

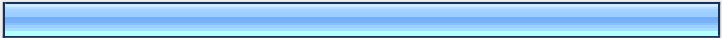
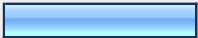
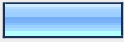
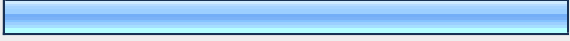
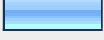

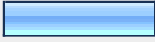


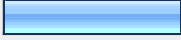
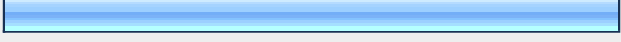
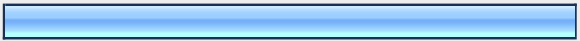
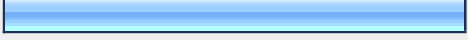
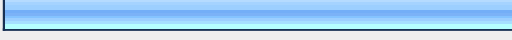
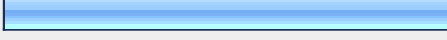
# GS Parity within Columbia - What does it Mean to You?

1. How committed do you feel Columbia University is in supporting the financial aid need of its students enrolled in:							
	Poorest Among Its Peer Institutions	Very Uncommitted	Uncommitted	Average	Committed	Highly Committed	Be Amore Pe Institu
Columbia College/SEAS	0.0% (0)	1.7% (8)	3.7% (17)	14.7% (68)	27.3% (126)	<b>44.2% (204)</b>	8.4%
General Studies	21.4% (99)	<b>26.0% (120)</b>	24.0% (111)	21.4% (99)	5.4% (25)	1.3% (6)	0.4%
	<i>answered question</i>						
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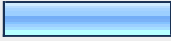
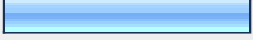
2. Do you receive any institutional aid (grants and scholarships) at Columbia?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		75.3%	348
No		24.7%	114
	<i>answered question</i>		<b>462</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>		<b>0</b>

3. Have you taken out loans to support your educational expenses since matriculating at Columbia?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		78.9%	347
No		21.1%	93
	<i>answered question</i>		<b>440</b>
	<i>skipped question</i>		<b>22</b>

4. How has student loan debt affected the choices you must make in the job market after graduation?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
There's no way I can pay back these loans. I am crushed.		12.7%	56
<b>I fear that I will not have the freedom to pursue a career I feel passionate about because my financial burden is too heavy.</b>		<b>62.3%</b>	274
I will be able to pay my loan balance in the career field I initially desired.		10.5%	46
I am free to pursue any job opportunity I wish. My debt is not a determining factor.		3.9%	17
I have no loans to pay back.		16.6%	73
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>440</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>22</b>

5. To pay for your Columbia education, have you taken out:			
		Response Percent	Response Count
No Loans		19.3%	85
<b>Federal Stafford Subsidized Loans</b>		<b>68.0%</b>	299
Federal Stafford Unsubsidized Loans		63.2%	278
Federal Perkins Loans		50.9%	224
Private Bank Loans		56.1%	247
If you have taken a private loan, would you categorize the interest rates offered as too high, high, acceptable, low, or very low?		48.9%	215
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>440</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>22</b>

6. The Federal Stafford Loan limit is currently \$46,000 for all years of undergraduate study combined. If you have taken out Stafford Federal Loans, do you anticipate that you will reach the maximum amount allowed by the Federal Stafford Program?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		54.8%	241
No		18.2%	80
Not Applicable		27.0%	119
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>440</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>22</b>




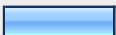
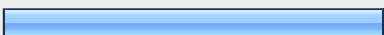
7. How much student loan debt have you CURRENTLY (up to this date) incurred at Columbia?

		Response Percent	Response Count
\$1-\$5,000		3.2%	14
\$5,001 - \$15,000		9.8%	43
\$15,001-\$25,000		14.9%	65
<b>\$25,001 - \$40,000</b>		<b>20.1%</b>	88
\$40,001 - \$60,000		11.2%	49
\$60,001 - \$80,000		9.8%	43
\$80,001 - \$100,000		6.6%	29
\$100,001 - \$120,000		3.0%	13
\$120,001+		2.5%	11
N/A		18.8%	82
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>437</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>25</b>


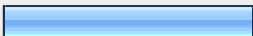
8. How much in student loan debt do you foresee you will have accumulated by graduation day?			Response Percent	Response Count
\$1-\$5,000			1.6%	7
\$5,001 - \$15,000			1.6%	7
\$15,001-\$25,000			2.7%	12
\$25,001 - \$40,000			6.9%	30
\$40,001 - \$60,000			14.6%	64
\$60,001 - \$80,000			13.5%	59
<b>\$80,001 - \$100,000</b>			<b>16.0%</b>	70
\$100,001 - \$120,000			13.0%	57
\$120,001+			15.1%	66
N/A			14.9%	65
			<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>437</b>
			<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>25</b>

9. Should GS students be allowed automated access via their CUID cards into all Columbia undergraduate dorms?			Response Percent	Response Count
Yes!			70.8%	254
No!			27.9%	100
			Other (please specify)	98
			<b><i>answered question</i></b>	<b>359</b>
			<b><i>skipped question</i></b>	<b>103</b>



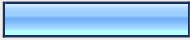




10. CC/SEAS students currently pay \$467 in Student Life Fees per term. GS students pay \$367. Increasing the student life fee could give GS students access to more opportunities; including more student activities on campus, more scholarly opportunities, more opportunities to integrate with CC and SEAS students and more GS-centric events. Would you be in favor of raising the Student Life Fee per term in order to pay for those increased services and opportunities?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes! \$100 per term		34.0%	153
Yes! \$75-\$99 per term		6.7%	30
Yes! \$50-\$74 per term		9.1%	41
Yes! \$25-\$49 per term		12.0%	54
No!		41.8%	188
		Other (please specify)	55
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>450</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>12</b>


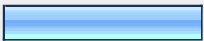
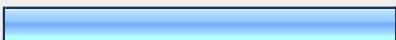
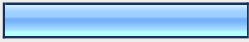
11. Are you enrolled..

		Response Percent	Response Count
Full-Time		72.7%	327
Part-Time		27.3%	123
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>450</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>12</b>

### 12. How long have you been at Columbia?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 1 year		35.3%	158
1-2 years		25.5%	114
2-3 years		20.1%	90
3-4 years		13.2%	59
4-5 years		2.5%	11
5-6 years		0.4%	2
6+ years		2.9%	13
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>447</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>15</b>

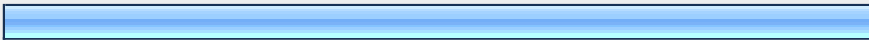

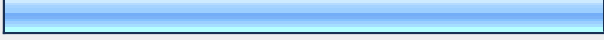
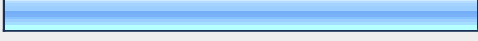
### 13. What is your class standing?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Freshman (less than 24 total credits earned as of the beginning of this semester)		9.5%	42
Sophomore (24-55 total credits earned as of the beginning of this semester)		21.6%	96
Junior (56-89 total credits earned as of the beginning of this semester)		43.2%	192
Senior (90+ total credits earned as of the beginning of this semester)		26.6%	118
		<b>answered question</b>	<b>444</b>
		<b>skipped question</b>	<b>18</b>

14. We need personal stories (names need not be mentioned; include your uni if you don't mind being contacted) of how financial aid policies and debt load have caused you to make unique decisions. How has the financial side of being a GS student at Columbia affected your life?

		Response Count
		221
<i>answered question</i>		<b>221</b>
<i>skipped question</i>		<b>241</b>

15. If you are willing to get involved with the GS financial aid lobbying issue, please leave your name and uni below.

		Response Percent	Response Count
Name		95.7%	110
Uni		<b>98.3%</b>	113
Phone		66.1%	76
Interest:		52.2%	60
<i>answered question</i>			<b>115</b>
<i>skipped question</i>			<b>347</b>