End of Year Report
Summer 2019

One Million Degrees accelerates community college students’ progress on career pathways to economic mobility.

- **730** Scholars served
- **10** Community College partnerships
- **80** participants in learn-and-earn models

**Personal Supports**
- 4,346 Coaching hours
- 550+ Volunteer Coaches
OMD Coaches meet with their scholars on a monthly basis, providing personal and professional support over the year.

**Professional Supports**
- 484 Hours of interview preparation
- 140 Resume hours

Employers who hired OMD Scholars and Alumni include: CDK Global, Chicago Sky, MAPSCorps, RUSH Medical Center, and Chicago Community Trust

**Academic Supports**
- 2,776 Tutoring hours
- 10 Average hours of tutoring per scholar (not all scholars require tutoring)

**Financial Supports**
- $680k total performance-based stipends, tuition assistance, and academic enrichment grants

**Cumulative Graduation Rate**
- 65%

**Retention**
- 85% (graduated or persisted in OMD for the full year)

**72%** of scholars served are planning to transfer to a 4-year institution

OMD Scholars’ graduation rate is twice the state comparison

“Since becoming part of OMD, I’ve joined a community of people who check in with me and support me. I’m proud of how far I’ve come for not only myself, but my entire family.”

CINDY ALVAREZ
Valedictorian; Kennedy-King College 2019

2018-2019 Scholar Programming
OMD Coaches  (Based on 2019 Coach Mid-Year Survey)

- **95%** would recommend OMD Coaching to a friend; **65%** of coaches plan to return as a coach next year.
- OMD’s 500 coaches work at more than **150 companies** and organizations across Chicagoland.
- **97%** report feeling supported by OMD staff.

Early Results Show OMD Works

*One Million Degrees* is in the third year of a randomized controlled trial led by the University of Chicago Poverty Lab. The study is evaluating whether OMD’s holistic support system improves community college students’ graduation rates, employment, and earnings. Early findings from the study show OMD substantially increases college enrollment, full-time enrollment, and persistence.

- **+47%** more students **persist full-time** from fall to spring semester if they are in OMD.
- **+23%** more individuals **enroll in college** if they are in OMD.
- **+35%** more students **persist** from fall to spring semester if they are in OMD.

Follow OMD on social media for updates on newly released results.

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