The Profile of Today’s College Students is an extensive instrument examining student characteristics and beliefs. Because of the length, the survey is divided into the following sections: academic integrity, academic involvement, campus involvement, diversity, future aspirations, health and wellness, media and communication, and student opinions. Each student received a random selection of sections. This survey was administered 11/21/2011-12/12/2011. 623 students responded for a 3.86% sample error with a 95% confidence level.

**Student Demographics**
85% of students identify as White; 5% of students identify as Hispanic; 1% identify as African-American; 1% identify as Native American; 4% identify as Asian/Pacific Islander; 2% of students did not respond to this question

19% of students speak two languages fluently; 3% speak 3 or more fluently

8% of students were born outside of the U.S.; 14% say their parents were born outside the U.S.; 20% say their grandparents were born outside of the U.S.

64% of students identify as LDS; 6% as Catholic

99% of students identify as heterosexual

31% of students have children that they support financially

52% of students live off campus with their spouse/partner/children; 32% live with their parents; 12% live alone or with friends; 3.5% live on campus; >1% have other living arrangements

81% of students personally contribute to funding their education. 51% receive Pell Grants; 32% receive academic scholarships; and 51% of students receive loans.

82% of students plan to be enrolled at WSU next semester; 7% of students are graduating or this is not applicable.

**Students and Technology**
94% of students own a desktop or laptop. 83% of students own a laptop computer; 49% own a desktop computer.

99% of students have a cell phone. 58% of those have smart phones (with internet access). 19% of students use their smart phone to access the internet most often.

91% of students have an online social network profile. 86% of those students are using Facebook.

66% have used a website to rate their professor.

84% of students use the on-campus computer labs.

**Students’ Engagement**
71% of students are registered to vote.

88% of students read an online newspaper;
45% of students occasionally to always read the Signpost.

34% of students would like to be more involved in campus activities.

55% of students want to find out about campus events via email; 49% through websites; 44% through Facebook, and 40% through flyers.

15% of students are a member of at least one student club or organization this semester.
Students and Diversity
78% of students believe that WSU is diverse.
40% of students believe that they personally add to the diversity on campus.
25% of students take advantage of the opportunities provided by WSU to learn about diversity-related issues.
83% of students would feel comfortable reporting an act of discrimination or harassment that they witnessed.
95% of students say WSU is welcoming. 93% say WSU is respectful.
57% of students say that the course offerings, events, and activities at WSU reflect the lives, perceptions, and contributions of people from diverse backgrounds.

Students' Work & Debt
87% of students work for pay during the academic year; 20% of students work more than one job.
59% of students work more than 20 hours per week; 15% work 41+
45% of students work primarily to pay for some/all of their college and personal expenses; 42% work primarily to support themselves or their family.
14% of students indicate that their yearly family income is less than $25K.
31% of students have two or more credit cards.
7% of students have over $5K in credit card debt.

Safety
79% of students feel very or extremely safe on campus overall.
7% of students say there are areas on campus where they do not feel safe.
46% of students say they have a plan if there is a natural disaster on campus.
13% of students carry mace or pepper spray to defend themselves on campus.
15% of students have seen or know of a student (including themselves) who has possessed a gun on campus.