

Waste and mismanagement at colleges and universities.

A "national survey . . . conducted by Public Agenda and the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education," . . . reported that "[a] growing proportion of Americans believe that a college education is essential to succeeding in the workplace . . .

"The new survey found that people were generally positive toward higher education, with about two-thirds of respondents saying that colleges teach students what they need to know. But the public is voicing more skepticism about colleges and their operations, especially as their prices rise, the report's authors said.

"For instance, . . . nearly half of those interviewed said their state systems of higher education needed to be fundamentally reformed. More than two in five of those surveyed also said that waste and mismanagement were major factors in the rising price of college." (See [College is Essential, Many American's Say](#), *The Chronicle of Higher Education*, June 8, 2007 (print edition) or May 31, 2007 web edition), for the rest of the story.)

[For citizens interested in learning about waste and mismanagement at the University of Southern Mississippi, usmnews.net provides details and documentation.](#)