



## 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.

	<b>Fall 2008</b>	<b>Fall 2007</b>	<b>Fall 2006</b>	<b>Fall 2005</b>	<b>Fall 2004</b>	<b>Fall 2003</b>
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%

	<b>Fall 2003</b>	<b>Fall 2002</b>	<b>Fall 2001</b>	<b>Fall 2000</b>	<b>Fall 1999</b>	<b>Fall 1998</b>
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**

Entry Term	Initial Cohort	1 Year Retention (Sophomore)		2 Year Retention (Junior)		3 Year Retention (Senior)			4 Year Graduation		5 Year Graduation		6 Year Graduation	
		# 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**

Entered as: Junior

Entry Term	Initial Cohort	1 Year Retention		2 Year Retention			3 Year Retention			4 Year Graduation		5 Year Graduation		6 Year Graduation	
		# Enrolled	%	# Enrolled	# Grad	%	# 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

Entry Term	Initial Cohort	1 Year Retention		2 Year Retention			3 Year Retention			4 Year Graduation		5 Year Graduation		6 Year Graduation	
		# 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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