

STUDENT AFFAIRS

**Quality Enhancement** 

# THE NATIONAL SURVEY OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

#### **REASONS FOR LEAVING**

TCU Student Affairs Office of Quality Enhancement Fall 2016

### OVERVIEW

#### Presentation of NSSE data

National Survey of Student Engagement Freshmen/Seniors

Only Freshmen were used in this analysis (n=451)

#### Surveys administered every three years

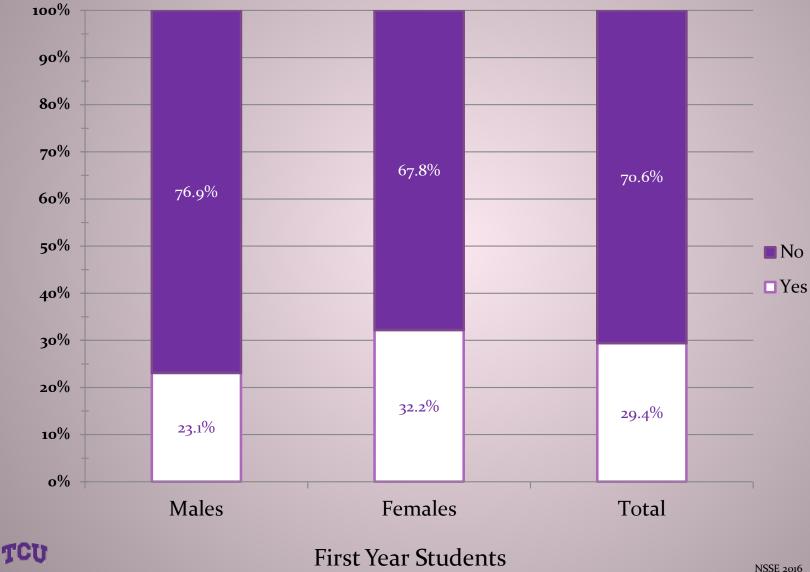
- The current presentation is based on Spring 2016 administration
- Self-report
- Focus of this presentation:

**Reasons Students Consider Leaving TCU** 



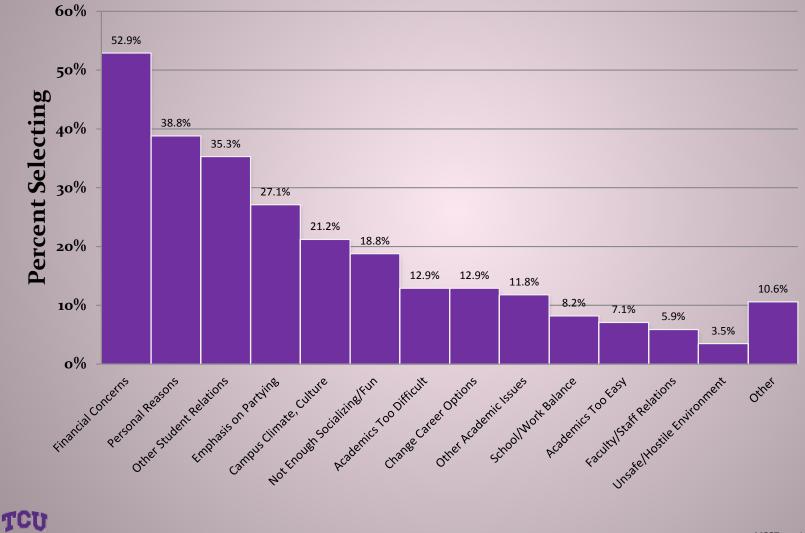
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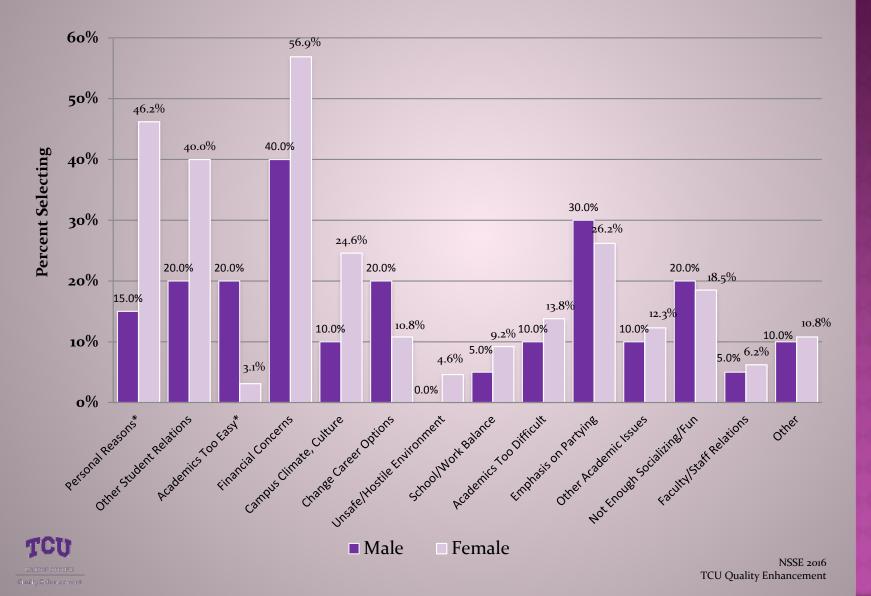
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#### **REASON FOR CONSIDERATION**



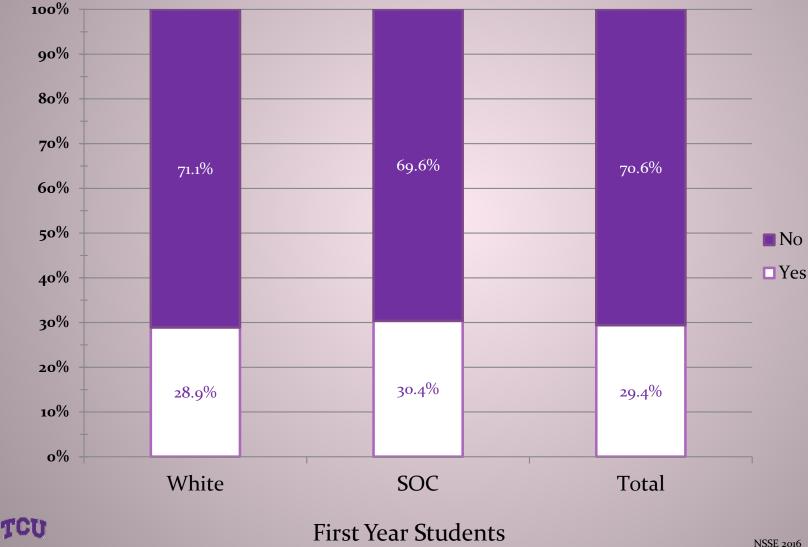
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# CONSIDERED LEAVING WHITE/STUDENTS OF COLOR

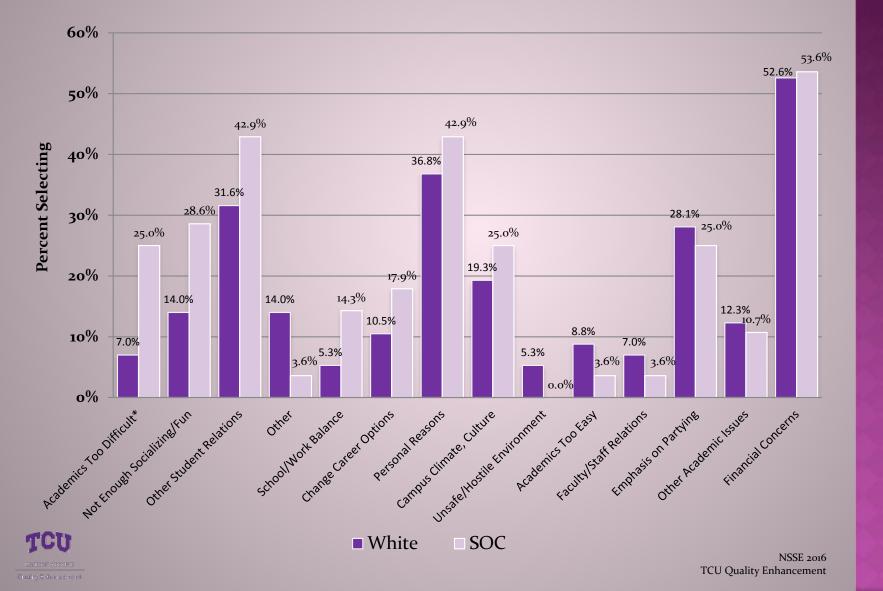
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## REASON FOR CONSIDERATION WHITE/STUDENTS OF COLOR

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### IN CONCLUSION

- Financial concerns seem to be the main driver for students who consider leaving their first year.
- However, the *next five* reasons are social and cultural.
- Academic reasons seem to be minor contributors to white students who considered leaving, but a real concern for Students of Color.
- Safety/ Environmental concerns seem to be negligible reasons for consideration of leaving, especially for white males.
- While retention is not a current issue, the future is never guaranteed from this threat.
- By continuing to monitor why students are leaving we can anticipate and prevent (as much as possible) potential threats.



#### FOLLOW-UP

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