

# University of Washington - Tacoma New Student Survey AUTUMN 2023



# **UW Tacoma - New Student Survey 2023 New Student Survey**

## Methodology

This survey of incoming students was conducted as part of New Student Orientation. It was presented as an assignment in their Transition 101 (new first year students) or Transition 201 (new transfer students) Canvas courses.

## What is the purpose of this report?

This report is intended to give UW Tacoma academic and student support units information about our incoming student population so that they can better design programs to meet student needs.

### What is in this report?

The figures in this report are descriptive statistics that outline student responses to questions in the New Student Survey.

### How was the survey developed?

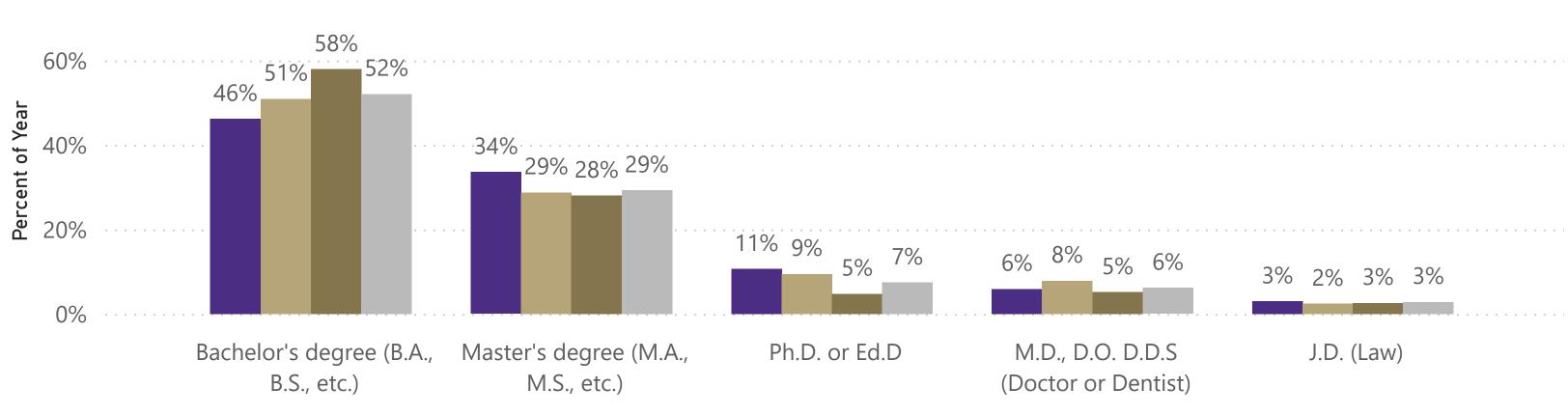
A group comprised of representatives from Student Transitions & Success and Institutional Research developed these questions from previous surveys, but added questions that we believed would help units improve student services. We examined each questions for how the answer could help to improve student experience at UW Tacoma.

### **Survey Responses**

We had 1,235 responses to this survey of incoming student.

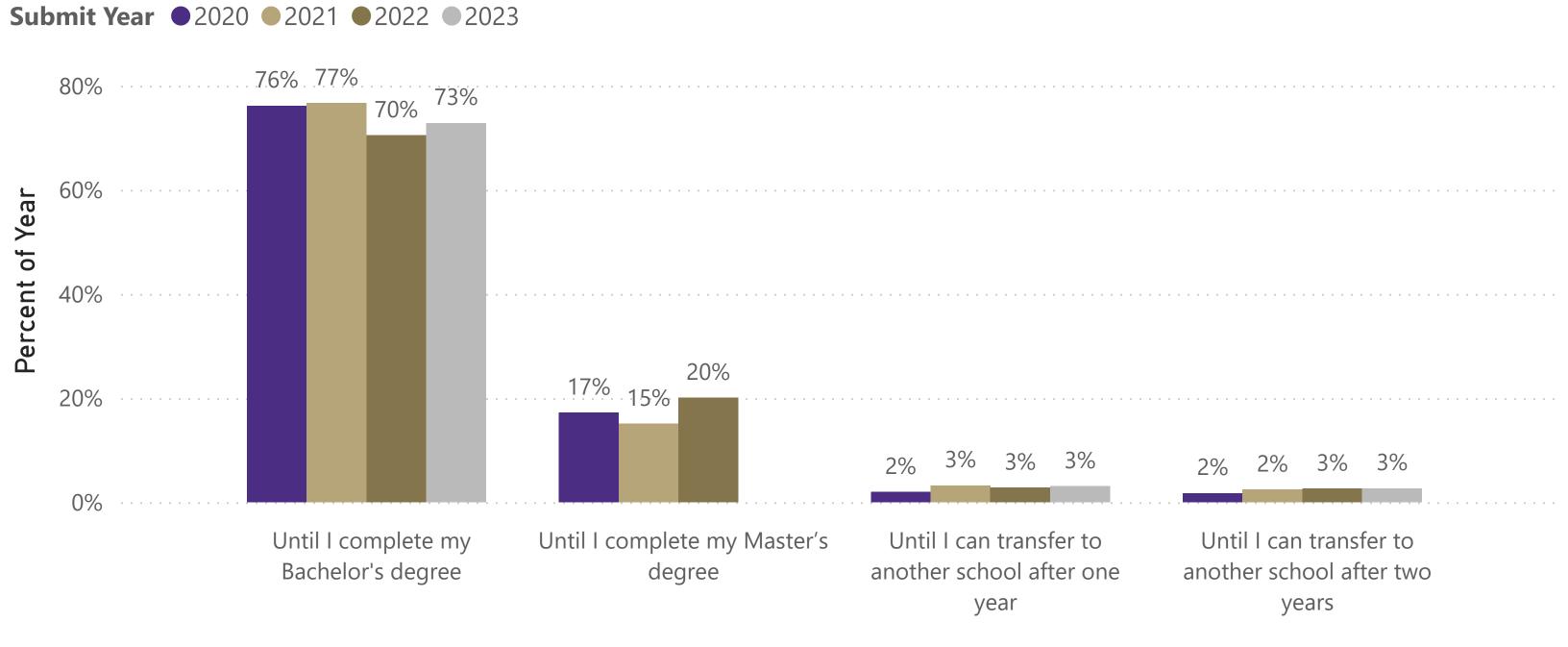
#### What is the highest degree you hope to attain?

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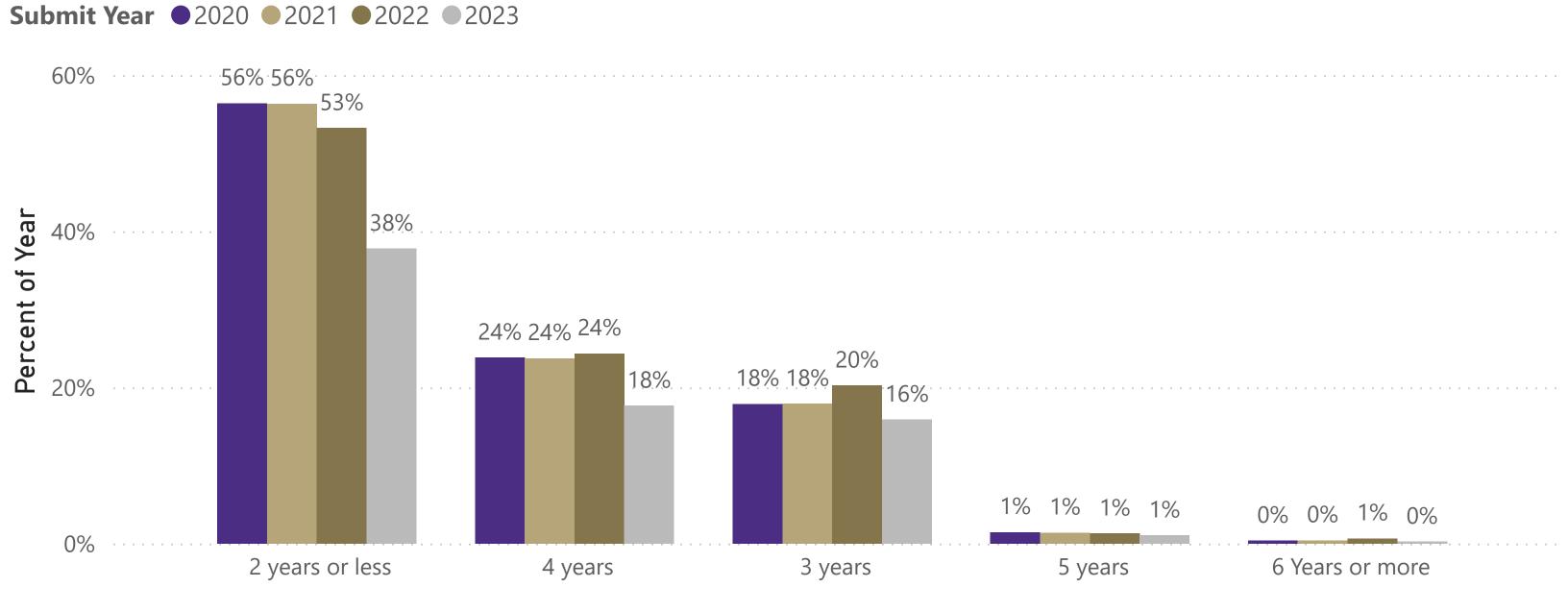
NOTE: No students answered Question 3 of the survey ; Having said you are not seeking a degree, how long do you intend to stay at UW Tacoma?

Having said you are seeking a degree, how long do you intend to stay at UW Tacoma? (Please select one answer)



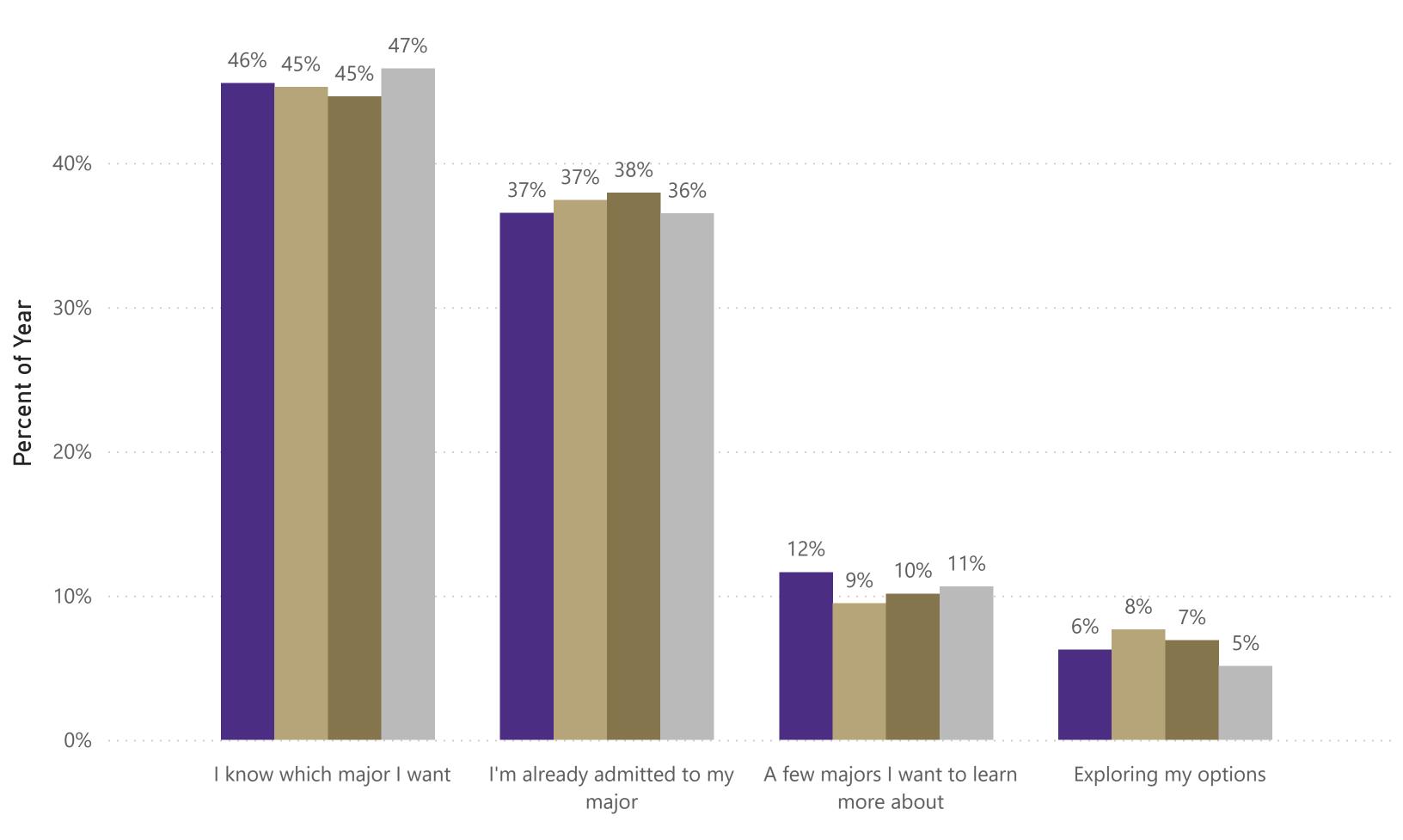
NOTE: The remaining students selected other and inserted their own response which can be viewed in the attached results tables.

Please tell us how long you think it will take you to complete your BA/BS degree.



#### Where are you in the process of selecting a major?

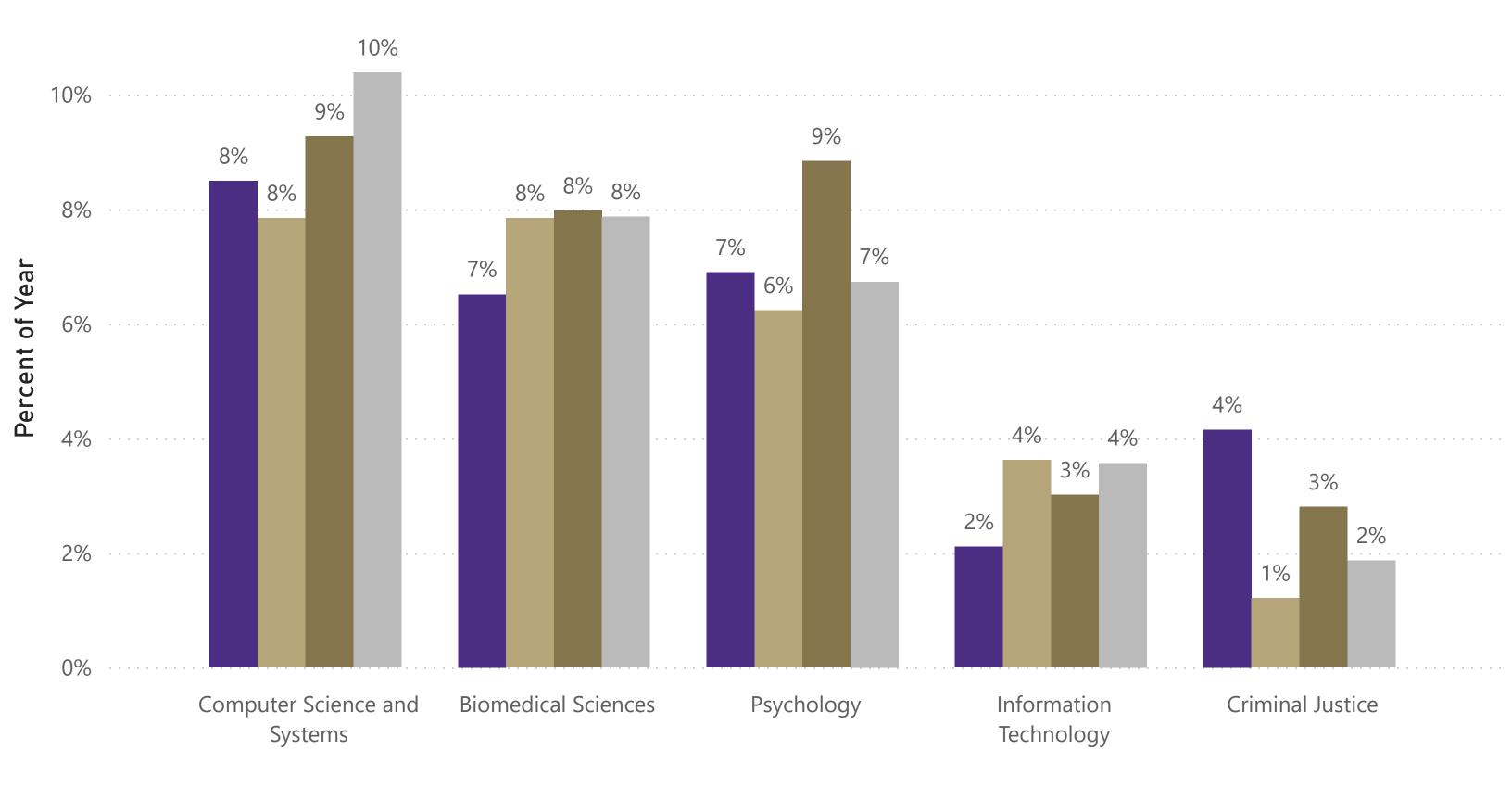
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NOTE: To view the majors selected by each student please refer to the results tables

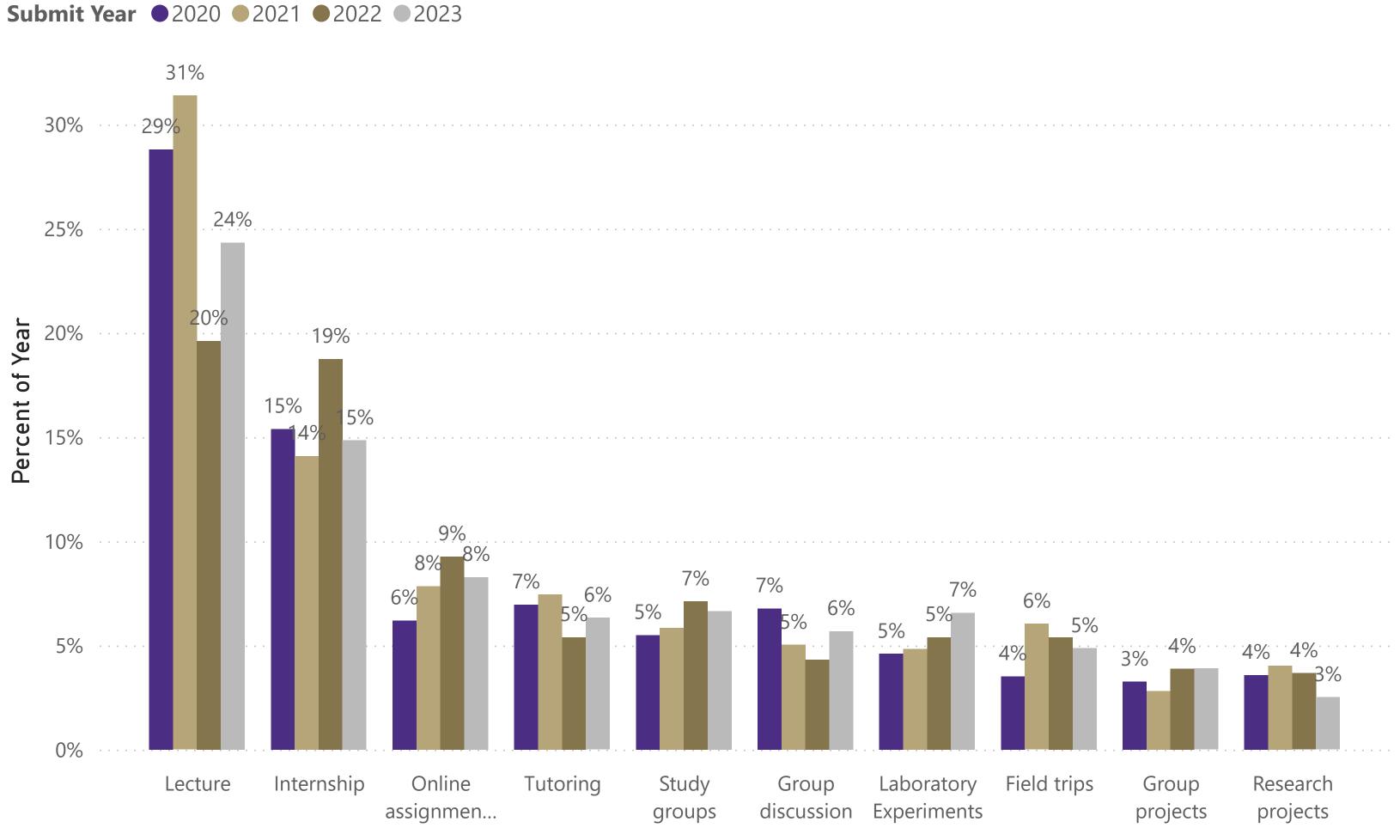
Do you intend on pursuing a minor while at the University of Washington - Tacoma?

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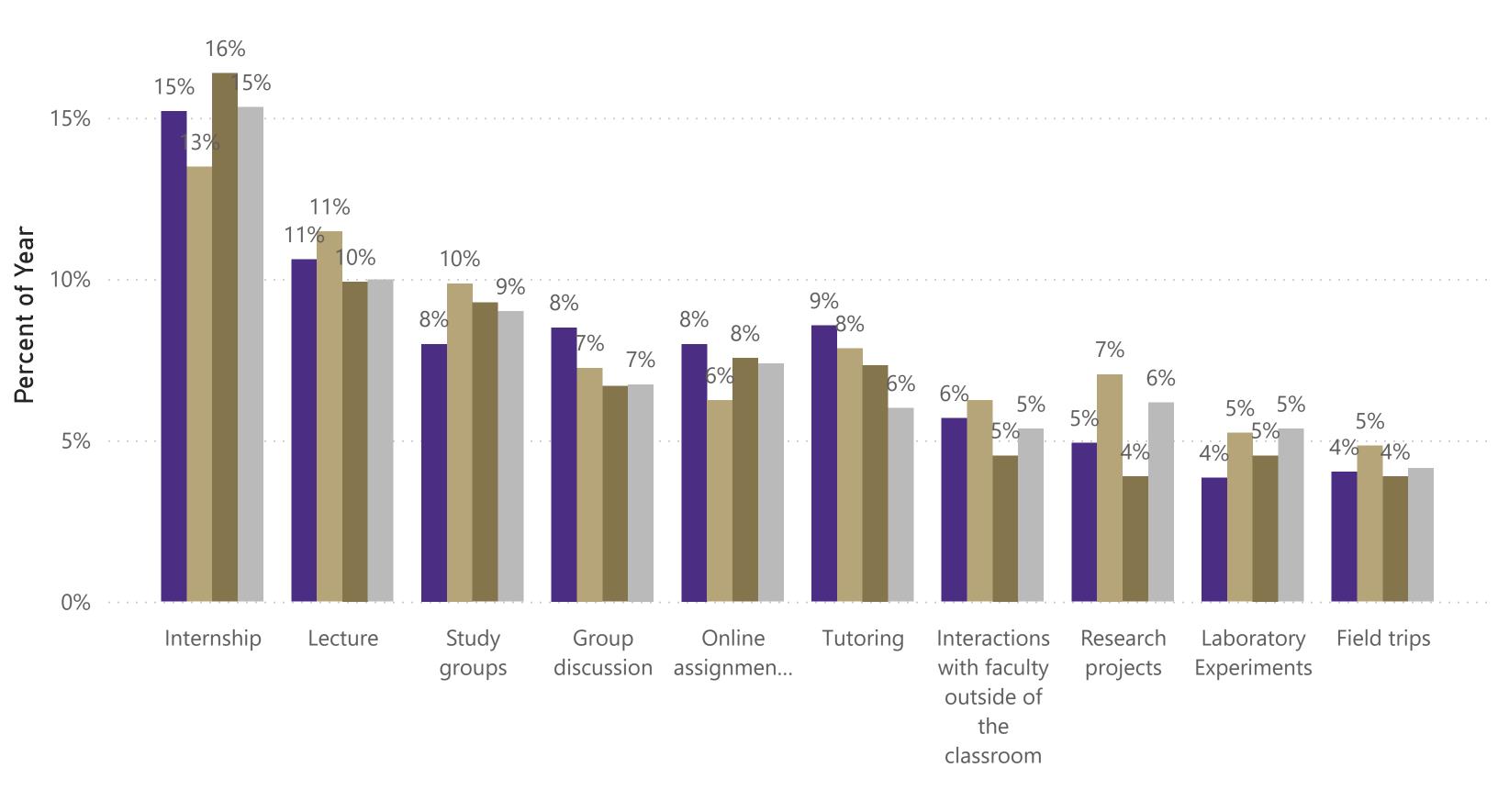
Please tell us the top two types of activities you feel will support you in your learning at UW Tacoma? (Each of the drop down menus contain the same list)

#### **First selection**

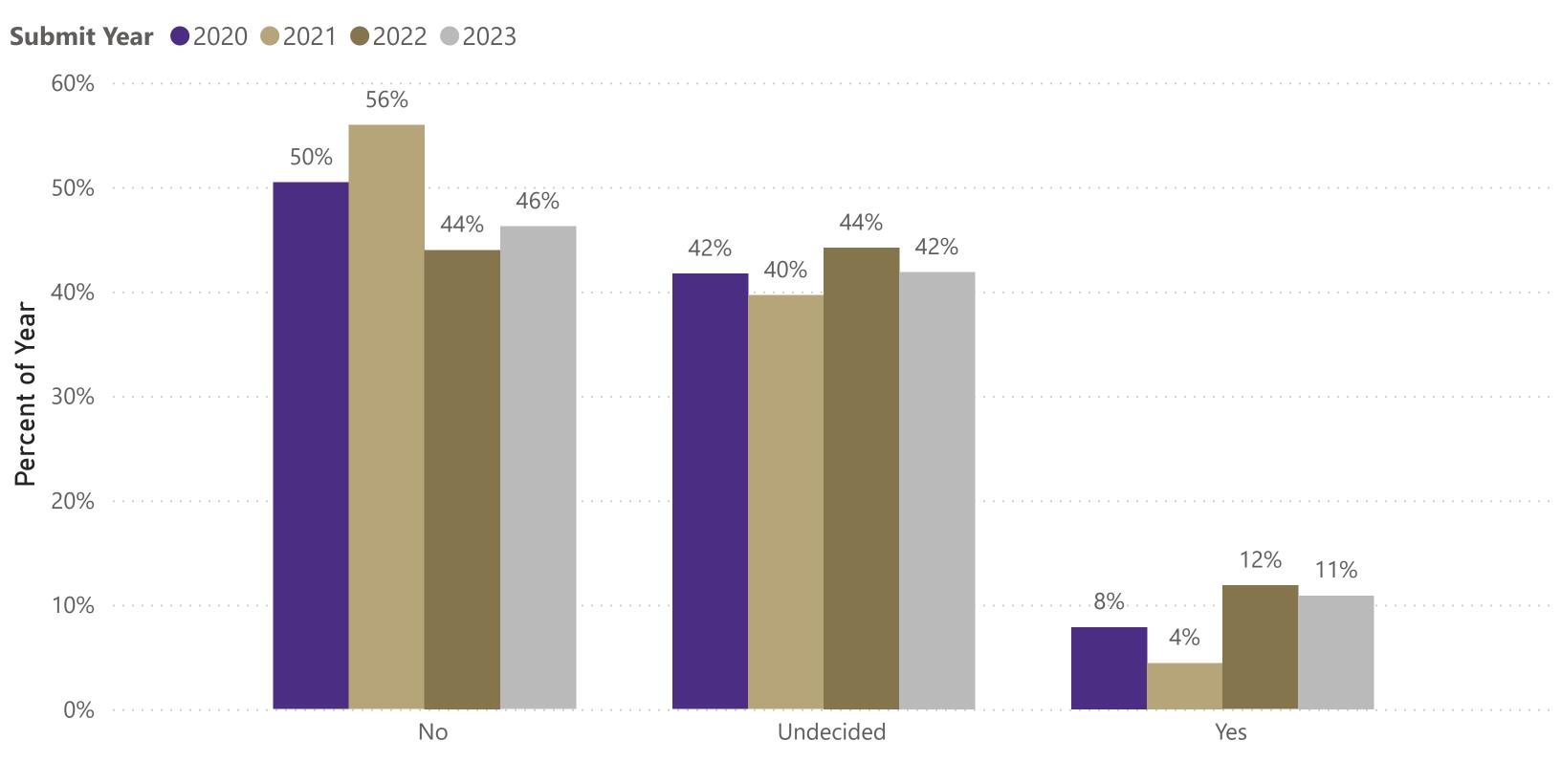


#### **Second Selection**

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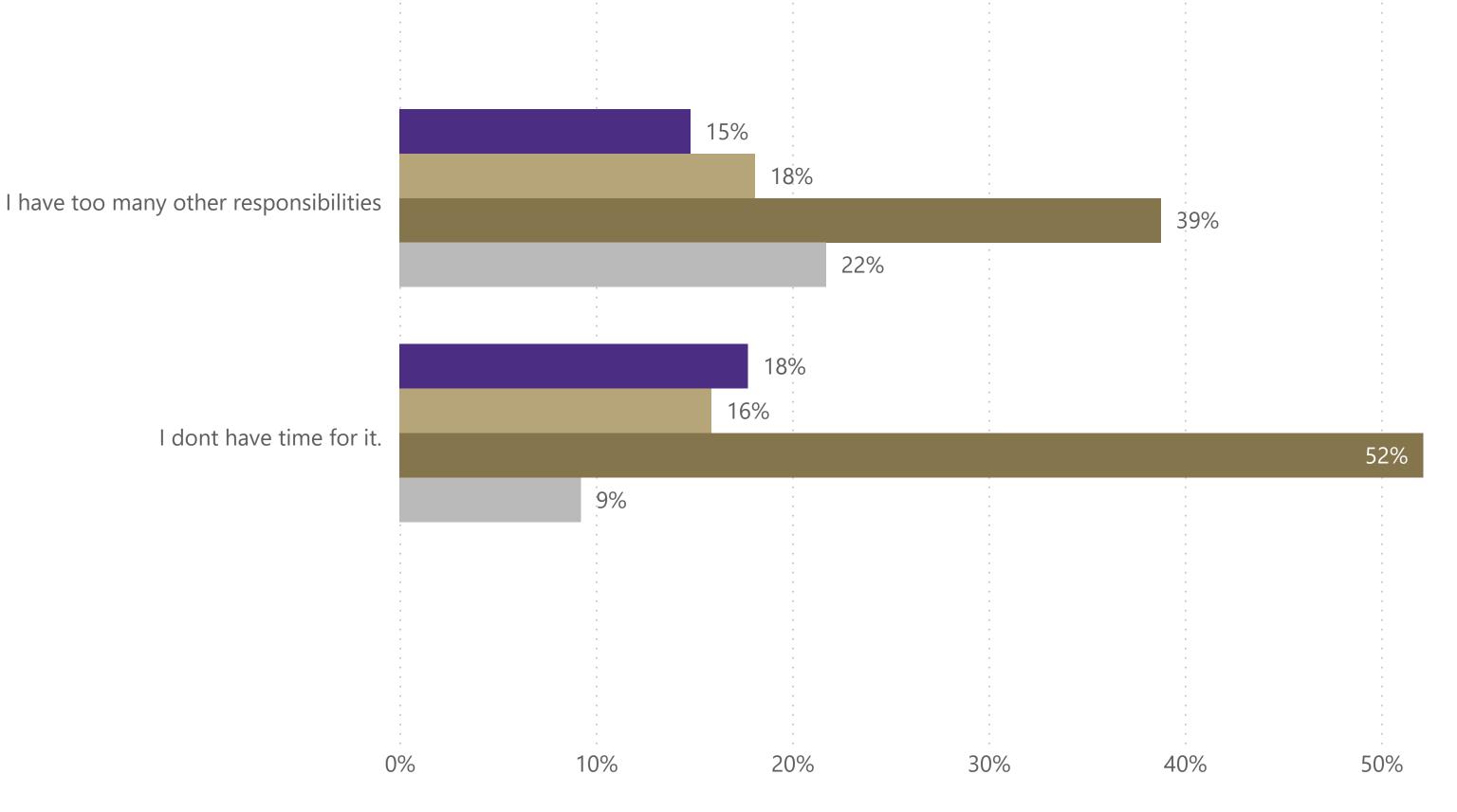


#### Do you plan to participate in a study abroad program while at UW Tacoma?



Why don't you plan on participating in a study abroad program?

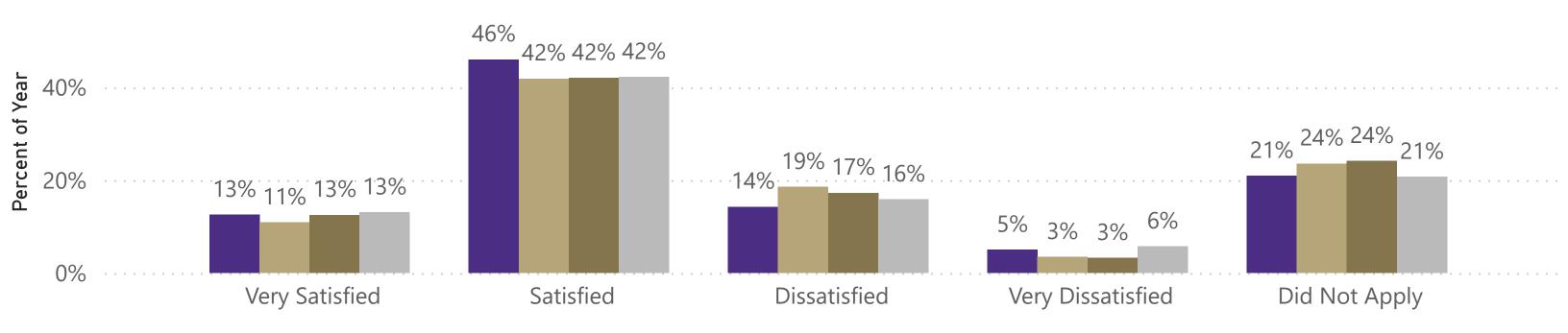
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NOTE: 5 = These are simply the top two answers, please contact UWT IR for more in-depth analysis.

### How satisfied are you with the financial aid amount you are receiving from UW Tacoma? (Mark one)

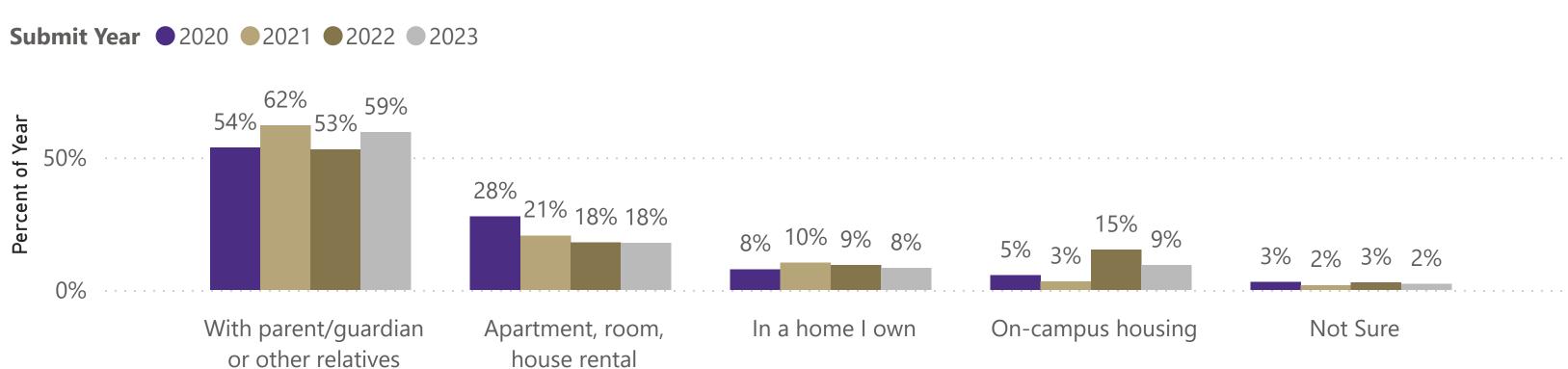
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#### What is your most likely mode of transportation?

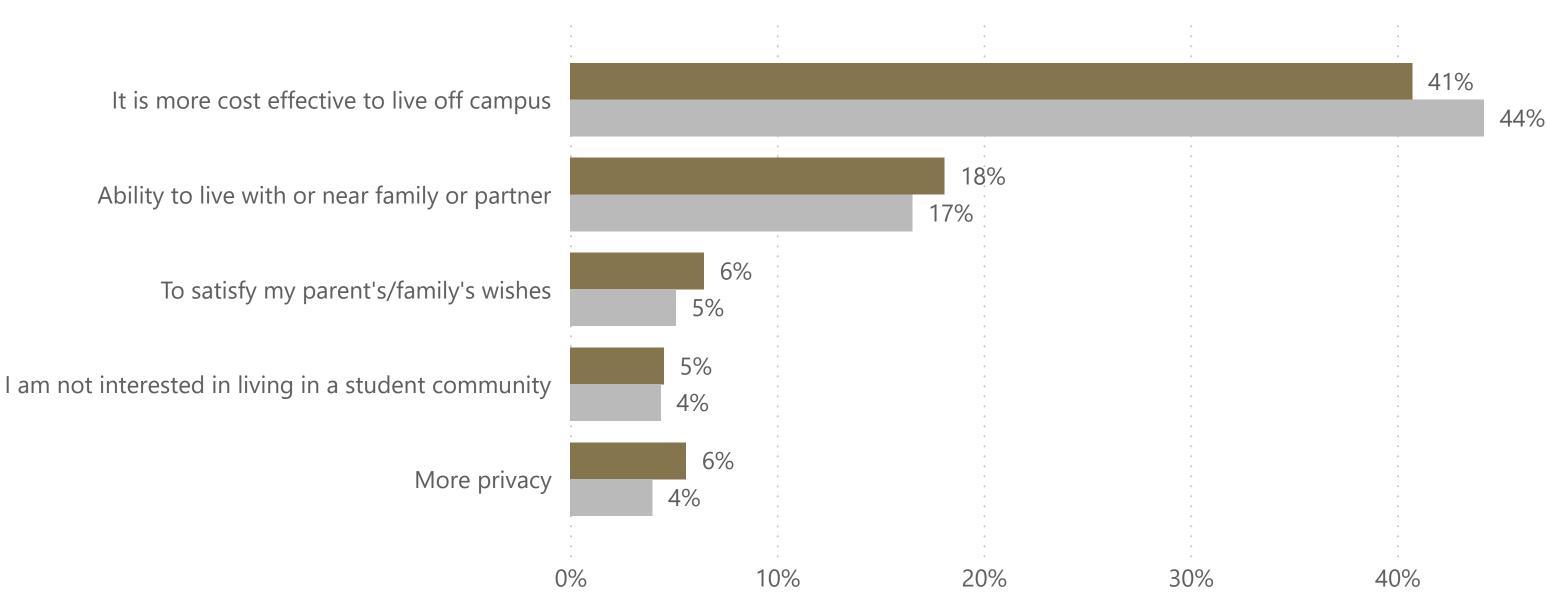
**Submit Year** ● 2020 ● 2021 ● 2022 ● 2023 71% 66% Percent of Students 50% 9% 8% 10% 7% <sup>9%</sup> 6% 6% 6% 5% 6% 4% 2% 2% 2% 4% 4% 3% 2% 2% 2% 0% Walking Driving (Alone) Car Pool Living on Campus Train Bus

### Where do you plan to live while enrolled at UW Tacoma?



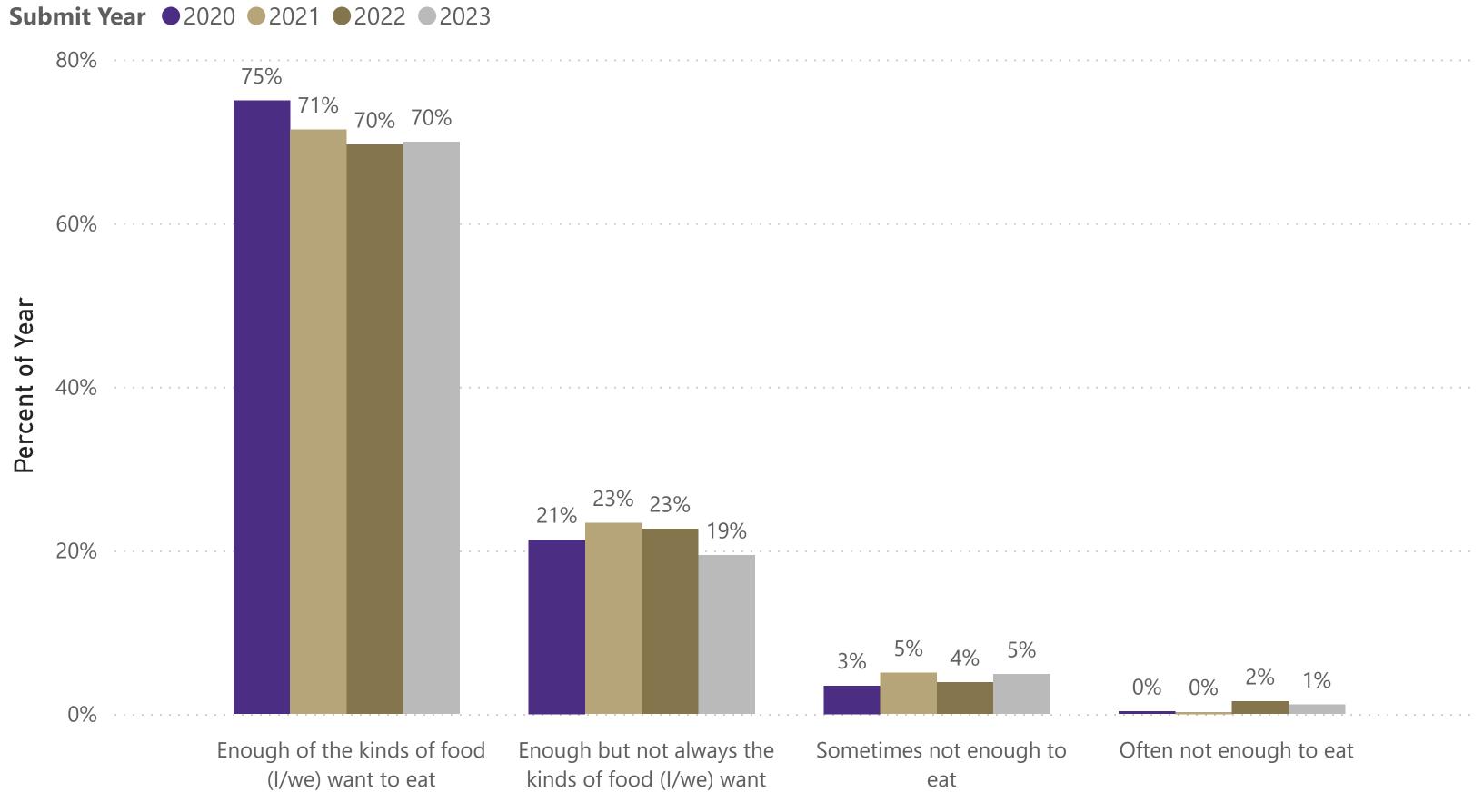
#### What are the main reasons for your decision to live off campus?

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NOTE: Question added for the 2022 survey.

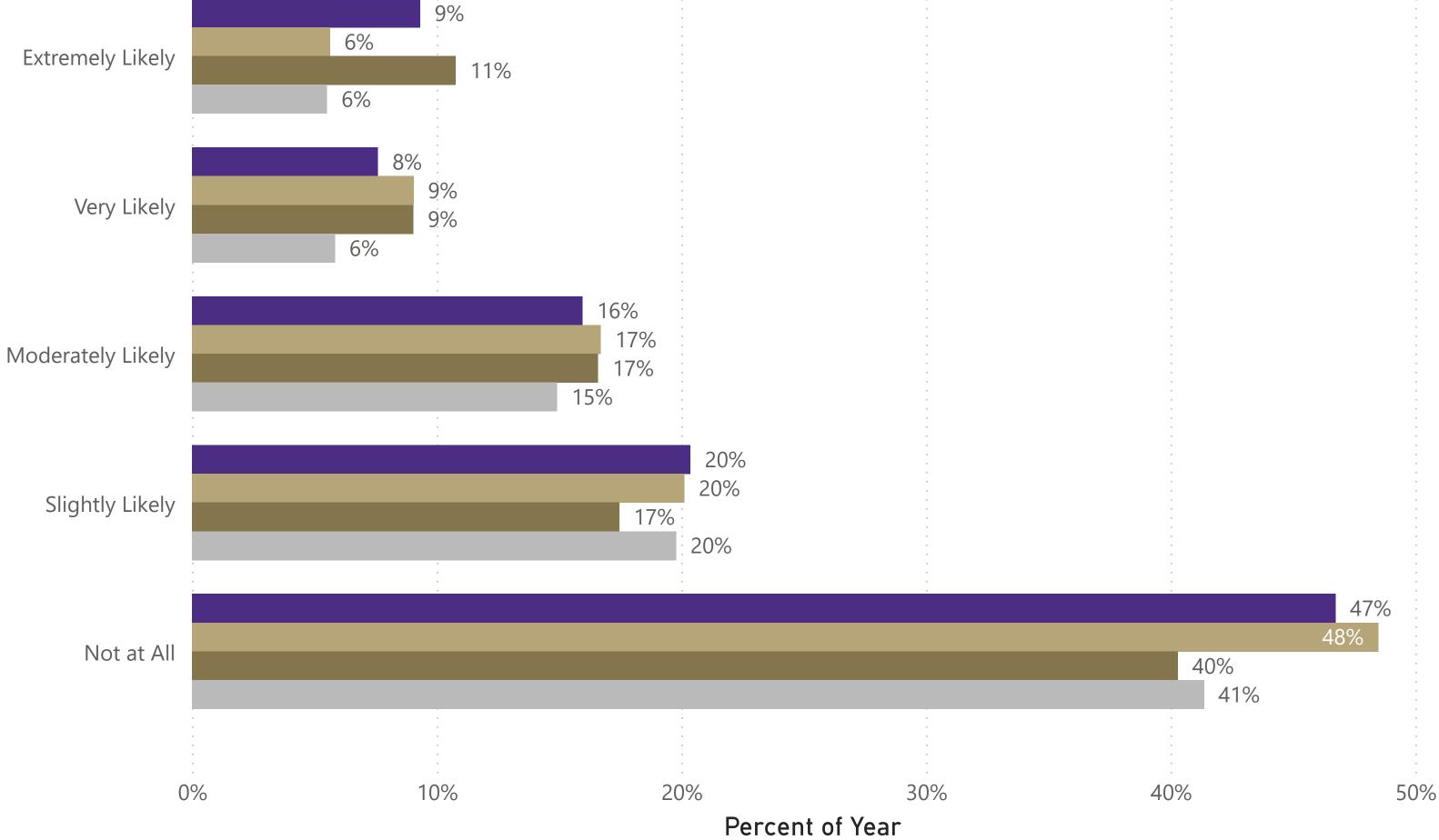
Which of these statements best describes the food eaten in your household in the last 12 months:



If more on-campus housing were available (dorms), how likely is it that you would consider living on-campus?

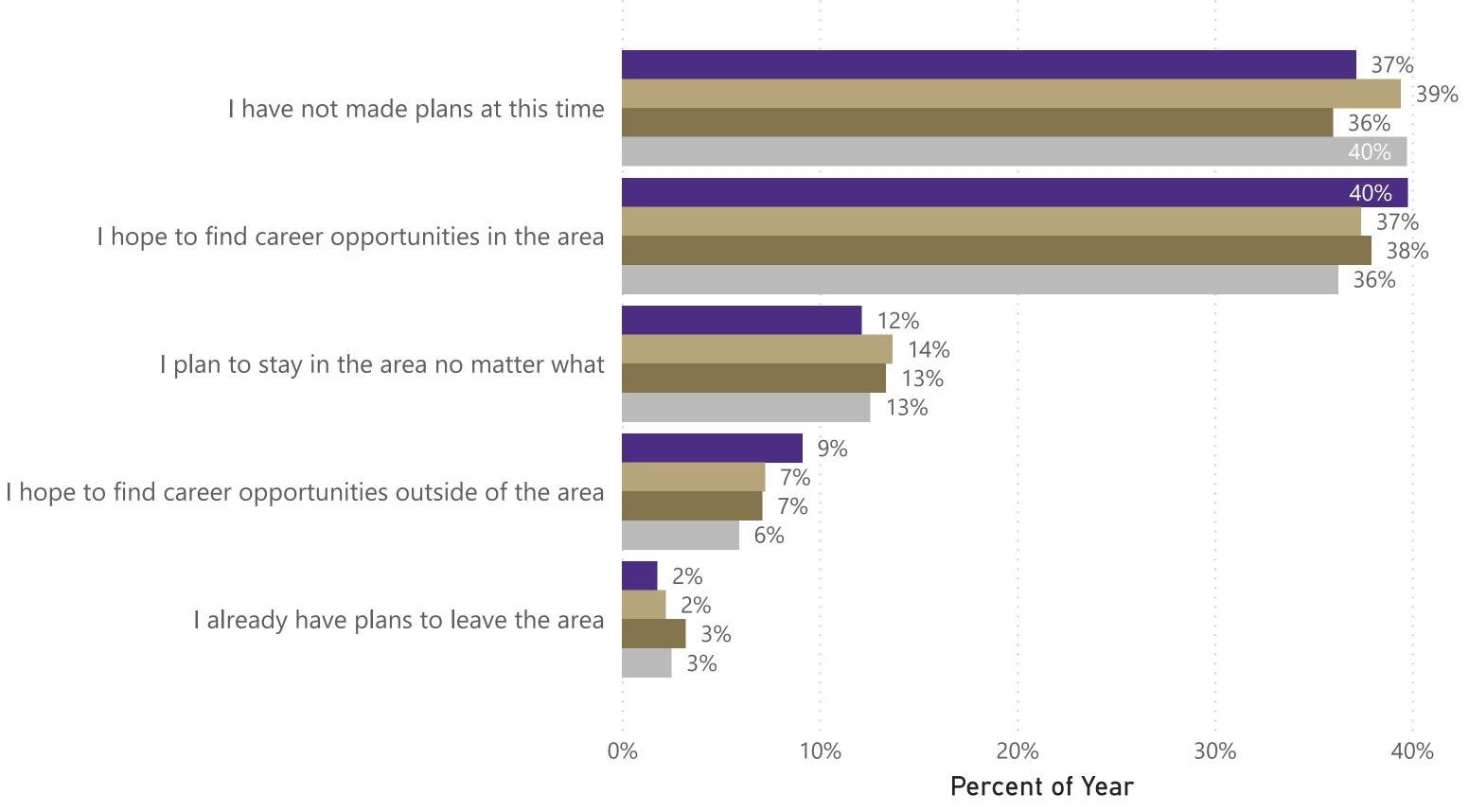
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#### Are you planning on staying in the Puget Sound area after completing your education?

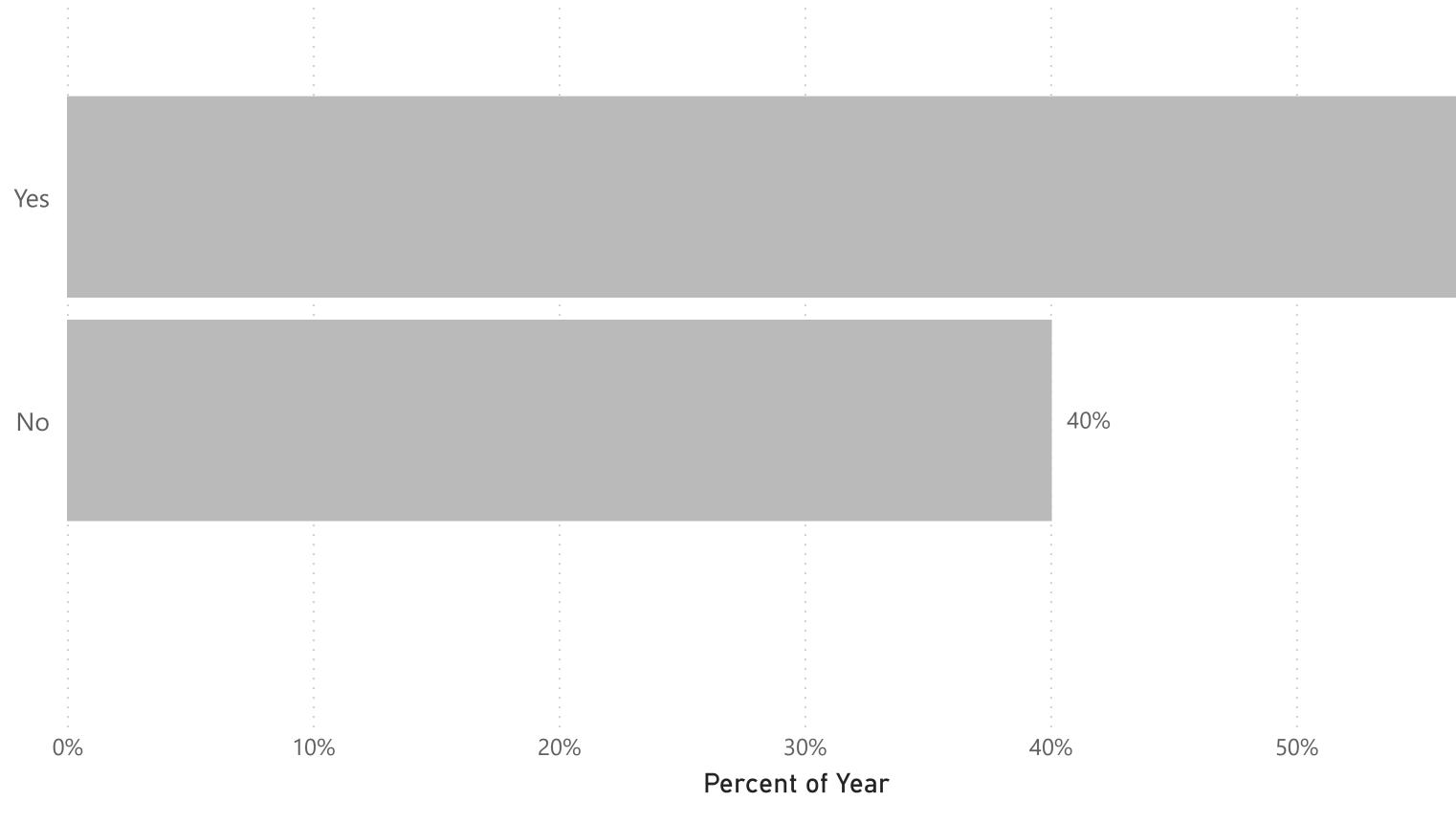
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57%

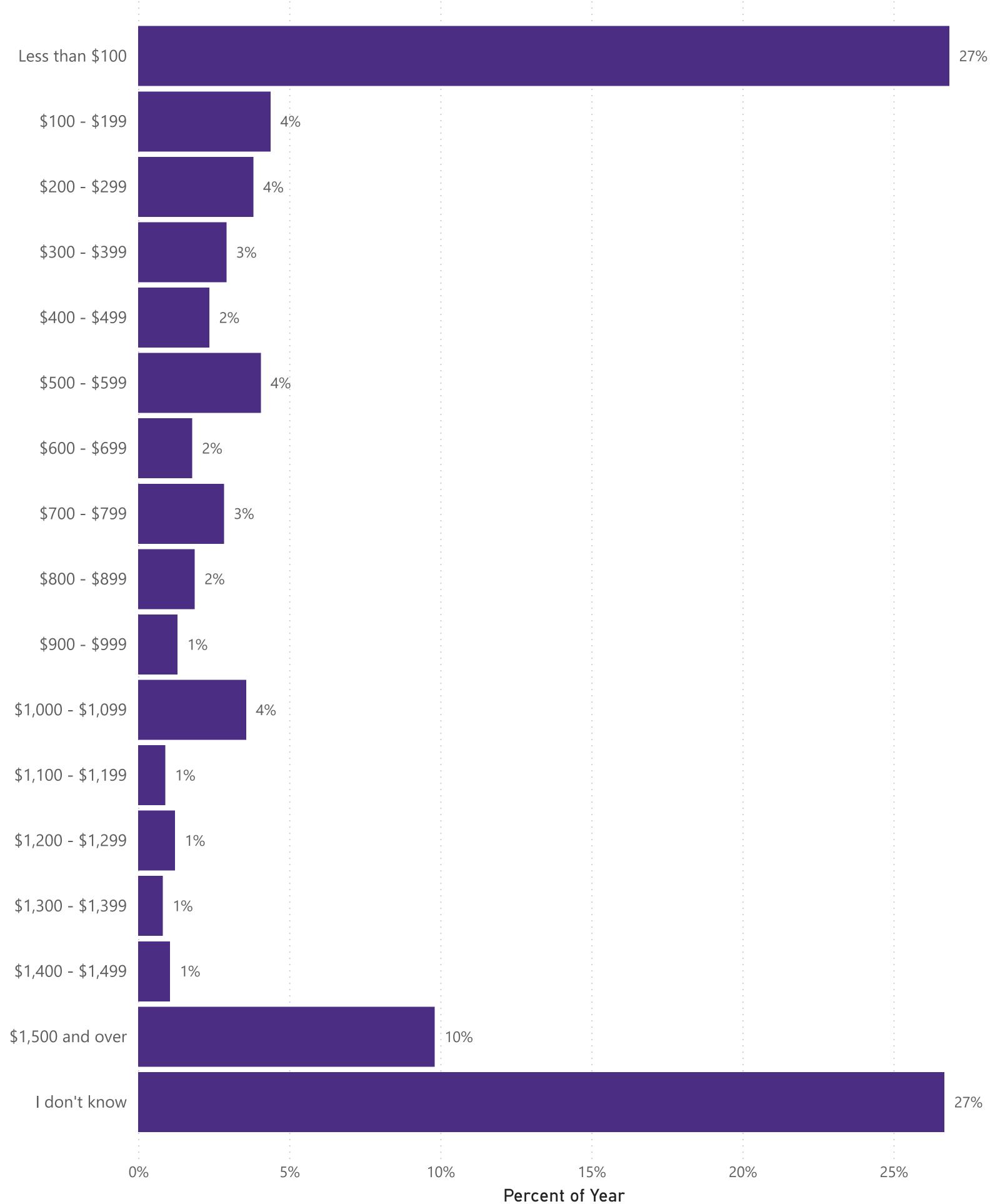
#### Are you currently Employed

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NOTE: Question added for the 2023 Survey

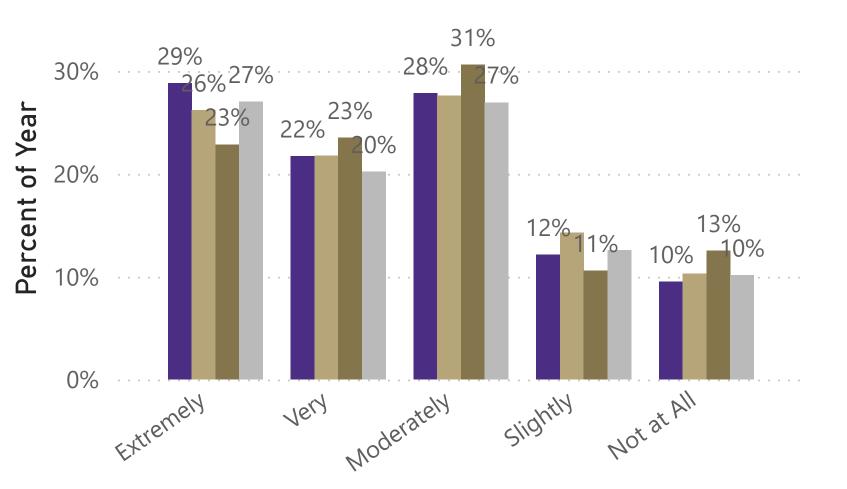
What is your personal share of monthly rent / housing costs excluding utilities for the current academic year? Submit Year • 2023



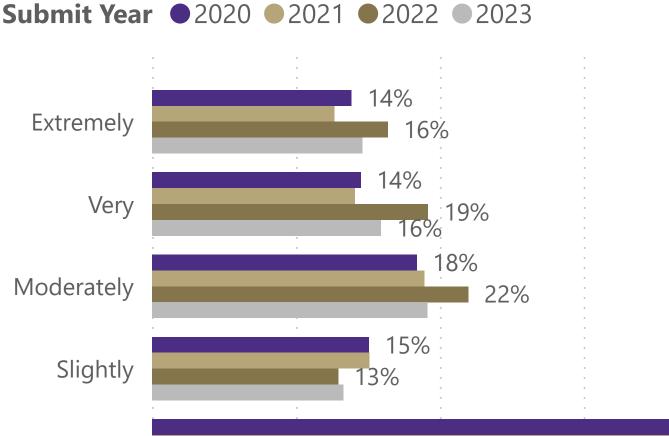
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#### Financing my education

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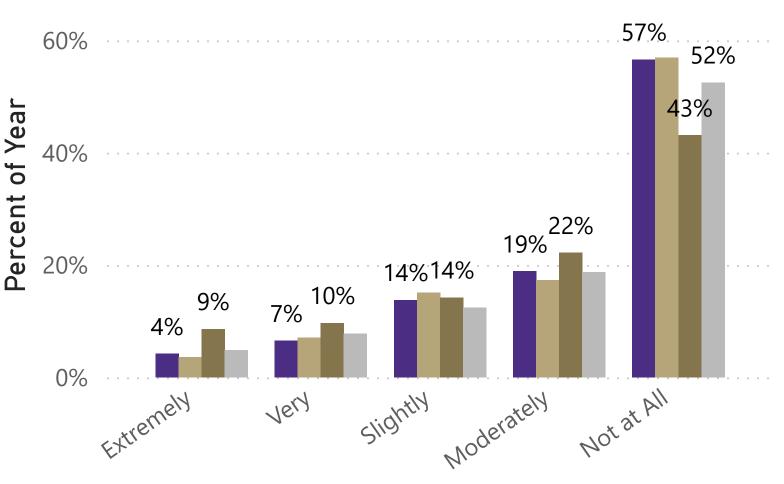


### Housing (having an affordable place to live)



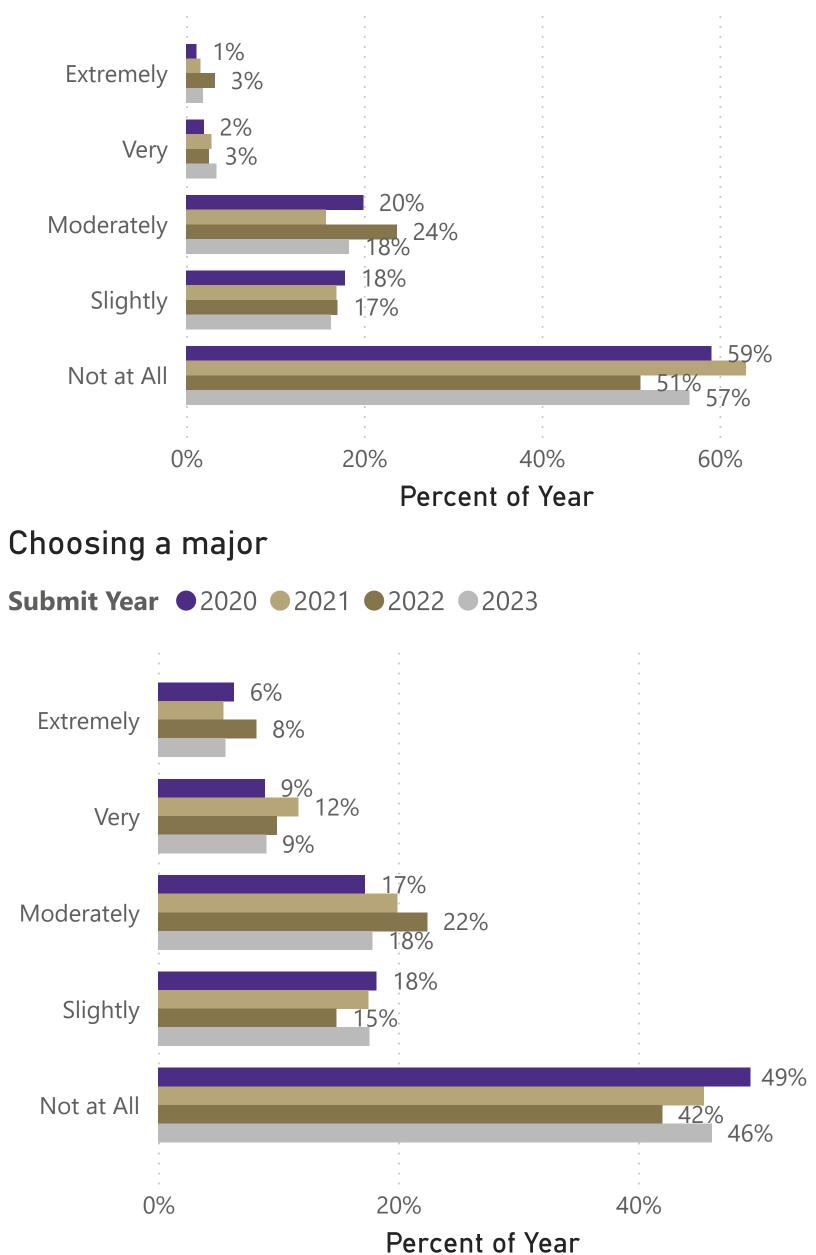
#### Living away from home

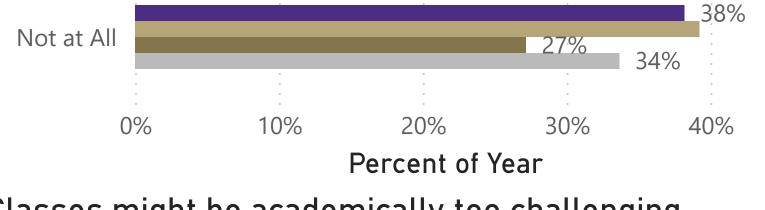
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Classes might not be academically challenging enough

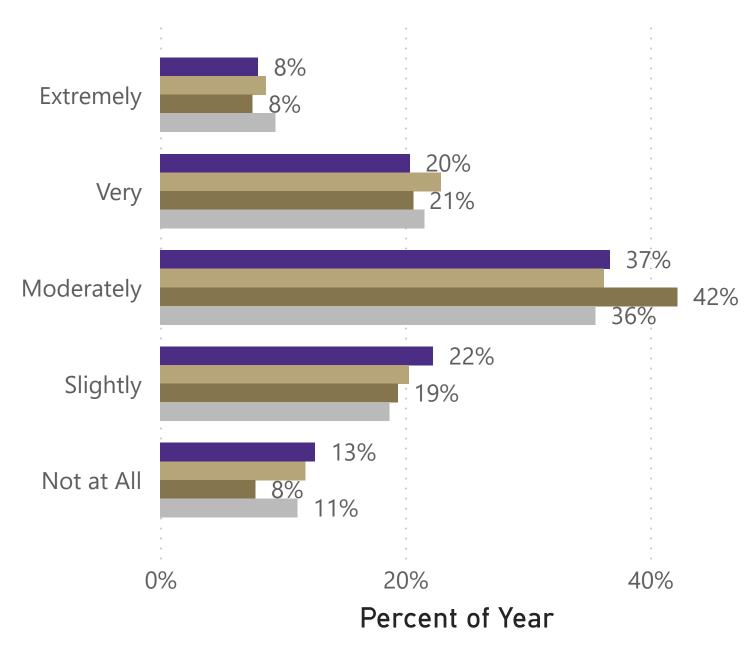
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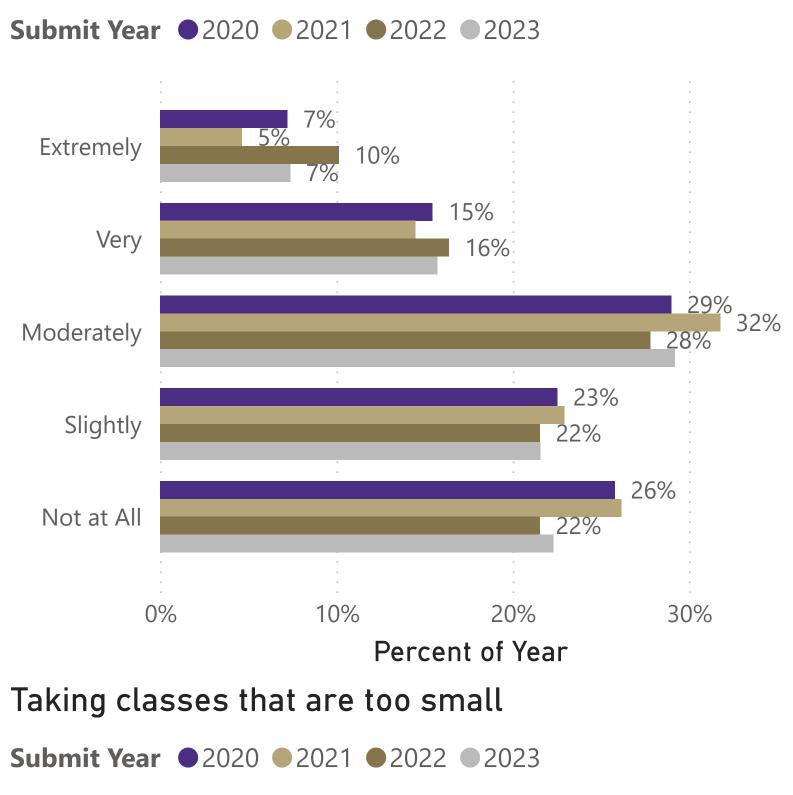
### Classes might be academically too challenging

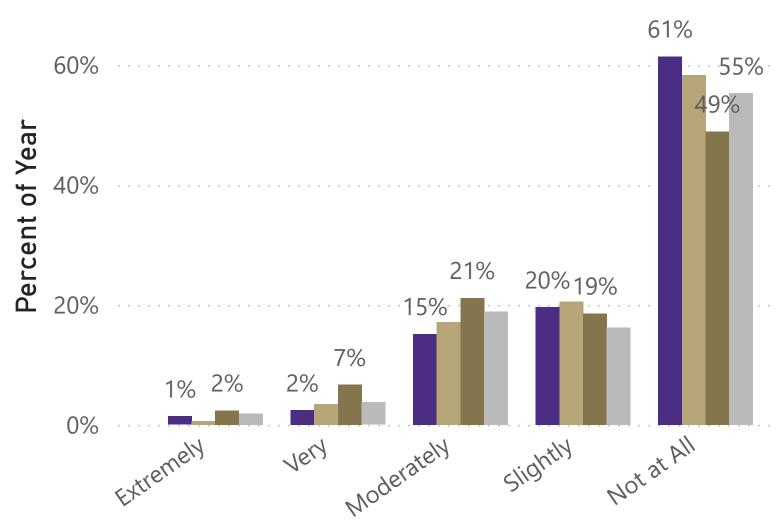
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#### How concerned are you with each of the following?

### Choosing classes





#### Taking classes that are too large

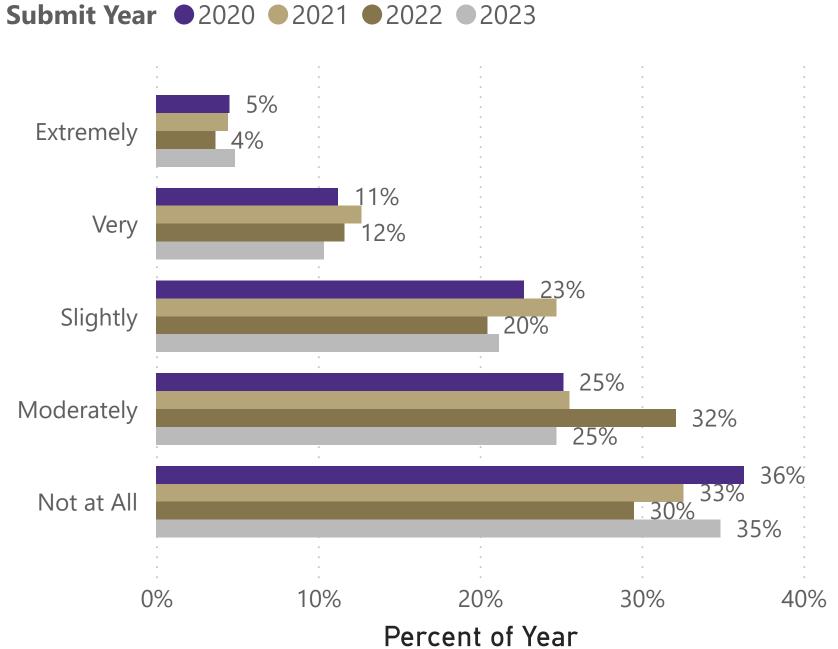
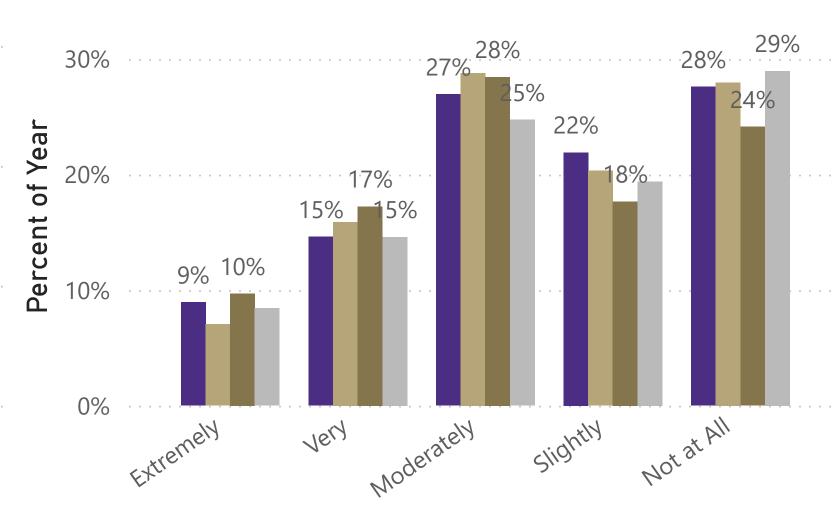


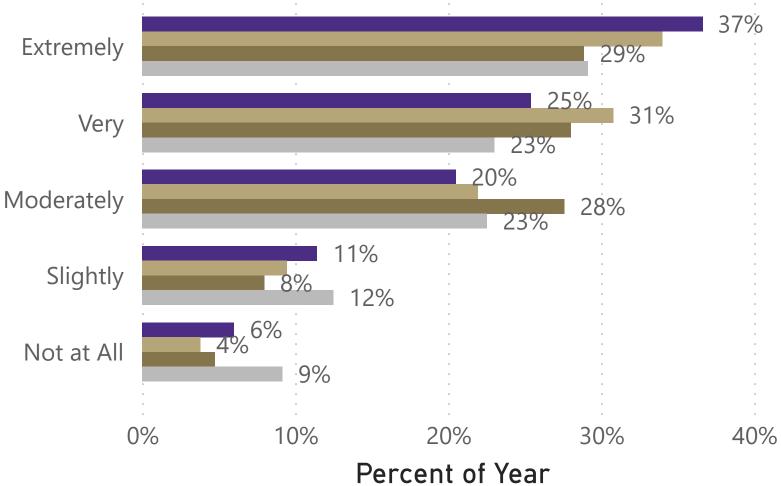
Figure 33. Academic transition from previous institution or university

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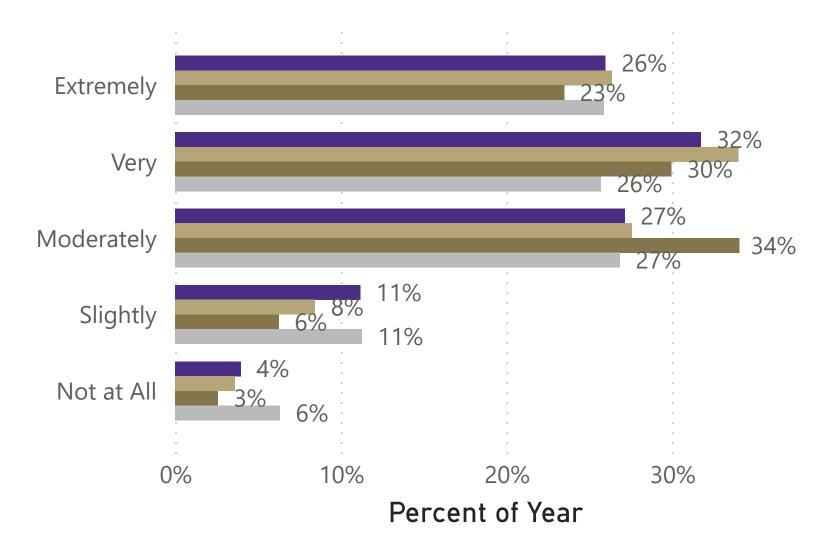
### Getting good grades

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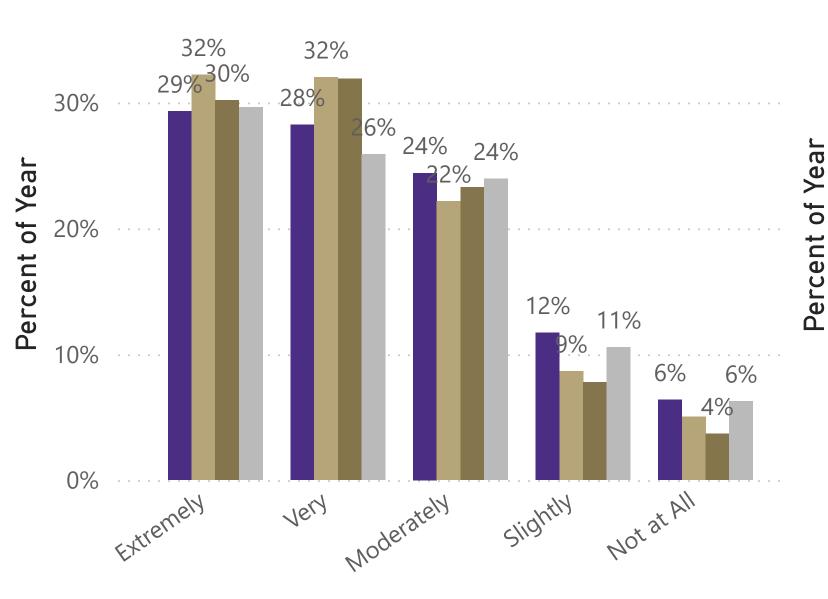
School workload





How concerned are you with each of the following?

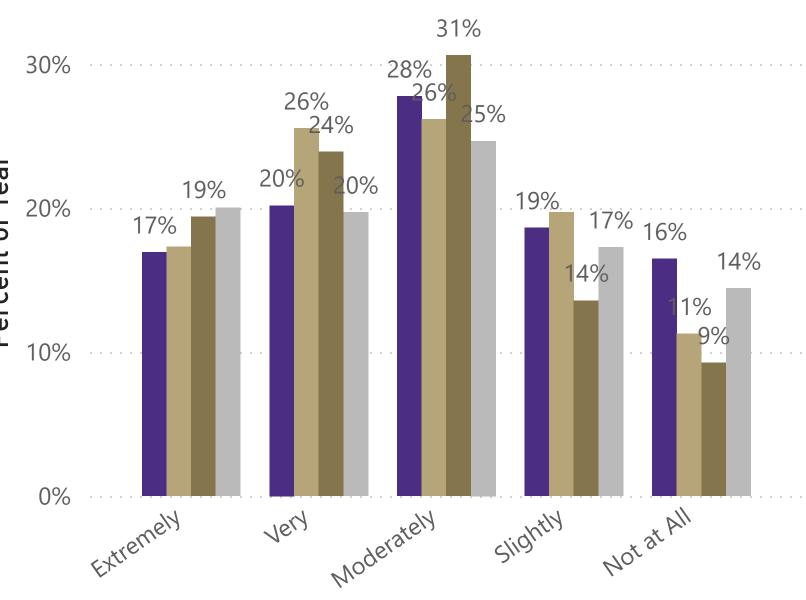
### Balancing studies with work and/or family responsibilities



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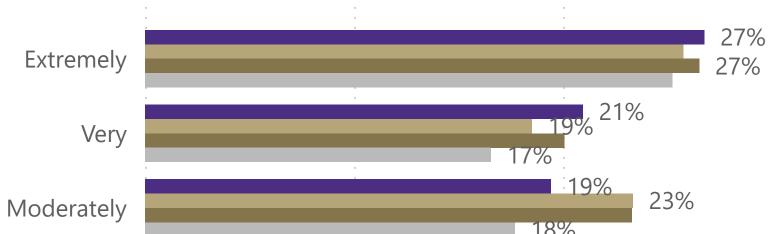
#### Balancing social life with my studies

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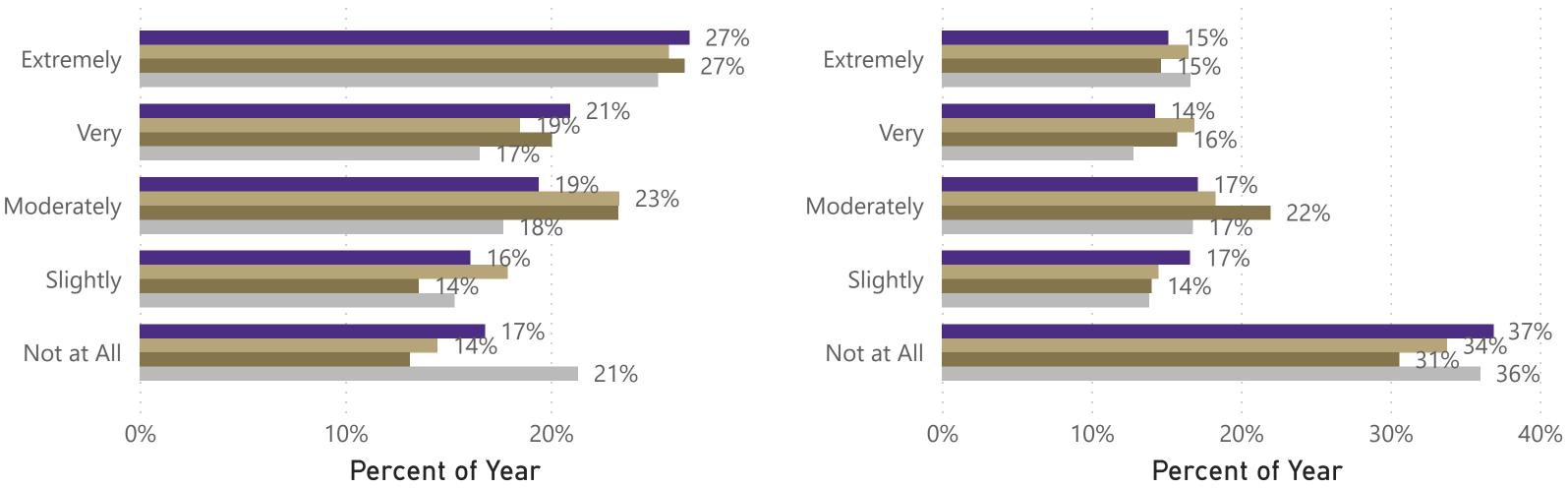
#### Graduating on time

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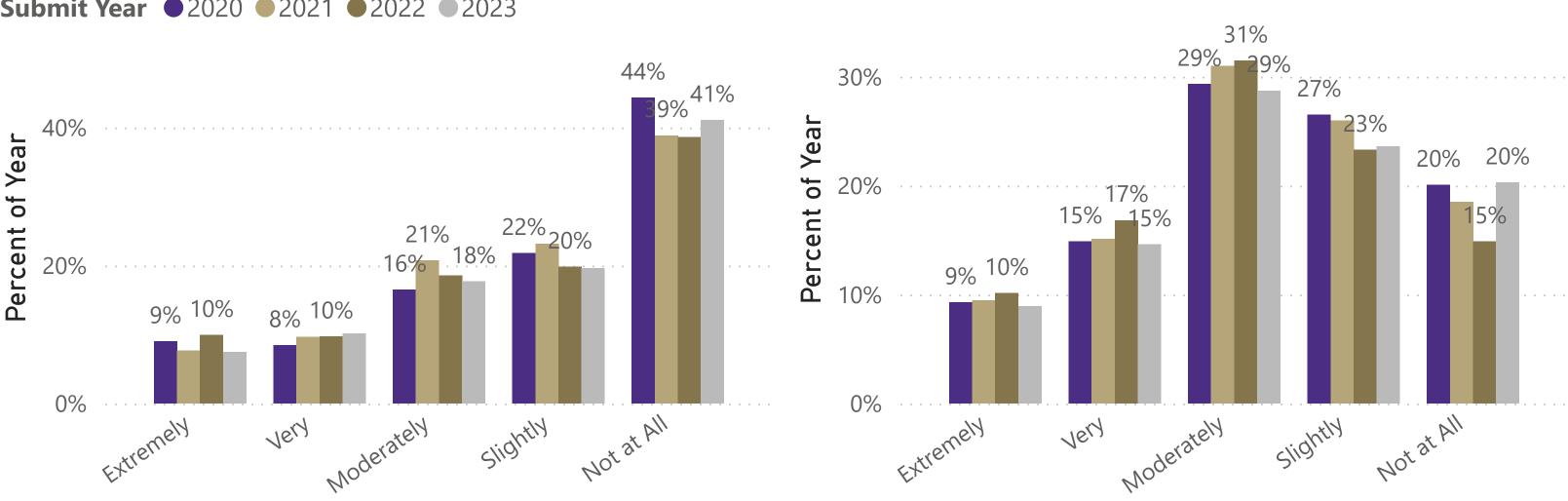


#### My performance might disappoint my family

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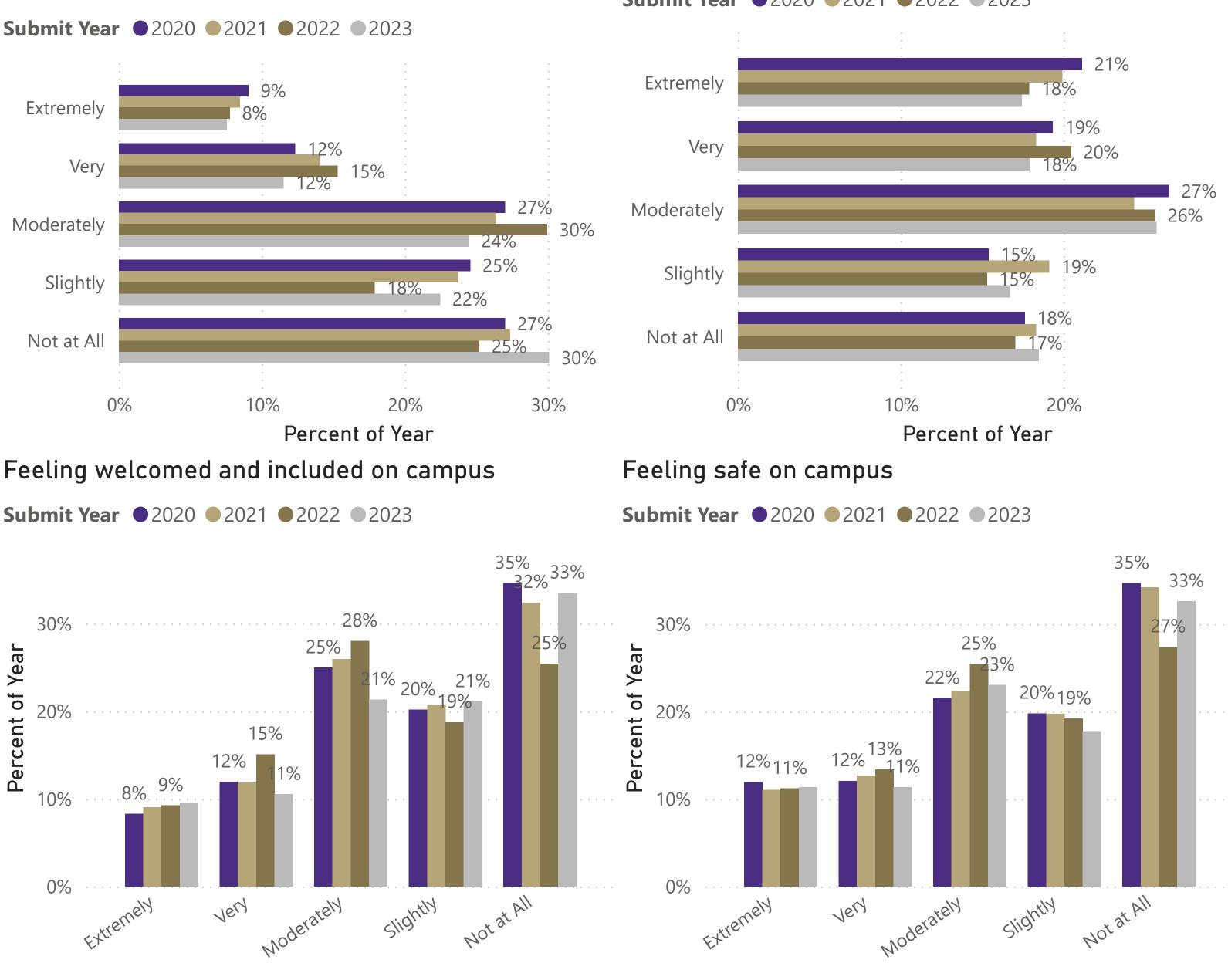
Whether my decision to attend the UW Tacoma is the Learning to find and use campus resources right one for me **Submit Year** ● 2020 ● 2021 ● 2022 ● 2023



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#### How concerned are you with each of the following?

Figure 42. Avilability of support services like tutoring Finding an internship or practicum and academic counseling **Submit Year** • 2020 • 2021 • 2022 • 2023

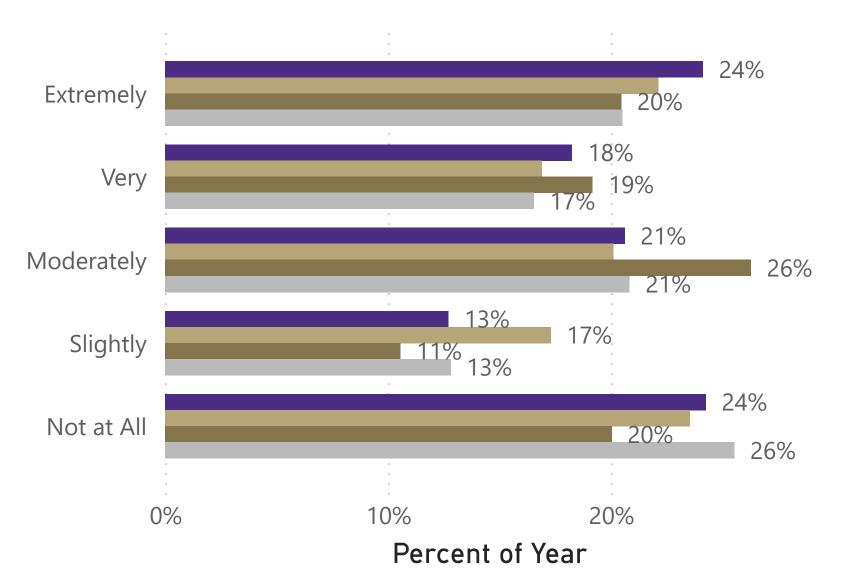


Transportation to and from campus **Submit Year** ● 2020 ● 2021 ● 2022 ● 2023 9% Extremely 12% 12% Very 15% 10% 21% Moderately 24% 17% Slightly 14% 41% Not at All 32% 37% 0% 10% 20% 30% 40%

Percent of Year

Finding a job

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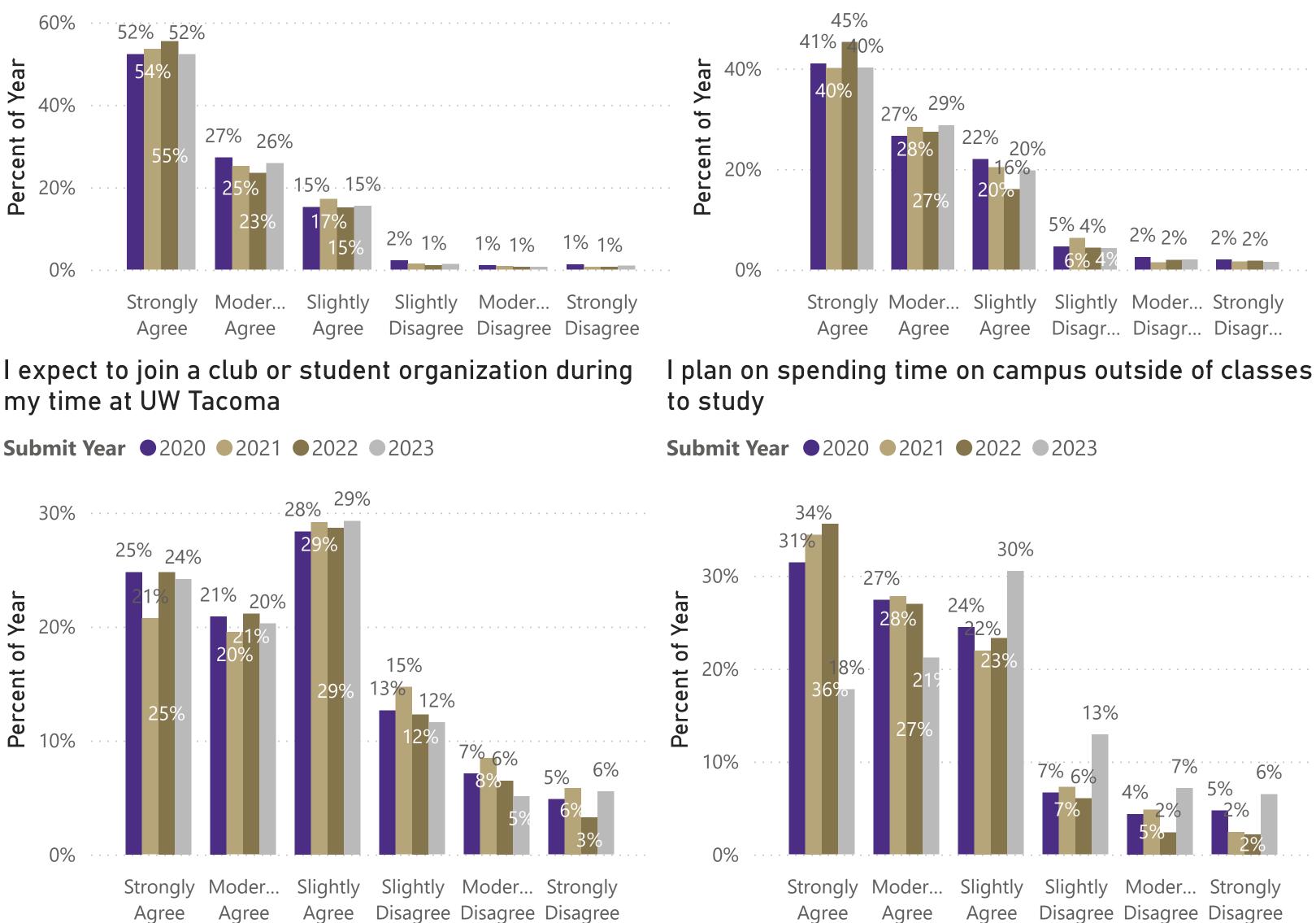
For each of the following statements, indicate how much you agree of disagree.

I hope to build strong connections, friendships and relationships during my time at UWT

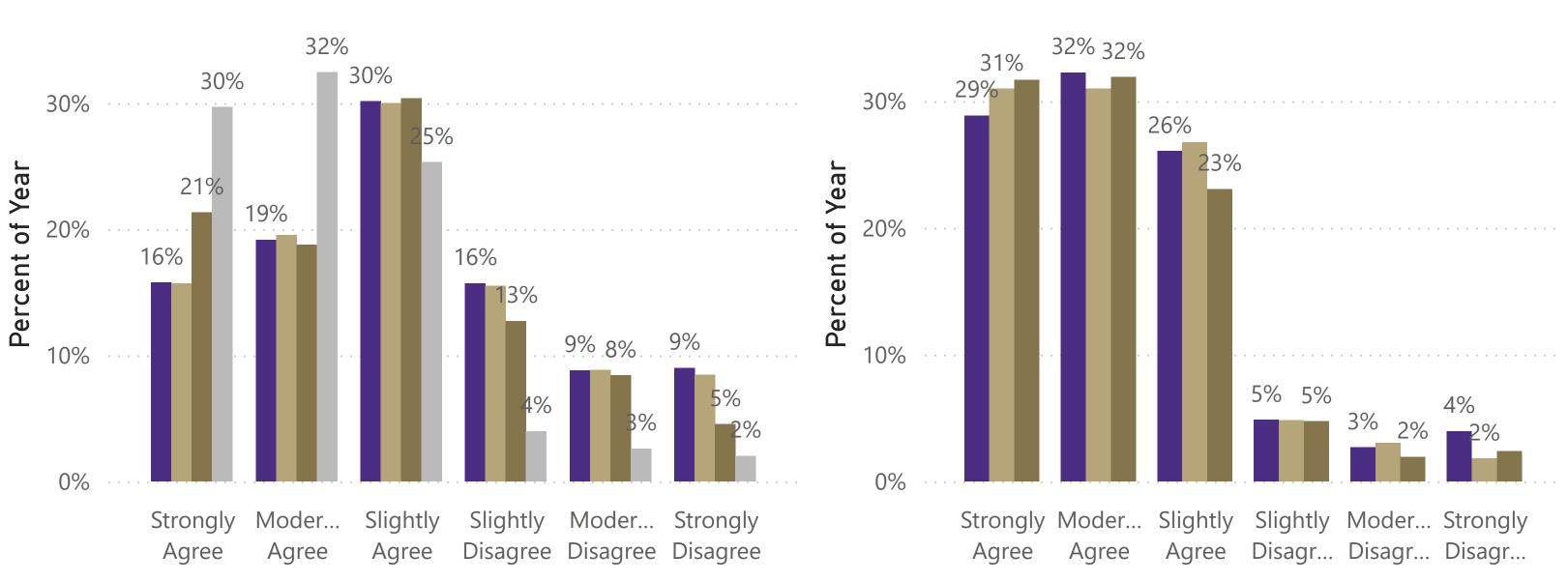
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Building connections with other students is important to my success in college

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I plan on spending time on campus outside of classes to hang out with friends



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Disagree Disagree Disagree Agree Agree Agree

### I will hang out on campus outside of classes if there is a good reason

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