

Retention and Graduation Rates

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Retention and Graduation Rates (First-time, full-time freshmen cohorts only)

Year Enrolled	"Class of"	Entering*	Returned following fall (retention rate)		Graduated (graduation rate)					
			Count	%	Within 4 years		Within 5 years		Within 6 years	
			Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
1996	2000	471	436	92.6%	399	84.7%	412	87.5%	413	87.7%
1997	2001	485	442	91.1%	409	84.3%	417	86.0%	419	86.4%
1998	2002	455	426	93.6%	385	84.6%	399	87.7%	399	87.7%
1999	2003	488	463	94.9%	413	84.6%	433	88.7%	434	88.9%
2000	2004	468	440	94.0%	395	84.4%	404	86.3%	407	87.0%
2001	2005	487	446	91.6%	409	84.0%	422	86.7%		
2002	2006	471	438	93.0%	394	83.7%				
2003	2007	473	433	91.5%						
2004	2008	507	475	93.7%						
2005	2009	511	478	93.5%						

*Note: Following federal guidelines, students that were deceased or entered military service while enrolled at Colby are excluded from entering cohorts for the purposes of calculating graduation rate.

Retention and graduation rate averages (Most recent available 5-year averages)

	Years Enrolled	"Classes of"	Total Entering	Total number Retained/Graduated	5-Year Average Retention/Graduation Rate
One-Year Retention Rate	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	2449	2270	92.7%
4-Year Graduation Rate	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	2369	1996	84.3%
5-Year Graduation Rate	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	2383	2075	87.1%
6-Year Graduation Rate	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	2367	2072	87.5%

Retention and graduation rate averages by gender (Most recent available 5-year averages)

	Years Enrolled	"Classes of"	Total Entering	Total number Retained/Graduated	5-Year Average Retention/Graduation Rate
One-Year Retention Rate					
Female	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	1311	1209	92.2%
Male	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	1138	1061	93.2%
4-Year Graduation Rate					
Female	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	1259	1068	84.8%
Male	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	1110	928	83.6%
5-Year Graduation Rate					
Female	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	1274	1110	87.1%
Male	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	1109	965	87.0%
6-Year Graduation Rate					
Female	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	1275	1110	87.1%
Male	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	1092	962	88.1%

Retention and graduation rate averages by ethnicity (Most recent available 5-year averages)

	<i>Years Enrolled</i>	<i>"Classes of"</i>	<i>Total Entering</i>	<i>Total number Retained/Graduated</i>	<i>5-Year Average Retention/ Graduation Rate</i>
One-Year Retention Rate					
African-American	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	44	42	95.5%
Latino/a	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	70	54	77.1%
Native American	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	12	12	100.0%
Asian-American	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	139	132	95.0%
ALANA Subtotal	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	265	240	90.6%
International	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	186	179	96.2%
White	2001 thru 2005	2005 thru 2009	1998	1851	92.6%
4-Year Graduation Rate					
African-American	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	56	38	67.9%
Latino/a	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	65	41	63.1%
Native American	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	8	6	75.0%
Asian-American	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	121	96	79.3%
ALANA Subtotal	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	250	181	72.4%
International	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	127	112	88.2%
White	1998 thru 2002	2002 thru 2006	1992	1703	85.5%
5-Year Graduation Rate					
African-American	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	60	45	75.0%
Latino/a	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	58	43	74.1%
Native American	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	8	6	75.0%
Asian-American	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	114	92	80.7%
ALANA Subtotal	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	240	186	77.5%
International	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	104	95	91.3%
White	1997 thru 2001	2001 thru 2005	2039	1794	88.0%
6-Year Graduation Rate					
African-American	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	65	47	72.3%
Latino/a	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	63	49	77.8%
Native American	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	5	4	80.0%
Asian-American	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	115	93	80.9%
ALANA Subtotal	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	248	193	77.8%
International	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	74	68	91.9%
White	1996 thru 2000	2000 thru 2004	2045	1811	88.6%