

Table 2*Since the COVID-19 Pandemic, More Prospective Students*

Answer	Student Type	% Strongly agree	% Agree	% Neither agree nor disagree	% Slightly disagree	% Strongly disagree
...are losing their interest in pursuing a graduate or professional degree in general.	domestic students	1.7%	12.8%	29.9%	45.3%	10.3%
	students of color	3.3%	8.7%	39.1%	40.2%	8.7%
	female students	4.8%	13.1%	34.5%	33.3%	14.3%
...are questioning the value propositions of graduate and professional education.	domestic students	7.9%	33.3%	26.3%	22.8%	9.6%
	students of color	10.6%	28.7%	31.9%	22.3%	6.4%
	female students	9.9%	28.6%	22.0%	27.5%	12.1%
...express concerns about balancing the requirements of a graduate or professional program and other obligations.	domestic students	18.8%	44.4%	22.2%	11.1%	3.4%
	students of color	22.7%	42.3%	20.6%	11.3%	3.1%
	female students	24.1%	42.5%	16.1%	14.9%	2.3%
...express concerns about campus culture and climate.	domestic students	11.4%	40.4%	25.4%	13.2%	9.6%
	students of color	23.2%	43.2%	18.9%	13.7%	1.1%
	female students	12.2%	42.2%	30.0%	12.2%	3.3%
...express concerns about the affordability of graduate and professional education.	domestic students	29.7%	52.5%	11.0%	5.1%	1.7%
	students of color	30.6%	44.9%	14.3%	6.1%	4.1%
	female students	25.3%	44.0%	18.7%	8.8%	3.3%
...have chosen to defer starting their graduate or professional education than had been true previously.	domestic students	17.7%	43.4%	22.1%	13.3%	3.5%
	students of color	11.6%	28.4%	38.9%	16.8%	4.2%
	female students	11.4%	33.0%	29.5%	19.3%	6.8%
...seem to be considering a master's degree rather than a doctorate.	domestic students	3.4%	30.7%	44.3%	14.8%	6.8%
	students of color	6.5%	26.0%	40.3%	18.2%	9.1%
	female students	2.8%	23.9%	46.5%	16.9%	9.9%

Data Source: NAGAP, The Association for Graduate Enrollment Management & Council of Graduate Schools, Survey of Graduate Enrollment Management Professionals, Fall 2020