

Southeastern Louisiana University
Transfer Analysis
2015 Cohort

Graduation rates are one of higher education's metrics for measuring success. It is highly defined and standardized so that comparisons can be made across institutions. The basic definition starts with the students who comprise the cohort, full-time, first-time, degree-seeking freshmen. These students are tracked to see how many graduate within a continuous six-year period. However, Southeastern graduates many more students who do not meet the strict definition of the cohort. Students who transferred into Southeastern, students who started in the spring semester or students who started their higher education career as a part-time student are not part of Southeastern's nor any other institution's graduation rate. Furthermore, those students who started in our cohort but did not graduate from Southeastern within six years still have the opportunity to graduate. These students could still be enrolled and take longer than six years to graduate or they might transfer to another institution to pursue a degree.

The purpose of this report is to look at the group of our students who met the 2015 cohort definition and did not graduate from Southeastern, but transferred to another institution of higher learning.

The transfer information comes from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC). The NSC reports on over 3,600 colleges and universities across the nation and 97% of all students in public and private U.S. institutions. The NSC is the most comprehensive site from which to obtain enrollment and graduation data. NSC will provide confirmation of enrollment of students and the names of the institutions where they are enrolled.

There were 2,302 students in the revised 2015 cohort. From the cohort, 866 students or 37.6% of the cohort graduated from Southeastern within six years (through Summer 2021). There are 108 students (4.7%) from the 2015 cohort who were still enrolled at Southeastern in Fall of 2021. The 769 confirmed transfers represent an additional 33.4% of the cohort.

The average GPA of students who transferred was 2.000. Within the group of transfers, there were 13 students who withdrew prior to the end of their first semester, and therefore transferred from Southeastern without receiving any college credit. Due to this, these students were not included in the GPA calculations.

Of those who transferred after completing at least one semester, 26 students (3.4%) transferred with 0 hours, 222 students (29.4%) transferred with 1 to 15 cumulative hours earned, and 508 (67.2%) transferred with 16 or more cumulative hours earned.

I. When our students left Southeastern:

What was the last Student Classification at Southeastern?

Freshmen	439	57.1%
Sophomore	95	12.4%
Junior	208	27%
Senior	27	3.5%

Cumulative GPA before Transferring:

0.000 – 1.999	365	47.5%
2.000 – 2.499	136	17.7%
2.500 – 2.999	111	14.4%
3.000 – 3.499	107	13.9%
3.500 – 3.999	32	4.2%
4.000	5	0.7%
Withdrew before completing a semester	13	1.7%

Cumulative GPA before Transferring Based on Classification:

Freshmen	1.517	426
Sophomore	2.535	208
Junior	2.831	95
Senior	2.697	27
Overall	2.000	756

Academic Plan before Transferring:

BSN in Nursing	175	22.8%
BS in Biology	64	8.3%
BBA in Business Administration	44	5.7%
BS in Kinesiology	44	5.7%
BGS in General Studies	36	4.7%
BA in Psychology	35	4.6%
BS in Engineering Technology	27	3.5%
BA in Criminal Justice	26	3.4%
Undecided	24	3.1%
BA in Management	20	2.6%
BA in Communication	19	2.5%
BS in Information Technology	19	2.5%
BA in Marketing	19	2.5%

Academic Plan before Transferring Continued:

BS in Athletic Training	17	2.2%
BS in Computer Science	15	2.0%
BA in Social Work	15	2.0%
BS in Early Childhood Education	14	1.8%
BS in Accounting	13	1.7%
BA in Art	12	1.6%
AAS in Industrial Technology	11	1.4%
BS in Physics	11	1.4%
BS in Elementary Education	9	1.2%
BA in English	9	1.2%
BS in Family and Consumer Science	8	1.0%
BS in Sports Management	8	1.0%
BS in Chemistry	7	0.9%
BS in Finance	7	0.9%
BA in History	7	0.9%
BM in Music	7	0.9%
BS in Industrial Technology	6	0.8%
BA in English Education	5	0.7%
BS in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment	5	0.7%
BS in Health Education & Promotion	4	0.5%
BS in Health & Physical Education	4	0.5%
BS in Health Systems Management	4	0.5%
BS in Communication Sciences & Disorders	3	0.4%
BA in Political Science	3	0.4%
BA in Social Studies Education	3	0.4%
BS in Elementary and Special Education	2	0.3%
BS in Middle School Education	2	0.3%
BA in Sociology	2	0.3%
BS in Health Sciences	1	0.1%
BS in Mathematics	1	0.1%
BS in Middle School and Special Education	1	0.1%
BA in Spanish	1	0.1%
Total	769	100%

II. Where Did Students Transfer?

Level of Institution

2 Year Institution	521	67.8%
4 Year Institution	248	32.2%

Sector of Institution

Public	686	89.2%
Private	83	10.8%

Top Institutions

Delgado Community College	152	19.8%
Baton Rouge Community College	134	17.4%
Northshore Technical Community College	114	14.8%
Louisiana State University	44	5.7%
River Parishes Community College	27	3.5%
University of New Orleans	27	3.5%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	19	2.5%
Southern University and A&M College	18	2.3%
Nunez Community College	15	2.0%
South Central Louisiana Technical College	11	1.4%

Nursing majors make up the largest proportion of student who left Southeastern. Below are the schools that received our Nursing students. The top three schools enrolled 60.1% of Southeastern's transfer out Nursing students.

Where Did Nursing Students Transfer? Top Institutions

Baton Rouge Community College	40	22.9%
Delgado Community College	40	22.9%
Northshore Technical Community College	25	14.3%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	15	8.6%
Southern University and A&M College	13	7.4%
Nicholls State University	4	2.3%
Nunez Community College	4	2.3%
Pearl River Community College	4	2.3%
River Parishes Community College	3	1.7%
Chamberlain University	2	1.1%
LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans	2	1.1%

III. Students who Graduated from Another Institution

We used NSC reports to determine which students received some type of award from another institution. That information is summarized below.

There were 209 students who graduated with an Associate or Bachelor degree from another institution. For these students, the average cumulative hours earned at Southeastern was 45.7, average cumulative GPA was 2.809, and the average ACT composite was 21.8. For the students that did not receive an Associate or Bachelor degree, the comparative numbers were 28.0, 1.701, and 20.9 respectively.

Highest Awards That Were Awarded to Southeastern Transfer out Students:

Associate	73	24.6%
Bachelor	136	45.8%
Certificate	50	16.8%
Other	23	7.7%
Award not disclosed	15	5.1%
Total	297	100%

Top Institutions Southeastern's Transfer Out Students Graduated From:*

Louisiana State University	36	16.8%
University of New Orleans	24	11.2%
Delgado Community College	21	9.8%
Baton Rouge Community College	11	5.1%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	10	4.7%
River Parishes Community College	9	4.2%
Southern University and A&M College	9	4.2%
Northshore Technical Community College	8	3.7%
University of Southern Mississippi	6	2.8%
Pearl River Community College	5	2.3%
University of Louisiana - Monroe	5	2.3%

* Includes only Associate and Bachelor degree recipients. Students who graduated with more than one of their highest award may be represented multiple times here if the awards were from different institutions.

Below find the breakdown of majors for transferred students who graduated from another institution, by award type. Highest awards only are represented. Students who graduated with more than one of their highest award may be represented multiple times.

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with a Bachelor's Degree:

Nursing	21	15.2%
Engineering	11	8.0%
Psychology	11	8.0%
Marketing	9	6.5%
Business Administration and Management	8	5.8%
Interdisciplinary Studies	6	4.3%
Construction Management	5	3.6%
Social Work	5	3.6%
Accounting	4	2.9%
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	4	2.9%
Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	4	2.9%
Finance	3	2.2%
Political Science and Government	3	2.2%
Biology	2	1.4%
English Language and Literature	2	1.4%
Health Services Administration	2	1.4%
Management Science	2	1.4%
Mass Communication/Media Studies	2	1.4%
Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Administration	2	1.4%
Pre-Medicine/Pre-Medical Studies	2	1.4%
Sport and Fitness Administration/Management	2	1.4%
Advertising	1	0.7%
Anthropology	1	0.7%
Architectural Engineering Technologies/Technicians	1	0.7%
Athletic Training/Trainer	1	0.7%
Business/Commerce	1	0.7%
Business/Managerial Economics	1	0.7%
Computer Information Systems	1	0.7%
Criminal Justice	1	0.7%
Electroneurodiagnostic/Electroencephalographic Technology/Technologist	1	0.7%
Elementary Education and Teaching	1	0.7%
Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies	1	0.7%
Environmental/Natural Resources Management and Policy	1	0.7%
Exercise Science and Kinesiology	1	0.7%

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with a Bachelor's Degree
Continued:

Fine/Studio Arts	1	0.7%
General Studies	1	0.7%
Interior Architecture	1	0.7%
Journalism	1	0.7%
Marine Science/Merchant Marine Officer	1	0.7%
Mathematics	1	0.7%
Microbiology	1	0.7%
Music Performance	1	0.7%
Organizational Leadership	1	0.7%
Physical Education Teaching and Coaching	1	0.7%
Public Health	1	0.7%
Public Relations, Advertising, and Applied Communication	1	0.7%
Sociology	1	0.7%
Theatre/Theatre Arts Managemet	1	0.7%
Theology/Theological Studies	1	0.7%
Total	138	

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with an Associate's Degree:

General Studies	18	23.7%
Industrial Production Technologies/Technicians	10	13.2%
Nursing	10	13.2%
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related	7	9.2%
Radiographic Technology/Science	6	7.9%
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	4	5.3%
Liberal Arts and Sciences	4	5.3%
Veterinary/Animal Health Technology/Technician and Veterinary Assistant	4	5.3%
Health Professions and Related Programs	3	3.9%
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician	2	2.6%
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	1	1.3%
Child Development	1	1.3%
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	1	1.3%
Electrical Technology	1	1.3%
History	1	1.3%
Instrumentation Technology/Technician	1	1.3%
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians	1	1.3%
Science Technologies/Technicians	1	1.3%
Total	76	

Majors of Those Students Who Graduated with a Certificate or Other Award:

General Studies	36	47.4%
Nursing	17	22.4%
Drafting and Design Technologies/Technicians	4	5.3%
Health Professions and Related Programs	4	5.3%
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	3	3.9%
Precision Metal Working	3	3.9%
Business, Management, Marketing, and Related	2	2.6%
Electrician	2	2.6%
Industrial Production Technologies/Technicians	2	2.6%
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist	1	1.3%
Electrical and Power Transmission Installers	1	1.3%
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	1	1.3%
Total	76	