

CAL POLY PERSISTENCE RATE TRENDS

First-Time Freshmen

As of December 2018 - Fall 2018 Final Census

Fall Cohort	Original Cohort*	Average HS GPA	Average SAT Reading	Average SAT Math	Average ACT Comp.	One-Year Retention Rate	Four-Year Graduation Rate	Five-Year Graduation Rate	Six-Year Graduation Rate
2001	3,638	3.63	564	604	24.4	88.3%	22.6%	59.1%	69.2%
2002	3,085	3.70	573	617	25.0	89.2%	24.0%	61.9%	73.0%
2003	3,011	3.73	575	619	25.2	90.0%	25.2%	63.6%	74.5%
2004	2,899	3.77	587	626	25.7	91.3%	27.0%	65.0%	75.2%
2005	3,575	3.72	584	618	25.5	90.8%	31.1%	68.1%	76.5%
2006	3,763	3.70	569	614	25.3	89.9%	28.3%	66.5%	74.1%
2007	4,419	3.71	570	612	25.5	89.2%	29.6%	63.5%	72.6%
2008	3,450	3.79	578	623	26.1	91.4%	37.1%	71.8%	78.9%
2009	3,883	3.81	579	623	26.3	91.3%	41.8%	75.6%	80.0%
2010	3,520	3.84	588	627	26.8	93.0%	48.2%	78.2%	83.1%
2011	4,305	3.84	593	634	27.0	92.7%	47.4%	77.9%	82.4%
2012	3,686	3.87	596	635	27.1	92.5%	48.1%	77.3%	82.2%
2013	4,863	3.87	597	635	27.3	92.7%	50.8%	78.7%	
2014	4,648	3.88	599	635	27.5	93.1%	52.6%		
2015	4,928	3.92	604	635	28.0	95.0%			
2016	4,333	3.92	610	641	28.4	94.9%			
2017	5,241	3.95	640	631	28.3	94.1%			
2018	4,383	4.00	655	674	28.9				

*Cohort is based on the federal Student Right-to-Know Act, which defines an entering cohort as first-time freshmen who entered in fall term or the immediately preceding summer term who were enrolled full-time in the fall term. In addition, deceased students or students who left for military service are allowable exclusions; therefore, persistence rates are calculated on a revised cohort that may be slightly lower than the original cohort.

