

STATE UNIVERSITIES IN ILLINOIS: 12 REASONS TO STAY IN STATE

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YOU HAVE CHOICES

- THOUSANDS OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN THE U.S.
 - PUBLIC, PRIVATE, COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WHERE TO BEGIN?

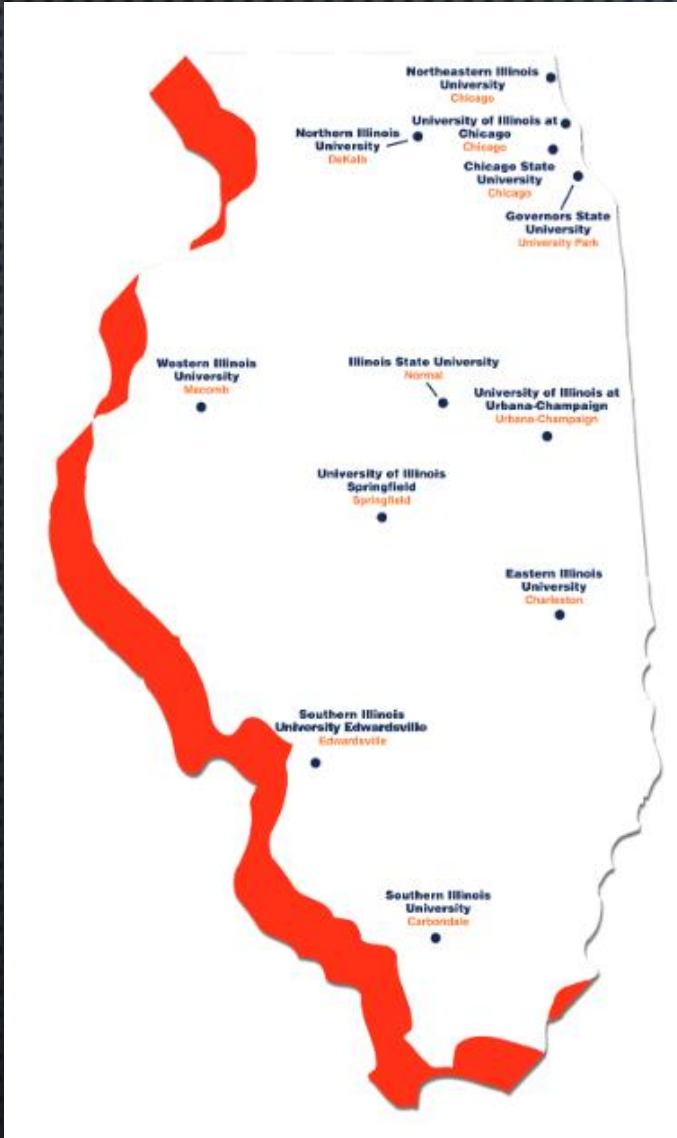


NOT THE BEST SCHOOL—**THE BEST FIT**

KNOW THYSELF

- ACADEMICS
- SETTING
- SIZE
- ACTIVITIES
- DISTANCE
- COST





Chicago State University

Eastern Illinois University

Governors State University

Illinois State University

Northeastern Illinois University

Northern Illinois University

Southern Illinois University Carbondale

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville

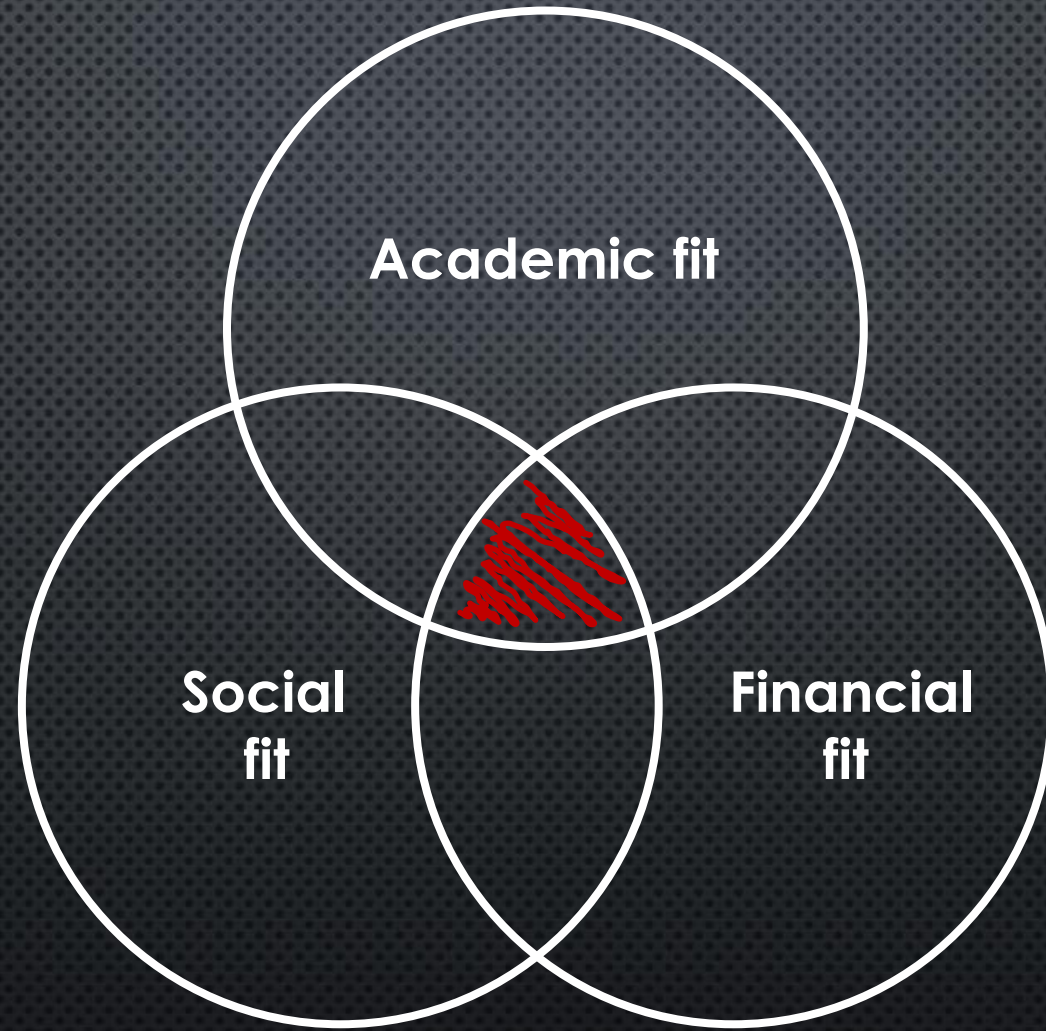
University of Illinois at Chicago

University of Illinois at Springfield

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Western Illinois University

Western Illinois University



ACADEMIC FIT

(BECAUSE THAT'S REALLY WHAT IT'S ABOUT)

ACADEMIC FIT AT THE 12 PUBLICS

- 350+ DISTINCT MAJORS
- PROGRAMS WITH NATIONAL RECOGNITION
 - ILLINOIS STATE = EDUCATION
 - UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS = ENGINEERING
 - WESTERN ILLINOIS = CRIMINAL JUSTICE

FINDING YOUR ACADEMIC FIT

https://illinoisstate.edu/academics/

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Academics

What do you want to study?

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Choosing a Major

Choosing a major may be one of the easiest decisions you have ever made or it may be an overwhelming and stressful decision.

At Illinois State University, we utilize numerous resources to help you choose a major(s). [University College Academic Advising](#) is available to any student who is undeclared/undecided or who plans to change majors.

A couple quick things to keep in mind when comparing major requirements. The middle 50 percent GPA gives the range of students typically admitted into the major. Twenty five percent of students admitted have a lower GPA, so you should not view the lower GPA as a minimum required for acceptance. Also the sample plans of study provided are based on the current [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

Activities

- [Learn About Yourself Reflection](#)
- [Major Elimination Activity](#)
- [Occupational Outlook Handbook Activity](#)
- [O*NET Activity](#)
- [Pros and Cons Chart](#)
- [What Are Your Skills?](#)
- [What Are Your Workplace Values?](#)

Learn About Yourself

I'm Interested In

- Agriculture and Environment
- Arts, Communication, and Media
- Business and Economics
- Education
- Human Development and Services
- Humanities and Languages
- Nursing, Health, and Wellness
- Politics and Law
- Science and Mathematics
- Society and Culture
- Technology

Pre-Professional Pathways

Be prepared for Pre-Professional employment including medicine, physical therapy, pre-law, and more. View majors to be qualified for graduate-level programs and future success.

[View Pre-Professional Pathways](#)

Interdisciplinary Programs

Illinois State offers a number of major and minor programs that span two or more academic disciplines while providing an immersive educational experience.

[View Interdisciplinary Studies Programs](#)



Summary Report for: 13-2011.01 - Accountants

[Updated 2019](#)

Analyze financial information and prepare financial reports to determine or maintain record of assets, liabilities, profit and loss, tax liability, or other financial activities within an organization.

Sample of reported job titles: Accountant, Accounting Manager, Accounting Officer, Accounting Supervisor, Business Analyst, Certified Public Accountant (CPA), Cost Accountant, General Accountant, Project Accountant, Staff Accountant

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Tasks

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- Develop, maintain, and analyze budgets, preparing periodic reports that compare budgeted costs to actual costs.
- Prepare, examine, or analyze accounting records, financial statements, or other financial reports to assess accuracy, completeness, and conformance to reporting and procedural standards.
- Review accounts for discrepancies and reconcile differences.
- Prepare adjusting journal entries.
- Establish tables of accounts and assign entries to proper accounts.

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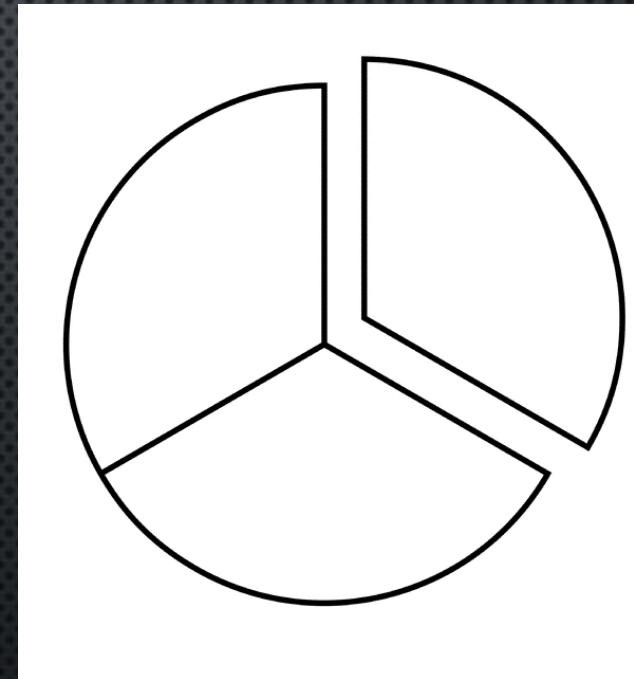
Technology Skills

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- Accounting software** — Fund accounting software; Intuit QuickBooks 🔥; Sage 50 Accounting; Tax software
- Data base user interface and query software** — Best Software CPAPayroll; Data entry software 🔥; Microsoft Access 🔥; Structured query language SQL 🔥
- Enterprise resource planning ERP software** 🔥 — Microsoft Dynamics 🔥; Oracle PeopleSoft 🔥; Sage ERP Accpac; SAP 🔥
- Financial analysis software** — Brentmark Estate Planning Quickview; Delphi Technology; Oracle E-Business Suite Financials; RSM McGladrey Auditor

ACADEMIC FIT AND COLLEGE CHOICE

- 33% START WITHOUT A MAJOR
- 33% CHANGE THEIR MAJOR
- 33% KEEP THEIR MAJOR



Source: National Center for Education Statistics, 2017

ACADEMIC FIT – QUESTIONS TO ASK

- WHAT CLASSES DO I LIKE MOST? LEAST?
- WHAT DO I WANT TO DO FOR A CAREER? REALLY?
- IN WHAT KIND OF ENVIRONMENT DO I LEARN BEST?
- IS THE AVERAGE STUDENT LIKE ME?

SOCIAL FIT

(BECAUSE HAPPY = SUCCESSFUL)

SOCIAL FIT - SIZE

<5,000

- CHICAGO STATE
- U OF I – SPRINGFIELD

5,000-10,000

- EASTERN ILLINOIS
- GOVERNORS STATE
- NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS
- WESTERN ILLINOIS

10,000-20,000

- NORTHERN ILLINOIS
- SIU – CARBONDALE
- SIU - EDWARDSVILLE

>20,000

- ILLINOIS STATE
- U OF I – CHICAGO
- U OF I – URBANA/CHAMPAIGN

SOCIAL FIT – DISTANCE FROM HOME

- MOST COLLEGE STUDENTS STAY WITHIN ABOUT _____ MILES FROM HOME.
 - A. 150
 - B. 500
 - C. 1,000

Source: American Council on Education, 2016

SOCIAL FIT - SETTING

COLLEGE TOWN

- ILLINOIS STATE
- U OF I – URBANA/CHAMPAIGN
- U OF I - SPRINGFIELD



SOCIAL FIT - SETTING

RURAL

- EASTERN ILLINOIS
- NORTHERN ILLINOIS
- SIU – CARBONDALE
- WESTERN ILLINOIS



SOCIAL FIT - SETTING

SUBURBAN

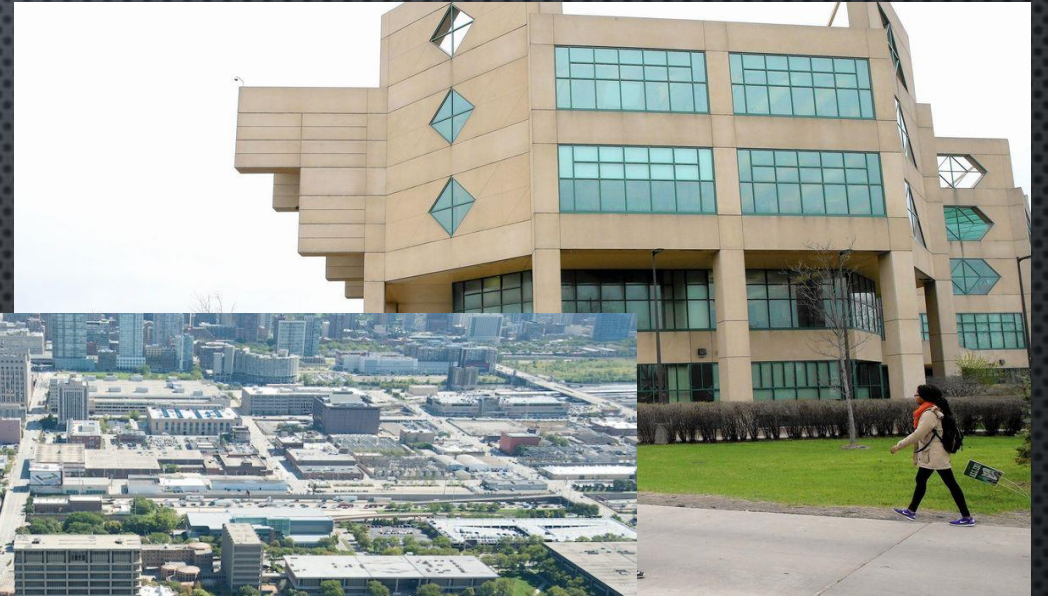
- SIU - EDWARDSVILLE
- GOVERNORS STATE



SOCIAL FIT - SETTING

URBAN

- CHICAGO STATE
- NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS
- U OF I - CHICAGO



SOCIAL FIT – ONLY ONE WAY TO KNOW

Choose your Visit

We love to meet prospective students to answer questions and show off our beautiful campus. That's why we offer a variety of visit options. However, some visit dates are especially popular and fill up fast. We recommend making your reservation early due to space availability.

If [accommodations](#) are needed to participate in an event, please contact our office at least 48 hours in advance at [\(309\) 438-2181](#) or [\(800\) 366-2478](#).

Daily Campus Visit

2 hours

Experience campus while enjoying a student-led walking tour, usually including a residence hall. Tours take place most weekdays throughout the year.

[Register for Daily Visit](#)

[Optional Sessions](#) > [Academic Departments](#) • [Honors Program](#)

Open House

5-6 hours

Hosted several times throughout the year, take a tour of campus and our residence halls while meeting fellow students. Learn about our majors, campus life, and the admissions process.



SOCIAL FIT – QUESTIONS TO ASK

- WHAT ARE THE THINGS I REALLY LOVE DOING?
- WHAT DO I WANT/NEED SURROUNDING THE CAMPUS?
- HOW EASILY/OFTEN DO I WANT TO BE ABLE TO GO HOME?

FINANCIAL FIT

(DOES ANYONE EVEN CARE ABOUT THIS?)

FINANCIAL FIT – HOW MUCH IS COLLEGE WORTH?

BASED ON THE LATEST ESTIMATES, A COLLEGE GRADUATE CAN EXPECT TO EARN BETWEEN **\$1 MILLION AND \$1.7 MILLION MORE** THAN A NON-GRADUATE OVER A 40-YEAR CAREER.

FINANCIAL FIT – HELP FROM THE STATE

How much money are Illinois colleges getting in the new budget? ‘It’s definitely good news for colleges and universities.’



By DAWN RHODES
CHICAGO TRIBUNE | JUN 19, 2019 | 5:00 AM



A 2014 artist's rendering shows a new Science Building planned for the Western Illinois University campus. This year's state budget earmarks \$94.5 million over six years for the project, which could include a new building and renovation of existing facilities. (Western Illinois University)

Illinois' public universities and community colleges are getting an increase in state funding not seen in nearly three decades.

The state budget Gov. J.B. Pritzker signed June 5 raises higher education general funding by \$154 million or 8.2 percent, the largest year-over-year percentage jump since 1990, according to the Illinois Board of Higher Education.

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FINANCIAL FIT – HELP FROM THE STATE

AIM HIGH GRANT PILOT PROGRAM

(ASPIRATIONAL INSTITUTIONAL MATCH HELPING ILLINOIS GROW HIGHER EDUCATION)

ELIGIBILITY

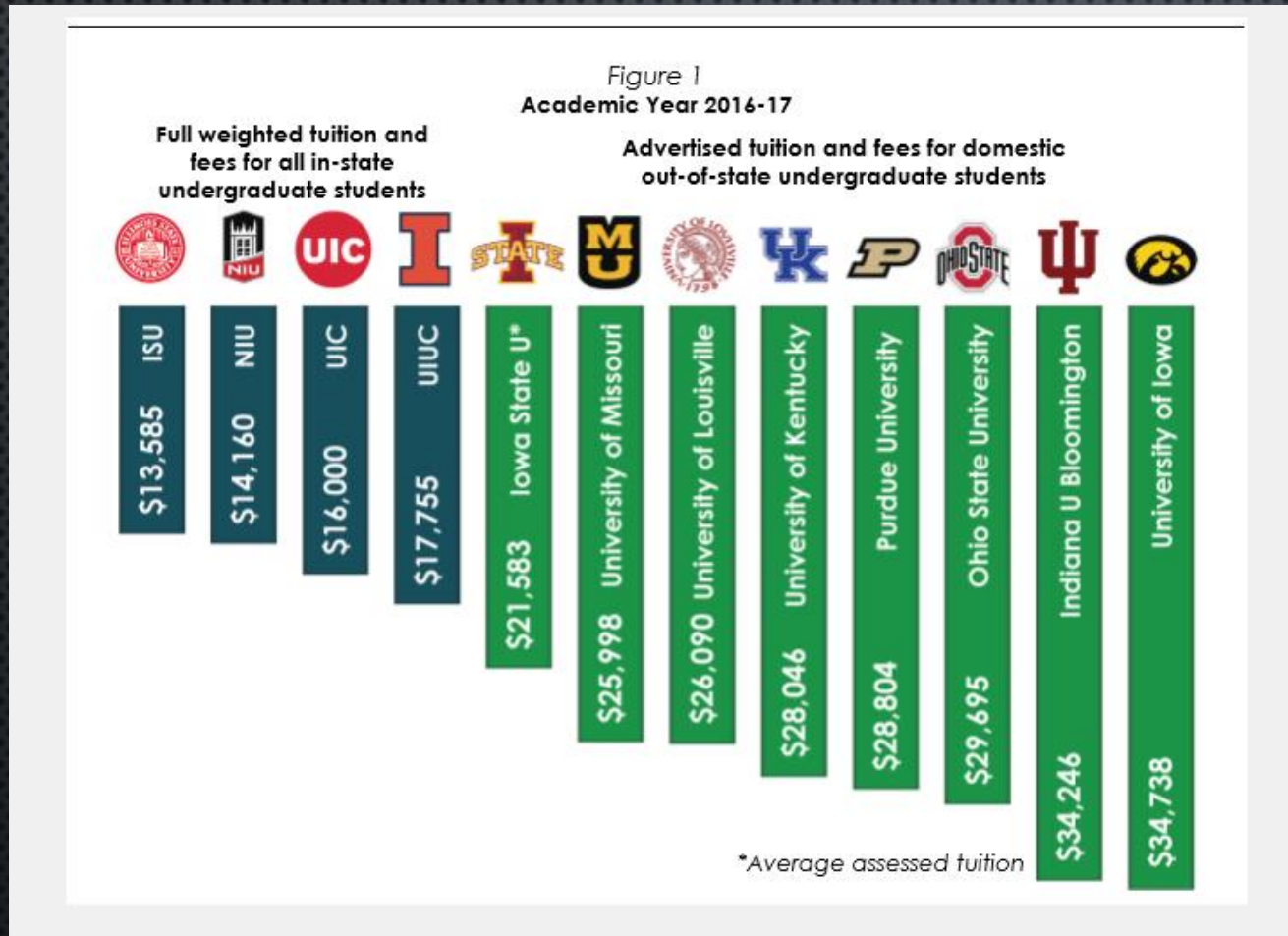
- ILLINOIS RESIDENT WHO ATTENDED ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL
- FILE THE FAFSA (INCOME MAX. 6X POVERTY LEVEL)
- MEET GPA AND TEST SCORE REQUIREMENTS SET BY UNIVERSITY
- MORE AT ISAC.ORG

FINANCIAL FIT – FREE TUITION AND FEES

- HUSKIE PLEDGE
- ILLINOIS COMMITMENT
- ISU ACCESS

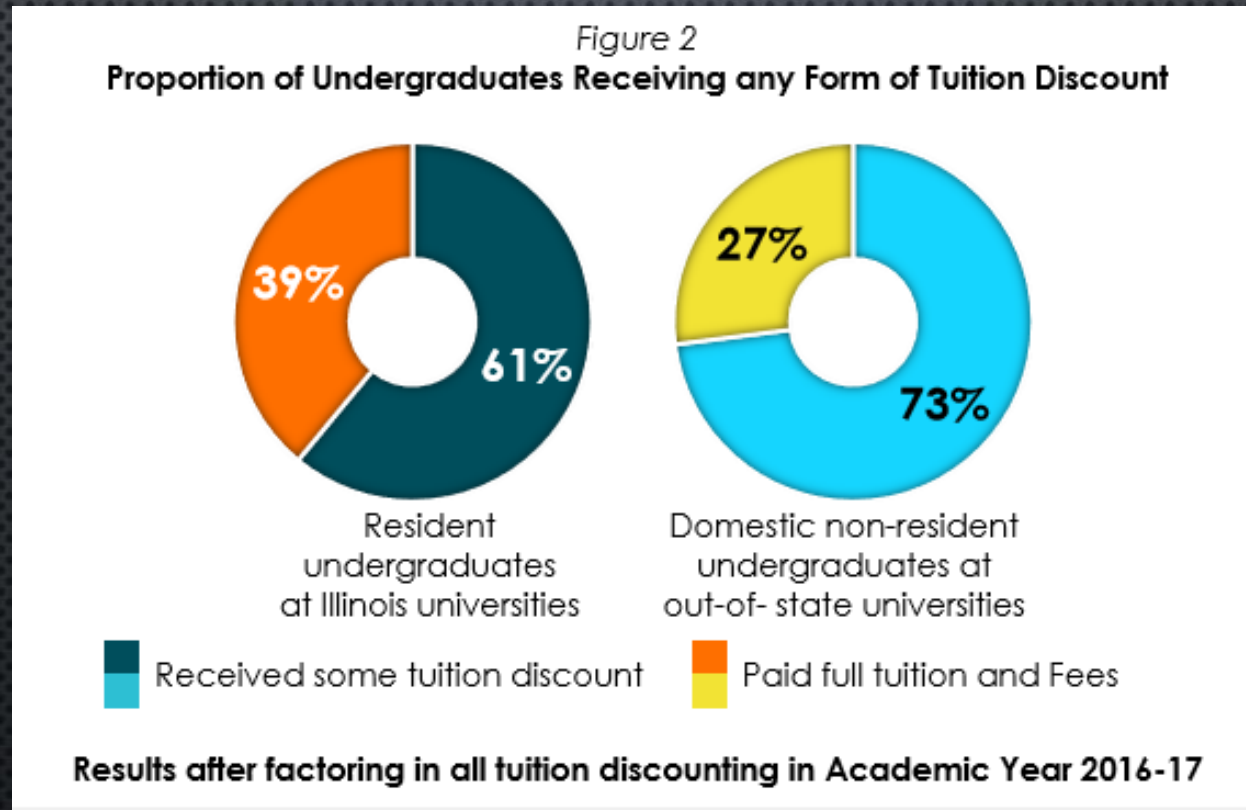


FINANCIAL FIT – CHEAPER OUT OF STATE?



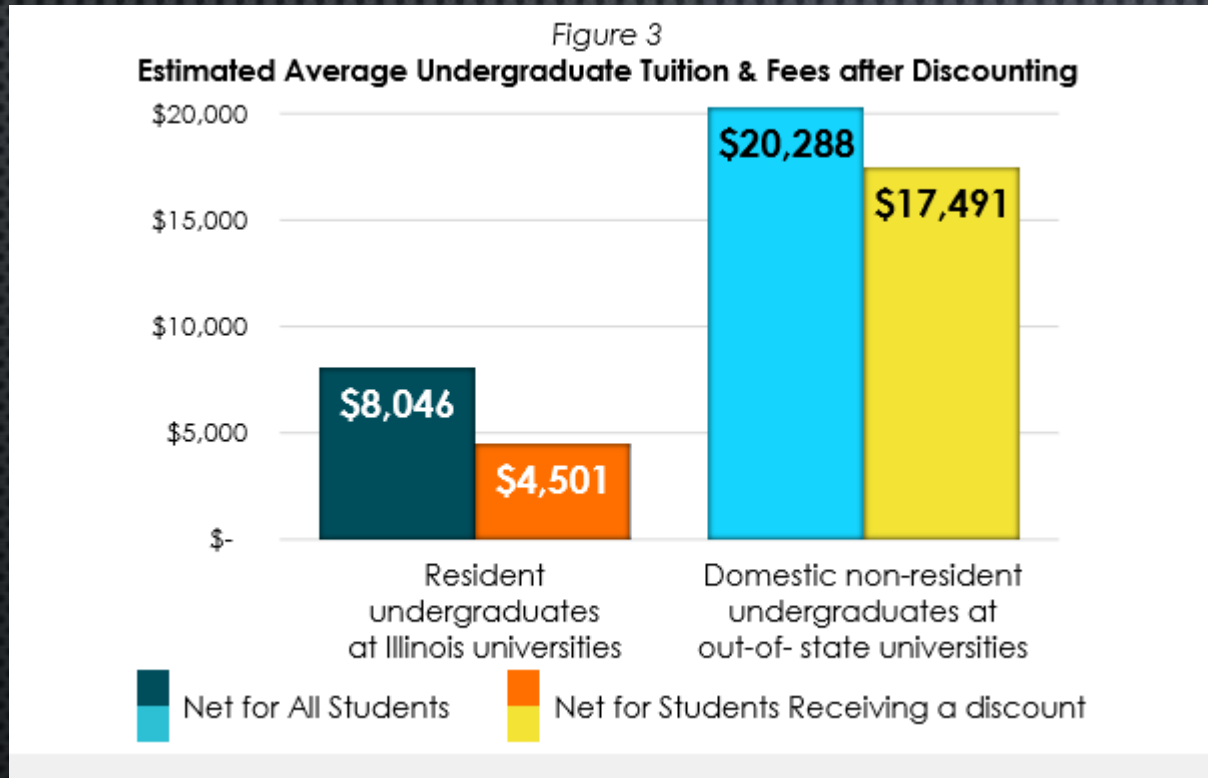
NOTE:
Mandatory student health insurance fees are included for Illinois schools listed, but not for out of state schools

FINANCIAL FIT – CHEAPER OUT OF STATE?



Source: Illinois Board of Higher Education

FINANCIAL FIT – CHEAPER OUT OF STATE?



“On average, nearly all of the comparisons derived from the analysis indicate that it is more cost effective for an Illinois resident to enroll at an Illinois public university.”

- Illinois Board of Higher Ed

Source: Illinois Board of Higher Education

FINANCIAL FIT – QUESTIONS TO ASK

- AVERAGE NET PRICE
- AVERAGE DEBT UPON GRADUATION
- FREE TUITION AND FEES?
- SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA
 - AUTOMATIC, ESSAY, INTERVIEW?
 - RENEWABLE?

12 GREAT REASONS TO STAY IN STATE

SUMMARY

- ACADEMIC OPTIONS FROM ACCOUNTING TO ZOOLOGY
- THE RIGHT SETTING AT THE RIGHT DISTANCE FROM HOME
- AFFORDABILITY AND ROI

THANK YOU

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