

OFFICE FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

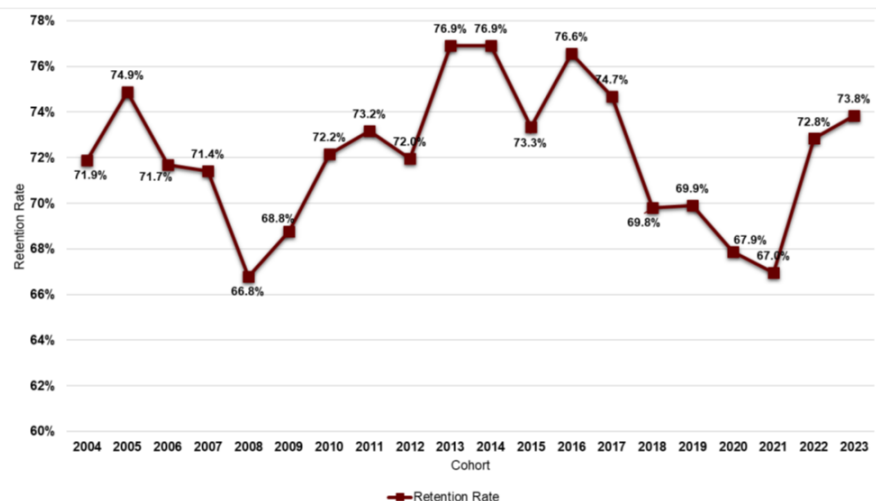
Start: July 2025

Finish: June 2026

Budget: \$150,000

Actual YTD: \$75,000

Fall-to-Fall First-Time, Full-Time Freshman Retention Rate



KEY GOAL
Increase at least
3.5% by Fall
2028 data
report – two full
cycles after
implementation

RISK/MITIGATION

This project was 100% successful. All goals were met. The upcoming 2026-2027 academic year will be a critical year for the rollout of this new shared advising model as we encounter unexpected obstacles and pivot as needed. The project came in under budget because the new personnel did not start until the beginning and middle of May, so a smaller portion of the salaries were needed for FY26.

Q4 HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ The new Executive Director and professional advisors have joined the Winthrop family and are becoming acclimated with systems and processes.
- ✓ Summer Orientation Sessions proceed as usual, but with the new Shared Advising methodology top of mind.
- ✓ Results of new ACAD 150 course are analyzed.
- ✓ Reporting lines officially changed to the new Executive Director.

CONTINUING OBJECTIVES

- In Fall 2026, we will adjust the proactive advising model as needed based on additional feedback from advisors and Executive Director.
- Explore proactive advising software.
- Hold the second annual SuccessFest.

Status:



Lead: Sebastian van Delden

Pillars: Educate, Enrich

Date: 05/05/2026

DESCRIPTION

The new Office for Student Success serves as a nexus for advising, retention, and success. This launch period includes creating a new shared advising model, SuccessFest event, ACAD course for probationary students, a retention workshop, and a new transfer student advising center.

