

CAL POLY PERSISTENCE RATE TRENDS

New Transfers

As of December 2020 - Fall 2020 Final Census

Fall Cohort	Original Cohort*	One-Year Retention Rate^	Two-Year Retention Rate	Two-Year Graduation Rate	Three-Year Graduation Rate	Four-Year Graduation Rate	Five-Year Graduation Rate	Six-Year Graduation Rate
2001	1,165	92.1%	60.3%	23.2%	59.6%	76.0%	81.0%	82.8%
2002	942	93.4%	64.3%	19.5%	56.6%	76.8%	82.5%	83.8%
2003	907	91.8%	64.1%	19.7%	56.7%	73.0%	79.3%	82.1%
2004	712	92.8%	61.9%	22.9%	61.4%	78.8%	84.6%	86.1%
2005	1,016	91.6%	60.3%	22.4%	61.0%	78.1%	82.6%	84.5%
2006	750	91.2%	62.9%	22.2%	60.2%	79.0%	83.6%	85.2%
2007	924	93.6%	62.2%	21.8%	65.3%	82.0%	85.8%	87.4%
2008	662	91.8%	64.4%	19.8%	61.9%	80.1%	83.7%	85.0%
2009	667	93.6%	57.4%	29.8%	73.0%	87.0%	88.9%	89.4%
2010	519	93.4%	66.4%	20.7%	67.4%	82.5%	85.5%	87.3%
2011	768	93.2%	64.1%	24.9%	77.0%	87.0%	89.2%	90.2%
2012	756	92.2%	55.4%	32.1%	75.7%	86.2%	88.6%	89.0%
2013	914	91.7%	53.9%	34.3%	77.3%	86.5%	87.7%	88.6%
2014	701	94.6%	54.6%	37.2%	84.0%	91.6%	92.3%	92.7%
2015	737	94.8%	55.4%	35.6%	81.3%	88.6%	90.1%	
2016	756	95.5%	53.4%	36.6%	82.1%	89.0%		
2017	851	94.8%	50.5%	38.9%	78.7%			
2018	835	95.8%	52.8%	38.8%				
2019	760	95.7%						
2020	982							

*Cohort is based on rules similar to those used for the first-time freshmen cohort as defined in the federal Student Right-to-Know Act. Students transferring and entering Cal Poly from another institution as juniors or higher in the fall term or the immediately preceding summer term and 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.

^One-year retention rate includes a small number of new transfers who graduated within one year.

