

UAA Retention

FALL 2008-18

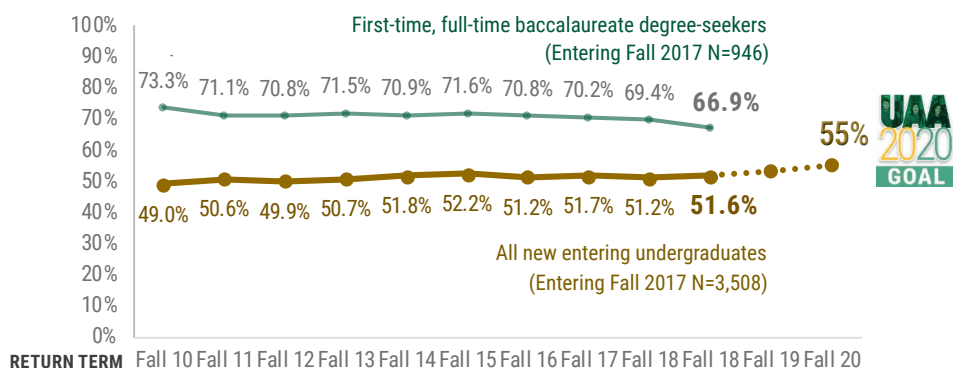
What percentage of new entering students return the **second** fall?

DEFINITION: FIRST-TO-SECOND FALL RETENTION

First-to-second fall retention measures the percentage of students who enter the institution for the first time in a given fall semester and return the following fall. UAA presents the rates for two populations:

- 1) the nationally reported first-time, full-time, baccalaureate degree seeking student retention rate, represented by the **green line**, has been consistently tracked by UAA. These students account for 27% of all new undergraduate entrants.
- 2) all new undergraduate students (including non-degree seeking, transfers, and full and part-time students), represented by the **gold line**. This measure reflects the UAA 2020 goal of improving this rate to 55% by 2020.

10-Year First-to-Second Fall Retention Trends



How do retention rates differ by student characteristics?

Fall 2018 2nd Year Retention Rates by Sub-Cohort and Race/Ethnicity

BY CHARACTERISTIC	FULL-TIME		PART-TIME		TOTAL (FT&PT)	
	Baccalaureate	All	Baccalaureate	All	Baccalaureate	All
TOTAL	66.9%	61.6%	47.2%	40.4%	62.8%	51.6%
Enrolled in 0-Level Math/English ³	55.5%	49.1%	57.5%	44.9%	55.8%	47.5%
1st Generation	64.1%	57.5%	46.2%	40.5%	59.8%	51.7%
Pell Recipient	59.3%	55.2%	43.0%	41.5%	55.3%	50.6%
UA Scholar	84.9%	81.0%	71.4%	53.8%	84.4%	79.5%
AK Native/AKN Multi/ American Indian	49.2%	47.9%	30.6%	42.1%	45.0%	45.5%
Hispanic/Hispanic Multi	64.0%	60.2%	34.6%	42.8%	57.1%	51.6%
African American	67.9%	52.2%	*60.0%	43.1%	65.8%	48.3%
Asian	79.2%	71.5%	52.2%	43.9%	74.4%	61.2%
Native Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	60.0%	50.0%	*75.0%	53.8%	63.2%	51.2%
White	70.4%	64.4%	50.9%	41.0%	66.4%	54.0%

Cohort by Characteristic (N=3,508 students)

- Part-time: 47%
- Baccalaureate Degree Seeking: 43%
- Associate Degree Seeking: 23%
- Not admitted to a degree program: 32%
- Enrolled in 0-Level Math/English³: 19%
- First Generation: 17%
- Pell Eligible: 24%
- UA Scholar: 7%
- Alaska Native: 10%
- Hispanic: 9%
- Asian: 8%
- African American: 3%
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander: 1%
- White: 49%

NOTES: **1)** Percentages in **Red** highlight rates that are below 51.6%, the fall 2018 rate for all entering undergraduates. **2)** The Baccalaureate category above includes only first-time freshman students (no transfers). **3)** Students enrolled in one or more 050-099 writing and/or math courses are defined as "underprepared" by UA Statewide. **4)** an asterisk indicates 10 or fewer students in the group.

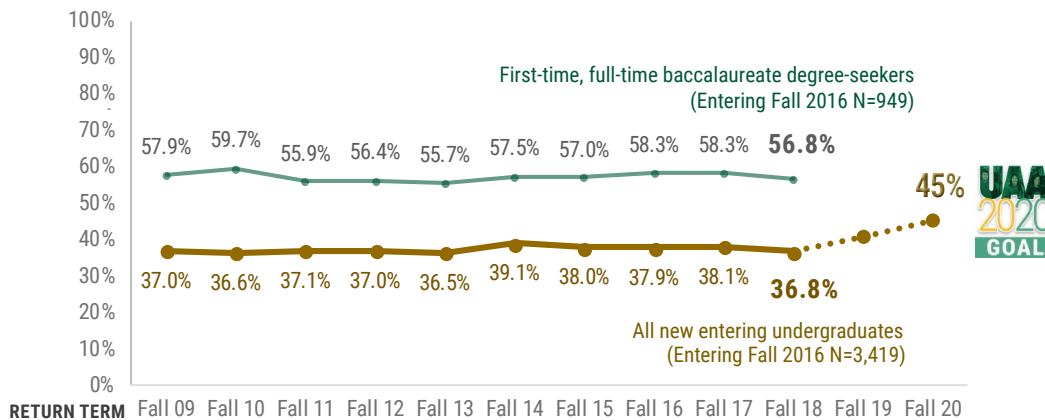
What percentage of new entering students return the **third** fall?

DEFINITION: FIRST-TO-THIRD FALL RETENTION

First-to-third fall retention measures the percentage of students who enter the institution for the first time in a given fall semester and return for a third fall term two years later. These students may or may not have enrolled continuously since their entry. UAA presents the rates for two populations:

- 1) first-time, full-time, baccalaureate degree seeking students returning the third fall, represented by the **green line**; and
- 2) all new undergraduate students (including non-degree seeking, transfers, and full and part-time students) returning the third fall, represented by the **gold line**. This measure reflects the **UAA 2020** goal of improving this rate to 45% by 2020.

10-Year First-to-Third Fall Retention Trends



What were the enrollment patterns for all new undergraduates entering in fall 2016?

Enrollment pattern of those RETURNING for third year
(N=1,258)

- 79% were enrolled continuously (no stop-outs)
- 11% skipped one semester
- 7% skipped two semesters
- 3% skipped three semesters

What happened to those who did NOT enroll in fall 2018?
(N=2,163)

- 21% were enrolled elsewhere
- 4% received an award from UAA

Fall 2018 3rd Year Retention Rates by Sub-Cohort and Race/Ethnicity

BY CHARACTERISTIC	FULL-TIME		PART-TIME		TOTAL (FT&PT)	
	Baccalaureate	All	Baccalaureate	All	Baccalaureate	All
TOTAL	56.8%	47.3%	37.7%	25.7%	52.8%	36.8%
Enrolled in 0-Level Math/English ³	45.2%	39.2%	35.3%	29.5%	42.4%	35.3%
1st Generation	49.1%	44.4%	32.8%	31.1%	45.4%	39.0%
Pell Recipient	54.8%	45.1%	41.6%	28.5%	51.9%	39.3%
UA Scholar	70.9%	64.3%	50.0%	31.3%	70.0%	62.2%
AK Native/AKN Multi/American Indian	35.3%	31.6%	26.2%	29.4%	33.1%	30.7%
Hispanic/Hispanic Multi	61.2%	46.0%	59.1%	24.8%	60.7%	36.2%
African American	52.0%	43.6%	17.6%	15.4%	38.1%	28.3%
Asian	68.7%	58.9%	43.3%	35.3%	63.4%	50.8%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	60.0%	57.1%	*20.0%	*20.0%	46.7%	41.7%
White	58.3%	49.0%	41.1%	24.7%	55.3%	37.9%

NOTES:

- 1) Percentages in **Red** highlight rates that are below 36.8%, the fall 2018 rate for all entering undergraduates.
- 2) The Baccalaureate category includes only first-time freshman students (no transfers).
- 3) Students enrolled in one or more 050-099 writing and/or math courses are defined as "underprepared" by UA Statewide.
- 4) an asterisk indicates 10 or fewer students in the group.