

# Delivering on the Student-Centric Institution

Building Resiliency for the Next Decade

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# Today's Presenter



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We help schools support students from enrollment to graduation and beyond

**ROOTED IN RESEARCH** 

8,000<sup>+</sup> Peer-tested best practices

**Enrollment innovations** 500<sup>+</sup> tested annually

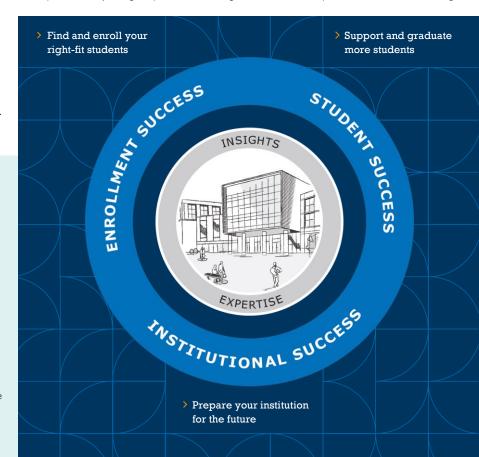
**ADVANTAGE OF SCALE** 

1,900+ Institutions served

4.1 M<sup>+</sup> Students supported by our SSMS

**WE DELIVER RESULTS** 

Of our partners continue 95% with us year after year, reflecting the goals we achieve together



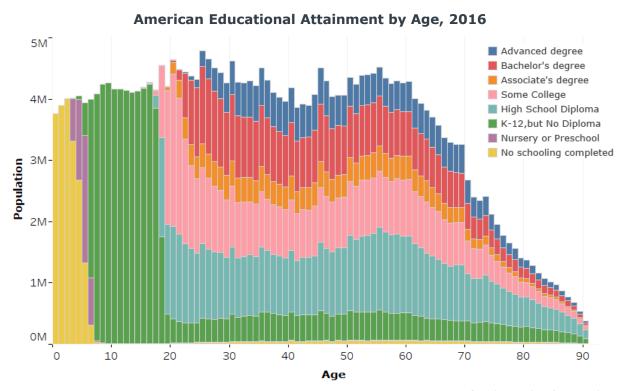
# Who are you?

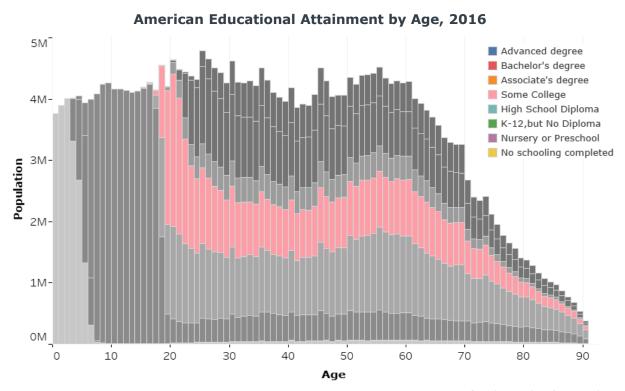
#### **POLL**

#### What best describes your role (pick one):

- a. Cabinet-level administrator
- b. Academic affairs administrator
- c. Student affairs administrator
- d. Enrollment management administrator
- e. Student-facing advising or support staff
- f. Information Technology
- g. Faculty

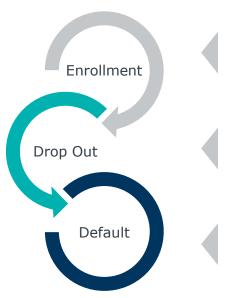
State of the Union





#### :

College Can Be a Risky Gamble for Those Who Don't Complete



1 in 5

**Americans** have some college but no degree

\$9,300

Average student debt at the time of departure (public four-year)<sup>1</sup>

17%
Loan default rate for college dropouts

#### Expensive Consequences of Defaulting

- Immediate repayment
- Added fees
- Garnished wages
- Damaged credit
- Transcripts blocked

<sup>1)</sup> Private four-year: \$10,900 Public four-year: \$9,300 For-profit: \$7,500 Public two-year: \$5,700

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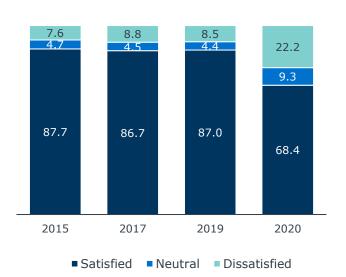
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# **COVID-19 Impact on Student Attitudes**

Student Satisfaction with the College Experience Lowest in Five Years

#### Satisfaction dropped significantly in 2020



68%

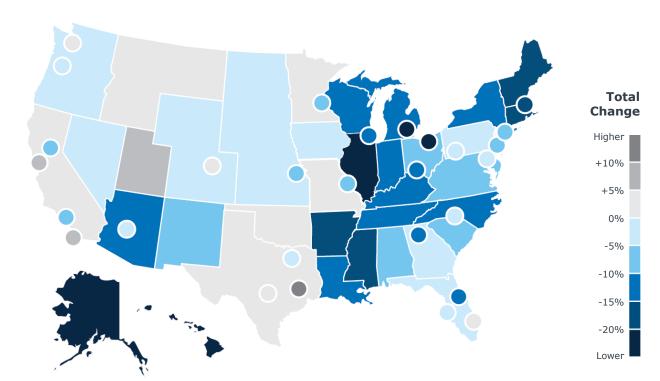
of students are satisfied with their college experience

Satisfaction is lowest at:

- Public schools (64%)
- Schools in the West (61%)
- Schools that were all virtual at the beginning of the term (60%) and the end of the term (63%)

# Demographic Declines on the Horizon

Change in Americans Predicted to Attend College, 2019 to 2029

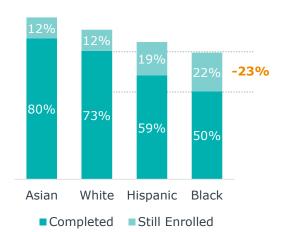


# Equity Gaps Compound the Challenge

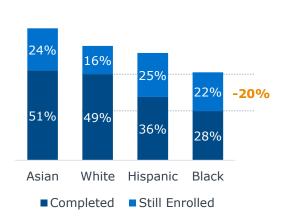
Schools Must Address Systemic Racism to be Competitive in the 2020s

# Six-Year Outcomes¹ by Race and Ethnicity Entering Cohort of 2014

### **Public Four-Year Starters**



#### **Public Two-Year Starters**



<sup>1) &</sup>quot;Completion" means any degree at any institution. "Still Enrolled" means still enrolled at any institution

# Glass Half Empty...

Higher Education is in the midst of a foundational, forced change, that will result in a new normal that will be unrecognizable for large portions of the industry—and most institutions will find themselves in the new reality by default rather than by design.

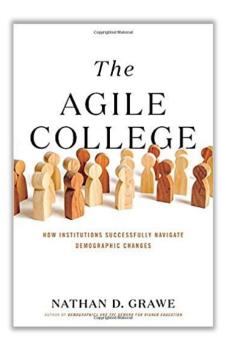
Dr. Wallace Pond

COVID-19 Will Fundamentally Change Higher Education with Big Winners and Losers

#### Glass Half Full...

For years we have been talking about meeting students where they are. Now we are really doing it. The pandemic forced us to **stop talking about being a student-centered university and start actually being one.** 

— Provost Mid-sized public university Advice from Nathan Grawe for Navigating the Decade



#### **Response to Demographic Pressure**

- 1 Recruitment
- 2 Student Success
- 3 Program reforms
- 4 Cost savings
- 5 Market growth
- 6 Collective action

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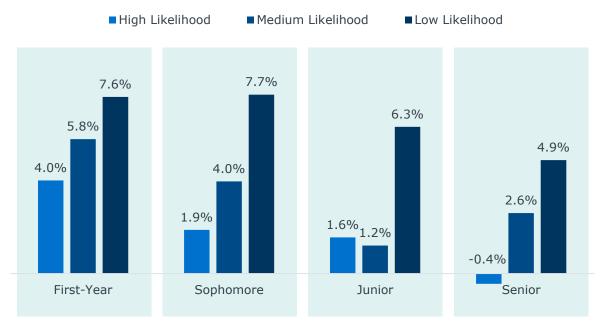
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# **Advising Correlates with Persistence**

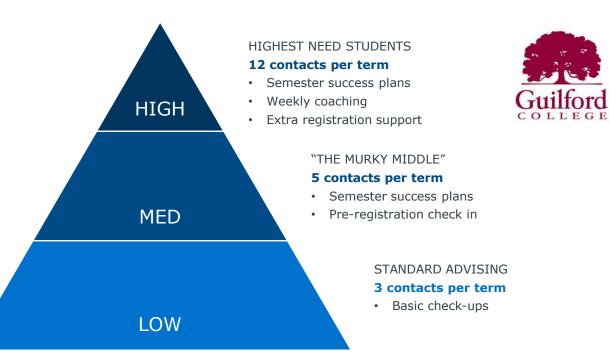
Students Who Meet with Advisors Exceed Predicted Likelihood to Persist

#### **Average Increase Over Predicted Persistence Rate**



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Subdivide Advising Cohorts by Need, Then Structure Support to Match



COVID-19 Broke the "One Size Fits All" Model of Student Support

# Traditional Advising and Student Support

Face-to-face

30-minute meeting

Available during working hours

Limited focus

#### **Virtual Options**

More accessible than in-person for many students

#### **Expanded Hours**

Available when students want it (staff like it too)

#### **Holistic Care**

Better experience for students with complex needs

#### Right-Sized

Regular check-ins via short calls or texts, as needed



#### Our equity approach:

Remove systemic barriers for students by connecting community and four-year colleges and providing 15 research-based best practices, policies, and technology across four key areas:

Leadership and campus

Access and enrollment

Academic policy and

practice

Student support and belongingness

climate

Supported by National

Mentors and Experts:

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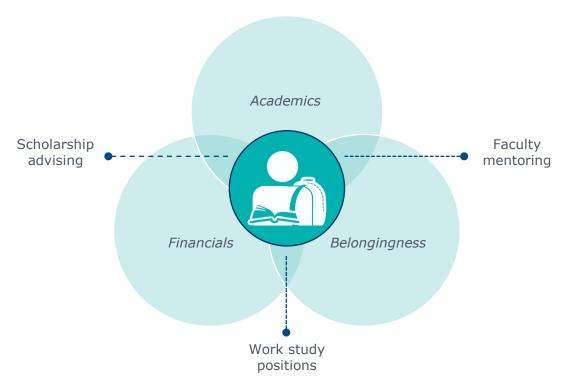
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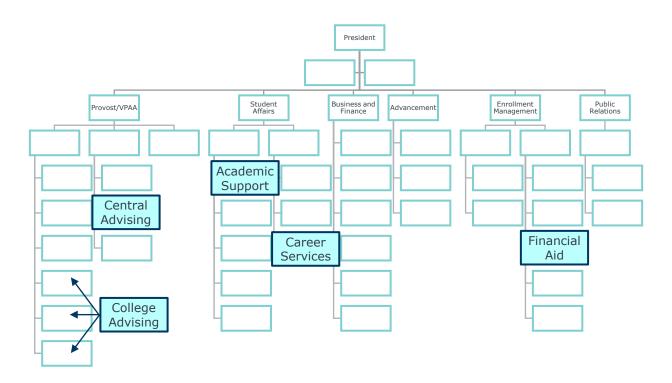
# The Integrated Student

Proven Practices Often Address Multiple Facets of the Student Experience



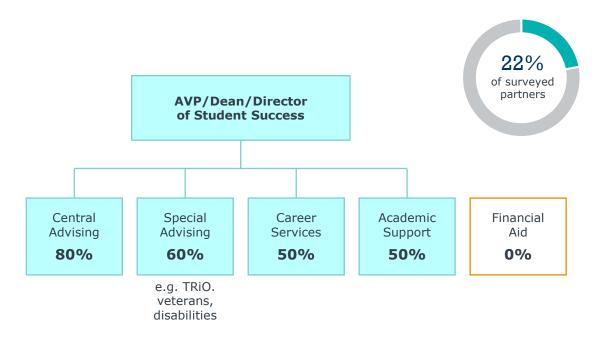
# Care Is Not Organized Around Students

Key Support Units Often Lack Common Leadership and Coordination

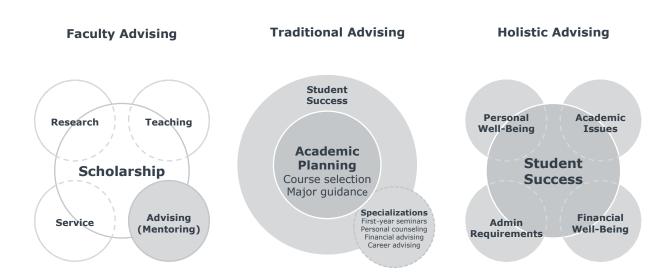


# Aligning Units to Create a Core of Support

Becoming More Common, But Still Relatively Rare



Disruption Forced All Schools to Start Providing Support More Holistically



#### Breaking Silos That Inhibit Students' Connection with Support

Students Cut Off from **Campus by COVID-19** 

Advising, Faculty, and Outreach Teams **Support Offices and Essential Services** 













Shared notes



**Financial** Support Aid



Residence Career Center Life

**Athletics** 



Services



Data on student needs, barriers, attitudes, and performance



Data on appointments, communications, and other interactions

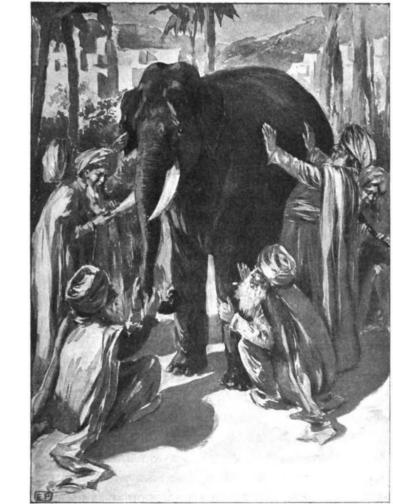


Data on the accessibility, scope, and impact of support services

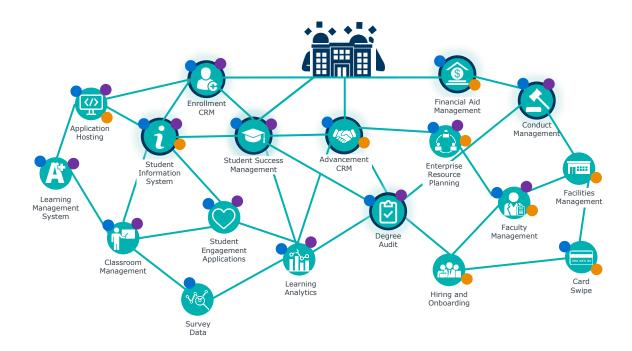
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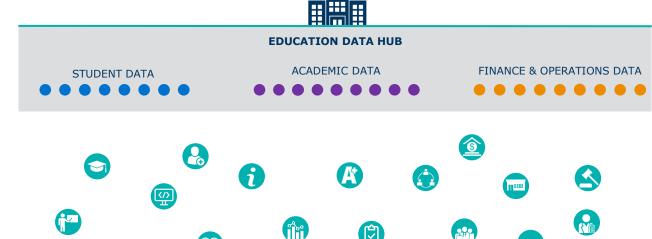
# The Blind Men and the Elephant



# Data Initiatives Hampered by Campus Tech Ecosystem



A Data Management Platform to Unify and Organize Data Across Campus



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The Challenge Ahead

ACTION: Link student success and equity to enrollment strategy

Increase Connection with Support

ACTION: Use technology to add advising capacity and advance equity

3 Adapt to Serve the "Integrated Student"

ACTION: Align support around the student, not the org chart

A Look to the Future: Integrated Student Data

ACTION: Support IT efforts to show you "the Whole Elephant"

# EAB can help!

#### **POLL**

#### I would like to learn more about (multiple choice):

- 1. Linking enrollment, student success, and equity
- 2. Using technology to add advising capacity and build equity
- 3. Aligning support around the student and not the org chart
- 4. Supporting IT efforts to advance data management for the benefit of students
- 5. I want to speak to an EAB expert directly about one or more of these topics

#### A 3-Minute Ask



We value your feedback.

Please take a few minutes to complete the short survey that pops up at the close of this webinar. Thank you!

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