

Success & Progress Rate

*A better way to report student
progress & completion*

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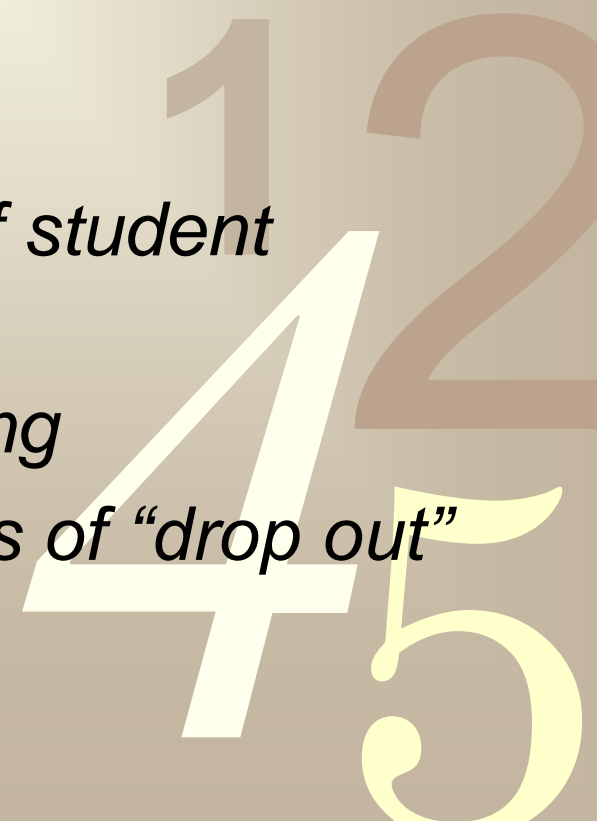
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Background

- Federal graduation rate incomplete, misleading
 - *Includes only first-time, full-time students who graduate from initial institution*
- A better measure is needed
 - *Provide fair, accurate picture of student progress and completion*
 - *Support internal decision-making*
 - *Correct external misperceptions of “drop out” rate*



Success & Progress Rate

- Developed in 2008 as part of the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA)
- Uses data from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC)
- Can be utilized by any NSC participating university
 - *Student Tracker “Cohort Query”*



Characteristics of S&P Tool

- Tracks enrollments, completions across multiple institutions
- Can be used with any student group – e.g., transfer students, adult students, veterans, Pell-grant recipients, first-time/full-time
- Provides 4, 5, and 6 year snapshots of outcomes

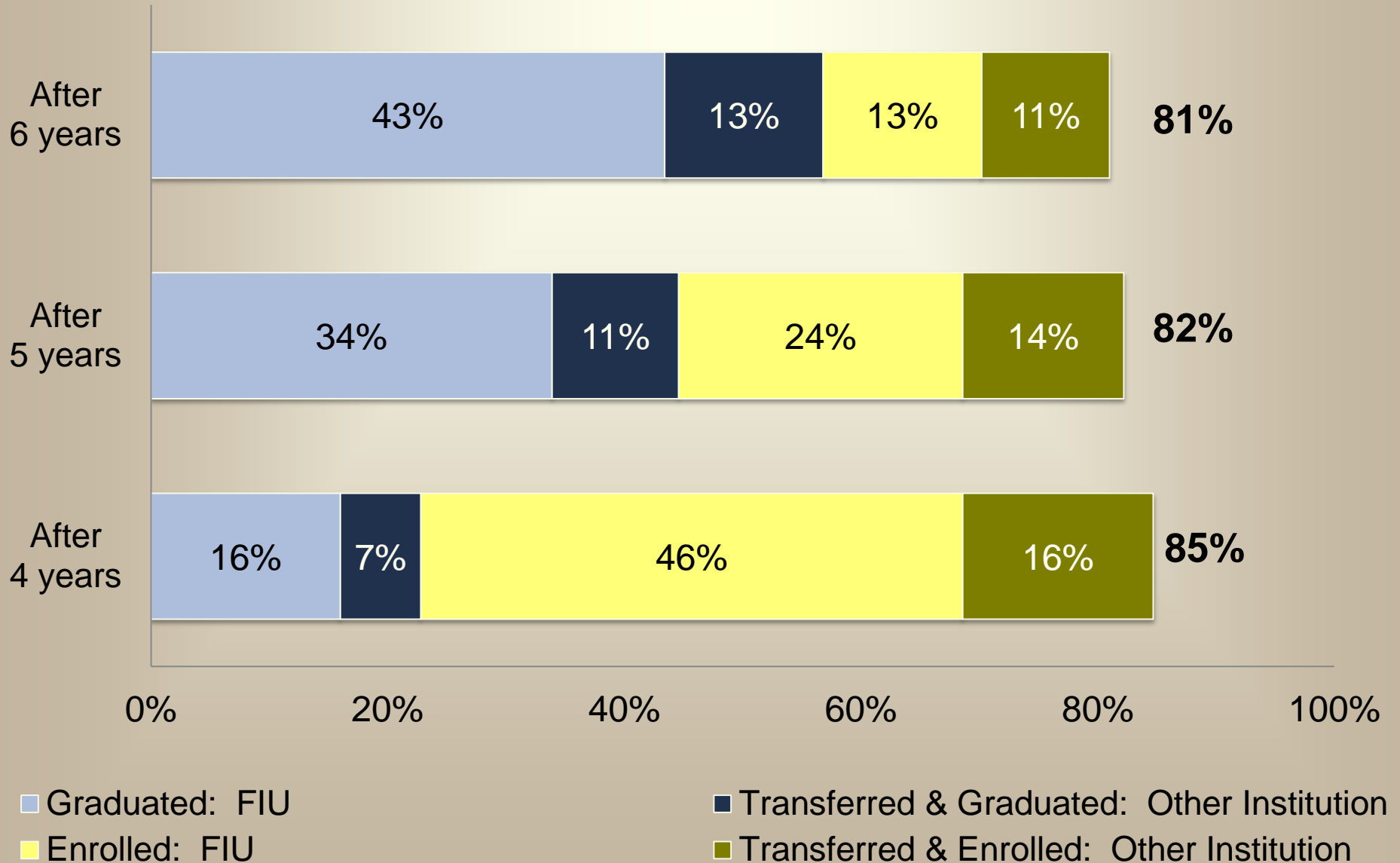


Outcomes Reported

- **Graduated** from original institution
- **Transferred/Graduated** from subsequent institution
- **Still Enrolled** at original institution
- **Transferred/Enrolled** at subsequent institution



Fall 2005: First-time, Full-time Students



FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

N= 3937

First-Time, Full-Time Students

| Description | 2005-06 | 2006-07 | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| % Graduated from FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY with 4-year degree | 0.1% | 0.6% | 2.3% | 16.0% | 33.9% | 43.4% |
| % Graduated from other institution with 4-year degree | 0.2% | 0.6% | 1.2% | 4.3% | 7.8% | 9.8% |
| % Graduated with 2-year degree | 0.1% | 1.3% | 2.7% | 2.5% | 2.9% | 3.6% |
| Total % Graduated | 0.4% | 2.5% | 6.2% | 22.8% | 44.6% | 56.8% |
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| % Enrolled at FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY | 97.7% | 78.5% | 64.8% | 45.8% | 24.0% | 13.4% |
| % Enrolled at other 4-year institutions | 0.1% | 9.3% | 14.1% | 14.4% | 12.3% | 9.4% |
| % Enrolled at other 2-year institutions | 0.0% | 1.4% | 1.9% | 1.7% | 1.3% | 1.4% |
| Total % Enrolled | 97.8% | 89.2% | 80.8% | 61.9% | 37.6% | 24.2% |
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| Student Success & Progress | 98.2% | 91.7% | 87.0% | 84.7% | 82.2% | 81.0% |

Benefits of S&P

- More inclusive, fair, accurate measure of student progress, success
 - *Tool for internal decision-makers*
 - *Better informs external stakeholders*
 - *Ability to benchmark with other institutions*
 - *Demonstrates accountability, transparency to consumers - as part of VSA*



How to Utilize S&P

- VSA institutions

- *Contact College Portrait administrator on campus or VSA staff*
- *New for 2013: report customized cohorts*

- Non-VSA institutions

- *Contact National Student Clearinghouse*
- *<http://www.studentclearinghouse.org/colleges/studenttracker/vsa.php>*

- Student Achievement Measure project

More Information

College Portrait website:

www.collegeportraits.org

Reports & Presentations:

www.voluntarysystem.org

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