

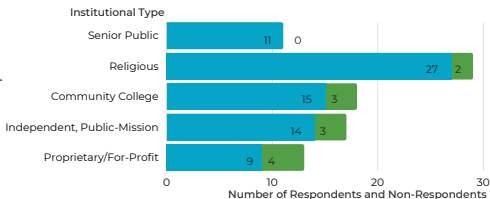
Spring 2021 at NJ Colleges & Universities Amid COVID-19

OSHE conducted a questionnaire to collect institutional plans for the Spring 2021 semester, particularly the level of in-person activity.

RESPONDENTS

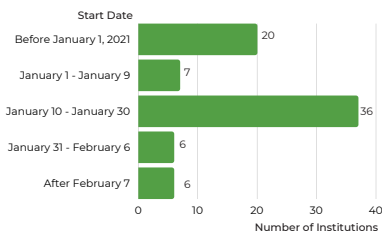
All of New Jersey higher education sectors responded.

Key
■ Respondents
■ Non-Respondents




FINDING 1

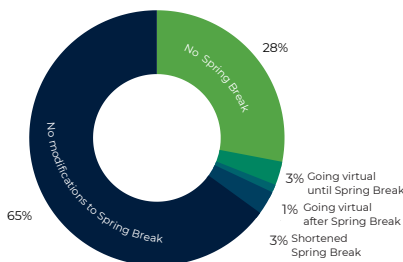
- 63%** of institutions started after the second week of January
- 74%** of institutions reported no change to expected start/end dates
- 16%** of institutions are beginning the spring semester in February



FINDING 2

28% will not have spring break this semester, while the majority (**65%**) made no modifications

 Institutions that have eliminated spring break are providing days off scattered throughout the semester to balance the well-being of students, faculty, and staff.



FINDING 3

Increasing presence on-campus will be led by staff, faculty, and then students.

- 49%** of staff will work in-person
- 33%** of faculty will teach in-person, in some form
- 30%** of students will be on campus, in some form



FINDING 4

Institutions plan to increase in-person campus activities in Spring 2021.

Type of Activity	Number of Institutions
Athletic Activities	28 (37%)
Faculty Teaching In-Person	24 (32%)
Staff Working In-Person	22 (29%)
Courses Requiring In-Person Attendance	20 (26%)
In-person Student Services	20 (26%)
In-person Student Extra/Co-Curricular Activities	16 (21%)
Students Residing On-Campus Housing	14 (18%)



FINDING 5

Qualitative Themes and Sub-Themes

66% of institutions committed to returning to face-to-face instruction while following appropriate COVID-19 mitigation measures.

Most Mentioned Mitigation Measures

- 47%** Social Distancing
- 11%** General Mitigation Measures Such as PPE
- 13%** Testing & Contact Tracing

