

Higher education

Half a century ago, the landmark title IX law was passed to promote gender equality.

At the time, there was a gap of 13 percentage points in the proportion of bachelor's degrees given to men compared with women.

Today, the gender gap is a little wider — 15 percentage points as of 2019 — but the other way around.

For every three female college students, there are only about two men.

The trend worsened during the pandemic.

College enrollment as a whole declined in 2020 — but that decline was seven times greater for male than for female students.

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