Private, Nonprofit Colleges Are Effective

Share of Students with Impactful Experience, 4-Year Colleges, 2019-20

- Service Learning: 61%, 60%
- Internship or Field Experience: 47%, 60%
- Culminating Senior Experience: 57%, 47%
- Research with Faculty: 42%, 57%
- Learning Community: 31%, 22%
- Study Abroad: 26%, 22%
- Effective: 25%, 12%

Share of Private, Nonprofit Colleges Offering Alternative Learning Options, 2020-21

- Distance Learning: 79%
- AP Credit: 74%
- Dual Credit: 65%
- Life Experience Credit: 41%
- Weekend/Night Classes: 41%
- Military Training Credit: 50%

Share of Degrees Awarded by Private, Nonprofit Colleges, 2020-21

- Bachelor: 28%, 25%
- Graduate: 45%, 44%

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

- FY 2016: 6.8%
- FY 2017: 7.0%
- FY 2018: 5.4%

4-Year Graduation Rates

- Private, Nonprofit: 57%
- Public: 42%

6-Year Graduation Rates

- Private, Nonprofit: 68%
- Public: 63%

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

- African American: 47%
- Asian American: 46%
- Latino/a: 65%
- White: 58%
- Two or More Races: 50%

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

- Private, Nonprofit: 53%
- Public: 47%