

Chafee Graduation Rates

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The Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC) matches data to determine graduation rates of Oregon Opportunity Grant recipients as part of the legislatively required Key Performance Measures. At the request of the Oregon Department of Human Services Independent Living Program, as of fall, 2011, similar data will be collected regarding Chafee Education and Training Grant recipients.

Criteria:

- Institution type- community college, proprietary, four year public, or four-year private
- First time Chafee recipient during the base year

Results:

Graduation Rates of First Time Chafee Recipients by Academic Year

Year	Community Colleges			Proprietary			4-Year Public (OUS)			4-Year Private			Total All Sectors		
	# 1st Time	# Degrees	%	# 1st Time	# Degrees	%	# 1st Time	# Degrees	%	# 1st Time	# Degrees	%	# 1st Time	# Degrees	%
2005-06	63	3	4.73	19	0	0	14	3	21.43	8	3	37.5	104	9	8.65
2006-07	65	8	12.31	10	0	0	24	15	62.5	4	4	100	103	28	27.18
2007-08	88	8	9.09	13	0	0	22	11	50	10	7	70	133	26	19.55
2008-09	138	10	7.25	24	1	4.17	26	13	50	6	2	33.3	194	26	13.40
2009-10	166	7	4.2	34	1	2.9	35	6	17	3	2	67	238	16	6.7
2010-11	149	7	4.7	9	1	.11	30	14	46.7	6	5	83.3	194	27	13.91
2011-12	131	12	9.2	13	1	.08	29	16	55.17	7	6	85.71	180	35	19.44
2012-13	138	3	2	14	1	.07	6	1	16.67	1	0	0	159	5	3.14
2013-14	104	10	9.6	10	0	0	29	4	13.79	4	2	50	147	16	10.88
2014-15	110	14	12.73	3	1	33.33	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na
2015-16	93	13	13.98	2	0	0	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na
2016-17	86	2	2.33	7	0	0	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na	Na

Conclusions:

- The overall graduation rate declined most significantly in the community college sector but remained slightly above the record low of 2% during this reporting period.

- The graduation rate for community colleges has ranged from a low of 2% to a high of 13.98%. For the most recent measurement, the community college completion rate decreased to 2.33%
- For proprietary school attendees, the graduation rate has ranged from a low of 0% to a high of 4.17% among first time Chafee recipients. For the most recent measurement, the rate has remained at 0% during the past two reporting periods.
- For four year public school attendees, the graduation rate has ranged from a low of 16.67% to a high of 62.5% among first time Chafee recipients. The graduation rate for four year public university attendees has remained about the same during the past two reporting periods.
- For four year private schools the graduation rate has ranged from a low of 0% to a high of 100%. The completion rate for the most recent reporting period is 50%.
- Data has now been gathered for community college and proprietary schools for a period of twelve academic years and a period of nine academic years at the four year public and private universities. The conclusion that is still drawn at this point is that the rates are not consistent from year to year amongst any of the four sectors. However, those attending four year institutions seem to have a traditionally higher rate of graduation overall (although rates have decreased during the some academic years) than those who attend community colleges and proprietary schools.

Methodology:

- In keeping with the same methodology as OSAC uses for KPM data collection, graduation rates will be determined using:
 - Four Year Institutions-a standard of six years
 - Two Year (Community College) Institutions-a standard of three years
- The US Department of Education requires Title IV schools to report graduation rates for all full-time students who complete their undergraduate program of study within 150 percent of the programs published length (i.e. six years for four year institutions, 3 years for two year institutions). Proprietary (for-profit) institutions often offer accelerated programs ranging from approximately 9 to 22 or more months, or, may offer a four year degree. Because each institution is different and varying programs within each institution may have different completion times, data was pulled for proprietary institutions for the same years as two-year institutions.
- For this report, prepared in June 2020 graduation rates are checked for those receiving a degree by August 2019.
- To maintain a standard methodology, we look only at the first time Chafee recipients for each year. The graduation rates follow only that group for the year. However, those who received a Chafee in previous years but perhaps took more than one year off may have received a degree in a future year and are not included in this report. It would be a difficult task to track all Chafee recipients to determine whether a **degree was “eventually” received. As a whole, many of the youth tend to change schools, sometimes** multiple times, as well as start and stop enrollment. They may go on to finally finish a degree well after the age where they would still be eligible for the Chafee ETG.