

STUDENT RIGHT TO KNOW

Student Right to Know (Completion Rates)

In compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-542), it is the policy of our college district to make available its completion and transfer rates to all current and prospective students. Beginning in Fall 2018, a cohort of all certificate-, degree-, and transfer-seeking first-time, full-time students were tracked over a three year period. Their completion and transfer rates are listed below. These rates do not represent the success rates of the entire student population at the Golden West College nor do they account for student outcomes occurring after this three year tracking period.

Based upon the cohort defined above, a Completer is a student who attained a certificate or degree or became 'transfer prepared' during a three year period, from Fall 2018 to Spring 2021. Students who have completed 60 transferable units with a GPA of 2.0 or better are considered 'transfer prepared'. Students who transferred to another post-secondary institution, prior to attaining a degree, certificate, or becoming 'transfer prepared' during a five semester period, from Spring 2019 to Spring 2021, are transfer students.

Golden West College Completion and Transfer Rates

COMPLETION RATE

A student is included in the Completion Rate if they attained a certificate or degree or became "transfer prepared" within the three-year period. Transfer-prepared is defined as having completed 60 transferable units with a GPA of 2.0 or better.

TRANSFER RATE

A student is included in the Transfer Rate if, within the three-year tracking period, they transferred to another postsecondary institution prior to receiving a certificate or degree or becoming "transfer-prepared."

The table below compares Golden West College's Completion and Transfer Rates to the statewide community college average.

Rate	GWC	State Wide
Completion Rate	41.79%	34.75%
Transfer Rate	8.61%	8.99%

Data Source: California Community Colleges Student Right-To-Know Rate Disclosure Website, <http://srtk.cccco.edu/index.asp> (<http://srtk.cccco.edu/>)

Golden West College Graduation Rates

Below are the graduation rates of full-time, first-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergraduates within 150% of normal time (i.e., 3 years) to program completion, by gender and race/ethnicity and transfer out-rate for the 2020 cohort.

Overall Graduation Rate	Rate
Total	45%
Men	41%
Women	48%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	100%
Asian	58%
Black or African American	37%

Overall Graduation Rate	Rate
Hispanic or Latino	33%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	33%
White	55%
Two or more races	38%
Race/ethnicity unknown	41%
Nonresident alien	52%
Transfer out-rate	8%

Graduation rates are based on the student's completion status as of August 31, 2023.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) retrieved from: <https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter/institutionprofile.aspx?unitId=115126>

These rates do not represent the completion and transfer rates of the entire student population at Golden West College, nor do they account for student outcomes occurring after this three-year tracking period. For more information on SRTK methodology, interpretation, and rates at other community colleges, they can visit the California Community College Chancellor's Office website at <http://srtk.cccco.edu/index.asp> (<http://srtk.cccco.edu/>). Additionally, the IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey utilizes the same cohorts and reports out six-year tracking periods.