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A total of 45 Transfer students provided additional comments. 51% indicated excitement, enthusiasm, or thankfulness for attending Evergreen. 24% of respondents commented about finances, 18% commented on Advising or Orientation. 4% each College in general, the survey itself, and Evergreen's location.

	<i>Transfer Respondents</i>	
	N	%
Excited, thankful for Evergreen	23	51%
Financial	11	24%
Advising or Orientation	8	18%
Survey Comments	2	4%
College in general	2	4%
Location	2	4%

*\*Categories are not mutually exclusive*

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**Enthusiasm for Evergreen**

I am excited to begin a new, exciting time in life!

Cannot wait to attend such a beautiful school and learning environment!

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Happy to be here

I am a returning student that has not been in school for ten years. I look forward in getting into the school flow and excited about learning in this setting.

I am deeply enthusiastic about attending at Evergreen.

I am excited to see what evergreen state has to offer, I am excited to learn and grow as a student with different teaching methods.

I am happy to be a part of The Evergreen State College.

I am so excited to soon be a part of this amazing college community.

I am very excited about continuing my education at Evergreen. I've grown up hearing what an amazing place it is. I am also lucky enough to know some of the faculty I feel privileged to have a college like Evergreen in my hometown.

I am very excited about Evergreen (:

I am very excited to attend evergreen!!!!!!!!!!

I can't wait to attend Evergreen!

I don't believe that I can stress enough the effect reading the course description in the catalog had on my decision. I struggled for years trying to get myself to go to college... but literally as I was filling out applications, I decided to google the school [a friend] graduated from (TESC) in woods, I started reading the course catalog and immediately started crying out of happiness, I seriously don't know if I have ever had such a strong emotional reaction to printed text in my life. it took only me reading a few descriptions of programs to realize that TESC was the correct place for me to be.

I want to excited to learn, explore and be successful. I want to get my College degree

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I'm excited to experience a non traditional college

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I'm so stoked to come to Evergreen! This summer cannot go by fast enough!

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Let's do this!

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Thanks for accepting me into The Evergreen State College

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### **Financial**

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Aid from parents or other relatives is only temporary

Although out-of-state tuition has proved to be an obstacle for me and the debt afterwards may be crippling for a while, I feel that Evergreen is only college that will offer me the education and college experience that I want. My previous college experiences have been disasters either through lack of interest in academics or feelings of social alienation due to the general views and attitudes of my peers. I hope that Evergreen will be all that I had hoped and truly a college that changes lives.

For me the admissions process was very slow with a lot of hang-ups you should consider hiring more staff - as was financial aid a lot of people apply late. Also I'm extremely disappointed that the fine metals program is down, as well as neon. I'm hoping it will be resolved soon; as this is why I decided to go to Evergreen. The only other school in the state that does is Central WA, and I have no intention of moving to Ellensburg otherwise its California and that's expensive.

I do not believe I have been informed as to when I will receive my financial aid award, and am not sure if the course I am taking requires a textbook.

I really feel there should be better communication of fees that we have to pay. Personally, riding my bike to school, I should not be charged for a bus pass. I found lots of hidden fees. Still pissed about 200 bucks for orientation not to mention charging me to fund organizations I have never heard of.

I would very much like if Evergreen allowed students with on-campus jobs to work more than 12 hours a week. I may need to get a second job now just to pay my apartment rent alone. And I have a roommate! Please consider letting students work longer hours.

I'd like a counselor that could advise on academics and FAFSA @ the same time, please.

In the future, orientation should include more about grants and other forms of financial assistance for students.

Please help me get through this difficult time as a new student at Evergreen. I'm so confused. I have many questions. Please give me email or phone number of anyone that is faculty or student that I can ask. I also need a part-time job at campus so I can pay for my gas. I live in Tacoma. It takes 40 minutes or more to get to Evergreen. I also want to apply for scholarship or any sources that can help me with my study. Thank you so much, Best wishes!

plz to give me money

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### **Advising or Orientation**

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During the registration process it is very difficult to plan out the schedule and ensure that mistakes are not made. I am used to enrolling in a class and it not allowing me to move forward if there is a time conflict. When I double checked my schedule I realized I had conflicts and tried to enroll in something better. They were all full by the time I could. It is not the best registration process.

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The only thing I didn't really enjoy were the long orientation hours. I feel like orientation is GREAT for incoming students, but most of us transfer students have heard all of it before. It wasn't bad either way, just something to think about.

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### **Comments about the survey itself**

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I think I'd have people do this survey after orientation. I think we have a better understanding of the inner workings of Evergreen. There are just some things you don't know until you do.

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I would like to take issue with question #25. This question asks the gender of the participant. However then only lists "Female" and "Male" These terms are related to a biological sex, not perceived or demonstrated gender identities. Please consider asking the question "What is your sex?" with options such as male, female, intersex and or other. Then ask in a separate question about gender identity, giving options such as Man, Woman, Two-Spirit, Trans, Other etc. Gender and Sex are very different concepts.

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### **College in general**

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The only thing I'd really to add is I wish public education would be more accessible in the United States.

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