

Southeastern Louisiana University
Transfer Analysis
2017 Cohort

Graduation rates are one of higher education's metrics for measuring success. It is highly defined and standardized so that comparisons can be made across institutions. The basic definition starts with the students who comprise the cohort, full-time, first-time, degree-seeking freshmen. These students are tracked to see how many graduate within a continuous six-year period. However, Southeastern graduates many more students who do not meet the strict definition of the cohort. Students who transferred into Southeastern, students who started in the spring semester or students who started their higher education career as a part-time student are not part of Southeastern's nor any other institution's graduation rate. Furthermore, those students who started in our cohort but did not graduate from Southeastern within six years still have the opportunity to graduate. These students could still be enrolled and take longer than six years to graduate or they might transfer to another institution to pursue a degree.

The purpose of this report is to look at the group of our students who met the 2017 cohort definition and did not graduate from Southeastern, but transferred to another institution of higher learning.

The transfer information comes from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC). The NSC reports on 3,600 colleges and universities across the nation and 97% of all students in public and private U.S. institutions. The NSC is the most comprehensive site from which to obtain enrollment and graduation data. NSC will provide confirmation of enrollment of students and the names of the institutions where they are enrolled.

There were 2,098 students in the revised 2017 cohort. From the cohort, 940 students or 44.8% of the cohort graduated from Southeastern within six years (through Summer 2023). There are 66 students (3.1 %) from the 2017 cohort who were still enrolled at Southeastern in Fall of 2023. The 484 confirmed transfers represent an additional 23.1% of the cohort.

The average GPA of students who transferred was 2.430. Within the group of transfers, there were 16 students who withdrew prior to completing a semester, and therefore transferred from Southeastern without receiving any college credit. Therefore, these students were not included in the GPA calculations.

Of those who transferred after completing at least one semester, 19 students (4.1%) transferred with 0 hours, 86 students (18.4%) transferred with 1 to 15 cumulative hours earned, and 363 (77.6%) transferred with 16 or more cumulative hours earned.

I. When our students left Southeastern:

What was the last Student Classification at Southeastern?

Freshmen	212	43.8%
Sophomore	157	32.4%
Junior	92	19.0%
Senior	23	4.8%

Cumulative GPA before Transferring:

0.000 – 1.999	133	27.5%
2.000 – 2.499	88	18.2%
2.500 – 2.999	103	21.3%
3.000 – 3.499	93	19.2%
3.500 – 3.999	43	8.9%
4.000	8	1.6 %
Withdrew before completing a semester	16	3.3%

Average Cumulative GPA before Transferring Based on Classification:

Freshmen	1.881	196
Sophomore	2.748	157
Junior	2.890	92
Senior	3.099	23
Overall	2.430	468

Academic Plan before Transferring:

BSN in Nursing	116	24.0%
BS in Biology	48	9.9%
BBA in Business Administration	28	5.8%
BS in Engineering Technology	27	5.6%
BA in Psychology	27	5.6%
BGS in General Studies	20	4.1%
BS in Kinesiology	19	3.9%
Undecided	19	3.9%
BS in Computer Science	16	3.3%
BA in Marketing	14	2.9%
BS in Industrial Technology	12	2.5%
BA in Art	11	2.3%
BA in Criminal Justice	10	2.1%

Academic Plan before Transferring Continued:

BS in Early Childhood Education	8	1.7%
BA in Management	8	1.7%
BS in Physics	8	1.7%
BS in Communication Sciences & Disorders	7	1.4%
BA in Political Science	7	1.4%
BS in Athletic Training	6	1.2%
BS in Finance	6	1.2%
AAS in Industrial Technology	6	1.2%
BA in Social Work	6	1.2%
BS in Accounting	5	1.0%
BA in Communication	5	1.0%
BS in Information Technology	5	1.0%
BA in Social Studies Education	5	1.0%
BS in Chemistry	4	0.8%
BS in Elementary Education	4	0.8%
BA in English Education	4	0.8%
BA in History	3	0.6%
BS in Health Systems Management	3	0.6%
BS in Math	3	0.6%
BS in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment	3	0.6%
BA in English	2	0.4%
BS in Family and Consumer Science	2	0.4%
BM in Music	2	0.4%
BS in Elementary and Special Education	1	0.2%
BS in Health & Physical Education	1	0.2%
BS in Health Sciences	1	0.2%
BS in Middle School Education & Special Education	1	0.2%
BS in Sports Management	1	0.2%
Total	484	100%

II. Where Did Students Transfer?

Level of Institution

2 Year Institution	249	51.4%
4 Year Institution	235	48.6%

Sector of Institution

Public	409	84.5%
Private	75	15.5%

Top Institutions

Baton Rouge Community College	76	15.7%
Delgado Community College	65	13.4%
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	46	9.5%
Northshore Technical Community College	39	8.1%
River Parishes Community College	24	5.0%
University of New Orleans	23	4.8%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	19	3.9%
Southern University and A&M College	17	3.5%
South Louisiana Community College	9	1.9%
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	8	1.7%

Nursing majors make up the largest proportion of student who left Southeastern. Below are the schools that received our Nursing students. The top four schools enrolled 55.1% of Southeastern's transfer out Nursing students.

Where Did Nursing Students Transfer? Top Institutions

Baton Rouge Community College	23	19.8%
Delgado Community College	18	15.5%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	12	10.3%
Southern University and A&M College	11	9.5%
Northshore Technical Community College	7	6.0%
River Parishes Community College	7	6.0%
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	5	4.3%
University of Holy Cross	3	2.6%
Arizona State University	2	1.7%
Chamberlain University	2	1.7%
Pearl River Community College	2	1.7%
South Louisiana Community College	2	1.7%
University of New Orleans	2	1.7%
William Carey University	2	1.7%

III. Students who Graduated from Another Institution

NSC also provides data on which students received some type of award from another institution. That information is summarized below.

There were 182 students who graduated with an Associate or Bachelor degree from another institution. For these students, the average cumulative hours earned at Southeastern was 47.9, average cumulative GPA was 2.981, and the average ACT composite was 23.4. For the students that did not receive an Associate or Bachelor degree, the comparative numbers were 35.8, 2.202, and 21.3 respectively.

Highest Awards That Were Awarded to Southeastern Transfer out Students:

Associate	57	23.9%
Bachelor	125	52.5%
Certificate	24	10.1%
Other	17	7.1%
Award not disclosed	15	6.3%
Total	238	100%

Top Institutions Southeastern's Transfer Out Students Graduated From:*

Louisiana State University	38	20.8%
Baton Rouge Community College	18	9.8%
University of New Orleans	15	8.2%
Delgado Community College	13	7.1%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	10	5.5%
River Parishes Community College	9	4.9%
LSU Health Sciences Center at New Orleans	6	3.3%
Northshore Technical Community College	5	2.7%
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	5	2.7%
Nicholls State University	4	2.2%
University of Holy Cross	4	2.2%
William Carey University	4	2.2%

* Includes only Associate and Bachelor degree recipients. Students who graduated with more than one of their highest award may be represented multiple times here if the awards were from different institutions.

Below find the breakdown of majors for transferred students who graduated from another institution, by award type. Highest awards only are represented. Students who graduated with more than one of their highest award may be represented multiple times.

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with a Bachelor's Degree:

Nursing	12	9.0%
Biology	9	6.8%
Business Administration and Management	6	4.5%
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	6	4.5%
Mechanical Engineering	6	4.5%
Computer & Information Sciences	5	3.8%
Construction Management	5	3.8%
General Studies	5	3.8%
Marketing/Marketing Management	5	3.8%
Political Science and Government	5	3.8%
Psychology	5	3.8%
Interdisciplinary Studies	4	3.0%
Computer Science	3	2.3%
Mass Communication/Media Studies	3	2.3%
Audiology and Speech Language Pathology	2	1.5%
Business/Commerce	2	1.5%
Chemical Engineering	2	1.5%
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	2	1.5%
Industrial Engineering	2	1.5%
Mathematics	2	1.5%
Physical Education Teaching and Coaching	2	1.5%
Speech Communication & Rhetoric	2	1.5%
Aeronautics/Aviation/Aerospace Science & Technology	1	0.8%
Agricultural & Extension Education Services	1	0.8%
Agricultural Business and Management	1	0.8%
Architecture and Related Services	1	0.8%
Biochemistry, Biophysics and Molecular Biology	1	0.8%
Biochemistry	1	0.8%
Chemistry	1	0.8%
Communication Sciences and Disorders	1	0.8%
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	1	0.8%
Dance	1	0.8%
Drama and Dramatics/Theatre Arts	1	0.8%
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	1	0.8%

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with a Bachelor's Degree
Continued:

Electrical and Electronics Engineering	1	0.8%
Elementary Education and Teaching	1	0.8%
Engineering	1	0.8%
English Language and Literature	1	0.8%
English Teacher Education	1	0.8%
Foreign Languages and Literatures	1	0.8%
Forensic Science and Technology	1	0.8%
Geology/Earth Science	1	0.8%
Graphic Design	1	0.8%
History	1	0.8%
Human Development and Family Studies	1	0.8%
Human Nutrition	1	0.8%
Information Technology	1	0.8%
Interior Architecture	1	0.8%
Mechanical/Mechanical Engineering Technology/Technician	1	0.8%
Music Teacher Education	1	0.8%
Nutrition Sciences	1	0.8%
Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Administration, Other	1	0.8%
Physics	1	0.8%
Secondary Education and Teaching	1	0.8%
Social Work	1	0.8%
Sociology	1	0.8%
Spanish Language and Literature	1	0.8%
Sport and Fitness Administration/Management	1	0.8%
Surveying Engineering	1	0.8%
Theology/Theological Studies	1	0.8%
Total	133	

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with an Associate's Degree:

Liberal Arts & Sciences, General Studies & Humanities	10	17.2%
Allied Health Diagnostic, Intervention, & Treatment Professions	8	13.8%
Industrial Production Technologies/Technicians	7	12.1%
Nursing	5	8.6%
Business/Commerce	4	6.9%
Mechanic & Repair Technologies/Technicians	3	5.2%
Surgical Technology	3	5.2%
Construction Management	2	3.4%

Majors of Those Students that Graduated from Another Institution with an Associate's Degree
Continued:

Criminal Justice/Police Science	2	3.4%
Design & Applied Arts	2	3.4%
Drafting/Design Engineering Technologies/Technicians	2	3.4%
Child Care Provider/Assistant	1	1.7%
Computer Systems Analysis	1	1.7%
Culinary Arts & Related Services	1	1.7%
Funeral Service & Mortuary Science	1	1.7%
Health and Medical Administrative Services	1	1.7%
Hospitality Administration/Management	1	1.7%
Legal Support Services	1	1.7%
Physical Science Technologies/Technicians	1	1.7%
Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Technologies/Technicians	1	1.7%
Veterinary/Animal Health Technologies/Technicians	1	1.7%
Total	58	

Majors of Those Students Who Graduated with a Certificate or Other Award:

Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities	11	25.0%
Nursing	9	20.5%
Electrical and Power Transmission Installers	4	9.1%
Drafting/Design Engineering Technologies	3	6.8%
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	3	6.8%
Industrial Production Technologies	2	4.5%
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation & Refrigeration Maintenance	2	4.5%
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services	2	4.5%
Carpentry	1	2.3%
Allied Health Diagnostic, Intervention, & Treatment Professions	1	2.3%
Computer Software & Media Applications	1	2.3%
Health & Medical Administrative Services	1	2.3%
Mining & Petroleum Technologies	1	2.3%
Pharmacy Technician	1	2.3%
Phlebotomy Technician	1	2.3%
Precision Metal Working	1	2.3%
Total	44	