



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

## Student Affairs & Enrollment Management Academic Initiatives & Student Success

### 2016 Next Steps Center Freshman Survey – Arizona Residents

The Next Steps Center Freshman Survey was made available to Fall 2016 freshmen through the Next Steps Center during April-September 2016. The survey gathered data about pre-college involvement with the UA, the extent to which these experiences influenced their decision to attend the UA and selection of major, and their desired areas for current involvement. Overall, survey respondents accounted for approximately 45% of the Fall 2016 freshman class ( $N = 7,753$ ). The majority of this report summarizes responses from Arizona residents ( $n = 2,220$ ). This report also includes the level of community involvement during high school and involvement interests at the UA for all respondents ( $N = 3,491$ ).

### UA Pre-College Involvement among Arizona Residents

Career and Degree Information Events	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	63%	1352
Health Occupations Students of America	8%	162
Health Professions Fair	7%	155
Business Careers Awareness Program	5%	113
College of Nursing Information Sessions	5%	101
Summer Institute for Medical Ignorance	3%	73
Med Start	3%	65
Undergraduate Biology Research Program Conference	3%	58
Engineering Exploration Camps	3%	55
Leadership Education And Development Business	3%	54
MESA - Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement	2%	53
Wildcat Writers	2%	52
Summer Engineering Academy	2%	42
Engineering Your Way to UA Seminar	2%	39
Future Farmers of America	2%	36
Arizona FFA State Leadership Conference	2%	35
Arizona Future Farmers of America Career Development Events	2%	33
Pharmacy Camp	1%	28
Fiesta CATS Friday	1%	22
Keep Engaging Youth in Science	1%	20
USDA Agriculture Discovery Camp	1%	19
CAMP Architecture	1%	16
Summer Institute for Writing and Thinking Across the Curriculum	1%	14
Suite with Society of Women Engineers	1%	13
Eller DigiDudes Summer Camp	1%	12
Raytheon's MathMovesU	1%	11
Junior ROTC UA Drill Competition	< 1%	10
Algebra Academy	< 1%	9
Native American Science Engineering Program	< 1%	9
Eller TechDivas Summer Camp	< 1%	6

\*Percent may not equal 100% due to rounding

Community Events and Programs	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	55%	1184
UA Homecoming Tailgate	18%	389
Tucson Festival of Books	12%	267
Campus Recreation Outdoor Adventures	9%	186
Campus Recreation Parents Weekend	8%	172
Campus Recreation Field Trips	7%	160
College of Science Lecture Series	7%	148
Completed an Advanced Placement Exam (AP exam) at UA	6%	132
Campus Recreation School Group Tours	5%	102
Campus Recreation Camp Open House	4%	93
Campus Recreation Birthday Parties	4%	78
Campus Recreation Camps	3%	72
UA Bookstore Children's Events	3%	69
Campus Recreation Lifeguard training classes	3%	62
Campus Recreation Summer Youth Athletic Camps	3%	60
Family Weekend Legacy Lunch	3%	59
Campus Recreation Summer Sun, Safe Fun	3%	56
UA Bookstore Story Time Character Hour	2%	48
Completed a College Level Examination Program (CLEP) Exam at UA	2%	43
Campus Recreation Youth Basketball Leagues	2%	40
UA Bookstore Youth Summer Camps	2%	36
Campus Recreation Swim Lessons	2%	34
Associate Students of The University of Arizona Youth Basketball and Cheer	1%	31
Campus Recreation Girl Scouts Youth Leadership Training	1%	11

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High School Events and Programs	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	87%	1873
UA Leadership Experience	5%	114
Campus Recreation 4H Youth Leadership Training	3%	63

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Outreach Events and Programs	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	84%	1803
THINK TANK ACT and SAT Prep Courses	5%	101
Young Women's Empowerment Conference	3%	58
Wildcat Wednesday	1%	30
College Academy for Parents	1%	28
College Knowledge for Parents	1%	26
Arizona Indian Education Association's Youth Conference	1%	12

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Recruitment Events and Programs	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	55%	1178
Campus Tours	30%	632
UA Honors College Events	10%	221
Arizona Experience Program, formerly titled UA Up Close	5%	98
Campus Recreation Wildcat Splash Pool Party	4%	80
Senior Evenings	3%	64
AZ Road	1%	32
African American College Day	1%	29
International Baccalaureate Day	1%	27
DASH of SALT	1%	24
Greater Phoenix Area Summer Send Off	1%	16
Native American College Day/Night	1%	16
TASTE of SALT	1%	15
UA Transfer Talks	< 1%	10
Transfer Open House	< 1%	9
UA Bridge Event	< 1%	9
Transfer Tuesday	< 1%	7
Saturday Transfer Round-up	< 1%	5
Peter and Pat Likins Day	< 1%	4

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Summer Events and Programs	Percent*	Number
I have not and do not plan to participate in any of these	91%	1940
Arizona Youth University Participation	1%	29
Earth Camp	1%	22
Arizona Insect Festival	1%	19
AZ Science of Baseball Clinics	1%	13
Imagine IT Girl Scout Camp	< 1%	9

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## Influence of UA Pre-College Engagement on Freshmen Decisions to Attend

**YES**

42% (562) of Arizona resident respondents who indicated they attended a pre-college UA event/program stated that their experience helped them to make a decision about where to attend; 41% (553) indicated “No”; 18% (238) stated they were not sure

## Most Frequently Attended Events/Programs Reported by Arizona Resident Freshmen were Hosted by the Following SAEM/AISS Departments



1,260 instances



420 instances

## High School Community Service – All Respondents (N = 3,438)

Average hours completed per year in high school	Percent*	Number
21 or more	43%	1,462
15-20	14%	467
11-14	11%	388
6-10	14%	490
1-5	12%	417
0	6%	214

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## UA Involvement Interests – All Respondents (N = 3,491)

UA Involvement Interests**	Percent*	Number
Internships	70%	2,457
Employment on campus	63%	2,181
Athletics and/or club sports	50%	1,752
Leadership programs	49%	1,723
Academic clubs	40%	1,403
Greek organizations	39%	1,353
Sustainability clubs and programs	20%	706
Philanthropic clubs	18%	622
Student governance	16%	549

\*\*Check all that apply

## Demographics – All Survey Respondents (N = 3,491)

Demographics		Valid Percent*	Number
<b>Sex</b>	Female	60%	2068
	Male	40%	1372
<b>Gender</b>	Man	40%	1363
	Transgender	< 1%	5
	Woman	60%	2059
	Write-In	<1%	13
<b>Sexual Orientation</b>	Bisexual	2%	118
	Gay	1%	62
	Heterosexual or Straight	94%	4655
	Lesbian	< 1%	15
	Queer	< 1%	15
	Questioning	1%	48
	Write-In	1%	60
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>	African American/Black	4%	282
	Asian American/Pacific Islander	10%	466
	Hispanic/Latino	16%	1105
	Multiracial	17%	247
	Native American/American Indian	1%	90
	White	48%	2678
	Other/Prefer not to answer/Unknown	3%	106
<b>Age</b>	16	< 1%	14
	17	25%	857
	18	68%	2328
	19	5%	178
	20	1%	32
	21 or older	1%	41
<b>Residency</b>	Arizona Resident	61%	2141
	Non-Resident	39%	1350
<b>AZ County</b>	Apache	1%	18
	Cochise	2%	35
	Coconino	2%	47
	Gila	< 1%	10
	Graham	1%	15
	Greenlee	1%	12
	La Paz	1%	14
	Maricopa	44%	908
	Mohave	1%	26
	Navajo	1%	31
	Pima	36%	753
	Pinal	2%	49
	Santa Cruz	3%	56
	Yavapai	2%	36
	Yuma	3%	60

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Demographics		Valid Percent*	Number
<b>Religious Preference</b>	Agnostic	8%	276
	Atheist	6%	217
	Baha'i	0%	1
	Baptist	3%	99
	Buddhist	1%	37
	Episcopalian	1%	30
	Hindu	1%	35
	Jewish	4%	121
	LDS (Mormon)	1%	47
	Lutheran	2%	86
	Methodist	1%	47
	Muslim	2%	57
	Non-Denomination Christian	15%	525
	Presbyterian	1%	45
	Roman Catholic	26%	898
	United Church of Christ/Congregational	2%	54
	Other	3%	106
None	22%	766	
<b>Time Status</b>	Full-time	98%	3418
	Part-time	2%	73
<b>Living Status</b>	Residence hall	74%	2553
	Off campus	15%	511
	Living at home with family	11%	383
<b>Expected Graduation</b>	1 year	0%	0
	2 years	< 1%	8
	3 years	3%	106
	4 years	90%	3085
	5 years	4%	126
	6+ years	3%	101
	Do not plan to graduate from UA	< 1%	12

\*Percentages may not equal 100% due to rounding. Valid percent includes only those who responded to the survey question.