Characteristics of First Year Students in Canadian Universities

Based on data from the Canadian University Survey Consortium (CUSC)

Percentage of Visible Minorities 2013 to 2019

Between 2013-2019 there was a 13% increase in the number of students who identified as visible minorities.

Percentage of Indigenous Students 2013-2019

44% of first-year students identified as visible minorities in 2019.

In 2019, approximately 6 out of 10 students identified as female.

Persons with Disabilities

Between 2013-2019, there was an 84% increase in the number of students with disabilities.

Percentage of International Students 2013-2019

In 2019, 73% of international students consider how welcoming a university is as an important factor to making decisions on which university to attend.

The numbers in this infographic reflect data from Carleton University’s peer group in the CUSC.