



# Student Success Partners

## Graduation Rates



### Key Definitions:

- **Cohort term** – The student’s first term at Winthrop as a degree-seeking student. A student’s cohort term never changes, regardless of any instances of stopping or dropping out.
- **First-time freshmen** – Degree-seeking undergraduates attending college for the first time after graduating high school, including those who earned enough college credits in high school to be classified as sophomores or juniors during their first term.
- **First-time transfer** – Degree-seeking undergraduates known to have attended another postsecondary institution after graduating high school, enrolled at Winthrop for the first time.
- **Full-time** – Undergraduate students enrolled in twelve or more credit hours at the start of the term.
- **Persistence rate** – The percentage of the fall cohort of students who enrolled at the same institution in subsequent terms. This dashboard includes persistence rates for first-time freshmen and first-time transfer cohorts.
- **Graduation rate** – Typically refers to the percentage of the fall cohort of first-time, full-time freshmen awarded a bachelor’s degree by the end of the summer of the academic year in question (ex., four years, six years, etc.), at the same institution of initial enrollment. This dashboard also includes transfer and part-time student graduation rates.
- **College completion rate** – A term used by National Student Clearinghouse to refer to the percentage of first-time, full-time freshmen who completed a degree at *any* institution within four years, six years, etc.

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