

## *Fall 2008 Entering Student Questionnaire*

The survey was administered to students who attended orientations. Approximately 57% (589/1033) of all incoming new freshmen responded to the Entering Student Questionnaire at orientations conducted for Fall 2008. Their responses in percentages are summarized below.

### **I. DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

**1. Please describe your primary residence while attending CSU-Pueblo (*Circle only one*):**

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|---|--|
| A. CSU-Pueblo Belmont Residence Hall ( <b>45.2%</b> ) | D. Rent off-campus residence ( <b>5.9%</b> ) |
| B. Walking Stick Apartments ( <b>0.7%</b> )           | E. Don't know yet ( <b>9.3%</b> )            |
| C. Home ( <b>35.8%</b> )                              | F. Other ( <b>1.7%</b> )                     |
|   | G. Missing info. ( <b>1.4%</b> )             |

**2. Please indicate where you are from (*Circle only one*).**

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| A. Pueblo County ( <b>33.1%</b> )  | C. Other areas in Colorado ( <b>31.7%</b> )    |
| B. Other southeastern Colorado counties ( <b>19.7%</b> )<br>(Baca, Bent, Chaffee, Crowley, Custer, El Paso, Fremont,<br>Huerfano, Kiowa, Las Animas, Otero, Prowers, Teller) | D. States other than Colorado ( <b>14.3%</b> ) |
|  | E. Outside U.S. ( <b>0%</b> )                  |
|  | F. Other: ( <b>0.5%</b> )                      |
|  | G. Missing info. ( <b>0.7%</b> )               |

**3. What ethnicity/race do you identify yourself with? (*Circle the one that most closely describes your ethnicity*)**

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| A. <b>Non-Resident Alien</b>        | - A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a temporary basis (Resident Aliens are to be reported in the following racial/ethnic categories.) ( <b>0.2%</b> ) |
| B. <b>Black, non-Hispanic</b>       | - A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa (except those of Hispanic origin) ( <b>13.9%</b> )   |
| C. <b>Native American</b>           | - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition. ( <b>1.0%</b> )                        |
| D. <b>Asian or Pacific Islander</b> | - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. ( <b>3.9%</b> )   |
| E. <b>Hispanic</b>                  | - A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race ( <b>22.8%</b> )   |
| F. <b>White, non-Hispanic</b>       | - A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East ( <b>57.2%</b> )  |
| G. <b>Missing info.</b>             | ( <b>1.0%</b> )  |

**4. If you are a transfer student, please indicate the reasons of your transfer to CSU-Pueblo. (*Circle all that apply*)  
If you are not a transfer student, please go to question #5.**

**Following responses are based on those who responded for transfer information (6.0%),**

- A. My previous institution did not offer baccalaureate degree. (**16%**)
- B. My previous institution did not have the major or program that I wanted. (**22%**)
- C. I experienced academic difficulties at my previous institution. (**5%**)
- D. Convenient location (**11%**)
- E. Other (*please describe*): (sports–**21%**, other–**30%**)

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5. Highest education level attained by both parents (Check only one degree for EACH parent below):

	<u>Father</u>	<u>Mother</u>
A. Grammar school graduate or less	(1.2%)	(0.7%)
B. Middle school	(3.2%)	(4.1%)
C. High school or GED	(40.2%)	(31.2%)
D. Community or junior college (e.g., AA, AS)	(11.5%)	(19.5%)
E. Baccalaureate degree (e.g., BA, BS)	(14.3%)	(19.7%)
F. Other post-secondary school degree (e.g., vocational/technical)	(4.4%)	(4.1%)
G. Master's degree (e.g., MA, MS)	(10.2%)	(11.5%)
H. Doctoral level degree (e.g., PhD, MD, JD, EdD)	(1.9%)	(0.8%)
I. Unknown	(7.8%)	(4.4%)
J. Other (please specify):	(0.8%)	(1.2%)
K. Missing info.	(4.4%)	(2.7%)

### II. FINANCING YOUR EDUCATION

*(Your responses will not affect your financial aid award in any way)*

6. Have you been awarded Financial Aid? (68.9%) Yes    (26.8%) No    Missing (4.2%)

7. Do you have a paid job for this coming semester? (34.6%) Yes    (60.1%) No    Missing (5.3%)  
If yes, how many hours per week do you plan to work at your paid job? (Circle only one)

A. 0 (4.9%)	C. 11-20 (14.9%)	E. 31-40 (4.4%)
B. 1-10 (6.1%)	D. 21-30 (11.4%)	F. 41+ (0.3%)

### III. ATTENDING CSU-PUEBLO

8. As of today, please indicate your first and second area of interest. (Please enter a "1" by your first primary area of interest and a "2" by your secondary area of interest)

	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Choice</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice</u>
A. Humanities (e.g., English, art, music)	(8.1%)	(7.5%)
B. Social Sciences (e.g., psychology, mass communication)	(15.6%)	(10.9%)
C. Engineering/Engineering Technology	(9.8%)	(2.7%)
D. Business (accounting, econ, finance, mgmt, marketing)	(9.3%)	(8.3%)
E. Computer Information Systems	(0.7%)	(5.4%)
F. Education (teacher certification)	(6.6%)	(9.8%)
G. Science (e.g., biology, chemistry)	(13.8%)	(9.3%)
H. Mathematics	(0.5%)	(4.4%)
I. Medical (e.g., pre-med, nursing)	(14.4%)	(8.7%)
J. Sport related (e.g., exercise science, physical education)	(13.1%)	(16.1%)
K. Other (please specify):	(6.6%)	(5.3%)

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### 9. How did you learn about CSU-Pueblo? (Circle all that apply)

- A. I grew up or lived in Pueblo (31.9%)
- B. Family member (16.0%)
- C. The university graduates/alumni (6.3%)
- D. Friends (21.7%)
- E. High school counselor/teacher (28.4%)
- F. Visits of the university representative(s) (12.4%)
- G. By attending a university sponsored event (6.3%)
- H. By visiting the university's web site (8.8%)
- I. Television or radio advertisement (2.5%)
- J. Newspaper (2.0%)
- K. Other (please specify):  
(athlete recruit-9.1%, CSU-2%, other-3.4%)

### 10. Do you intend to complete your degree at CSU-Pueblo?

- A. Yes (63.3%)
- B. Not Sure (28.2%)
- C. No (please specify why) (7.1%)
  - 1. Plan to transfer to another institution (9.0%)
  - 2. Financial limitations (0.7%)
  - 3. Other (1.9%)

### 11. How many colleges/universities, including CSU-Pueblo, have you applied to within the last 12 months (i.e., you submitted all of the required paperwork)? (Circle only one)

- A. 1 (38.0%)
- B. 2 (22.8%)
- C. 3 (17.0%)
- D. 4 (8.7%)
- E. 5 (4.2%)
- F. 6 or more (4.8%)
- G. Missing info. (4.6%)

### 12. How many of the following types of institutions offered you admission within the last 12 months? (Circle all that apply)

- (1) Two-year institution: A. 1 (22.1%) B.2 (8.1%) C. 3 (1.0%) D. 4 or more (3.4%)
- (2) Four-year college/university: A. 1 (39.0%) B.2 (21.2%) C. 3 (12.7%) D. 4 or more (11.0%)

### 13. Was CSU-Pueblo your \_\_\_\_\_? (Circle only one)

- A. Only choice (15.6%)
- B. 1st choice (48.9%)
- C. 2nd choice (24.4%)
- D. 3rd choice or beyond (7.8%)
- E. Missing (3.2%)

### 14. At this time, what is the highest degree you intend to obtain during your lifetime (Circle only one)?

- A. Bachelor's degree (30.2%)
- B. Master's degree (41.6%)
- C. Doctoral degree (17.3%)
- D. Other (4.8%)
- E. Missing (6.1%)

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15. What attracted you to CSU-Pueblo? (Rank your top 3 choices using "1" as your first reason, etc.)

	1 <sup>st</sup> Reason	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reason	3 <sup>rd</sup> Reason
A. New athletic programs	(22.6%)	(3.4%)	(3.6%)
B. Convenient location	(18.0%)	(12.1%)	(7.3%)
C. Affordable	(16.0%)	(19.4%)	(11.2%)
D. Financial aid (including scholarships)	(4.6%)	(4.1%)	(3.1%)
E. Quality of academic programs	(2.9%)	(6.6%)	(6.6%)
F. Type of majors offered	(11.7%)	(10.2%)	(10.0%)
G. Professional career focused-programs	(0.7%)	(1.4%)	(3.4%)
H. Classes taught by degreed instructors	(0.3%)	(1.4%)	(1.0%)
I. Size of university	(3.4%)	(8.0%)	(9.3%)
J. New Buildings	(0.5%)	(1.5%)	(3.2%)
K. Small class-size	(4.4%)	(10.7%)	(14.3%)
K. Student support services	(0.3%)	(0.8%)	(1.2%)
L. Student Life experiences	(1.5%)	(1.4%)	(2.9%)
M. Sports programs	(7.3%)	(6.1%)	(5.4%)
N. Diverse student population	(0%)	(1.4%)	(2.0%)
O. Campus safety/security	(0%)	(0.3%)	(0.2%)
P. Other (please specify):	(3.1%)	(0.5%)	(1.7%)

### IV. EXPECTATIONS OF YOUR ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

16. How many hours, do you expect to spend on studying (Circle only one)?

A. 1-10 hrs/wk (13.4%)	C. 21-30 hrs/wk (18.0%)	E. Not sure (19.0%)
B. 11-20 hrs/wk (45.2%)	D. 31+ hrs/wk (1.9%)	F. Missing (2.5%)

Using the following five point scale, please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree to what each statement describes for items #17-#22. (Circle your response.)

	<i>Strongly Agree A</i>	<i>Agree B</i>	<i>Neither Disagree Or Agree C</i>	<i>Disagree D</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree E</i>
17. I feel comfortable going to my instructor for Assistance.	(39.2%)	(47.2%)	(9.3%)	(1.2%)	(3.1%)
18. I enjoy working on group projects.	(28.0%)	(36.8%)	(22.8%)	(7.0%)	(2.0%)
19. I like to participate in classroom discussions.	(23.4%)	(36.0%)	(25.8%)	(9.3%)	(1.9%)
20. I am comfortable with using e-mail to communicate with my instructors.	(47.7%)	(31.6%)	(10.0%)	(6.5%)	(0.5%)
21. I expect the classes at CSU-Pueblo to be challenging.	(28.2%)	(52.5%)	(14.6%)	(0.8%)	(0.2%)
22. I am motivated to do well in my classes.	(68.8%)	(25.6%)	(1.7%)	(0%)	(0.2%)

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### 23. While attending CSU-Pueblo, I intend to participate in the following activities (Circle all that apply):

- A. Professional clubs related to my major  
(such as, American Society of Mechanical Engineering, English Club, Chemistry Club, Art Club, Society of Women Engineers, etc.) **(21.9%)**
- B. Intercollegiate Sports  
(such as, Basketball, Baseball, Soccer, Golf, Tennis, Softball) **(37.5%)**
- C. Intramural sports  
(such as, Table-tennis, Co-ed Volleyball, Flag Football, etc.) **(24.6%)**
- D. Recreation/sports clubs  
(such as, Racquetball Club, Ski Club, Rodeo Club, etc.) **(19.2%)**
- E. Special interest/social clubs  
(such as, Veterans Club, Women and Non Traditional Students - WANTS) **(9.5%)**
- F. Social activities  
(such as, Dances, poetry readings) **(28.5%)**
- G. Student government **(4.6%)**
- H. H. Military Science – ROTC **(1.4%)**
- I. I do not plan to participate in any of the extra-curricular activities listed above. **(2.7%)**
- J. I do not know yet. **(28.2%)**
- K. Other (*please specify*): **(3.9%)**

## V. DIVERSITY AT CSU-PUEBLO

Using the following five point scale, please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree to what each statement describes for items #24-#28. (*Circle your response.*)

	<i>Strongly Agree A</i>	<i>Agree B</i>	<i>Neither Disagree Or Agree C</i>	<i>Disagree D</i>	<i>Strongly Disagree E</i>
24. I feel comfortable interacting with people of different races.	<b>(74.7%)</b>	<b>(20.5%)</b>	<b>(1.2%)</b>	<b>(0.2%)</b>	<b>(0%)</b>
25. I am aware of different perspectives based upon race.	<b>(59.4%)</b>	<b>(32.8%)</b>	<b>(3.6%)</b>	<b>(0.2%)</b>	<b>(0.2%)</b>
26. I think the university's brochures and publications Reflect a culturally diverse campus environment.	<b>(34.5%)</b>	<b>(44.0%)</b>	<b>(16.5%)</b>	<b>(0.5%)</b>	<b>(0.5%)</b>
27. I think the university has a reputation for providing A climate that promotes diversity.	<b>(36.5%)</b>	<b>(41.1%)</b>	<b>(17.7%)</b>	<b>(0.7%)</b>	<b>(0%)</b>
28. I am open to learning more about students with Different racial and ethnic backgrounds.	<b>(58.9%)</b>	<b>(28.4%)</b>	<b>(8.1%)</b>	<b>(0.5%)</b>	<b>(0.5%)</b>