



Retention/Persistence Rates of First-time, Full-Time, Baccalaureate Degree-seeking Freshmen

Entering Freshmen Cohort (Full-Time)		Retention Rates ¹		Persistence Rates ²			
		After First Year	After Second Year	After Third Year	After Fourth Year	After Fifth Year	After Sixth Year
Year	N						
1999	2289	72.3%	55.4%	49.8%	46.8%	44.3%	45.0%
2000	2238	72.0%	59.0%	54.0%	50.0%	47.0%	48.0%
2001	2212	75.2%	62.3%	56.1%	54.2%	51.6%	50.7%
2002	2212	77.1%	64.1%	59.5%	55.5%	52.0%	53.1%
2003	2199	75.5%	64.9%	60.3%	55.2%	54.2%	54.6%
2004*	2307	76.5%	64.9%	60.2%	55.5%	55.4%	55.0%
2005	2256	78.1%	65.4%	61.3%	55.6%	55.7%	56.1%
2006	2383	78.0%	66.6%	63.5%	58.5%	58.1%	57.5%
2007	2527	77.7%	66.8%	62.4%	57.8%	58.2%	
2008	2548	78.5%	68.2%	63.3%	59.7%		
2009	2441	77.7%	66.2%	61.4%			
2010	2512	77.7%	65.4%				
2011	2511	77.1%					

¹ Retention rates reflect continuing enrollment after first year or after two years.

² Persistence rates after the second year include students who are still enrolled as well as those who have previously graduated.

NOTE: The rates are calculated on a fall semester to fall semester basis. Retention cohorts from the year 2000 and later are subject to reconciliation by the Council on Postsecondary Education.

* 2004 Cohort reconciled and revised (1/15/08), per IPEDS definition of excluding UG students enrolled in university affiliated foreign campuses.