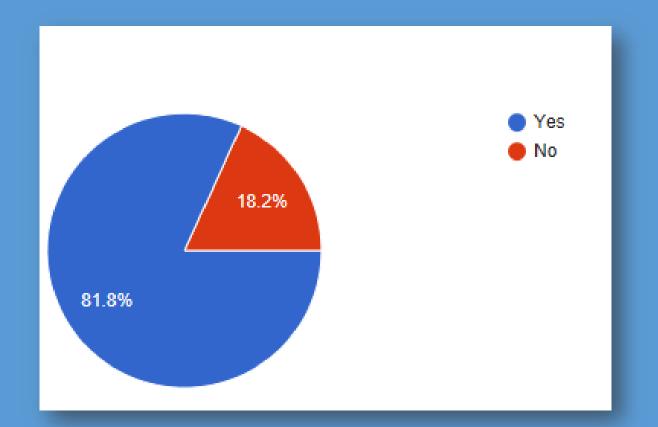
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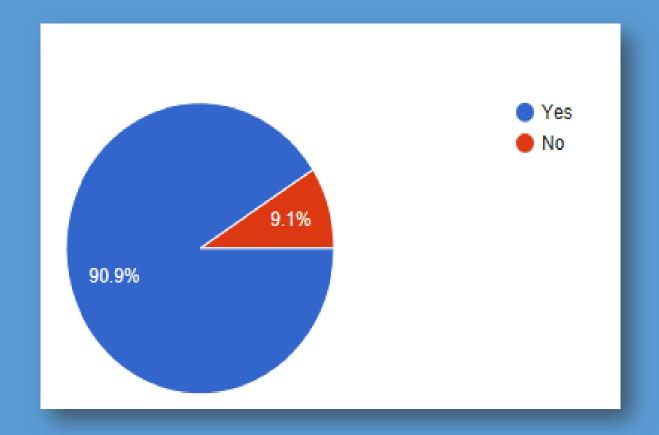
Online Survey of International Students¹

Cellu Gaga and I are originally from Guinea.
We are sharing stories of International students.
Experiences / Struggles
Choice of school/University
Academic challenges
Language barrier
Leadership Development
Stories of Success

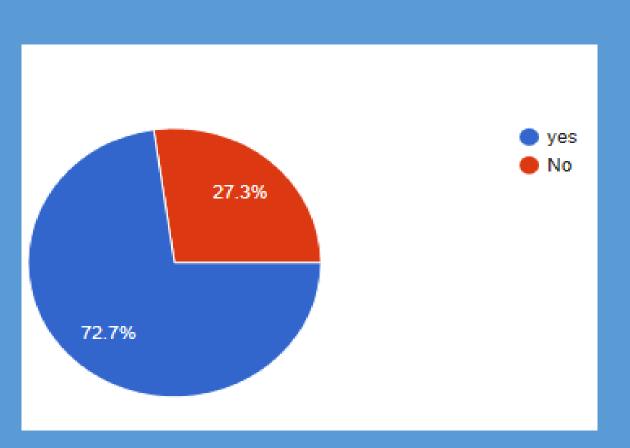
Did students migrate to pursue an education?



Was their choice of university/college a good choice?



Students faced academic difficulties.



Story of students Immigrants



Choosing the right school or university has never been an easy thing, balancing between your financial capacity and the quality of the school or the university selected was a challenge, I chose my university based on senior's advice and internet research such as universities ranking worldwide---Student in Malaysia



University is the hardest part of my life, tuition and failure. I was two semesters away from completing my Bachelor's degree.

Because of financial issues. I am not able to pay for my school anymore, but I am still an honor student at Penn State University.

---USA



I am very disappointed with my university; disappointed with the quality of teaching, and the support for foreign students.--- Student in Malaysia

Why did students leave their countries?

Fight between government and population in home country, lack of security lack of education and family issues.

To be in an environment that would help them develop their creativity that can have an impact on many people..

Language Barrier

"The first challenge I faced as an international student was a language barrier, when I arrived in Syria, I couldn't speak Arabic very good."

--Cellu

Academic Challenge

"Being in a new place is always a challenge. Though my English wasn't that good when I came in the US, I was able to catch up quickly as I was surrounded with people speaking English around me. My skills and knowledge I got from my country, the Democratic Republic of Congo helped me to do well in my science classes and my consistency in my daily activities helped me keep on performing well in my classes and be excellent."

--Unknown student from Congo

Students Advice for Leadership Development

- See things in different perspectives.
- ✓ Analyze before making a decision.
- Be open minded.
- Know your type (Introvert / Extravert).

Students Stories of Success

- Graduating as honors and obtaining a job.
- Being the first person in their families to go to a US College.
- Being able to use what they have learned in order to help improve the condition of their families, their people, and their countries.

Survey pulled from 60 students from Peru, China, Guinea, Mexico, Dominican Republic, France, Congo, Vietnam, Malaysia (2018)