Private, Nonprofit Colleges Are Effective

Share of Students with Impactful Experience, 4-Year Colleges, Spring 2021

- Service Learning: 67% Private, 54% Nonprofit, 52% Public
- Culminating Senior Experience: 57% Private, 41% Nonprofit, 41% Public
- Internship or Field Experience: 27% Private, 19% Nonprofit, 20% Public
- Research with Faculty: 16% Private, 8% Nonprofit, 8% Public
- Learning Community: 67% Private, 54% Nonprofit, 52% Public
- Study Abroad: 57% Private, 41% Nonprofit, 41% Public

Share of Degrees Awarded by Private, Nonprofit Colleges, 2021-22

- Bachelor: 29% Private, 25% Nonprofit, 45% Public
- Graduate: 45% Private, 45% Nonprofit, 45% Public

National Cohort Default Rates, 4-Year Colleges, Fiscal Years 2016-2018

- FY 2016: 6.8% Private, 6.3% Nonprofit, 6.3% Public
- FY 2017: 7.0% Private, 6.3% Nonprofit, 6.3% Public
- FY 2018: 5.4% Private, 5.0% Nonprofit, 5.0% Public

Share of Private, Nonprofit Colleges Offering Alternative Learning Options, 2021-22

- Distance Learning: 81% Private, 74% Nonprofit, 65% Public
- AP Credit: 47% Private, 46% Nonprofit, 64% Public
- Dual Credit: 66% Private, 64% Nonprofit, 58% Public
- Life Experience Credit: 43% Private, 43% Nonprofit, 43% Public
- Weekend/Night Classes: 41% Private, 41% Nonprofit, 41% Public
- Military Training Credit: 50% Private, 50% Nonprofit, 50% Public

4-Year Graduation Rates

- Private, Nonprofit: 58%
- 4-Year Public: 44%

6-Year Graduation Rates

- Private, Nonprofit: 69%
- 4-Year Public: 64%

6-Year Graduation Rates by Race/Ethnicity, 4-Year Colleges

- African American: 47% Private, 46% Nonprofit, 82% Public
- Asian American: 64% Private, 64% Nonprofit, 76% Public
- Latino/a: 66% Private, 58% Nonprofit, 67% Public
- White: 72% Private, 72% Nonprofit, 58% Public
- Two or More Races: 50% Private, 50% Nonprofit, 50% Public

8-Year Graduation Rates, Pell Grant Recipients, 4-Year Colleges

- Pell Grant Recipients: 54% Private, 54% Nonprofit, 61% Public