

2019 Admissions Survey: International

About

2019 was the inaugural year for this survey, which was sent to confirmed, incoming first-time first-year *international* students that plan to attend the upcoming fall semester. The survey is similar to the admitted student survey for non-international students, but includes a special set of questions specific to international students. Note, there is a follow-up admissions survey after students arrive on campus where we check back in with the confirmed, incoming students.

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Questions and feedback

Please reach out to the CU Boulder Office of Data Analytics at www.colorado.edu/oda/contact.

Intro Section

Admitted Student Survey- International Students

As of June 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. (MT), our records indicate that you are planning to attend CU Boulder this fall. Is this correct?

- Correct, I am planning to attend CU Boulder this fall.
 - Incorrect, I'm not planning to attend CU Boulder this fall.
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Students receiving this survey had confirmed their intent to enroll this fall as of June 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. (MT). If the information about your enrollment status is incorrect, please contact the Office of Admissions at 303-492-6301 as soon as possible. You will now exit this survey.

We're very excited that you have decided to attend CU Boulder and we look forward to seeing you this fall! We're interested in what you think about CU Boulder, why you decided to come here, and your expectations about your first semester.

Data used in formal reports will only be reported in the aggregate. All responses are confidential, but they may not be anonymous; we may use your responses to provide relevant resources to you and improve your first-year experience at CU Boulder.

International Questions

How did you learn about CU Boulder? (Select all that apply).

- ☐ Online search
- ☐ From a friend or family member
- ☐ From an alum
- ☐ From a teacher/professor
- ☐ Met a CU representative
- ☐ Other (please specify)

How did you satisfy the English proficiency requirements for CU Boulder?

- ☐ TOEFL exam
- ☐ IELTS exam
- ☐ IEC Bridge Program
- ☐ Other (please specify)

How many times did you take the TOEFL exam to get the minimum score for CU Boulder?

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4-6
- ☐ 7-10
- ☐ More than 10

How many times did you take the IELTS exam to get the minimum score for CU Boulder?

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4-6
- ☐ 7-10
- ☐ More than 10

Top reasons attending CU Boulder

What are the TOP 3 REASONS you chose CU Boulder?

For your top reason, select #1 reason; for your second reason, select #2 reason; for your 3rd reason, select #3 reason.

Make sure to read through the entire list before selecting your top three. The reasons are categorized to help with organization.

Top reasons for attending CU Boulder	#1 reason	#2 reason	#3 reason
Value of education for the cost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Tuition costs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Merit-based scholarships	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Academic programs of interest to me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Graduation rates	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Graduate job placement	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Graduates get into top graduate/professional schools	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Academic reputation of my intended major	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Academic reputation of CU Boulder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
University ranking	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Admitted to major of my choice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research opportunities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The setting / location	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Distance from home	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reputation for social and extracurricular activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My experience during a campus visit	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I was admitted through Early Action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My treatment during the application / admission process	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Opinions and preferences of parents and/or other relatives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The feeling that I would fit in	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Guidance from university/career counselor at my school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Feeling like I would be welcomed as an international student	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Resources and support services available to international students	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify):	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Which country was your first choice for attending college?

- ☐ The United States
- ☐ My home country
- ☐ Other (please specify):

To how many colleges or universities did you **apply**, including CU Boulder?

- ☐ 1 (just CU Boulder)
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 6
- ☐ 7
- ☐ 8
- ☐ 9
- ☐ 10
- ☐ 11 or more

To how many colleges or universities were you **admitted**, including CU Boulder?

- ☐ 1 (just CU Boulder)
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☐ 4
- ☐ 5
- ☐ 6
- ☐ 7
- ☐ 8
- ☐ 9
- ☐ 10
- ☐ 11 or more

Among the colleges that you **applied** to, how would you rank CU Boulder?

- ☐ First choice
- ☐ Second choice
- ☐ Third choice
- ☐ Less than third choice

CU Belonging

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

It is important to me to feel like I fit in at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I expect to feel a connection with the CU Boulder community.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I expect to feel that I belong at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I can view CU Boulder as my home during my undergraduate years.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I expect to feel welcome as an international student at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I expect to feel safe at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

Commitment to CU Boulder

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

It is important to me to graduate from CU Boulder as opposed to another university.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I plan to transfer to another university before completing a degree at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I am confident that choosing to attend CU Boulder was the right choice.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

Self-efficacy

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

I am confident in my ability to succeed as a CU Boulder student.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I believe that I can achieve good grades at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I am prepared to write clearly and effectively.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I have the math skills I need to succeed.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

I feel confident that my English proficiency will help me succeed in my first year of classes at CU Boulder.

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Somewhat disagree
- ☐ Somewhat agree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

Financial Stress

Do you have enough financial resources to complete your **first year** at CU Boulder?

- ☐ Definitely not
- ☐ I think so, but it will be difficult
- ☐ I think so, and it should be easy
- ☐ Definitely yes
- ☐ I'm not sure

How stressed do you feel about your personal finances?

- ☐ Not at all stressed
- ☐ A little stressed
- ☐ Stressed
- ☐ Very stressed

How concerned do you feel about your ability to pay for monthly living expenses?

- ☐ Not at all concerned
- ☐ A little concerned
- ☐ Concerned
- ☐ Very concerned

How worried are you about having enough money to pay for the overall cost of attending CU (e.g., room, board, textbooks, health insurance, etc.)?

- ☐ Not at all worried
- ☐ A little worried
- ☐ Worried
- ☐ Very worried

What financial resources are you using to cover the total cost of attending CU Boulder during your first semester (e.g., tuition, fees, books, room & board, food, entertainment)? For each resource, select "Using," "Not using," Or "Not sure."

	Using	Not using	Not sure
Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your own personal savings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working for pay (work-study, working on campus)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sponsorship(s) (do not need to be repaid)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Loans (need to be repaid)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify):	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Below are the resources you said you will use to pay for the total cost of attending CU Boulder during your first semester. Roughly what percentage of the total cost do you estimate each resource will cover?

Note that the percentages of all resources should sum to 100%.

	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%	60%	70%	80%	90%	100%
Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Your own personal savings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working for pay (work-study, working on campus)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sponsorship(s) (do not need to be repaid)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Loans (need to be repaid)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify):	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Hours spent

During your **first semester**, about how many hours do you expect to spend in a typical 7-day week doing the following? Your best guess is fine.

	0 hours	1-5 hours	6-10 hour	11-15 hours	16-20 hours	21 or more hours
Preparing for class (studying, reading, homework, analyzing data, rehearsing, other academic activities)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Working for pay on-campus ?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participating in activities (arts programs, athletics, student government, academic clubs, service, international student programs, etc.)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Relaxing and socializing (time with friends, video games, TV, keeping up with friends online)?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Difficulty

During your first semester at CU Boulder, how easy or difficult do you expect the following to be?

Adapting to a new country, language, and culture:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Moderately difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Learning course material:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Achieving good grades:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Managing my time effectively:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

During your first semester at CU Boulder, how easy or difficult do you expect the following to be?

Getting help with school work:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Making new friends:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Attending all of my classes:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Being away from family and old friends:

- ☐ Extremely easy
- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Slightly easy
- ☐ Slightly difficult
- ☐ Difficult
- ☐ Extremely difficult

Likelihood activities

During your first year at CU Boulder, what is your best estimate of the chances that you will:

Change your academic major:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Use International Student and Scholar Services:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Volunteer or do community service:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Use counseling services at CU Boulder:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Use disability services and accommodations:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Join student organizations:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Get tutoring help on specific courses or topics:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Visit a professor or TA (teaching assistant) during office hours if I need help:

- ☐ No chance
- ☐ Very little chance
- ☐ Some chance
- ☐ Very good chance
- ☐ I don't know

Closing

Please give us any other feedback you have about CU Boulder in general or specifically for the Admissions staff in the space below.

(open-ended)

Resources

Thank you for your assistance! We wish you much success in the future. Below are resources that you may find useful.

[Student resources](#) [International student resources](#) [Next steps you need to take now that you have confirmed your attendance with CU Boulder](#) [English language resources](#)

When you are finished, please click the "Submit Survey" button below.