior

*Based on survey responses of “Often or Very Often”*

- 6% (31) report they came to class late.
- 21% (104) report they waited until the last minute to get assignments done.
- 17% (83) report they went to class without being fully prepared.

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<sup>1</sup>495 Full-Time, Degree-Seeking Transfer students responded to the survey during new student orientation. This represents 42% of the total cohort of Full-Time Degree Seeking transfer students.

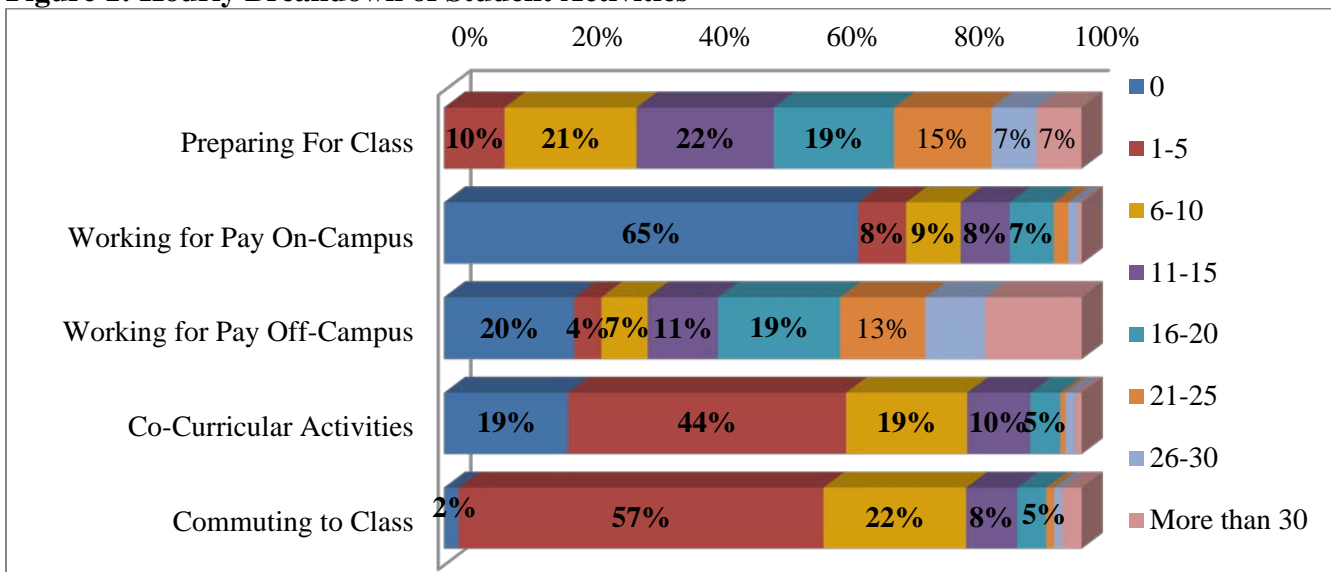


- 88% (428) report they strive for excellence in school work.
- 89% (434) report they comprehend reading assignments
- 80% (388) report they come to class with all required reading completed.
- 78% (378) report they revise papers to improve writing.
- 60% (293) report they ask questions in class

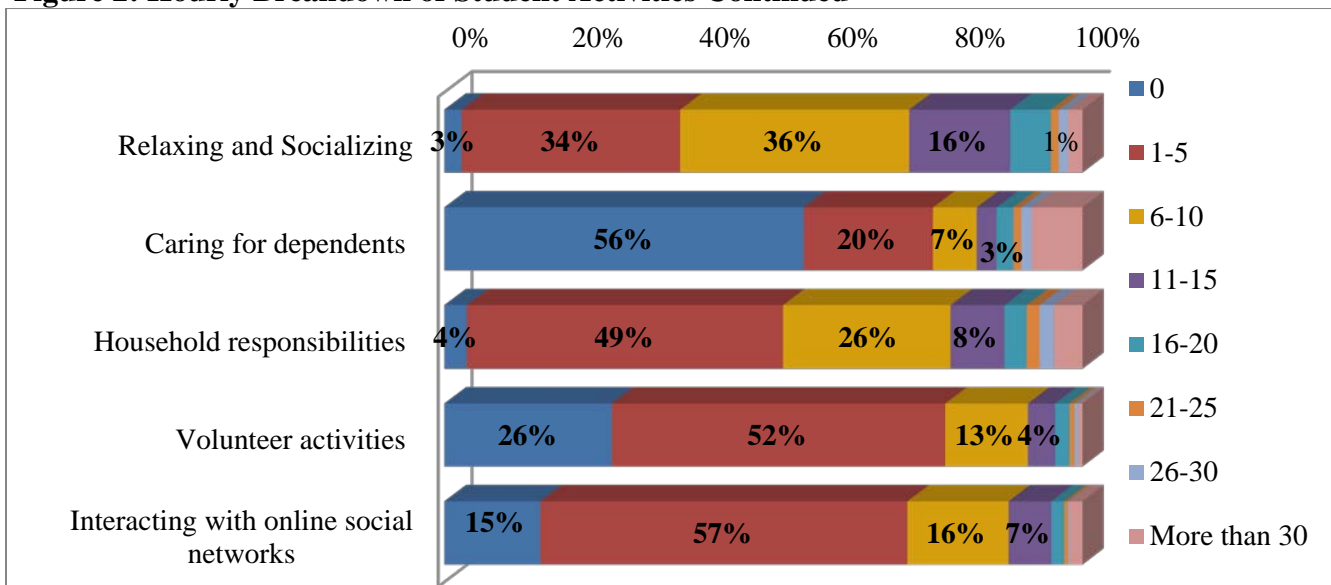
**Time Commitments**

- Figure 1 and 2 illustrate how many hours per week transfer students in the 2013 cohort expect to spend on typical activities during their first year of college.

**Figure 1: Hourly Breakdown of Student Activities**



**Figure 2: Hourly Breakdown of Student Activities Continued**

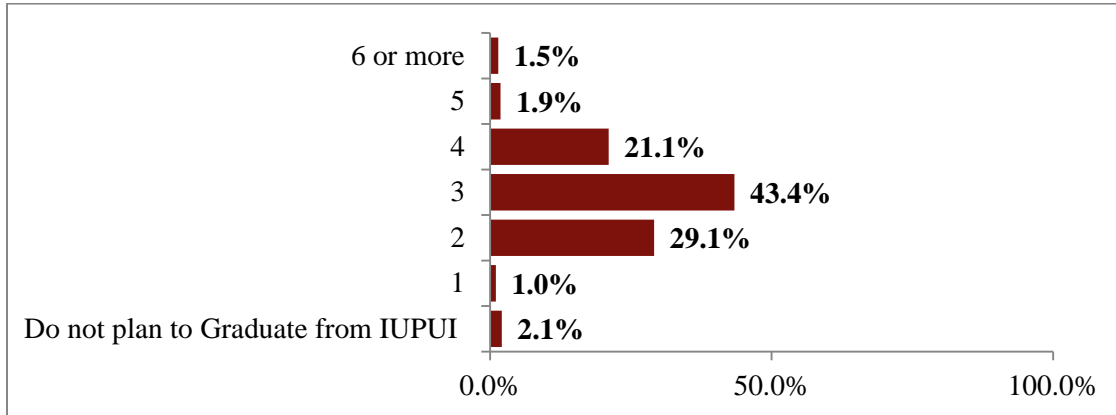




### Estimate of Time to Graduation

- Figure 3 displays transfer student estimate about how long it will take them to graduate from IUPUI. The majority (43%) believe it will take 3 years of study.

**Figure 3: Student Estimate of Years to Graduation**



### Concerns about Financing Education

- 31.5% (153) indicated they had no concerns about financing their education.
- 55.9% (271) indicated they had some concern about financing their education.
- 12.6% (61) indicated they had major concern about financing their education.

### Expectations

*Based on survey responses of “Some chance or Very good chance”*

- 20.7% (100) indicated they may change their major field.
- 30.7% (148) indicated they may change their career choice.
- 93.9% (449) indicated they would make a “B” average
- 97.3% (468) indicated they would be satisfied with college life.
- 85.0% (409) indicated would experience stress while balancing work and school-related responsibilities
- 70.5% (340) indicated they would experience stress while balancing family and school-related responsibilities
- 68.0% (329) indicated they would participate in student clubs/groups
- 74.3% (358) indicated they would participate in events and activities on campus
- 67.2% (322) indicate they would participate in service learning or community service
- 71.0% (341) indicated they would work on research with a professor.
- 43.6% (211) indicated they would participate in study abroad or international travel related to school
- 76.9% (366) indicated they would get tutoring or peer mentoring help in specific courses.
- 76.7% (369) indicated they would enroll in summer courses
- 76.0% (368) indicated they would exercise on campus.
- 94.6% (457) indicated they would make good choices for personal health (healthy eating, lifestyle, etc.)



### **Top Ten Reasons for Choosing IUPUI**

- 1.) Availability of specific academic programs (majors)
- 2.) Institutions academic offerings such as courses, certification, and degrees
- 3.) Graduates get good jobs
- 4.) Opportunity for an IU or Purdue degree
- 5.) Career and job opportunities available in Indianapolis after I complete my degree
- 6.) Job, career, and internship opportunities available in Indianapolis while attending school
- 7.) Availability of financial aid/scholarship
- 8.) Cost
- 9.) IUPUI's reputation
- 10.) Social opportunities associated with IUPUI located in the city of Indianapolis