

**Overview of 2+2 Transfer Students in the State University System
June 28, 2018**

State University System Enrollments by Student Type

Florida College System (FCS) Associate of Arts (AA) transfer students are consistently a significant source of State University System (SUS) enrollments, making up slightly more than a quarter of new enrollments.

Table 1: Undergraduate Students by Type of Student at Most Recent Entry									
Fall Term	FTIC		FCS AA		FCS AS		Other Transfer		Total
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
2010	144,817	59	61,549	25	1,983	1	39,059	16	247,408
2011	146,473	58	66,235	26	2,031	1	39,613	16	254,352
2012	146,697	57	68,817	27	2,333	1	40,317	16	258,164
2013	147,274	57	69,853	27	2,411	1	41,096	16	260,634
2014	148,879	57	70,235	27	2,532	1	41,312	16	262,958
2015	150,419	56	71,189	27	2,621	1	43,127	16	267,355
2016	152,265	56	71,796	26	2,641	1	44,699	16	271,401
2017	154,022	56	71,358	26	2,665	1	47,011	17	275,056

Source: Board of Governors staff analysis of the State University Database System (SUDS).

FCS AA Transfer Student Applications

More than 1/3 of FCS AA graduates each year do not apply for admission to a state university and the proportion who do not apply has been increasing.

The percentage of FCS AA transfer students who applied and were admitted to the SUS has remained fairly constant over time.

Table 2: Florida College System Transfers with Associate in Arts							
	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
AA Graduates	52,317	62,614	57,690	55,132	55,888	57,799	57,864
SUS Applicants	32,267	34,924	35,851	35,579	35,326	35,466	35,441
% Applicants	62.7%	56.8%	62.1%	64.5%	63.2%	61.4%	61.2%
# Admitted	27,949	30,375	30,532	30,287	30,107	30,584	30,491
% Admitted	86.6%	87.0%	85.2%	85.1%	85.2%	86.2%	86.0%
# Enrolled	23,645	25,560	25,233	25,195	25,092	25,440	25,181
% Enrolled	84.6%	84.1%	82.6%	83.2%	83.3%	83.2%	82.6%
# did not apply	20,050	27,690	21,839	19,553	20,562	22,333	22,423
% of Total	38.3%	44.2%	37.9%	35.5%	36.8%	38.6%	38.8%

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AA Transfer Student Application Patterns

Nine out of ten FCS AA transfer students into the SUS apply to only one state university. This holds true for both those admitted and those denied.

Table 3A: FCS AA Transfer Applicants by Number of Institutions to Which Students Applied						
NUMBER of INSTITUTIONS	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1	31,975	91%	32,240	91%	32,132	91%
2	2,696	8%	2,596	7%	2,661	8%
3	517	1%	489	1%	507	1%
4+	138	0.4%	141	0.4%	141	0.4%
TOTAL	35,326	100%	35,466	100%	35,441	100%

Source: Board of Governors staff analysis of the State University Database System (SUDS).

Table 3B: FCS AA Transfer Applicants NOT Admitted to SUS Institution			
NUMBER of TIMES DENIED	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
1	2,987	3,968	4,112
2	222	234	206
3	16	14	10
4-8	1	1	5
TOTAL	3,226	4,217	4,333

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Student Demographics

The proportion of men and women who are FCS AA transfer students mirrors very closely that for FTIC students in the SUS.

Table 4: Student Gender								
FCS AA TRANSFER FALL ENROLLMENT HEADCOUNTS								
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Female	56%	56%	56%	56%	55%	55%	56%	56%
Male	44%	44%	44%	44%	45%	45%	44%	44%
FTIC FALL ENROLLMENT HEADCOUNTS								
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Female	55%	56%	56%	56%	56%	56%	56%	56%
Male	45%	44%	44%	44%	44%	44%	44%	44%

Source: Board of Governors staff analysis of the State University Database System (SUDS).

Hispanic students comprise a growing percentage of both FTICs and FCS AA Transfer students.

Table 5: Student Race/Ethnicity								
FCS AA TRANSFER FALL ENROLLMENT HEADCOUNTS								
Race/Ethnicity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Asian	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Black	13%	13%	13%	13%	14%	14%	14%	14%
Hispanic	25%	27%	29%	30%	32%	33%	34%	34%
Other	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	6%	7%	7%
White	54%	51%	49%	47%	45%	44%	42%	41%
FTIC FALL ENROLLMENT HEADCOUNTS								
Race/Ethnicity	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Asian	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Black	15%	15%	14%	13%	13%	12%	12%	12%
Hispanic	20%	21%	22%	23%	24%	25%	25%	26%
Other	4%	5%	5%	6%	6%	7%	7%	8%
White	55%	54%	54%	53%	52%	51%	50%	49%

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The average age of FCS AA transfer students is significantly higher than the average age of FTIC students in the SUS.

Table 6: Average (Mean) Age of Students Enrolled in Fall Term				
Fall Term	FCS AA TRANSFERS		FTICs	
	Average	Number	Average	Number
2010	25.9	61,460	20.2	144,063
2011	25.9	66,130	20.2	145,678
2012	25.9	68,700	20.2	145,941
2013	25.9	69,714	20.2	146,646
2014	25.9	70,090	20.1	148,135
2015	25.8	71,189	20.1	150,421
2016	25.6	71,797	20.1	152,268
2017	25.5	71,360	20.1	154,023

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Graduation Rates

FCS AA graduates are able to successfully transfer to a state university and complete a bachelor's degree.

- Although the AA transfer 2-year graduation rates are significantly less than the FTIC 4-year graduation rates, the AA transfer 4-year graduation rates are comparable to the FTIC 6-year graduation rate.

Table 7: FCS AA Transfer Graduation Rates (includes Full- and Part-Time students)							
2-Year Rates	2009-11	2010-12	2011-13	2012-14	2013-15	2014-16	2015-17
Cohort Size	16,675	18,055	18,971	18,815	18,732	18,329	18,600
# Graduated	5,139	5,365	5,363	5,148	5,063	5,098	5,101
Percent	31%	30%	28%	27%	27%	28%	27%
4-Year Rates	2007-11	2008-12	2009-13	2010-14	2011-15	2014-16	2015-17
Cohort Size	13,325	14,172	16,675	18,055	18,971	18,814	18,728
# Graduated	9,291	9,940	11,765	12,482	12,937	12,662	12,751
Percent	70%	70%	71%	69%	68%	67%	68%

Source: Board of Governors staff analysis of the State University Database System (SUDS).

Table 8: FTIC Graduation Rates (includes Full- and Part-Time students)							
4-Year Rates	2007-11	2008-12	2009-13	2010-14	2011-15	2012-16	2013-17
Cohort Size	36,828	35,468	36,710	38,658	38,933	37,114	37,375
# Graduated	14,453	14,912	15,952	16,370	17,164	17,409	18,432
Percent	39%	42%	43%	42%	44%	47%	49%
6-Year Rates	2005-11	2006-12	2007-13	2008-14	2009-15	2012-16	2013-17
Cohort Size	37,503	37,660	36,828	35,468	36,710	38,566	38,685
# Graduated	24,414	25,054	25,035	25,005	26,054	27,171	27,852
Percent	65%	67%	68%	71%	71%	71%	72%

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