

Alexandria Technical and Community College Student Right-To-Know Graduation and Transfer-Out Rates

What is Student Right-To-Know?

Student Right-To-Know is a federal law that requires all colleges and universities to disclose certain information to students. This handout provides the information that a college must provide to students on graduation rates and transfer-out rates for full-time students seeking degrees at Alexandria Technical and Community College (ATCC).

What is a graduation rate and what is a transfer-out rate?

Federal regulations specify how to calculate the graduation and transfer rates. The rates come from a study of Alexandria Technical and Community College students who started at the college in the fall of 2017. The study includes all first-time students who enrolled full-time that fall and were seeking to earn a degree, diploma or certificate at the college. The **graduation rate** is the percentage of these students who graduated from ATCC within three years. The **transfer-out rate** is the percentage of these students who did not graduate from ATCC, but instead transferred to another college or university within three years.

What do I need to know about these rates?

These rates do not report on all students at Alexandria Technical and Community College. The 439 first-time, full-time students in the study were 16 percent of all students enrolled at ATCC in fall of 2017.

What are the graduation and transfer-out rates for Alexandria Technical and Community College students and how do they compare to rates for other colleges?

- The **graduation rate** for ATCC was 61 percent.
- The **transfer-out rate** for ATCC was 11 percent.
- The combination of the graduation rate and the transfer-out rate for ATCC was 71 percent. The national average combined rate for similar colleges was 45 percent.

Why don't more Alexandria Technical and Community College students graduate or transfer in three years?

- Some students take jobs before they graduate;
- Students who switch from full-time to part-time enrollment or “stop out” for one or more semesters are more likely to take more than three years to graduate;
- Other students delay their education for personal, family or financial reasons.

Disaggregated Student Right-to-Know Graduation and Transfer-out Rates			
Alexandria Technical and Community College	Graduation Rate	Transfer-out Rate	Combined Rate
Total Cohort	61%	11%	71%
Race Ethnicity			
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*
Asian	*	*	*
Black or African American	*	*	*
Hispanic of any race	*	*	*
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*
Nonresident Alien	*	*	*
Two or more races	*	*	*
Unknown race and ethnicity	*	*	*
White	62%	11%	73%
Gender			
Female	53%	20%	73%
Male	64%	7%	71%
Financial Aid			
Pell Grant Recipient	50%	13%	64%
Received neither Pell nor Subsidized Stafford Loans	68%	9%	76%
Received Subsidized Stafford Loans, but no Pell	68%	10%	77%

* Suppressed to protect student privacy.

Due to rounding, percentages may not always appear to add up.