COLLEGE & ADMISSIONS COLLABORATION



ENROLLMENT REALITY

Students are applying to more universities than ever before (between 4 and 7).

Demographic shift means there are less students to recruit.

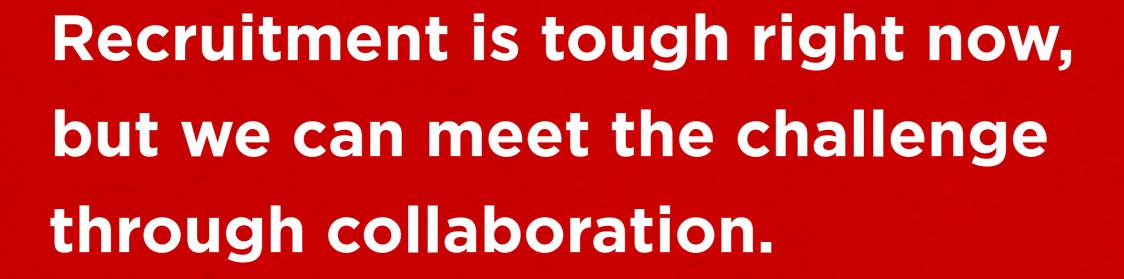
Students and families are extremely price conscious.

Competition for students is tougher than ever.



ENROLLMENT REALITY

...also something about a pandemic?



We can't do it alone.



ASEM WANTS TO PARTNER WITH YOU



Our goal is to make the most of our time and money by using both to accomplish the most good possible for the university.



We believe this is best done by aligning the steps of the process to our strengths.



ASEM brings expertise in mindsets and positioning strategy.



Colleges bring expertise in their programs and the value they offer students.



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- 1) Plug & Play Emails
- 2 Website Strategy
- Custom Audience Targeting
 (Direct Match) Advertisements
- 4 Short Video



PLUG & PLAY EMAILS



Fname,

We think you may be a good fit to study in the College of _____ at Nebraska.

Through coursework, a collaborative social network, real-world experiences and faculty guidance, we can help you open doors for incredible internships and careers with major companies like Example 1, Example 2, Example 3, Example 4.

See for yourself what it could be like: tap below to watch a day in the life of student, First Last.



Watch a Day in the Husker Life »



Plug-and-play works because the process is aligned to our strenghths.



HEBSITE STRATEGY

STUDENT MINDSETS





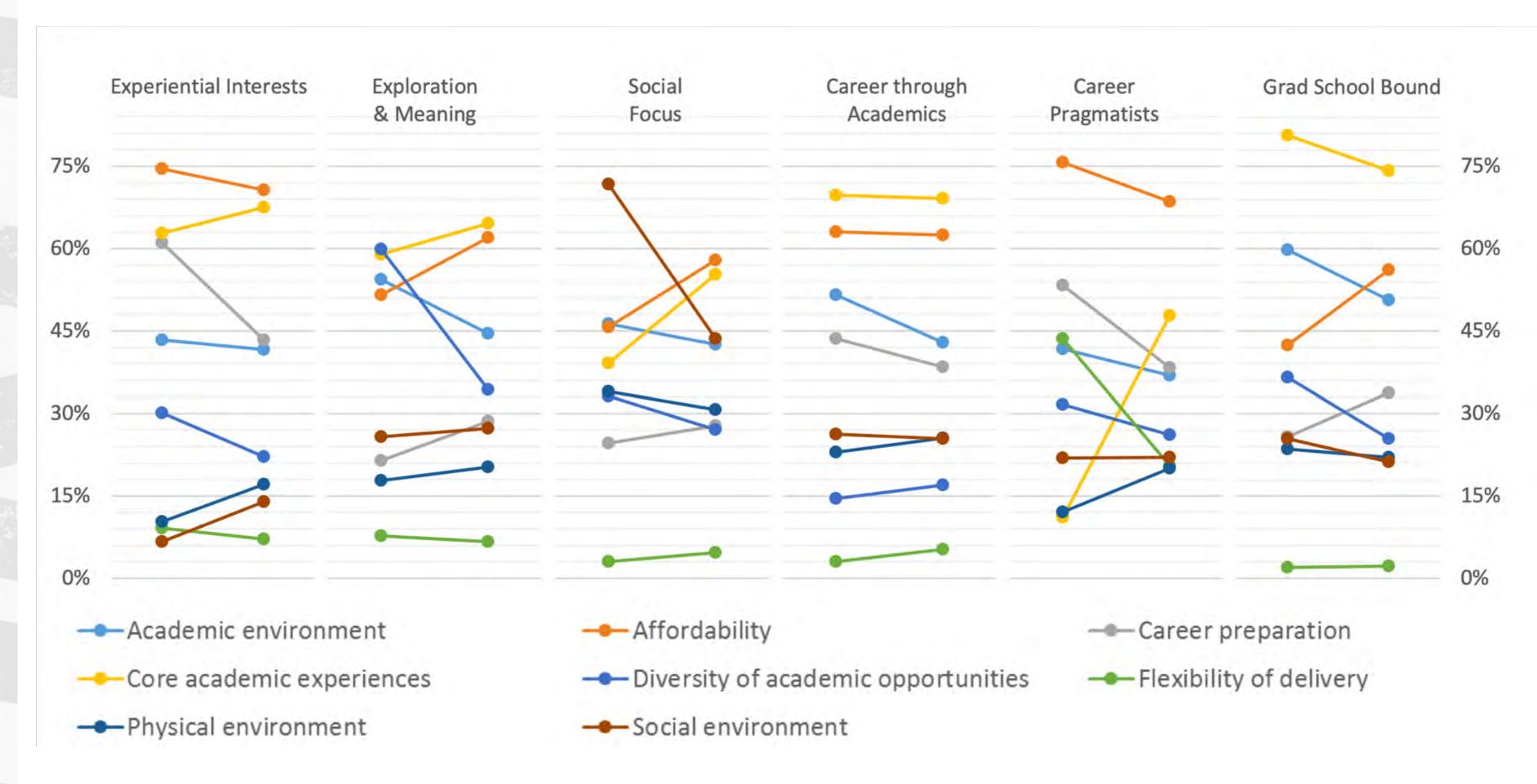






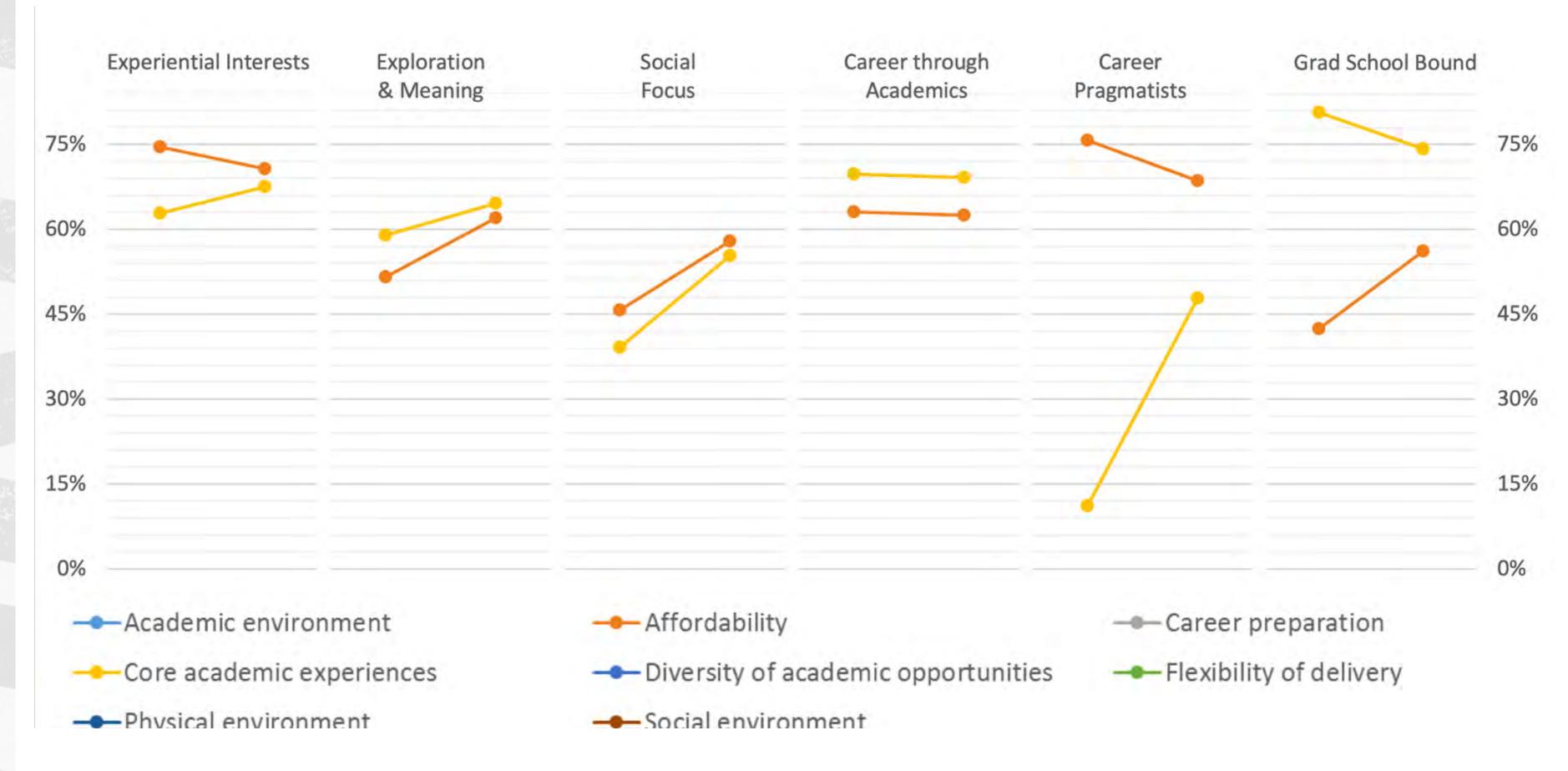


SHIFTING ENROLLMENT DRIVERS





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Comparing Importance and Perception

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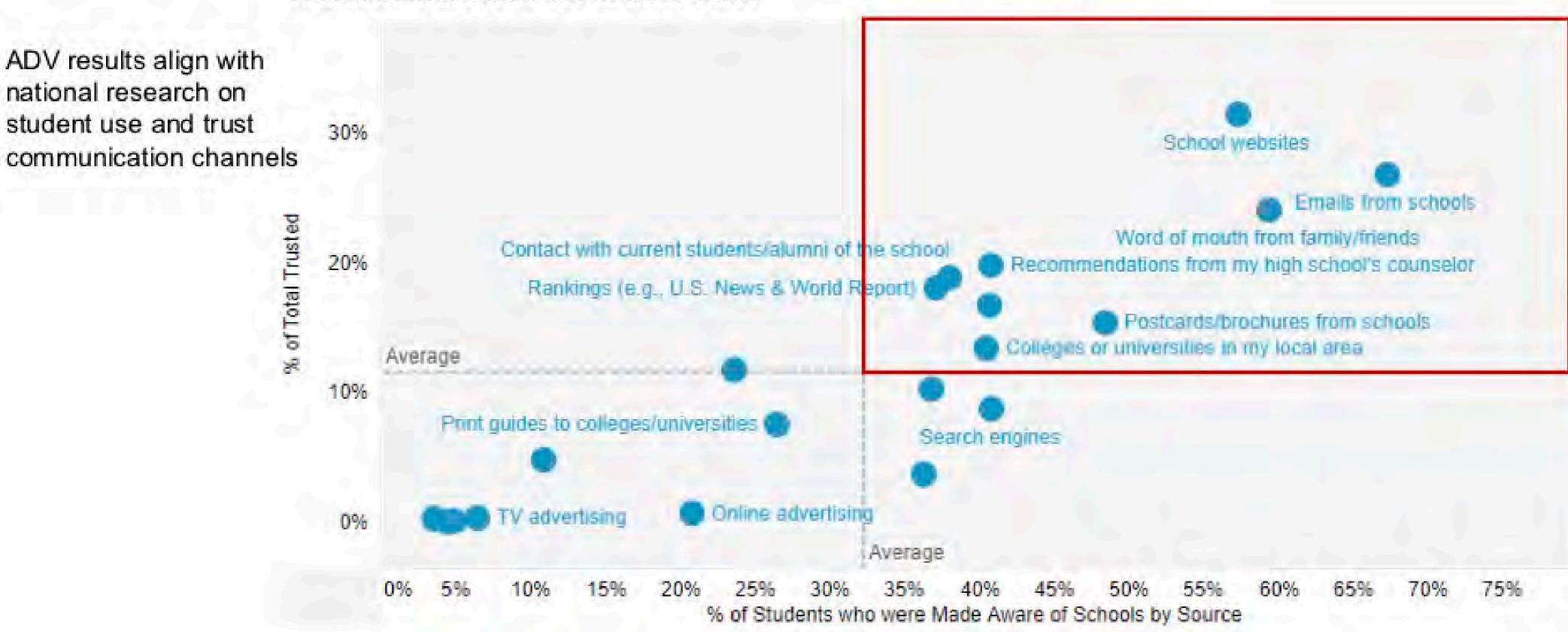
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Influencing Opinion of UNL

Sources Awareness vs. Source Trust



YOUR MOST IMPORTANT MARKETING TOOL





48%



College websites are the most trusted and most used communication channel for prospective students.

Nearly half of college prospects go first to program websites before institutional websites.

Virginia Tech increased
Liberal Arts applications
25% following departmental
website improvements.

^{*} Source: EAB Interviews and Analysis.

MINDSET STRATEGY



Students often start the "conversation" with us on college and departmental websites.



The opening conversation is critical to gaining student engagement; mindset segmentation improves our chances of engaging a student.



The more a prospective student is engaged, the more likely they will apply.



ASEM'S APPROACH



CAREER

Experiential Interest
Career Pragmatist

SOCIAL

Social Focus
Exploration & Meaning

ACADEMICS

Career thru Academics Grad School Bound

Stretch Your Strengths as a Husker

How do you want to create your future? Learn by doing. Develop essential career skills. Expand your connections. Give back. Dive into classes. Prepare for grad school. Whatever it is, you can do it here. We believe in you, and we're ready to help you stretch your strengths to achieve your goals.



Connect to your career path.

Take your learning hands on and develop essential career skills.

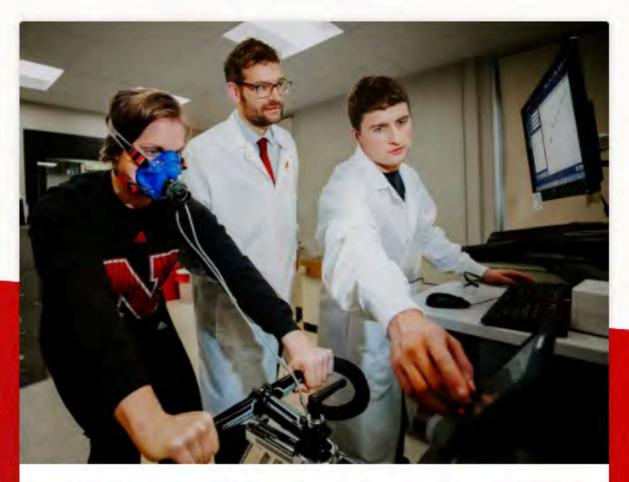
Explore Career Connections



Expand your community and give back.

Develop meaningful 1-to-1 relationships and work together to make a difference.

Explore Community



Engage with Big Ten academics.

Connect the classroom to your career or build a solid foundation for graduate school.

Explore Academic Life

POSITIONING FEATURES AS SEGMENTED BENEFITS



Connect To Your Career

With more than 500 Registered Student Organizations to choose from, you are bound to find a support group of other students with similar goals and gain experience toward your career, no matter your academic discipline or dream job. Explore examples of clubs catered connected to academic programs, or tap the link below to search a list of all clubs and organizations.

Get Connected On Campus

No matter your major or interests, you can create and collaborate with peers by joining one of our many Registered Student Organizations. Explore examples of clubs related to academic programs, or tap the link below to search a list of all clubs and organizations.

Find Your Academic Community

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POSITIONING STUDENTS AS THE "HERO"





AUTHENTIC, SOCIAL PROOF

LIVE AND LEARN WITH YOUR PEERS

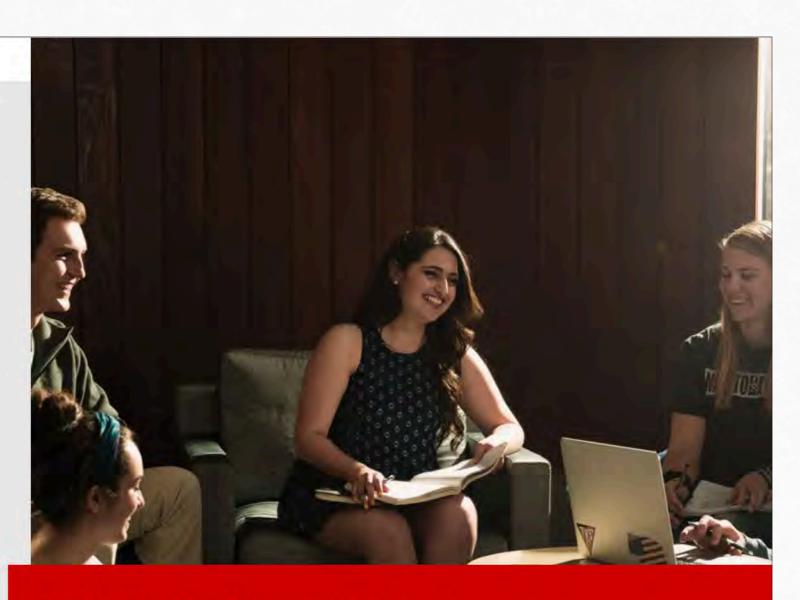
Making the transition from high school to college is easier when you're surrounded by peers who share similar interests and goals. Learning Communities (LC) are groups of students with a shared major or interest area who live in the same residence hall and are mentored by an upperclassman. Joining an LC gives you an instant community of people who like the same things, and can help you make friendships that'll last through college and beyond.



Well #lcbigtrip goers, this weekend has been fun! Here's some highlights from our last morning in the Windy City. We hope you all had fun getting to learn more from professionals in your future



Career exploration day of the #lcbigtrip was a huge success here in Chicago! Thanks to all of our sponsors and site visits for a great afternoon of fun and networking!



From Community to Career: Justice Forte

When Justice came to Nebraska from New Jersey, she wasn't sure what to expect. She found the support system she needed to succeed through her learning community. "It was really nice, especially the first couple weeks, to be able to have this group of people to do things with. On our floor, everybody had their doors open all the time and people would just pop in and talk to me, which was really nice as I got used to not having my family and friends nearby anymore."

READ MORE ▶

LET'S CHAT

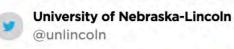
ANCHORED IN THE BRAND

Show 1-to-1 in Action

Earn it Every Day

DON'T WAIT TO APPLY YOUR SKILLS

At Nebraska, you won't wait to wait until graduation to apply the skills you learn in class. Through internships and co-ops, you can take what you've learned and start making advances toward your chosen career path. Not only will internships help you stretch your strengths through real-world experience, but they will also help your application stand out when applying to your first job or a graduate program.





Creating New Knowledge Now

Last spring, Nebraska's Sociology Department started a new research and outreach program to engage middle school youth with science and help

Find Your Strengths and Stretch Them



Through her mechanical engineering internship at NASA, Stephanie Vavra got to design and prototype robotic manipulator for future lunar missions.

Read More ▶



Break New Ground: Riley Naughton

Through her research program, Nebraska student Riley Naughton uses cutting-edge technology like body scanners to create more functional costumes. "People have used tech like this a little bit in the costuming and design fields before, but it's really still a new practice in the fashion industry, so to be able to use it in college is awesome. I definitely haven't heard of other colleges having the tech or making use of it on a regular basis like we're able to here."

READ MORE ▶





Let's meet about your website!



DIRECT MATCH ADVERTISING

TARGETED TO MINDSET















THE OPENING CONVERSATION MATTERS

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+1,200%

Ads segmented to mindset increased engagement an average of 12 times over the "generic" control.



Creative is straightforward—
it essentially works to say
"we have what you are
looking for."

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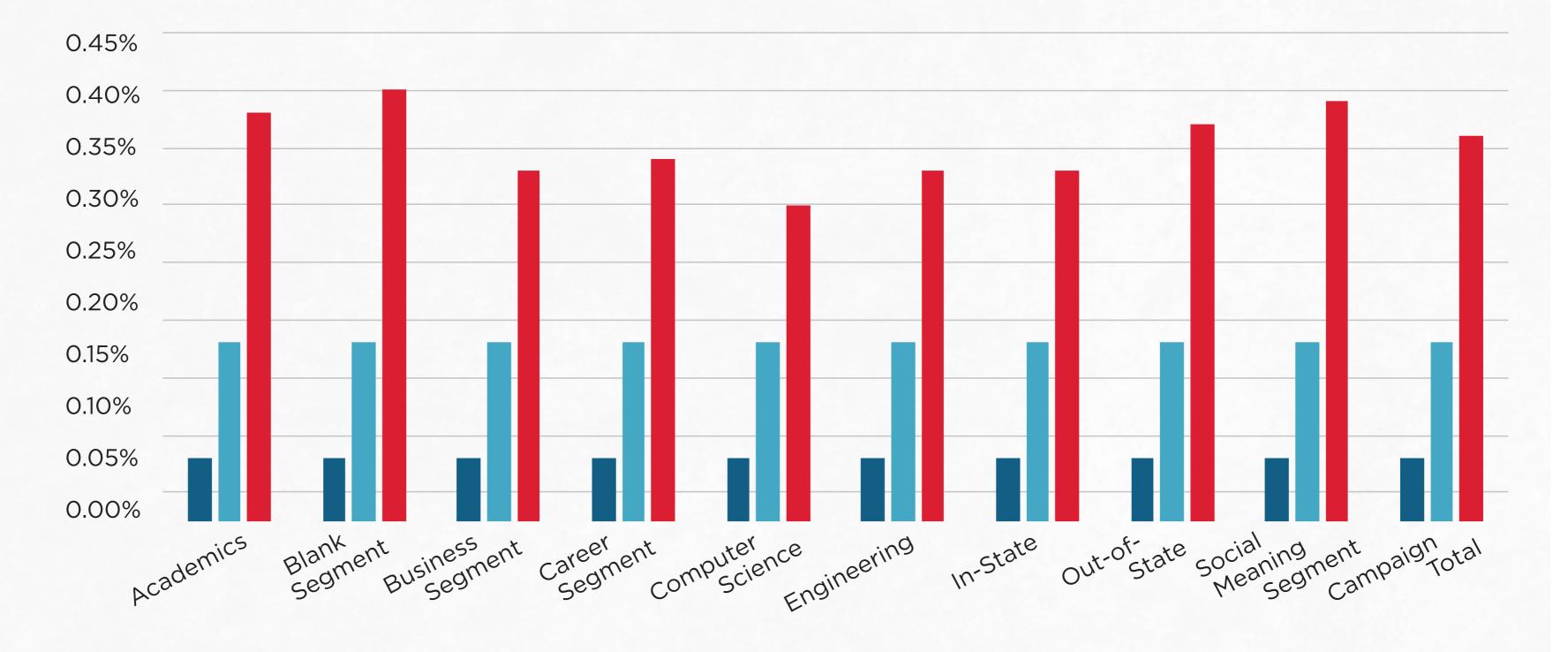
20X

Higher engagement following messaging to "career" segment

CLICK THRU RATE (CTR)

National Avg. NRCCUA Higher Ed Avg. UNL Avg.





RESULTS BY SEGMENT

Segmentation Name	Impressions Delivered as of 1/15/21	Clicks	CTR	Total Conversions	Conversion Rates
In-State	517,596	1,732	0.33%	118,065	22.8%
Out-of-State	378,835	1,394	0.37%	3,551	0.9%
Career	78,752	1,825	0.34%	119,639	22.3%
Social Meaning	263,062	1,027	0.39%	23,921	9.1%
Academics	220,173	846	0.38%	11,377	5.2%
Blank	582,052	2,331	0.40%	5,817	1.0%
Business	84,677	281	0.33%	3,823	4.5%
Comp Science	78,752	240	0.30%	1,273	1.6%
Engineering	107,390	350	0.33%	2,093	1.9%
TOTALS	2,769,031	10,026	0.36%	289,559	10.5%

In-State engagement was supported by the app fee waiver campaign

Engagement is the highest when the opening conversation starts with mindsets



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PROGRAM-SPECIFIC MESSAGING TEST









Additional visits to unl. driven by program ads

Additional visits to unl.edu

WHY DIRECT MATCH?



We can take the "opening conversation" directly to students who are already prequalifed as possible applicants.



We can deliver the right message at the right time for students relative to their enrollment drivers, making them more engaged with us.



The more a prospective student is engaged, the more likely they will apply.



We NEED college messaging in our ads to complete our strategy.

We can easily scale with minimal coordination and a \$5-10k investment from each college.

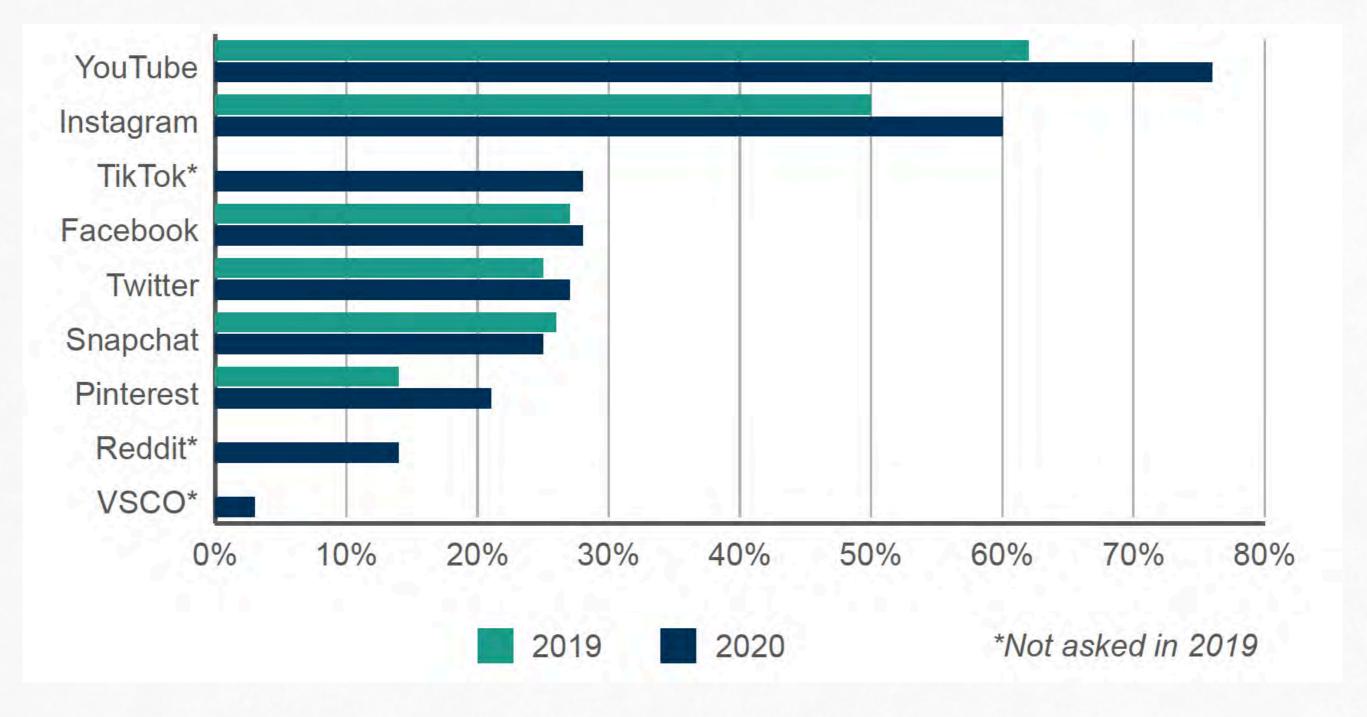


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SHORT VIDEO

3/4 OF STUDENTS USE YOUTUBE IN THEIR SEARCH





* Source: ACT/NRCCUA

"A newcomer in the 2020 pecking order is TikTok [...], TikTok only allows for short-form videos up to 60 seconds in length.

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"This time restriction may make conveying a sense of an institution seem challenging, but institutions should note that students appreciate visual cues in a short, 'bite-sized' format.

"Younger students are more likely to say they used the platform in their search than seniors."

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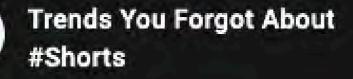
TikTok is not currently a part of our strategy.



0:16



how to BREAK minecraft



428K views • 2 days ago

Bentellect



0:22

Younger VS Older siblings #shorts 0:30

iAmJordi 99K views • 2 days ago



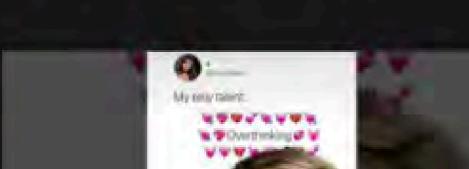
Among Us Jolly Rancher Pop-it Lollipop #shorts

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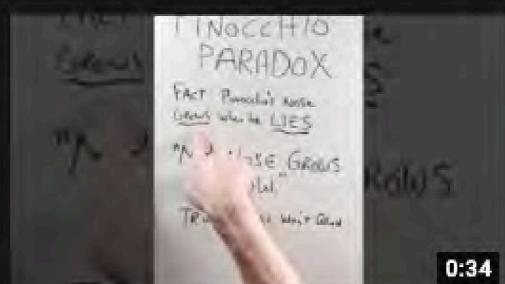


SockShorts 439K views • 2 days ago

#shorts



0:38









So SNEAKY! #shorts
LankyBox
11M views • 4 days ago



Reading Funny Tweets 7/9/21 #Shorts

Bentellect 294K views • 2 days ago



The Pinocchio Paradox #shorts

Vsauce2 81K views • 2 days ago



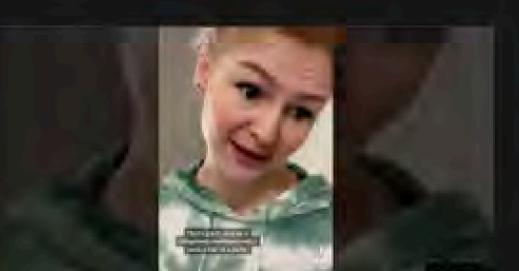
Not Blinking Until I Hit 1,000,000 Subscribers.....

Infinite Shorts
1.6M views • 3 months ago









VISION

One student per college creates 3 short videos per week (mindsets)

HOW

- Colleges fund one student worker.
- ASEM provides strategy and constructs an editorial calendar.
- **UCOMM** provides expertise in workflow and execution.

WHERE

Primarily: YouTube Shorts, but ALSO college sites, admissions.unl.edu, homepage, UNL social channels (IG), rich content for direct match ads, features in direct emails/landing pages





The difference between producing **ZERO** videos or producing **30 per week** is our ability to organize and collaborate.



Efficiency comes from systems, not individuals.

We're working out the strategy and process—more to come.

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- 2) Website Strategy schedule a meeting with Andrew.
- 3) Direct Match Ads consider a \$5-10k investment.
- 4) Short Video more info soon.



