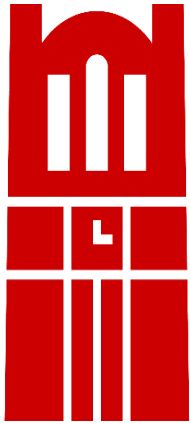


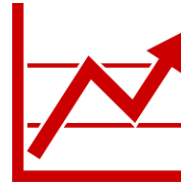
# 2021 Incoming First-Year Student Survey: Fast Facts



- On average first-year students applied to 5 colleges for admission
- 64% reported NC State was their top choice for college
- ¼ said “*academic reputation*” was the most influential factor in attending NC State
- 98% reported they were “very” or “moderately satisfied” with NC State’s admission process



- 44% said their high school prepared them “very well” for college
- 47% said they prepared themselves “very well” for college



Of 48 skills asked about, the largest gap between students’ perceptions in the importance of a skill and their current development of it is for “time management”



- 2/5 are from a rural/small town
- 54% come from a family with combined income > \$100,000
- 18% are first generation college students



Over 70% said it is likely that they will participate in a Study Abroad program



- 46% are taking out loans
- 75% are using their own money to help with college expenses
- 48% plan on being employed while in school



60% reported that they plan on pursuing a graduate or professional degree