

Retention and Graduation Rates Report Legend

Please use this guide to help you locate and utilize the information in the report.

Heading Legend:

Ferris State University
Retention and Graduation Rates of Full-Time FTIAC / Transfer Students
Two-Year Degree Programs

Transfer Students = are students who have previously been enrolled and earned credits in any Post-Secondary Educational Institution prior to enrolling at Ferris State University.

Data Group = The report is organized by Two- and Four-Year Degree Programs, as well as Ferris Overall.

FTIAC = stands for First Time in Any College. A FTIAC is a student who has never enrolled in Post-Secondary Education before at Ferris State, or at any other Institution.

Table Legend:

Entering Term = The year the FTIAC group entered Ferris State University for the first time.

N = Number of FTIAC students enrolling in Ferris State University.

Year = Year of attendance at Ferris State University, up to **Year 7**. In this example, **Year 2** is Fall Term 2015 and so on.

Entering Fall Term
201408

N
1871

Fall Term

	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7
% Graduated By	0	5	16	39	51	54
% Still Enrolled In	75	59	44	19	6	3
% Persisters	75	64	60	59	57	57
% Non-Persisters	25	36	40	41	43	43

Entering Term = uses the "Banner" format.
 Example:
 201308 = Fall 2013
 201408 = Fall 2014

% Graduated By = Is the % of students who graduated in the previous year. For example, if you want to know the % of students who earned their degree in 2 years or less, you would refer to the **Year 3** column.

% Still Enrolled In = The % of students who are still enrolled at Ferris State University. A student still enrolled in **Year 3** will have completed two years at the University.

% Persisters = The combined % of graduates and those still enrolled at Ferris State University.

% Non-Persisters = The % of students who are no longer enrolled at Ferris State University and who have **not** graduated. This figure includes those who might have transferred to another Post-Secondary Institution.

Additional Notes:

- This data in this report indicates whether or not a student is still enrolled in or graduated from Ferris State University as a whole. It does not contain information about whether a student is in the same college or degree program that the student started out in.
- More specific data is available from the IR&T Office that was not included in this report due to spatial constraints. Please contact the office if you would like additional information.