

Southeastern Louisiana University
Transfer Analysis
2011 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 which are students who are 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 2011 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 98% 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. Only when a student graduates will NSC provide degree and major information.

There are 2,289 students in the 2011 revised cohort. 946 students or 41.3% of the cohort graduated from Southeastern within six years. The 758 confirmed transfers represent an additional 33.1% of the cohort. Of the transfer out students, the majority was freshmen and had a cumulative grade point average of 1.310. There were 248 freshmen who transferred with 15 or fewer cumulative hours earned.

I. When our students left Southeastern:

What was the last Student Classification at Southeastern?

Freshmen	438	57.8%
Sophomore	194	25.6%
Junior	99	13.1%
Senior	27	3.6%

Cumulative GPA Before Transferring:

0.000 – 1.999	401	52.2%
2.000 – 2.499	105	13.9%
2.500 – 2.999	106	14.0%
3.000 – 3.499	97	12.8%
3.500 – 3.999	41	5.4%
4.000	8	1.1%

Academic Plan Before Transferring:

BS in Nursing	174	23.0%
BS in Biology	61	7.9%
BGS in General Studies	40	5.3%
BS in Kinesiology	40	5.3%
Undecided	36	4.7%
BS in Physics	33	4.4%
BA in Criminal Justice	26	3.4%
BA in Psychology	26	3.4%
BA in Management	25	3.3%
BBA in Business Administration	25	3.2%
BS in Early Childhood Education	25	3.3%
BA in Communication	22	2.9%
BS in Computer Science	22	2.8%
BS in Engineering Technology	18	2.4%
BS in Elementary Education	17	2.2%
BA in Art	15	2.0%
BS in Accounting	15	2.0%
BA in English	11	1.5%
BA in Marketing	11	1.5%
BS in Athletic Training	11	1.5%
BS in Chemistry	10	1.3%
BM in Music	9	1.2%
BA in English Education	8	0.9%
BA in History	8	1.1%
BS in Finance	8	1.1%
BS in Industrial Technology	8	1.1%
BS in Sports Management	8	1.1%
AGS in General Studies	5	0.7%
BS in Family and Consumer Science	5	0.7%

BA in Political Science	4	0.5%
AAS in Industrial Technology	3	0.4%
BA in Social Studies Education	3	0.4%
BS in Communication Sciences & Disorders	3	0.4%
BS in Health Education & Promotion	3	0.4%
BS in Mathematics	3	0.4%
BS in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment	3	0.4%
BA in Social Work	2	0.3%
BA in Sociology	2	0.3%
BS in Computer Science Education	2	0.3%
BS in Elementary & Special Education	2	0.3%
BS in Health & Physical Education	2	0.3%
BS in Middle School Education	2	0.3%
BS in Health Studies	1	0.1%
BS in Middle School Education & Special Education Mild/Moderate Grades 4-8	1	0.1%
Total	758	

II. Where Did Students Transfer?

Level of Institution

2 Year Institution	471	62.1%
4 Year Institution	279	36.8%
Technical Institution	8	1.1%

Sector of Institution

Public	664	87.6%
Private	94	12.4%

Top Ten Institutions

Delgado Community College	158	20.8%
Baton Rouge Community College	120	15.8%
Louisiana State University - BR	57	7.5%
Northshore Technical College	47	6.2%
River Parishes Community College	34	4.5%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	30	4.0%
University of New Orleans	30	4.0%
Southern University and A&M College	20	2.6%
University of Louisiana Lafayette	16	2.1%
Nicholls State University	13	1.7%

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 52% of Southeastern's transfer out Nursing students.

Where Did Nursing Students Transfer? Top Ten

Delgado Community College	38	21.8%
Baton Rouge Community College	27	15.5%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	25	14.4%
Southern University and A&M College	11	6.3%
Northshore Technical College	9	5.2%
River Parishes Community College	9	5.2%
LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans	6	3.4%
Southwest Mississippi Community College	5	2.9%
South Louisiana Community College	3	1.7%
University of Holy Cross	3	1.7%

III. Students who Graduated from Another Institution

Seven hundred and fifty-eight students were verified as transferring to another institution. NSC reports which students received some form of graduation recognition from another institution and that is summarized below.

For the students that graduated with an Associate, Bachelor, or Master degree from another institution the Southeastern statistics upon leaving Southeastern were: average cumulative hours earned was 42.7, average cumulative GPA was 2.719, and the average ACT composite was 22.48. For the students that did not receive a degree or certificate the comparative numbers were 26.9, 1.540, and 21.35 respectively.

Awards That Were Conferred Upon Southeastern Transfer Out Students:

Associate	73	9.6%
Bachelor	152	20.1%
Master	3	0.4%
Certificate	66	8.7%
Award not disclosed	13	1.7%
None	451	59.5%

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

Louisiana State University - BR	45	19.7%
Delgado Community College	19	8.3%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady Of the Lake)	19	8.3%
University of New Orleans	17	7.5%
Southern University and A&M College	15	6.6%
Baton Rouge Community College	12	5.3%
University of Louisiana Lafayette	11	4.8%
Louisiana Tech University	9	3.9%
LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans	8	3.5%
Nicholls State University	7	3.1%
The University of Louisiana - Monroe	7	3.1%
Northshore Technical College	5	2.2%
River Parishes Community College	5	2.2%
South Louisiana Community College	3	1.3%
Southwest Mississippi Community College	3	1.3%
Belhaven University	2	0.9%
McNeese State University	2	0.9%
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College - Perkinston	2	0.9%
Nunez Community College	2	0.9%
Pearl River Community College	2	0.9%
Tulane University	2	0.9%
University of Holy Cross	2	0.9%
University of Phoenix	2	0.9%
* Includes only Associate, Bachelor, and Master degree recipients		

Majors of Those Students That Graduated From Another Institution:*

Nursing	32	14.0%
General Studies	14	6.1%
Marketing	9	3.9%
Criminal Justice	6	2.6%
Construction Management	6	2.6%
Sociology	5	2.2%
Psychology	5	2.2%
Process Technology	5	2.2%
Mechanical Engineering	5	2.2%
Management	5	2.2%
Studio Art	4	1.8%

Majors of Those Students that Graduated From Another Institution Continued:*

Civil Engineering	4	1.8%
Sport Administration	3	1.3%
Pharmaceutical Sciences	3	1.3%
Finance	3	1.3%
Entertainment Technology	3	1.3%
Business Administration	3	1.3%
Accounting	3	1.3%
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