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Historical Retention and Graduation Rates Fall 2009

Executive Summary

This report tracks the enrollment patterns of entering new freshmen and transfers, from one year retention rate to six year graduation rate. Included are Freshmen classes beginning in 1995 and Transfer classes beginning in Fall 2002. The transfer classes are broken down by the classification of the transfer at entry – a transfer entering as a freshman will have a very different enrollment pattern than a transfer entering as a senior.

A summary of one year retention rates for the last six entering classes is given below, followed by a summary of the six year graduation rates for the most recent six classes for which data is available (i.e., Fall 2003 is the most recent class for which we have a six year graduation rate). Note that data is unavailable for transfer classes prior to Fall 2002.

	Fall 2008	Fall 2007	Fall 2006	Fall 2005	Fall 2004	Fall 2003
Freshmen	72.3%	70.4%	70.1%	68.8%	73.3%	69.3%
Transfer	56.0%	65.9%	62.6%	59.2%	66.8%	66.5%

	Fall 2003	Fall 2002	Fall 2001	Fall 2000	Fall 1999	Fall 1998
Freshmen	46.0%	45.0%	49.7%	51.7%	59.5%	45.7%
Transfer	50.0%	47.4%	-	-	-	-

The following pages contain information on additional entering classes as well as two and three year retention rates and 4 and 5 year graduation rates.

Freshmen Retention and Graduation Rates

		1 Year Retention		2 Year Rete	ention									
		(Sophome	ore)	(Junio	r)	3 Year F	Retention (Sen	ior)	4 Year Grad	luation	5 Year Grad	luation	6 Year Grad	luation
Entry	Initial													
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 1995	165	115	69.7%	90	54.5%	71		43.0%	36	21.8%	61	37.0%	72	43.6%
Fall 1996	178	126	70.8%	98	55.1%	86		48.3%	33	18.5%	70	39.3%	79	44.4%
Fall 1997	186	128	68.8%	108	58.1%	95		51.1%	50	26.9%	84	45.2%	92	49.5%
Fall 1998	210	144	68.6%	111	52.9%	99		47.1%	40	19.0%	79	37.6%	96	45.7%
Fall 1999	264	209	79.2%	183	69.3%	165		62.5%	85	32.2%	136	51.5%	157	59.5%
Fall 2000	271	209	77.1%	171	63.1%	153	7	58.0%	88	32.5%	130	48.0%	140	51.7%
Fall 2001	316	233	73.7%	190	60.1%	177	4	56.7%	78	24.7%	133	42.1%	157	49.7%
Fall 2002	262	185	70.6%	159	60.7%	131	8	51.6%	60	22.9%	104	39.7%	118	45.0%
Fall 2003	300	208	69.3%	167	55.7%	143	10	49.3%	72	24.0%	125	41.7%	138	46.0%
Fall 2004	281	206	73.3%	167	59.4%	139	9	51.1%	75	26.7%	106	37.7%		
Fall 2005	317	218	68.8%	179	56.5%	152	9	49.4%	74	23.3%				
Fall 2006	261	183	70.1%	148	56.7%	127	8	50.2%						
Fall 2007	456	321	70.4%	261	57.2%									
Fall 2008	560	405	72.3%											
Fall 2009	554													

Note: Information on the Fall 1995 to Fall 1999 classes is based on an older IRE report. The data has not been validated. Fall 2000 and forward is from data archived by IRE and matched against Banner academic history (for 2000-2005) and frozen census files (2006 and following) and may differ slightly from previously published information.

Transfer Retention and Graduation Rates

All Transfers

		1 Year Ret	ention	2 Ye	ear Retention		3 Ye	ear Retention		4 Year Grad	luation	5 Year Grad	luation	6 Year Grad	uation
Entry	Initial														
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 2002	234	148	63.2%	114	20	53.3%	52	67	31.1%	99	42.3%	109	46.6%	111	47.4%
Fall 2003	194	129	66.5%	91	15	50.8%	44	55	31.7%	78	40.2%	92	47.4%	97	50.0%
Fall 2004	214	143	66.8%	109	16	55.1%	50	65	33.6%	89	41.6%	100	46.7%		
Fall 2005	294	174	59.2%	130	11	45.9%	56	79	26.0%	112	38.1%				
Fall 2006	270	169	62.6%	122	25	49.8%	50	86	27.2%						
Fall 2007	273	180	65.9%	139	12	53.3%									
Fall 2008	252	141	56.0%												

Entered as: Freshman

		1 Year Ret	ention	2 Year	Retention		3 Ye	ear Retention		4 Year Gradu	ation	5 Year Gradu	ation	6 Year Gradu	ation
Entry	Initial														
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled		%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 2002	38	25	65.8%	22	0	57.9%	14	4	41.2%	13	34.2%	16	42.1%	16	42.1%
Fall 2003	61	43	70.5%	34	2	57.6%	19	12	38.8%	25	41.0%	29	47.5%	31	50.8%
Fall 2004	43	26	60.5%	22	1	52.4%	15	6	40.5%	14	32.6%	16	37.2%		
Fall 2005	61	31	50.8%	24	1	40.0%	13	11	26.0%	20	32.8%				
Fall 2006	82	56	68.3%	45	3	57.0%	24	20	38.7%						
Fall 2007	36	21	58.3%	16	0	44.4%									
Fall 2008	64	33	51.6%												

Entered as: Sophomore

		1 Year Retention		2 Year Retention			3 Year Retention			4 Year Graduation		5 Year Graduation		6 Year Graduation	
Entry	Initial														
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled		%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 2002	128	78	60.9%	61	11	52.1%	27	39	30.3%	57	44.5%	61	47.7%	63	49.2%
Fall 2003	75	45	60.0%	34	6	49.3%	15	22	28.3%	30	40.0%	35	46.7%	36	48.0%
Fall 2004	90	60	66.7%	45	7	54.2%	22	28	35.5%	36	40.0%	42	46.7%		
Fall 2005	142	83	58.5%	67	2	47.9%	28	37	26.7%	53	37.3%				
Fall 2006	94	62	66.0%	44	5	49.4%	14	31	22.2%						
Fall 2007	145	94	64.8%	79	2	55.2%									
Fall 2008	105	60	57.1%												

Transfer Retention and Graduation Rates

Entered as: Junior

		1 Year Ret	ention	2 Year l	Retention		3 Ye	ear Retention		4 Year Gradu	ation	5 Year Gradu	ation	6 Year Gradu	ation
Entry	Initial														
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled		%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 2002	58	42	72.4%	29	8	58.0%	9	23	25.7%	28	48.3%	30	51.7%	30	51.7%
Fall 2003	48	35	72.9%	21	4	47.7%	9	16	28.1%	18	37.5%	23	47.9%	25	52.1%
Fall 2004	66	47	71.2%	36	5	59.0%	12	28	31.6%	32	48.5%	35	53.0%		
Fall 2005	73	50	68.5%	31	7	47.0%	13	24	26.5%	32	43.8%				
Fall 2006	72	41	56.9%	27	12	45.0%	9	26	19.6%						
Fall 2007	72	50	69.4%	37	6	56.1%									
Fall 2008	72	42	58.3%												

Entered as: Senior

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		1 Year Ret	ention	2 Y	ear Retention		3 Y	ear Retention		4 Year Gradu	ation	5 Year Gradu	ation	6 Year Gradu	ation
Entry	Initial														
Term	Cohort	# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%	# Grad	%
Fall 2002	8	3	37.5%	2	1	28.6%	2	1	28.6%	1	12.5%	2	25.0%	2	25.0%
Fall 2003	10	6	60.0%	2	3	28.6%	1	5	20.0%	5	50.0%	5	50.0%	5	50.0%
Fall 2004	15	10	66.7%	6	3	50.0%	1	7	12.5%	7	46.7%	7	46.7%		
Fall 2005	18	10	55.6%	8	1	47.1%	2	7	18.2%	7	38.9%				
Fall 2006	22	10	45.5%	6	5	35.3%	3	9	23.1%						
Fall 2007	20	15	75.0%	7	4	43.8%									
Fall 2008	11	6	54.5%												

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