

## Article Summary

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This article is about the two different types of students i.e. the first-generation students and the students whose parents have earned a degree (Santilli, 2015). The first-generation students try their best to bring the honor of their ancestors or forefathers in college. The first-generation students are those whose parents have never gone to college, and they don't have a bachelor's degree. Actually, first-generation students belong to poor families; they don't have enough resources to increase their knowledge or continue their studies. Such students want to go to college because they want to help their families give them a better life. Many first-generation students develop two types of identities in college – one for college and another for home.

The first-generation students usually don't have enough resources to join another helping institute, and they don't have money to pay their dues. The first-generation students apply to a single government college to meet the requirements of the family. The community of first-generation people struggles to get a better lifestyle, and they want to get better jobs. The poor students feel that their family and their siblings totally depend on them. There are many examples of first-generation students like Michelle Obama, who became successful in their lives.

There are many students who cannot get success in life, whereas some others get a successful life after too many challenges and difficulties in life like Elizabeth Warren and Sonia Sotomayor. The first-generation students cannot fulfill the dues of the college. In this situation, the faculty sometimes help them to go ahead and get an education equal to other students. With the right support, such students can reinvent themselves, earn their degrees, and reposition their families.

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