

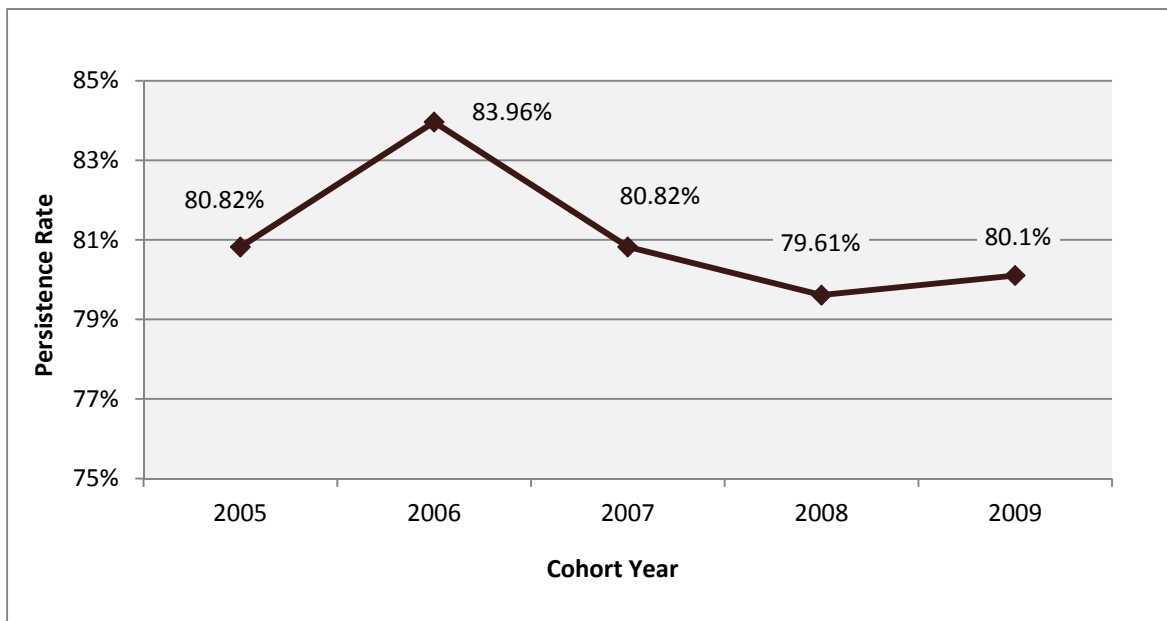
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Date: December 16, 2011
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Subject: Two-Year Persistence Report – Fall 2009 Transfer Cohort

Please find attached the two-year persistence report of the Fall 2009 degree-seeking transfer cohort. This report excludes students in The Women’s College and University College.

- **Two-Year Persistence:** 121 of the 191 students in the Fall 2009 transfer cohort persisted to Fall 2011 and 32 graduated prior to the start of the quarter. The Fall 2009 transfer cohort persistence rate of 80.1% is not statistically significantly different from the Fall 2008 transfer cohort ($p \leq .05$).

TWO-YEAR PERSISTENCE RATES OF TRANSFER COHORTS



- **GPA:** Students with a GPA of 3.00 or higher persisted at a statistically significantly higher rate (90.65%) than the overall cohort ($p \leq .05$). The number of students with a GPA of 2.00 or lower is too small to make a statistically reliable comparison of persistence rates.
- **Non-Persistence Reasons:** Of the 38 students who did not persist, 14 withdrew from the University, 3 took a leave of absence, and 23 had academic, financial, or judicial holds that prevented them from registering this quarter. 52.63% of non-persisted students had a financial hold.

Two-Year Persistence Report

Summary of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled after two years	132	127	132	133	121
Graduated after two years	45	51	45	31	32
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Overall GPA ≤ 2.00 (Probation)					
Cohort	10	7	14	2	7
Enrolled or graduated after two years	4	3	2	1	0
Persistence rate	40%	42.86%	14.29%	50%	0%

Overall GPA ≥ 3.00					
Cohort	149	153	149	160	139
Enrolled or graduated after two years	126	138	132	131	126
Persistence rate	84.56%*	90.2%*	88.59%*	81.88%*	90.65%*

Average Overall GPA					
Cohort	3.18	3.26	3.15	3.29	3.23
Enrolled after two years	3.17**	3.27**	3.27**	3.30**	3.34**
Graduated after two years	3.49	3.48	3.45	3.46	3.53
Not enrolled or graduated after two years	2.87	2.85	2.45	3.07	2.65

Average Transfer Hours					
Cohort	65.1	71	79.7	58.3	66.7
Enrolled after two years	58.1	61.9	91.6	60.2	58.6
Not enrolled after two years	63.8	72.7	42.5	52.4	73.1

* Indicates a statistically significantly different persistence rate than the cohort at $p \leq .05$.

** Indicates a statistically significantly different average than non-persisted students at $p \leq .05$.

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Admission Ratings of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

1 and 2 (Highest)					
Cohort	46	49	31	36	34
Enrolled or graduated after two years	34	43	29	26	34
Persistence rate	73.91%	87.76%	93.55%	72.22%	100%*

3 and 4					
Cohort	47	42	48	46	38
Enrolled or graduated after two years	38	34	41	35	32
Persistence rate	80.85%	80.95%	85.42%	76.09%	84.21%

5 and 6					
Cohort	47	53	65	64	28
Enrolled or graduated after two years	40	47	49	58	27
Persistence rate	85.11%	88.68%	75.38%	90.63%*	96.43%*

7, 8, and 9 (Lowest)					
Cohort	77	67	75	56	84
Enrolled or graduated after two years	63	53	58	42	57
Persistence rate	81.82%	79.1%	77.33%	75%	67.86%*

No Rating Available					
Cohort	2	1	0	4	7
Enrolled or graduated after two years	2	1	0	3	3
Persistence rate	100%	100%	-	75%	42.86%*

Average Rating					
Cohort	5.2	5.1	5.5	5.1	5.5
Enrolled after two years	5.4	5.0	5.4	5.3	5.4
Graduated after two years	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.3	4.7
Not enrolled or graduated after two years	4.7	5.4	6.2	5.1	6.7

* Indicates a statistically significantly different persistence rate than the cohort at $p \leq .05$.

Two-Year Persistence Report

Demographics of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Gender

Female					
Cohort	105	102	100	102	94
Enrolled or graduated after two years	79	82	86	82	79
Persistence rate	75.24%	80.39%	86%	80.39%	84.04%
Male					
Cohort	114	110	119	104	97
Enrolled or graduated after two years	98	96	91	82	74
Persistence rate	85.96%	87.27%	76.47%	78.85%	76.29%

Geographic Origin

Colorado					
Cohort	149	145	121	116	120
Enrolled or graduated after two years	118	122	100	94	97
Persistence rate	79.19%	84.14%	82.64%	81.03%	80.83%
Out-of-State					
Cohort	54	51	82	72	50
Enrolled or graduated after two years	47	41	65	57	40
Persistence rate	87.04%	80.39%	79.27%	79.17%	80%
International (Non-Resident Alien)					
Cohort	16	16	16	18	21
Enrolled or graduated after two years	12	15	12	13	16
Persistence rate	75%	93.75%	75%	72.22%	76.19%

Note:

1. Geographic origin reports the student's permanent residence at the time of application.

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Demographics of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Race/Ethnicity and Citizenship

White					
Cohort	181	153	134	129	113
Enrolled or graduated after two years	147	128	109	102	92
Persistence rate	81.22%	83.66%	81.34%	79.07%	81.42%
Domestic Minority					
Cohort	23	43	26	30	33
Enrolled or graduated after two years	18	35	22	26	24
Persistence rate	78.26%	81.4%	84.62%	86.67%	72.73%
International (Non-Resident Alien)					
Cohort	15	16	16	17	22
Enrolled or graduated after two years	12	15	12	12	18
Persistence rate	80%	93.75%	75%	70.59%	81.82%
Race/Ethnicity Unknown					
Cohort	0	0	43	30	23
Enrolled or graduated after two years	0	0	34	24	19
Persistence rate	0%	0%	79.07%	80%	82.61%

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Demographics of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Race/Ethnicity

Hispanic or Latino					
Cohort	13	16	12	13	15
Enrolled or graduated after two years	12	13	10	11	10
Persistence rate	92.31%	81.25%	83.33%	84.62%	66.67%
American Indian or Alaskan Native					
Cohort	0	3	3	1	1
Enrolled or graduated after two years	0	3	3	1	1
Persistence rate	0%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Asian					
Cohort	5	21	4	10	6
Enrolled or graduated after two years	3	17	4	10	6
Persistence rate	60%	80.95%	100%	100%	100%
Black or African American					
Cohort	5	3	7	6	7
Enrolled or graduated after two years	3	2	5	4	5
Persistence rate	60%	66.67%	71.43%	66.67%	71.43%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander					
Cohort	-	-	-	-	1
Enrolled or graduated after two years	-	-	-	-	1
Persistence rate	-	-	-	-	100%
Two or More Races					
Cohort	-	-	-	-	3
Enrolled or graduated after two years	-	-	-	-	1
Persistence rate	-	-	-	-	33.33%*
White					
Cohort	181	153	134	129	113
Enrolled or graduated after two years	147	128	109	102	92
Persistence rate	81.22%	83.66%	81.34%	79.07%	81.42%

Note:

1. Categories reflect IPEDS definitions for race and ethnicity implemented in Fall 2009. A dash indicates the category did not exist during the noted academic period.

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Demographics of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Race/Ethnicity (continued ...)

International (Non-Resident Alien)					
Cohort	15	16	16	17	22
Enrolled or graduated after two years	12	15	12	12	18
Persistence rate	80%	93.75%	75%	70.59%	81.82%
Race/Ethnicity Unknown					
Cohort	0	0	43	30	23
Enrolled or graduated after two years	0	0	34	24	19
Persistence rate	0%	0%	79.07%	80%	82.61%

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Involvement of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Athletics

Student Athletes					
Cohort	14	14	19	7	13
Enrolled or graduated after two years	12	12	14	3	11
Persistence rate	85.71%	85.71%	0%	42.86%*	84.62%

Honors Program

Honors Program Participants					
Cohort	7	9	8	0	1
Enrolled or graduated after two years	7	9	7	0	1
Persistence rate	100%	100%	87.5%	-	100%

Greek

Sorority Members					
Cohort	7	4	6	10	2
Enrolled or graduated after two years	7	4	6	10	1
Persistence rate	100%	100%	100%	100%	50%
Fraternity Members					
Cohort	8	4	7	7	3
Enrolled or graduated after two years	7	3	6	7	3
Persistence rate	87.5%	75%	85.71%	100%	100%
Greek Total					
Cohort	15	8	13	17	5
Enrolled or graduated after two years	14	7	12	17	4
Persistence rate	93.33%	87.5%	92.31%	100%*	80%

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Current Majors (Unduplicated) of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Arts and Humanities					
Cohort	34	28	40	33	37
Enrolled or graduated after two years	23	20	31	28	29
Persistence rate	67.65%	71.43%	77.5%	84.85%	78.38%
Social Sciences					
Cohort	56	43	48	49	46
Enrolled or graduated after two years	41	36	36	41	36
Persistence rate	73.21%	83.72%	75%	83.67%	78.26%
Daniels College of Business					
Cohort	90	111	93	76	61
Enrolled or graduated after two years	79	100	83	60	55
Persistence rate	87.78%	90.09%	89.25%*	78.95%	90.16%
Josef Korbel School of International Studies					
Cohort	16	12	17	14	19
Enrolled or graduated after two years	14	11	15	12	18
Persistence rate	87.5%	91.67%	88.24%	85.71%	94.74%
Natural Sciences and Mathematics					
Cohort	18	12	10	22	19
Enrolled or graduated after two years	16	9	7	18	12
Persistence rate	88.89%	75%	70%	81.82%	63.16%
Engineering and Computer Science					
Cohort	3	4	5	7	9
Enrolled or graduated after two years	2	2	3	5	3
Persistence rate	66.67%	50%	60%	71.43%	33.33%*
Undeclared					
Cohort	2	2	6	5	0
Enrolled or graduated after two years	2	0	2	0	0
Persistence rate	100%	0%	33.33%*	0%	-

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Two-Year Persistence Report

Financial Need Levels of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Enrolled or graduated after two years	177	178	177	164	153
Persistence rate	80.82%	83.96%	80.82%	79.61%	80.1%

Financial Need Levels

No Need Applications Submitted					
Cohort	-	-	-	96	85
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	76	70
Persistence rate	-	-	-	79.17%	82.35%
No CSS Submitted/FAFSA Only					
Cohort	-	-	-	35	26
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	26	22
Persistence rate	-	-	-	74.29%	84.62%
No Unmet Need					
Cohort	-	-	-	14	20
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	13	17
Persistence rate	-	-	-	92.86%	85%
Unmet Need \$1 - \$5,000					
Cohort	-	-	-	14	23
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	14	22
Persistence rate	-	-	-	100%	95.65%
Unmet Need \$5,001 - \$10,000					
Cohort	-	-	-	13	16
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	13	12
Persistence rate	-	-	-	100%	75%
Unmet Need Greater Than \$10,000					
Cohort	-	-	-	34	21
Enrolled after one year	-	-	-	22	10
Persistence rate	-	-	-	64.71%	47.62%*

* Indicates a statistically significantly different persistence rate than the cohort at $p \leq .05$.

Notes:

1. Beginning Fall 2011, Institutional Research and Analysis began using institutional aid methodology to identify student need levels.
2. Unmet need categories refer only to students who submitted an institutional (CSS) aid application.
3. Institutional methodology data are not available prior to Fall 2008.

Two-Year Persistence Report

Non-Persistence Reasons of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Not enrolled or graduated after two years	42	34	42	42	38
Non-persisted rate	19.18%	16.04%	19.18%	20.39%	19.9%

Non-Persistence Reasons

Leave of Absence					
Number	9	1	7	0	3
Percent of non-persisted	21.94%	3.03%	17.06%	0.00%	8.10%
Withdrawal					
Number	6	6	13	18	14
Percent of non-persisted	14.63%	18.17%	31.69%	43.88%	37.74%
Reason Unknown					
Number	27	27	22	24	21
Percent of non-persisted	63.44%	78.81%	51.25%	56.12%	54.16%

Holds Preventing Registration

Academic Holds					
Number	3	1	1	0	3
Percent of non-persisted	7.14%	2.94%	2.38%	0%	7.89%
Financial Holds					
Number	7	7	13	5	20
Percent of non-persisted	16.67%	20.59%	30.95%	11.9%	52.63%
Judicial Holds					
Number	1	1	1	3	0
Percent of non-persisted	2.38%	2.94%	2.38%	7.14%	0%
Holds Total					
Number	11	9	15	8	23
Percent of non-persisted	26.19%	26.47%	35.71%	19.05%	60.53%

Notes:

1. Students with more than one type of hold are counted in each applicable category.
2. Students are counted only once per category, regardless of the number of holds they have in that category.

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Leave of Absence Reasons of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Not enrolled or graduated after two years	42	34	42	42	38
Non-persisted rate	19.18%	16.04%	19.18%	20.39%	19.9%

Academic Reasons					
Number	2	0	0	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	4.76%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Break/Vacation/Travel					
Number	0	0	1	0	1
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	2.38%	0%	2.63%
Emergency/Returned Home					
Number	0	0	1	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	2.38%	0%	0%
Financial Reasons					
Number	2	0	0	0	2
Percent of non-persisted	4.76%	0%	0%	0%	5.26%
Job Responsibility/Internship					
Number	1	0	2	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	2.38%	0%	4.76%	0%	0%
Official Medical Leave					
Number	1	0	1	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	2.38%	0%	2.38%	0%	0%
Paternity/Maternity Leave					
Number	0	1	0	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	0%	2.94%	0%	0%	0%
Personal Reasons					
Number	2	0	0	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	4.76%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Physical Health/Medical Reasons					
Number	1	0	2	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	2.38%	0%	4.76%	0%	0%
Leaves of Absence Total					
Number	9	1	7	0	3
Percent of non-persisted	21.94%	3.03%	17.06%	0%	8.1%

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Withdrawal Reasons of Transfer Cohorts

	Fall 2005	Fall 2006	Fall 2007	Fall 2008	Fall 2009
Cohort size	219	212	219	206	191
Not enrolled or graduated after two years	42	34	42	42	38
Non-persisted rate	19.18%	16.04%	19.18%	20.39%	19.9%

Academic Reasons					
Number	4	1	3	2	2
Percent of non-persisted	9.52%	2.94%	7.14%	5%	5.26%
Career Reasons					
Number	0	1	2	2	1
Percent of non-persisted	0%	2.94%	4.76%	5%	2.63%
Church Mission					
Number	0	0	0	0	1
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	0%	0%	2.63%
Financial Reasons					
Number	0	2	2	3	3
Percent of non-persisted	0%	5.88%	4.76%	7%	7.89%
Health Reasons					
Number	0	0	1	2	4
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	2.38%	5%	10.53%
Personal/Family Reasons					
Number	2	0	5	8	2
Percent of non-persisted	4.76%	0%	11.9%	19.05%	5.26%
Serving in the Armed Forces					
Number	0	0	0	0	0
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Social Reasons					
Number	0	2	0	1	0
Percent of non-persisted	0%	5.88%	0%	2%	0%
Transfer to Another Institution					
Number	0	0	0	0	1
Percent of non-persisted	0%	0%	0%	0%	2.63%
Withdrawals Total					
Number	6	6	13	18	14
Percent of non-persisted	14.63%	18.17%	31.69%	44%	37.74%