

Southeastern Louisiana University
Transfer Analysis
2014 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 2014 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 99% 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 were 2,344 students in the revised 2014 cohort. From the cohort, 942 students or 40.2% of the cohort graduated from Southeastern within six years (through Summer 2020). There are 102 students (4.4%) from the 2014 cohort who were still enrolled at Southeastern in Fall of 2020. The 724 confirmed transfers represent an additional 30.9% of the cohort.

The average GPA of students who transferred was 1.954. Within the group of transfers, there were 8 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, 29 students (4.1%) transferred with 0 hours, 201 students (28.1%) transferred with 1 to 15 cumulative hours earned, and 486 (67.9%) transferred with 16 or more cumulative hours earned.

I. When our students left Southeastern:

What was the last Student Classification at Southeastern?

| | | |
|-----------|-----|-------|
| Freshmen | 376 | 51.9% |
| Sophomore | 205 | 28.3% |
| Junior | 114 | 15.7% |
| Senior | 29 | 4.0% |

Cumulative GPA before Transferring:

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-----|-------|
| 0.000 – 1.999 | 364 | 50.3% |
| 2.000 – 2.499 | 115 | 15.9% |
| 2.500 – 2.999 | 109 | 15.1% |
| 3.000 – 3.499 | 84 | 11.6% |
| 3.500 – 3.999 | 39 | 5.4% |
| 4.000 | 5 | 0.7% |
| Withdrew before completing a semester | 8 | 1.1% |

Cumulative GPA before Transferring Based on Classification:

| | | |
|-----------|-------|-----|
| Freshmen | 1.347 | 368 |
| Sophomore | 2.484 | 205 |
| Junior | 2.796 | 114 |
| Senior | 2.590 | 29 |
| Overall | 1.954 | 716 |

Academic Plan before Transferring:

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------|
| BS in Nursing | 107 | 14.8% |
| BS in Biology | 69 | 9.5% |
| BGS in General Studies | 44 | 6.1% |
| BS in Kinesiology | 39 | 5.4% |
| BA in Psychology | 35 | 4.8% |
| BA in Criminal Justice | 33 | 4.6% |
| BSN in Nursing | 31 | 4.3% |
| BS in Engineering Technology | 30 | 4.1% |
| BBA in Business Administration | 28 | 3.9% |
| BA in Art | 23 | 3.2% |
| BS in Early Childhood Education | 20 | 2.8% |
| BA in Management | 20 | 2.8% |
| BA in Communication | 16 | 2.2% |

Academic Plan before Transferring Continued:

| | | |
|---|-----|------|
| BA in Marketing | 16 | 2.2% |
| BA in Social Work | 16 | 2.2% |
| Undecided | 14 | 1.9% |
| BS in Accounting | 13 | 1.8% |
| BS in Computer Science | 13 | 1.8% |
| BS in Physics | 13 | 1.8% |
| BS in Athletic Training | 11 | 1.5% |
| BS in Chemistry | 11 | 1.5% |
| AAS in Industrial Technology | 10 | 1.4% |
| BS in Information Technology | 10 | 1.4% |
| BS in Elementary Education | 9 | 1.2% |
| BA in English | 9 | 1.2% |
| BS in Family and Consumer Science | 9 | 1.2% |
| BS in Industrial Technology | 9 | 1.2% |
| BS in Finance | 7 | 1.0% |
| BS in Sports Management | 7 | 1.0% |
| BS in Communication Sciences & Disorders | 6 | 0.8% |
| BS in Middle School Education | 6 | 0.8% |
| BS in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment | 6 | 0.8% |
| BA in Political Science | 6 | 0.8% |
| BA in History | 5 | 0.7% |
| BA in English Education | 3 | 0.4% |
| BS in Health & Physical Education | 3 | 0.4% |
| BS in Mathematics | 3 | 0.4% |
| BM in Music | 3 | 0.4% |
| BA in Sociology | 3 | 0.4% |
| BA in Social Studies Education | 3 | 0.4% |
| BS in Elementary and Special Education | 2 | 0.3% |
| BS in Health Education & Promotion | 2 | 0.3% |
| BS in Health Systems Management | 1 | 0.1% |
| Total | 724 | 100% |

II. Where Did Students Transfer?

Level of Institution

| | | |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 2 Year Institution | 481 | 66.4% |
| 4 Year Institution | 243 | 33.6% |

Sector of Institution

| | | |
|---------|-----|-------|
| Public | 626 | 86.5% |
| Private | 98 | 13.5% |

Top Institutions

| | | |
|---|-----|-------|
| Baton Rouge Community College | 135 | 18.6% |
| Delgado Community College | 125 | 17.3% |
| Northshore Technical Community College | 92 | 12.7% |
| Louisiana State University | 51 | 7.0% |
| River Parishes Community College | 34 | 4.7% |
| Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake) | 26 | 3.6% |
| University of New Orleans | 23 | 3.2% |
| Southern University and A&M College | 18 | 2.5% |
| University of Louisiana Lafayette | 15 | 2.1% |
| Nunez Community College | 10 | 1.4% |
| Pearl River Community College | 10 | 1.4% |
| ITI Technical College | 10 | 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 55.8% of Southeastern's transfer out Nursing students.

Where Did Nursing Students Transfer? Top Institutions

| | | |
|---|----|-------|
| Delgado Community College | 36 | 26.1% |
| Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake) | 21 | 15.2% |
| Baton Rouge Community College | 20 | 14.5% |
| Southern University and A&M College | 12 | 8.7% |
| Northshore Technical Community College | 10 | 7.2% |
| River Parishes Community College | 9 | 6.5% |
| Louisiana State University | 3 | 2.2% |
| Nicholls State University | 2 | 1.4% |
| University of Holy Cross | 2 | 1.4% |
| University of Louisiana Lafayette | 2 | 1.4% |
| University of New Orleans | 2 | 1.4% |

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 227 students who graduated with an Associate or Bachelor degree from another institution. For these students, the average cumulative hours earned at Southeastern was 41.9, average cumulative GPA was 2.666, and the average ACT composite was 22.0. For the students that did not receive an Associate or Bachelor degree, the comparative numbers were 32.6, 1.618, and 20.1 respectively.

Awards That Were Awarded to Southeastern Transfer out Students:

| | | |
|---------------------|-----|-------|
| Associate | 93 | 30.6% |
| Bachelor | 134 | 44.1% |
| Certificate | 50 | 16.4% |
| Other | 14 | 4.6% |
| Award not disclosed | 13 | 4.3% |
| Total | 304 | 100% |

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

| | | |
|---|----|-------|
| Louisiana State University | 42 | 18.5% |
| Baton Rouge Community College | 22 | 9.7% |
| Northshore Technical Community College | 21 | 9.3% |
| Delgado Community College | 17 | 7.5% |
| University of New Orleans | 17 | 7.5% |
| Southern University and A&M College | 14 | 6.2% |
| University of Louisiana Lafayette | 10 | 4.4% |
| LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans | 9 | 4.0% |
| River Parishes Community College | 9 | 4.0% |
| Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady Of the Lake) | 8 | 3.5% |
| Pearl River Community College | 6 | 2.6% |
| Fletcher Technical Community College | 4 | 1.8% |
| Nicholls State University | 4 | 1.8% |
| Nunez Community College | 4 | 1.8% |
| Southwest Mississippi Community College | 4 | 1.8% |

* Includes only Associate and Bachelor degree recipients

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

| | | |
|---|-----|-------|
| Nursing | 16 | 11.9% |
| Business Administration and Management | 14 | 10.4% |
| Interdisciplinary Studies | 12 | 9.0% |
| Engineering | 11 | 8.2% |
| Psychology | 8 | 6.0% |
| Biological & Biomedical Sciences | 6 | 4.5% |
| Dental Hygiene/Hygienist | 6 | 4.5% |
| Marketing | 6 | 4.5% |
| Construction Management | 5 | 3.7% |
| Mass Communication | 4 | 3.0% |
| Physical Ed. Teaching & Coaching | 4 | 3.0% |
| Visual and Performing Arts | 4 | 3.0% |
| Allied Health Diagnostic, Intervention, and Treatment Professions | 4 | 3.0% |
| Accounting | 4 | 3.0% |
| Criminal Justice | 3 | 2.2% |
| Audiology/Audiologist & Speech-Language Pathology/Pathologist | 3 | 2.2% |
| History | 3 | 2.2% |
| English | 2 | 1.5% |
| Nutrition Sciences | 2 | 1.5% |
| Health and Physical Education/Fitness | 2 | 1.5% |
| Dietetics and Clinical Nutrition Services | 2 | 1.5% |
| Finance | 2 | 1.5% |
| Interior Design | 1 | 0.7% |
| Animation | 1 | 0.7% |
| Education | 1 | 0.7% |
| Elementary Teacher Education | 1 | 0.7% |
| Petroleum Technology/Technician | 1 | 0.7% |
| International Studies | 1 | 0.7% |
| Theology | 1 | 0.7% |
| Social Work | 1 | 0.7% |
| Political Science | 1 | 0.7% |
| Aviation/Airway Management and Operations | 1 | 0.7% |
| Management Science | 1 | 0.7% |
| Total | 134 | |

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

| | | |
|--|----|-------|
| General Studies | 21 | 22.6% |
| Industrial Production Technologies | 10 | 10.8% |
| Business, Management, Marketing, and Related | 9 | 9.7% |
| Health Professions and Related Programs | 8 | 8.6% |
| Liberal Arts and Sciences | 7 | 7.5% |
| Nursing | 7 | 7.5% |
| Engineering Technologies | 5 | 5.4% |
| Construction Management | 5 | 5.4% |
| Mechanic and Repair Technologies | 4 | 4.3% |
| Computer and Information Sciences and Support Services | 4 | 4.3% |
| Criminal Justice and Corrections | 4 | 4.3% |
| Visual and Performing Arts | 3 | 3.2% |
| Family and Consumer Sciences | 2 | 2.2% |
| Education | 2 | 2.2% |
| Social Sciences | 1 | 1.1% |
| Legal Assistant/Paralegal | 1 | 1.1% |
| Total | 93 | |

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

| | | |
|--|----|-------|
| General Studies | 37 | 57.8% |
| Nursing | 9 | 14.1% |
| Health Professions and Related Programs | 8 | 12.5% |
| Drafting and Design Technologies | 3 | 4.7% |
| Mechanic and Repair Technologies | 2 | 3.1% |
| Cosmetology | 1 | 1.6% |
| Industrial Production Technologies | 1 | 1.6% |
| Diver | 1 | 1.6% |
| Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunicator | 1 | 1.6% |
| Electrician | 1 | 1.6% |
| Total | 64 | |