



Navigating

STUDENT SUCCESS

Helping Your Student, and You, Navigate the Transition to Centenary University

YOUR ROADMAP FOR THE FIRST-YEAR EXPERIENCE



Our goal is to help ease your tensions and offer guidance to make your student's transition successful. This presentation should act as your roadmap for the first-year experience.



LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Find out about important dates and next steps
- Become more comfortable with the transition to CU
- Learn about the people who are here to help!



OFFICES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT STUDENTS AND PARENTS

Academic Assistance

- Academic Success and Advising
- Disability Services Office
- Faculty
- Library
- Registrar's Office
- Tutoring Center
- Writing Collaboratory

Co-curricular Assistance

- Career Development
- Counseling Center
- Residence Life
- Student Activities
- Student Life
- First-Year Experience

❖ Financial assistance is also available through the Financial Aid Office and Student Accounts Office

GETTING A GOOD START: PRE-SEMESTER THROUGH WEEK 4

- Move-in and Orientation- Last weekend in August (view website)
- Classes begin (8/28) & syllabi handed out
 - Start reading & look at deadlines!
 - Insert deadlines into planner
 - Grades may start coming in quickly
- Add/Drop ends 9/1
 - If you need to drop a class, do so quickly
- Getting acclimated
 - Form social connections (esp. With roommates)
 - Finding groups/clubs to join

MID-SEMESTER: WEEK 5 THROUGH WEEK 10

- Midterm Exams (start prepping early!)
 - Typically, around week 6
 - Could be first heavily weighted grade
- FAFSA Opens
 - Time to start thinking about paying for next year
- Be cautious of free time!
 - Social engagements become more frequent but be mindful of course work
- Last day to withdrawal from traditional semester-based class is 11/2
 - After this date, a withdrawal will equate to an F
- Meet with faculty advisors
- Start prepping for finals
 - If you had a midterm, you might know what to expect in terms of prepping

SEMESTER END: WEEK 11 THROUGH WEEK 16

- Register for spring classes
 - Registration begins November 6th
 - You must meet with your advisor prior
- Final Assignments
 - Give yourself enough time to complete
- Thanksgiving Break
 - November 22nd- 24th
- Final Exams
 - Important to start preparing early!
 - Typically, the last week of the semester
 - December 11th –15th
- Winter Break
 - December 18th- January 7th

WHAT'S NEXT?



- First day of class – January 8
- Housing selection for 2024-2025
 - Typically, in mid-March (keep an eye on emails)
- FAFSA Deadline
 - Typically, April 1 (reminders will be sent)
- Course Registration
 - Begins March 25
- The Academic Calendar can guide you further
 - [Academic Calendar 2023-2024](#) (visit [CentenaryUniversity.edu](https://www.centenaryuniversity.edu) > Academics > Academic Calendar)

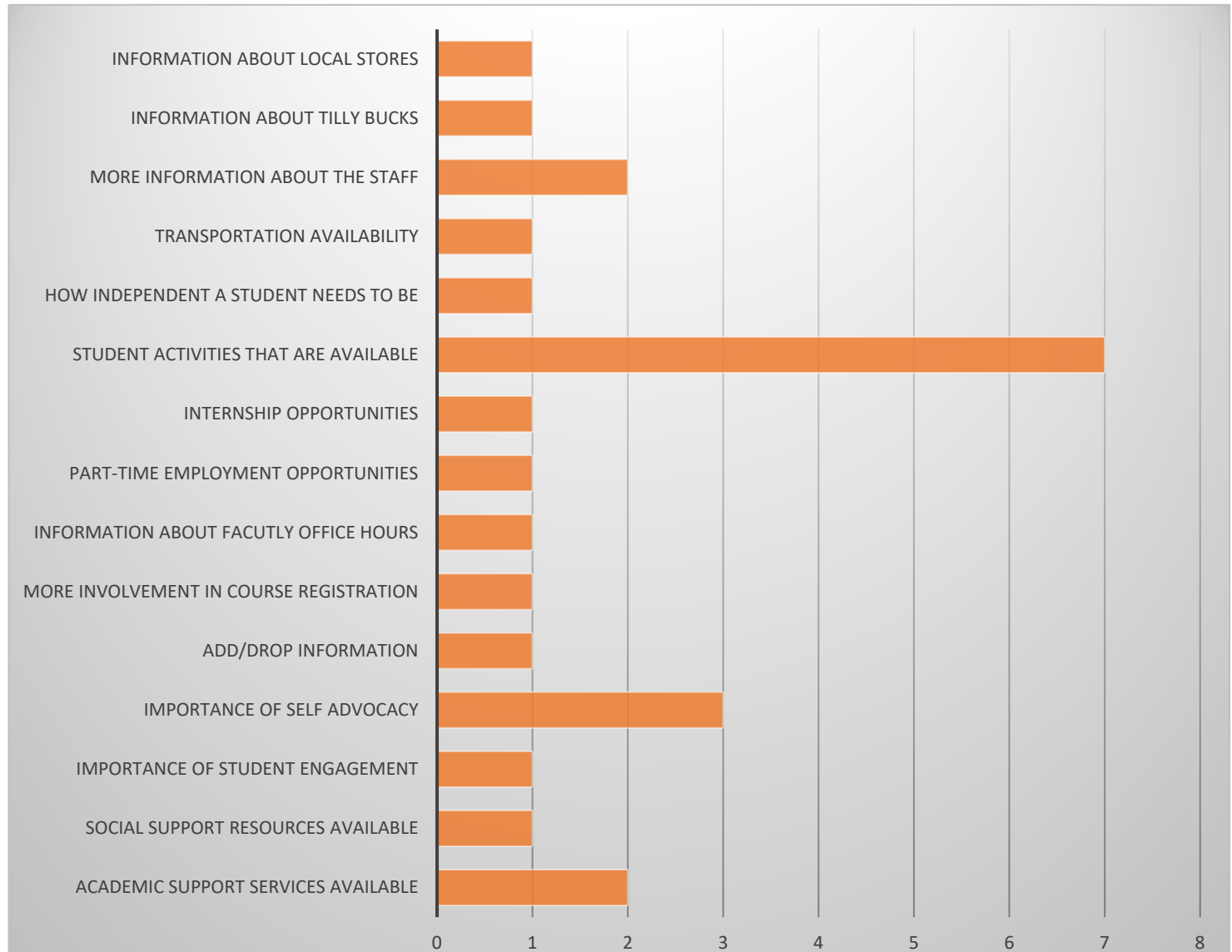
CAREER SERVICES

- Career Success: Year 1
 - Meet with academic advisor to define a clear academic direction
 - Activate your Handshake account and begin creating a profile
 - Make an appointment with the Office of Career Development to start building resume
 - Get involved on and off campus. Join a club or organization, volunteer, or get an on-campus job



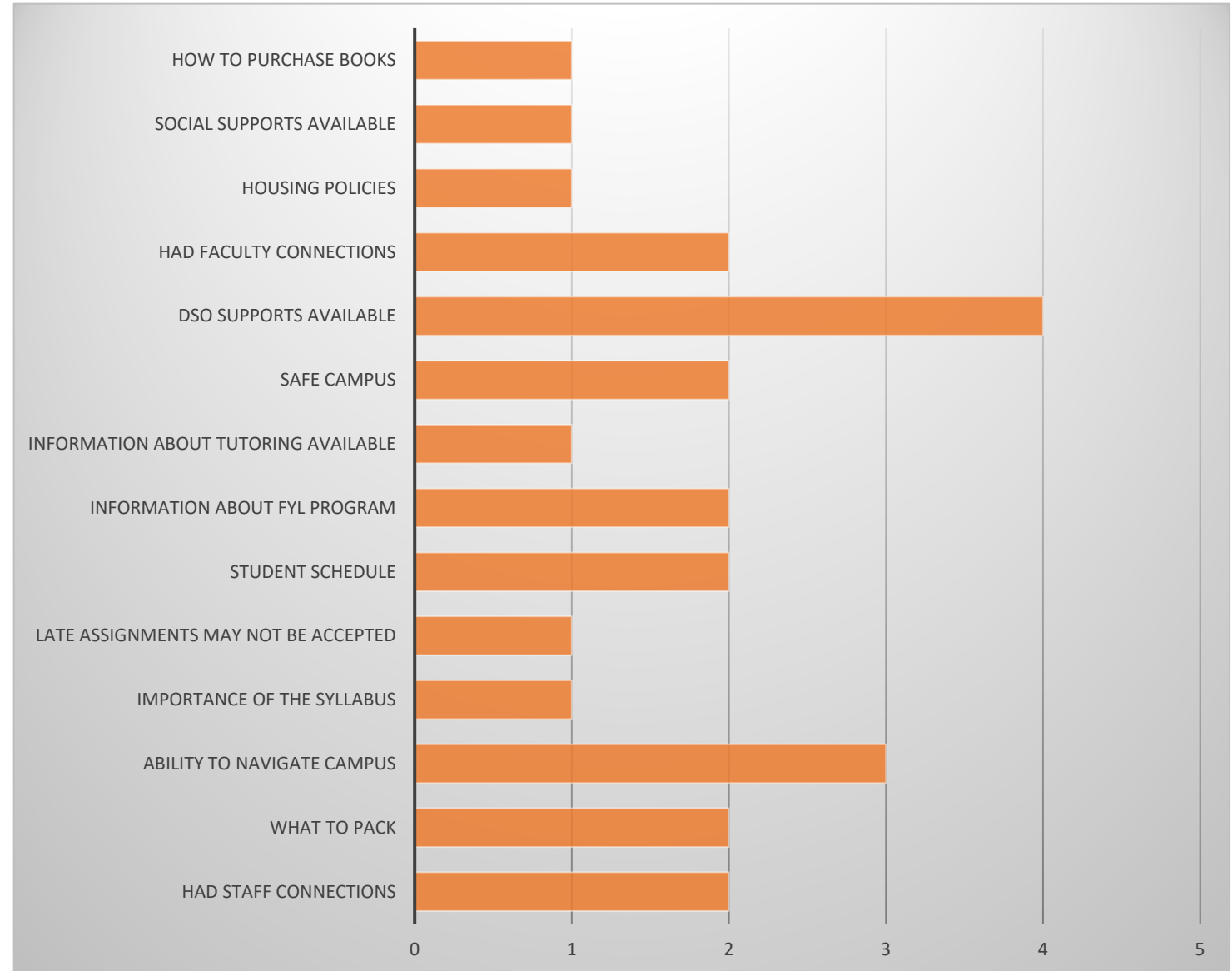
SUMMARY:

What other parents wish they had known more about prior to sending their student to Centenary University



SUMMARY:

What other parents did know that made the transition easier for them and their students





QUESTIONS?

