

Wage Threshold for Percent of Bachelor's Graduates Employed

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Current Situation



- October 2019, the \$30k threshold for the post-graduate outcome metric was approved in the Board's 2025 Strategic Plan revision
- November 2021, the Board's Budget & Finance Committee increased the PBF#1 wage threshold from \$25k to \$30k to align with the post-graduate outcome metric in the Board's 2025 Strategic Plan
- Board staff asked to provide data on higher PBF#1 wage thresholds to consider further increases moving forward
- Other changes to methodology under consideration based on feedback from Board members & institutions
- Discuss effect of potential changes on Board's 2025 Strategic Plan goal (currently 80%)

Data Consideration





Wage data provided in the System Accountability Plans lag by 2 years because of data collection cycles



- > Outcomes resulting from changes approved today will be reported in Fall 2024
- > The \$15 minimum wage requirement goes into effect statewide on September 30, 2026 (2029 AP)

Graduate Earnings Over Time

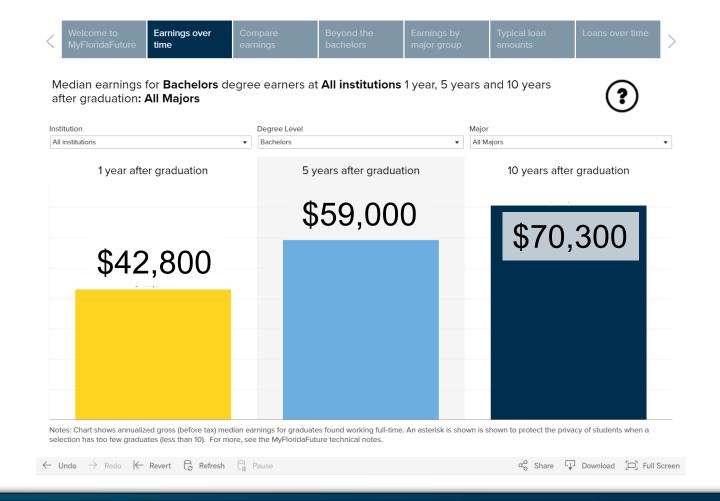


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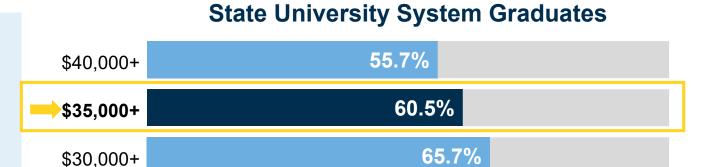
SUS graduates'
median earnings
increase over the
course of their
career

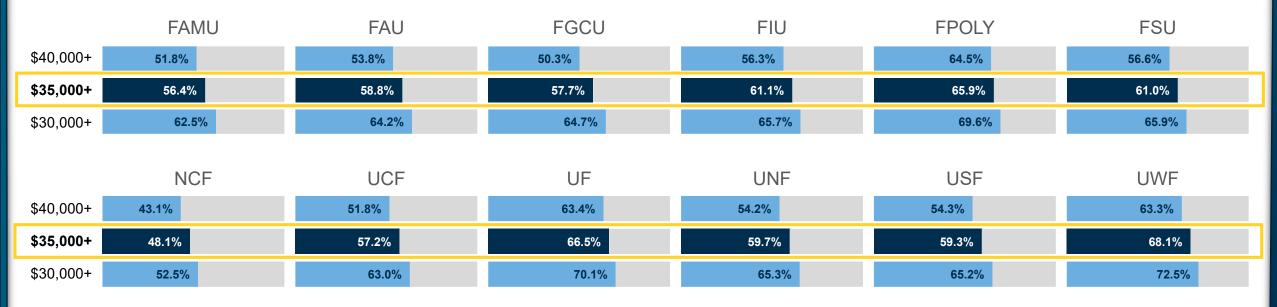


Percent of Bachelor's Graduates Enrolled or Employed 2019-20 Graduates



As the wage threshold increases, the percentage of graduates meeting the threshold decreases





Alternative Denominator



The Board could consider revising the denominator by excluding bachelor's recipients who are not found in the available employment & education data

Students making above the threshold

Bachelors recipients found in data



Bachelors recipients NOT found in data

Current denominator

or

Students making above the threshold

Bachelors recipients found in data

Alternative denominator

This change strengthens the metric by shifting the strategic focus from the relatively few graduates who are not found to improvement over time

Alternative Denominator



- Board's 2025 Strategic Plan goal for PBF#1: 80% (2022-23 cohort)
 - Institutions exceeding 80% with alt. denominator & \$30k threshold: 4
 - Institutions exceeding 80% with alt. denominator & \$35k threshold: 0

PBF#1 Wage Threshold	PBF#1 w/ Current Denominator	PBF#1 w/ Alternate Denominator	Difference
\$30,000	65.7%	78.4%	+12.7%
\$35,000	60.5%	72.2%	+11.7%

- ➤ If threshold & method change, 2025 Strategic Plan goal should be increased
- > Budget & Finance Committee will determine appropriate excellence point benchmark

2025 Strategic Plan Goal





Using a denominator that includes all graduates found, the Strategic Plan Goal may need to be revised

	Goal Goal
FAMU	67%
FAU	72%
FGCU	67%
FIU	75%
FPOLY	77%
FSU	73%
NCF	58%
UCF	69%
UF	79%
UNF	70%
USF	70%
UWF	79%
sus	72%

Action Items to Consider



- Change to alternate denominator
- Change wage threshold for students found working fulltime 1-year after graduation
- Change Board's 2025 Strategic Plan goal



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