



Common themes in 654 comments about **WHAT STUDENTS LIKED BEST** for students at CSU Long Beach, collected in the November Campus Pulse Survey (11/12 - 11/21/25)

Enjoying Academic Success & Learning

- *"My classes have been really fun and engaging and it makes me eager to go to school every day."*
- *"I feel challenged academically and I enjoy that! I like learning."*
- *"My classes, they are very good classes and all of my instructors are very understanding and clear in their lectures. It makes them all extremely easy and enjoyable every day."*
- *"I have developed strong relationships with my professors. They have been consistently wonderful throughout my time as a student here."*
- *"I am doing a Stellar job in all Graduate classes and am right on schedule as far as papers and other assignments."*

Enjoying Social Connections & Community

- *"Meeting and connecting with international/exchange students."*
- *"I have made so many new friends here."*
- *"The best thing so far has been the incredible connections I've made over the past few weeks. The fact that I was able to work on campus also helped a lot."*
- *"Having a sense of community as school."*
- *"Talking with my professors. They really want to connect with their students."*

Enjoying Campus Involvement & Activities

- *"Joined two clubs and staying mostly on top of class work."*
- *The best thing going on for me is the salsa club. In the salsa club, I feel free from all my worries and stresses, while dancing all evening."*
- *"I joined paint & sip and coffee and climb events."*
- *"Being on the board for anime club."*



Enjoying Personal Growth & Well-being

- *"I am finally getting into a routine and being able to balance work and school."*
- *"Going to class on time and going to the gym every weekday."*
- *"Everything's been going pretty smoothly. I've been keeping up with my classes and feeling more comfortable on campus."*
- *"I enjoy seeing my classmates and feeling fulfilled when I do work in class."*

Enjoying Campus Resources & Support

- *"The beach pantry it's been the best as it helps me out with my groceries."*
- *"I've been receiving a lot of support and help by my advisors at TRiO SSS."*
- *"There are so many helpful events for job search, resume, or LinkedIn etc."*
- *"free food and tons of activities/events on campus. free items like feminine products, water bottles, snacks and tote bags. Informational events too."*
- *"Being a part of GenExcel and First Gen @ The Beach!"*

Enjoying Convenience & Environment

- *"Feeling at ease on campus. They've made campus a cozier space with even more spaces to work and study than before."*
- *"Quickly being familiar with the whole experience and finding new parts of campus to explore and enjoy."*
- *"I have been enjoying my time being able to create in the studio, walking around campus, and living in the dorm."*
- *"Definitely walking around campus seeing all the beautiful scenery."*



Common themes in 667 comments about **WHAT IS GIVING STUDENTS THE MOST TROUBLE** at CSU Long Beach, collected in the October Campus Pulse Survey (11/12 - 11/21/25)

Struggling with Academic Challenges

- *“Difficulty with organization and midterm scheduling.”*
- *“Balancing an abundance of projects and exams all centered around the same time.”*
- *“Overall swamped with work, lot of pressure and stress from end on semester.”*
- *“All of my classes assigning work and major projects at the same time, and bad resignation date for my classes for next semester.”*
- *“Enrolling into class for next semester and all classes are closed or waitlisted.”*

Struggling with Financial Stress

- *“Lack of affordable food, farmers market vendor meals typically run about \$20 even without a drink, there are also no places for working students to use early in the morning.”*
- *“Having to work a bit more to offset the increases of costs and go to school. I’m managing.”*
- *“Transportation cost and not being able to afford food or even have it available.”*
- *“Worries over future financial aid and SNAP.”*
- *“My financial aid is not enough for me to pay for school and I think I need to step away from university to save up money.”*

Struggling with Campus Infrastructure & Environment

- *“How far parking is from classes, and the busyness of the rec center.”*
- *“There are not much indoor seating areas (or at least not that i know of) near the CPACE/Engineering Building.”*
- *“The congestion when walking to my classes since everything is blocked off. The construction has not started at all yet but most of the ways to walk to classes have been blocked off so that causes a lot of traffic since people walk in different speeds.”*
- *“Not having access to accessible paths to use my e-scooter makes travel harder, especially with all the construction.”*



Struggling with Mental Health, Stress & Motivation

- *“Not feeling motivated when at school.”*
- *“My own mental health has been affecting my studies and they have taken a dent in them.”*
- *“My grades have been dropping due to my mental health.”*
- *“I have depression and it's difficult to get myself to show up to places that drain me.”*
- *“The commute and overall motivation to even attend school.”*

Struggling with Health & Accessibility

- *“I think that studying for the midterms kind of took a toll on my health.”*
- *“Doing well in classes while staying healthy, work-life balance.”*
- *“My health, I have an autoimmune condition that makes it difficult at times to function and focus.”*
- *“Ongoing health issues making it hard to keep up with full time work, parenting, and grad school. Professors have been helping make it happen, though.”*
- *“Bus delays”*
- *“Having trouble finding parking to get to class on time”*

Struggling with Social Life & Sense of Belonging

- *“Not just the last two weeks but my entire time at this school I’ve struggled to connect with my peers.”*
- *“Just generally the seeming lack of social desire in the campus. Making friends and social connections.”*
- *“Feeling isolated and a lack of connection and camaraderie with my fellow pupil.”*
- *“making friends and reaching out to new people or maintaining relationships with people.”*
- *“not really making friends”*