A Appendix: Figures and Tables

Figure A.1: Eligibility and Randomization for Each Recruitment Wave



Notes: Dashed arrows indicate random assignment.



Figure A.2: Baseline value for free summer course and free fall course

Notes: Based on tuition rates at the time, the tuition voucher had a face value of just over \$400. Values are given in terms of the interval between the highest amount for which the student prefers the scholarship (over cash) and the lowest amount for which the student prefers the cash (over the scholarship).

		Sum	mer 2016			Sum	mer 2017	
	Study	Eligible	Ivy Tech	All 2-Year	Study	Eligible	Ivy Tech	All 2-Year
	Sample	Students	Population	Public	Sample	Students	Population	Public
Demographics								
Male	0.397	0.504	0.429	0.439	0.271	0.397	0.432	0.439
	(0.045)	(0.015)			(0.027)	(0.007)		
White	0.802	0.815	0.753	0.574	0.783	0.847	0.761	0.558
	(0.036)	(0.01)			(0.025)	(0.005)		
Pell-Eligibility	0	0	0.45	0.346	0.648	N/A	0.40	0.347
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Baseline Academa	ic Progres	s						
Baseline Credits	30.917	26.250	N/A	N/A	35.110	24.922	N/A	N/A
	(1.742)	(0.577)	7	,	(1.350)	(0.338)	,	,
Baseline GPA	3.008	2.691	N/A	N/A	2.929	2.340	N/A	N/A
	(0.072)	(0.030)			(0.044)	(0.016)		
Students	121	1,119	78,910	6,283,390	277	5,235	75,486	5,902,040

Table A.1: Demographics for Participants, Eligible Students, and Statewide Ivy Tech Population

Notes: Table reports means/proportions and standard errors for each group. Statistics for the statewide Ivy Tech population and 2-year public institutions nationwide were retrieved from Institute of Education Sciences (2017). Average academic progress at the time of the recruitment is not available through Institute of Education Sciences (2017) (neither Ivy Tech statewide nor 2-year public institutions nationwide). "N/A" indicates that data were not available for the characteristic in question for the indicated population.

	Sum	mer		O	ne Year Po	ost-Progra	ım	
	Enroll	ment	Asso	ciate	Tran	sfer	Comb	oined
Treatment	$0.219 \\ (0.049)$	$0.203 \\ (0.050)$	$0.058 \\ (0.045)$	0.073 (0.038)	$0.068 \\ (0.039)$	$0.076 \\ (0.032)$	$0.062 \\ (0.049)$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.077 \\ (0.039) \end{array}$
Constant	$0.197 \\ (0.046)$	-0.493 (0.107)	$0.165 \\ (0.043)$	-0.373 (0.102)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.110 \\ (0.038) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.212 \\ (0.085) \end{array}$	$0.254 \\ (0.048)$	-0.119 (0.118)
Clustered SEs Covariates?	Student N	Strata Y	Student N	Strata Y	Student N	Strata Y	Student N	Strata Y
Students	398	398	398	398	398	398	398	398

Table A.2: Impact of Summer on Future Enrollment, Credit Accumulation, & GPA

Notes: Results from a linear probability model (OLS) that regresses the dependent variable on an indicator variable for assignment to the treatment group. The dependent variables are: enrollment in the Summer term (Columns 1–2), graduation with an associate degree (Columns 3–4), transfer to a 4-year college (Columns 5–6), and the combination of either graduation with an associate degree or transfer to a 4-year college (Columns 7–8). Standard errors clustered at the level specified in the table. Odd columns only include covariates for cohort, while even columns include covariates for cohort, baseline GPA, baseline credit accumulation, age, race, gender, and stated plans for enrolling in the summer term, coded as 0 (No), 0.5 (Maybe), or 1 (Yes).

	Bachelor's	Any	Enrollment
	Degree	Degree	Length
Treatment	0.017	0.020	24.459
	(0.019)	(0.020)	(24.459)
Constant	0.026	0.027	98.336
	(0.050)	(0.050)	(59.048)
Students	398	398	398
Control Group mean	0.025	0.029	110.795

Table A.3: Treatment Effects on Transfer Outcomes and Bachelor's Degree Attainment

Notes: All estimates obtained using OLS regressions with heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors in parentheses. Dependent variables are based on transfer outcomes from the National Student Clearinghouse records as of Fall 2021 for the 2016 cohort and Fall 2022 for the 2017 cohort. "Bachelor's Degree" is a binary dependent variable equal to one if the student has obtained a bachelor's degree from the transfer institution. "Any Degree" is a binary dependent variable equal to one if the student has obtained a bachelor's degree, associate degree, diploma, or certificate from the transfer institution. "Enrollment Length" is equal to the number of total days the student is enrolled at the transfer institution (coded as 0 for students that do not transfer). All regressions include covariates for cohort, GPA and credit accumulation at baseline, age, race, gender, and stated plans for the summer semester.

		Li	kelihood of	Preferring	Summer t	o Fall					
<u>Survey Measures</u> Prefer Summer Cash Summer Plans Semesters until Planned Graduation	0.166^{***} (0.055)	0.433^{***} (0.072)	-0.038*** (0.011)								$\begin{array}{c} 0.105 \\ (0.060) \\ 0.375^{***} \\ (0.085) \\ -0.018 \\ (0.012) \end{array}$
<u>Academics</u> Completed Semesters at Ivy Tech Baseline GPA				0.002 (0.003)	0.018 (0.031)						$\begin{array}{c} -0.002\\ (0.004)\\ 0.016\\ (0.033)\end{array}$
Baseline Credits Credits Completed in Prior Summer						0.002^{**} (0.001)	0.025^{**} (0.010)				$\begin{array}{c} 0.001 \\ (0.001) \\ 0.008 \\ (0.011) \end{array}$
<u>Demographics</u> Age Male								0.000 (0.002)	0.168^{***}		$\begin{array}{c} 0.002 \ (0.002) \ 0.127^{**} \ (0.052) \end{array}$
White Constant	0.079 (0.049)	-0.028 (0.044)	0.379^{***} (0.072)	0.187^{***} (0.044)	0.144 (0.101)	0.131^{***} (0.048)	0.181^{***} (0.037)	0.187^{**} (0.073)	(0.032^{***}) (0.037)	$\begin{array}{c} 0.008 \\ (0.060) \\ 0.192^{***} \\ (0.062) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} (0.044 \\ 0.044 \\ (0.060) \\ -0.194 \\ (0.159) \end{array}$
Students	397	397	347	397	397	397	397	397	397	397	347
<u>Notes:</u> Dependent variable is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student prefer plans to enroll in summer courses (1 n with heteroskedasticity-robust standan cohort; GPA, credit accumulation, and and preferences for payment in the su	variable variable is cash pay neans the neans the cd errors if d complet mmer. $*_{I}$	equal to 1 yments in t student pl n parenthe ed semeste $\rho < 0.10, *$	if the stude the summer ans to enror ses. Colum ers at baseli * $p < 0.05$,	over fall. • over fall. oll, 0 mean ms 1–9 onl ine; age; re *** $p < 0$	summer "Summer s the stud y include ace; gende .01	vouchers t Plans:" i lent does controls f r; stated	o fall vouc s measured aot). All e or cohort. plans for tl	hers. "Pre l from 0 – stimates o Column 1 he summe	fer Summ 1 based on btained us 0 includes r semester	er Cash" is the studer ing OLS re all covaria and for gr	t's stated sgressions tes listed: aduation;

Table A.4: Heterogeneity: Preferences for Summer Enrollment

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Treatment	0.251^{**}	0.237^{***}	0.051	0.225^{***}	0.370^{**}	0.280^{***}	0.270^{*}	0.231^{***}	0.114
Dankon Cummon Coch	(0.100)	(0.080)	(0.117)	(0.074)	(0.185)	(0.092)	(0.142)	(0.059)	(0.107)
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Treatment x Prefer Summer Cash	-0.035								
Summer Plans	(011.0)	0.637^{***}							
Treatment x Summer Plans		-0.055 -0.055							
Semesters until Planned Graduation		(711.0)	-0.042***						
Treatment x Semesters until Planned Grad.			0.037 0.037 0.032)						
Completed Semesters at Ivy Tech			(070.0)	0.000					
Treatment x Completed Semesters at Ivy Tech				(0.004) -0.001					
Baseline GPA				(100.0)	0.110^{**}				
Treatment x Baseline GPA					(0.033) - 0.049				
Baseline Credits					(0.061)	0.003^{*}			
Treatment x Baseline Credits						(0.001) -0.002			
Age						(0.002)	-0.001		
Treatment x Age							(0.003) -0.002 (0.007)		
Male							(enn.n)	0.056	
Treatment x Male								-0.005	
White								(101.0)	0.041
Treatment x White									(0.12) (0.132) (0.120)
Students	397	398	347	398	398	398	398	398	398

Table A.5: Heterogeneity: Summer Enrollment

Notes: Dependent variable is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student enrolls in summer courses. "Prefer Summer Cash" is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student prefers cash payments in the summer over fall. "Summer Plans:" is measured from 0 – 1 based on the student's stated plans to enroll in summer courses (1 means the student plans to enroll, 0 means the student does not). All estimates obtained using OLS regressions with heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors in parentheses. All regressions include controls for cohort. * p < 0.10, ** p < 0.05, *** p < 0.01

	Gra	aduation or	Transfer (One Year	Post-Prog	gram
Treatment	0.002	0.157	-0.064	0.032	0.052	0.022
	(0.070)	(0.150)	(0.071)	(0.137)	(0.077)	(0.091)
Completed Semesters at Ivy Tech	-0.002					
	(0.004)					
Treatment x Completed Terms at IT	0.008					
	(0.007)					
Baseline GPA		0.120^{***}				
		(0.032)				
Treatment x Baseline GPA		-0.030				
		(0.052)				
Baseline Credits			0.006***			
			(0.001)			
Treatment x Baseline Credits			0.004^{*}			
			(0.002)	0.004		
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The sector sector A sec				(0.003)		
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White					(0.033)	0 138**
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Treatment x White						0.048
						(0.106)
Students	398	398	398	398	398	398

Table A.6: Heterogeneity: Degree Acceleration

Notes: Dependent variable is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student graduates or transfers within one year of the program. "Prefer Summer Cash" is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student prefers cash payments in the summer over fall. "Summer Plans:" is measured from 0-1 based on the student's stated plans to enroll in summer courses (1 means the student plans to enroll, 0 means the student does not). All estimates obtained using OLS regressions with heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors in parentheses. All columns include controls for cohort. * p < 0.10, ** p < 0.05, *** p < 0.01

	Combined	Associate	Transfer
Treatment	$0.095 \\ (0.055)$	$0.104 \\ (0.046)$	$0.039 \\ (0.047)$
Summer Enrollment	$\begin{array}{c} 0.174 \\ (0.067) \end{array}$	$0.177 \\ (0.060)$	$0.023 \\ (0.050)$
Treatment \times Summer Enrollment	-0.101 (0.090)	-0.127 (0.079)	$0.061 \\ (0.078)$
Students	398	398	398

Table A.7: Selection on Levels and Selection on Treatment Effects

Notes: Dependent variable is a binary variable equal to 1 if the student graduates or transfers (Column 1), graduates (Column 2), transfers (Column 3) within one year of the intervention. "Summer Enrollment" is a binary variable for enrollment in the summer term. All estimates obtained using OLS regressions with heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors in parentheses. All regressions include covariates for cohort, GPA and credit accumulation at baseline, age, race, gender, and stated plans for the summer semester.

	Drefer	Prefer	Summer	Semesters until	Completed	Raseline	Baseline	Acre	Male	White
	Summer Course	Summer Cash	Plans	Planned Grad.	Semesters	GPA	Credits	291		
Never-Takers	-0.357***	-0.150^{**}	-0.253***	0.537	0.047	-0.333***	-5.604	1.750	-0.008	-0.064
	(0.073)	(0.064)	(0.042)	(0.381)	(1.140)	(0.116)	(3.792)	(1.942)	(0.077)	(0.070)
Never-Takers + Compliers	-0.317^{***}	-0.094^{*}	-0.243***	0.825^{***}	-0.221	-0.270***	-6.124^{*}	0.440	-0.063	-0.042
	(0.063)	(0.048)	(0.033)	(0.307)	(0.967)	(0.090)	(3.455)	(1.493)	(0.064)	(0.058)
Always-Takers + Compliers	-0.134^{*}	-0.059	-0.020	0.402	-0.312	-0.187^{*}	-4.458	0.356	-0.007	0.037
	(0.072)	(0.054)	(0.034)	(0.384)	(1.050)	(0.101)	(3.744)	(1.622)	(0.074)	(0.061)
Constant: Always Takers	0.460^{***}	0.816^{***}	0.696^{***}	4.614^{***}	7.485^{***}	3.259^{***}	36.046^{***}	28.133^{***}	0.424^{***}	0.828^{***}
8	(0.066)	(0.054)	(0.038)	(0.337)	(0.993)	(0.102)	(3.440)	(1.788)	(0.072)	(0.062)
Students	397	397	398	347	398	398	398	398	398	398
Notes: Dependent variable	<u>i is a binary vari</u>	able equal to 1	if the stu	dent enrolls in a	summer cou	rses. "Pre	fer Summer	· Course" i	s a binary	variable
equal to 1 if the student pr	efers summer vo	uchers to fall v	ouchers. "	Prefer Summer	Cash" is a b	inary varia	ible equal t	o 1 if the s	tudent pre	fers cash
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B Appendix: Materials

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Dear [NAME],

The East Central and Richmond Regions of Ivy Tech have just been awarded funds as part of a research study to help additional students attend summer classes. We will be distributing vouchers to cover the cost of tuition for one (1) three-credit hour course for Summer 2017 at Ivy Tech (over a \$400 value). The voucher will not cover books or fees.

We have a limited number of vouchers, so we ask that interested students enroll in the program by May 3, 2017. After May 5, 2017 we will draw names randomly to assign the free tuition vouchers. You can enroll at the following link: http://tinyurl.com/IvyTechSummer17

These vouchers are intended for students who plan to continue through Fall 2017 or will graduate with a credential at the end of Summer 2017.

Please contact your campus Bursar Office for any questions:

Figure B.2: Incentive-Compatible Elicitation of Scholarship Preferences

For each of the following, which do you prefer?

A Free Summer Course	00	A Full-Priced Fall Course
A Free Summer Course	00	\$100 discount on a Fall Course
A Free Summer Course	00	\$200 discount on a Fall Course
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Figure B.3: Incentive-Compatible Elicitation of Summer Scholarship Value

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A Free Fall Course	00	\$300 gift card on August 21
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Figure B.5: Incentive-Compatible Elicitation of Preferences for Cash

For each of the following, which do you prefer?

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Figure B.6: Elicitation of Barriers to Summer Enrollment

If you don't enroll in summer courses at Ivy Tech, what would be the reason(s)? Please check any responses that apply or provide your own:

I already received my degree from Ivy Tech

I'm transferring to another school

I don't want to take any more courses at Ivy Tech

I don't like to take courses in the summer

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I have to work

I have to take care of children who are out of school for the summer

Other

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