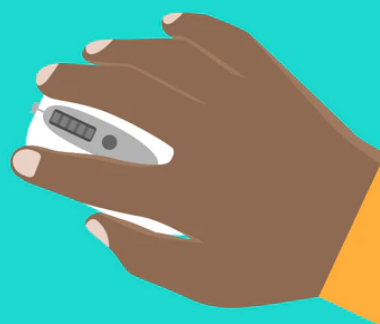


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COVID-19's Impact on Current and Future College Students

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Students Face Many Obstacles to Completion

53%

of students say it's been a challenge to access labs, specialized equipment, clinicals, and internships

37%

of students say having the resources to pay for school is a big concern

9%

of students say access to food or shelter will be a big challenge

Students Had to Spend Money To Shift Online

41%

of students had to make purchases to engage in online courses

17%

had to purchase Internet access

65%

of students said that these purchases came at a somewhat significant or very significant cost

Students are Concerned About Graduation and Employment

32%

say it will take them longer to graduate than originally anticipated

77%

are concerned about getting a job that fits their degree once they graduate

75%

of students said they would be more likely to maintain enrollment if their college discounts tuition for online education and demonstrates positive employment outcomes



Global Strategy Group conducted an online survey August 6–17, 2020 of 1,407 college students nationwide, including oversamples of 223 caregivers, 253 Black students, and 311 Latinx students. The survey also included 211 high school seniors nationwide.



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