

## What does “student success” mean to you?

“Student success to me means to graduate with a B average with no failing grades. Ferris is ridiculous tuition rates don’t affect me since I was fortunate enough to have my grandparents invest in the MET program.”

“Student success to me means academic success. To achieve good grades, but to also thoroughly learn the material that the grade is earned for. It also means to be able to do something with an earned degree/ immediate ability to be competitive in finding a job.”

“Student success means to me the ability to carry myself through this world with qualities and knowledge that I learned here at the university. I am putting thousands of dollars or more to benefit my future but only what I have obtained and learned here at college. Success is being prepared through instruction and teaching all of the information that I will need for when I leave the institution to carry me through my life as well as my carrier.”

“Student success is building their way towards graduation from a field they want to be in. Adding on to that, having a happy social life during college will extremely help.”

“Student Success to me means getting accepted into the university, finding a way to pay for the tuition, and not screwing it up. If you were to become accepted and are able to pay for school, the worst thing you could do is get failing grades.”

“Student success means in my mind means, passing all of your classes from year 1 to your least year. Never skipping a class and studying throughout the week will greatly help students in the long run every year. Everyone wants to graduate and they need to do the work that is needed to do so.”

“Student Success means the fact that students can meet their expectation in what they get out of learning. Each individual has to want to learn for the university to help. To be motivated to learn and excited to meet their goals in their academic career.”

“Student Success means to me that we are actually getting the right education. When professors actually make an effort to have a good student/ professor relationship. I believe I will get a better education.”

“Student success means to me is getting good grades and trying to enjoy doing it. To achieve a diploma and to not only of gotten an education but to be able to use it in my future job”

“Student success to me means graduating from the academic program you want to graduate from with the gpa you are proud of. Also finding a job in your field after graduating. “

“Student Success means more than just grades in college. I think that it means everything you get out of it. You gain experience in a bunch of different stuff. You want to gain knowledge in your field and you want to have a full college experience.”

"It means going into the workforce with a concept of leadership and teamwork."

"To me student success is when you find something you want or want to do and you make it happen. If you fail, you are still successful as long as you know that you tried your best, and did whatever it took to get there. Even if you didn't fully succeed. Success is getting everything you want or need in life by working your hardest and trying your best."

"Being where you hope to be when you complete your time being a student. Making it through college on your time as a student and coming out on top (graduating, completing, your courses with passing grades)"

"Student success to me means students succeeding with the help of professionals. Having resources available to you to help you succeed in your major field. Graduating with good grades and being able to get a job in your field after graduation. Having good classes to take in school, ones that teach you real world experiences. "

"Good grades would be considered in "student success", going to class and getting a good education. Keeping a well rounded social life while staying up on grades. Not to procrastinate basically everything a student should do to graduate on time and still be successful."

"Student success to me means that a student excels. I do think graduation is the goal to student success but I don't think that it is the only component. Some kids come to college and realize that it's not for them and in that in its self could be a personal success."

"It means the student has the resources and puts forth the effort to achieve their goals"

"That I could leave school with the knowledge to get a good job to live with for the rest of my life"

"An education that suits us for getting the job that we desire and we want to work hard for."

"Get into school, do well, graduate, and most of all get a good job. If you do not get a good job you have really done nothing."

"Student success means getting good grades, passing my classes, and graduating"

"Achieving the grades that a student describes as being acceptable. Being in good shape after you graduate to continue on and become what you want to be"

"Acceptance into college, Graduation from college with a 3.4-4.0 GPA, Job within 6 months of graduation, Repay any loans."

"Improving in classes and moving forward in finishing my degree. Doing well in all of my classes and not giving up. Having a positive outlook on everything I do for a class and having a sense of accomplishment when done."

"Following a career path and succeeding at it. Accomplish your academic goals"

"Being able to get a job after a degree has been earned."

"It means passing classes completing work on time and still finding time to hang out with friends while having a great college experience not only in the classroom on campus as well."

"A student being able to really do well in their academic study."

"Success is when you complete a project, or a goal you set for yourself. Success is when you start with no experience as little experience in a topic and are exposed to the material and become a master at it."

"Student success means to me is that I can get better education"

"Student success means not only passing classes but coming out of class with a sense that you learned something. Also being prepared to enter the work force ready to work the day you start"

"Student success means a lot to me because it means we as students are doing something right to help us out in life. It also means that we are better than those who decided to do nothing with their lives. We are all showing that we can do anything that we want to. Ferris helps us students out a lot, they really do want all of us to succeed and to have the best life we can possibly have."

"Student success means that student has surpassed their own expectation. To not only learned something but understand it setting goals and going higher"

"Helping student succeed in their academic careers. Having resources available to and easily accessible. Student success means many different things. I feel that it means helping students to pass and go on to obtain that degree."

"Student success to me means someone who uses their time wisely. Student success is doing your best and doing whatever is needed to complete that. The outcome may be good grades or acknowledge but all that really matters is if the student themselves feel accomplished."

"Student success means to graduate with a degree as quickly and as inexpensively as possible to get into the working world"

"Good grades, a relatively stress less atmosphere in which to work, the confidence in myself that I can handle the challenges life throws my way because I know what to do."

"Student success means to take education seriously, to try the hardest you can, and to be productive within the Ferris community. Student success is doing well in not only education, but maintaining a positive attitude that allows you to grow, and to truly learn how to think and form your own opinions."

"Student success means to me that a student simply passes all of the requirements. I always felt like I succeeded when I accomplish my goal or pass my requirements."

"Student success is not just walking down the aisle to receive a degree. It is learning something in school that prepares you for life and drives you to do what you love. It is knowing with confidence that you are

learning something that will benefit your career beyond school. Ultimately, student success is knowing your career before it even begins”

“Student success means learning the most from every class. Taking what is being taught and applying it to day to day issues or work being done”

“To me success looks like a person who has a great job and is happy with their life at work and home. Someone who doesn’t have to worry all the time about money and objects.”

“Making a few mistakes to understand the material. Putting forth the effort to understand.”

“To me success looks like a happy and career driven individual that enjoys what they are doing and it satisfied with what they have.”

“I think of success as having a good paying job that makes you happy, having a family, and being happy with the choices that you made in life.”

“Success looks like something that is a goal that you set higher than what it is now and you achieve them.”

“Getting a good job and enjoying it. Having a happy family what I get older and just living and loving life.”

“Success for me is doing well at everything I do and finishing everything I start.”

“Success for me looks like having a stable job and not living from pay check to pay check. Being able to provide for your family.”

“Success to me isn’t about how much money you make or what kind of car you drive. Success to me is a personal feeling of accomplishment that makes you happy. Whether that’s a job in the field you studied or starting a family. To me success just means happiness.”

“Success to me is a good job, my own house, and vehicle.”

“A degree, good grades, happiness. Open lines of communication.”

“Money and happiness.”

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“Being happy and being financially stable. Also, enjoying my job after school.”

“Money”

“Success is accomplishing something and feeling good about yourself achieving certain goals that you set for yourself.”

“Marrying a plastic surgeon and/or a senator.”

"Rich husband, working part-time."

"Success to me is finishing college and getting a job upon graduation. The job also has to be good paying and something that I enjoy."

"Getting to where I'm happy."

"It looks like me getting my diploma."

"Success means getting and taking advantage of the best opportunities out there and rising above all the other in the U.S."

"Someone who's is happy and satisfied with their life and well-being. They have enough to make life easy and comfortable for them."

"Happiness, wealth, enjoyment, friendship, big networking."

"Achieving your goals and other things in life that make you happy."

"Thriving to be above the rest of my other students."

"Success starts in the classroom. Passing class is successful. After college, finding a career with at least \$60,000 salary. Having a healthy family and being independent."

"Success to me looks like finishing my degree here at Ferris and becoming a paralegal. Being a great paralegal and then being accepted to law school. After law school, passing the bar and becoming an attorney."

"Success to me is making a lot of money and being happily married to a good looking girl."

"I believe success is when you graduate from college and then get a job that has a great benefit package and salary over \$60,000."

"Success to me looks like having a job that I love doing and allows me to support myself and eventually a family. I hope that it is a job that will allow me to make others happy. Success is having fun in life, out working hard in order to have fun."

"To learn as much as you can in the career I want to go into. To be asked to do something for my job and me able to say, yes I can do that."

"Success is preparing for a career successfully, while differentiating myself from other in my field. This also means working up a list of contacts in the industry by graduation."

"Success to me is doing good in school, accomplishing goals I have and graduating college to get a good paying job."

"To me getting my degree and have a good job to be successful. Also, doing anything I want for my lifestyle."

"Being happy in my career, making lots of money, being able to balance family and work."

"Having a career in the music industry that I love and can earn enough money to live comfortably."

"Success to me looks like me being able to look back at my life and not change anything, for the simple fact that at that point in my life I am happy."

"Being happy with what you do in life."

"Success to me is accomplishing the goals you have set for yourself, no matter what they are."

"Getting a good job"

"Success looks like an A on my transcript and a job offer."

"Success for me would be a top 100 golf instructor in the country. I would really love to work with guys on the PGA tour."

"Success to me is getting, understanding, and achieving goals that I have set for myself. Get into college, graduate from college, and get the job of my dreams."

"Success to me is learning the knowledge both by reading and doing to earn a successful income and be able to do the things I want."

"Pay-off student loans and freely travel the world until satisfied."

"Job placement"

"Success for me is a six figure salary at the least and being employed by a large firm hoping to one day own my own company."

"Success looks like a well paying career, great family life, happiness."

"Success is attaining your goals that you have decided for yourself. Such as finishing college."

"Success is being happy and comfortable while doing things that are enjoyable personally."

"To get a job right after getting my bachelors degree."

"Making enough money for my family to live comfortably and happily."

"Success is getting a degree and graduating with good grades. Doing successful in football is also important to me. Coming away with good friends and good memories."

"It means meeting all the demands that are put in front of you. My goal is to obtain my 4 year degree in Secondary Education. Getting a Major in History and a Minor in Political Science. It takes a lot of time and investment to be a successful student here. You at some point have to put other desires aside in order to get that grade you want. It takes a lot of patience to be a great student."

“Student success means that I will graduate on time or close to it. It starts with having professors that care and will help me succeed. Be open for questions.”

“Student success means learning the given information. It starts with the professors teaching the information effectively. If a teacher is not doing that a student cannot do it alone. Then a student must put forth the effort to learn and retain the information to get the desired grade. I think being successful is getting a bachelor’s degree, and possibly a master’s degree. From these degrees getting a desired job.”

“Being prepared for your career. Learning how to be the best in your job choice. Taking out lots of knowledge that you will need in your career.”

“Student success to me means simply what it is – to succeed. When you set goals and achieve them then you succeed. When you feel accomplished about something you’ve done, you’re succeeding in your own eyes.”

“Student success is not only getting good grades in classes. It is being prepared for your future. I hate classes that are really easy and require no growth throughout the semester. Throughout my career here at FSU I want to personally grow and to be able to go into a teaching job feeling confident that I can be successful at it.”

“Learning and gaining the necessary knowledge that I need in order to graduate. Having that knowledge, be able to pass it back down to my students when I become a teacher. I went away to school to have the college experience and learn the qualities I need to make me a good teacher and overall a better person.”

“Student success currently means doing well in class and actually learning. Some classes I’ve taken have been busy work that meant nothing to me as long as I got an “A” on it. I want my classes to be interactive and enjoyable. I also want to be able to keep my tests after I have taken it and gotten it back graded. How am I supposed to look back at the information I’ve learned if I sold my book? Notes are good by messy and unclear.

“Student success is usually defined as getting a good grade in class. For me, it is about really learning the content in classes so I understand it fully. As an education major all of my core classes need to teach me enough so that I can teach it to my students someday.”

“Success means that I will get a 4 year degree with a high gpa in order for a job in my future. I want a good opportunity to get a job in the teaching field.”

“Success means to me, being happy with what you have achieved. Whether it’s graduating w/ a high gpa, or completing your program. To me personally it would be achieving my degree in a timely manner with a good gpa, and being able to get a good job after graduation.”

"I believe success as a student involves more than just getting good grades, but rather, completing the necessary courses well while still being challenged. Sometimes it's just a bit too easy to skate through college and not learn much."

"Completing my program with a high gpa and then getting a job."

"It means graduating in 4 years with a good gpa and being able to find a job fast."

"Student success means getting my teaching degree that would ultimately lead to a job. I want to be involved in as much as I can, including student organizations to better prepare me for teaching and make me a better person overall."

"Student success to me means to achieve a person's desired goals. Success comes at a different rate for everyone whether it's academic or goal oriented. To me, student success is keeping a 3.5 gpa at the minimum, and being able to obtain a job after college."

"When you have a full understanding of the job you will be getting from your degree. I am not so much focused on grades but more of getting the knowledge I need to become not just a good teacher, but an excellent teacher."

"Completing my four year degree, while maintaining a good gpa and making good friends in the campus community."

"Doing well in one's classes and actually remembering what you've learned once you've finished with the class. Also getting experience or opportunities to be involved in situations that are very similar to ones you'll have once you get your degree and a job from it."

"Success at Ferris for me means completing my four year bachelor's degree with a minimum of a 3.0 gpa."

"Student success means having the opportunity to graduate from college with the desired degree in a timely fashion. Being able to get a bachelor's degree in 4-5 years is critical. As well as accepting more transfer credits from community colleges."

"Completing each course at/near top grade for the class. Graduating with high gpa, possibly ahead of schedule, and with field experience in field of work. Being able to get a job with my degree after graduation."

"Success is a very broad term, but I have my own definition. I believe success is getting all A's and B's every semester, actually learning things that stick with you, graduating, and finding a job."

"To me, student success is being able to take courses that will provide me with the knowledge and skills I will need in order to successfully find employment when I graduate. It also means completing these courses with the best possible grade that I can (hopefully an A) in order to show that I have mastered the material. Additionally, student success means being able to complete my degree on time."



**Tabulation:**

Being academically successful	40 students
Good gpa	24 students
Passing all classes	20 students
Understand the material given	29 students
Attending class everyday	16 students
Doing well at their job	14 students
Achieving set goals	38 students
Getting a good job	17 students
Graduating	10 students