Southeastern Louisiana University Transfer Analysis 2018 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 2018 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 2,004 students in the revised 2018 cohort. From the cohort, 909 students or 45.4% of the cohort graduated from Southeastern within six years (through Summer 2024). There are 53 students (2.6%) from the 2018 cohort who were still enrolled at Southeastern in Fall of 2024. The 470 confirmed transfers represent an additional 23.5% of the cohort.

The average GPA of students who transferred was 2.393. 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, 16 students (3.5%) transferred with 0 hours, 72 students (15.9%) transferred with 1 to 15 cumulative hours earned, and 366 (80.6%) transferred with 16 or more cumulative hours earned.

I. When our students left Southeastern:

What was the last Student Classification at Southeastern?

Freshmen	198	42.1%
Sophomore	160	34.0%
Junior	84	17.9%
Senior	28	6.0%

Cumulative GPA before Transferring:

0.000 - 1.999	127	27.0%
2.000 - 2.499	106	22.6%
2.500 - 2.999	90	19.1%
3.000 - 3.499	83	17.7%
3.500 - 3.999	45	9.6%
4.000	3	0.6 %
Withdrew before completing a semester	16	3.4%

Average Cumulative GPA before Transferring Based on Classification:

Freshmen	1.763	182
Sophomore	2.678	160
Junior	3.001	84
Senior	3.039	28
Overall	2.393	454

Academic Plan before Transferring:

BSN in Nursing	109	23.2%
BS in Biology	31	6.6%
BGS in General Studies	23	4.9%
BS in Kinesiology	23	4.9%
BBA in Business Administration	20	4.3%
BA in Management	20	4.3%
BS in Engineering Technology	19	4.0%
BA in Psychology	18	3.8%
BA in Criminal Justice	16	3.4%
BS in Accounting	15	3.2%
Undecided	14	3.0%
BA in Art	13	2.8%
BA in Marketing	13	2.8%

Academic Plan before Transferring Continued:

BS in Athletic Training 12 BS in Computer Science 9 BS in Physics 9 BS in Finance 7 BS in Industrial Technology 7 BS in Sports Management 7 BA in Communication 6	2.6% 1.9% 1.9%
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BS in Early Childhood Education 6	1.3%
BS in Elementary Education 6	1.3%
BS in Information Technology 6	1.3%
BA in Political Science 6	1.3%
BS in Family and Consumer Science 5	1.1%
AAS in Industrial Technology 5	1.1%
BS in Middle School Education & Special Education 5	1.1%
BS in Chemistry 4	0.9%
BS in Health Systems Management 4	0.9%
BM in Music 4	0.9%
BA in Social Work 4	0.9%
BS in Health Sciences 3	0.6%
BS in Communication Sciences & Disorders 2	0.4%
BA in English Education 2	0.4%
BA in English 2	0.4%
BA in History 2	0.4%
BS in Health & Physical Education 2	0.4%
BA in Sociology 2	0.4%
BA in Social Studies Education 2	0.4%
BA in World Languages 2	0.4%
BS in Elementary and Special Education 1	0.2%
BS in Health Education & Promotion 1	0.2%
BS in Human Sciences 1	0.2%
BS in Math 1	0.2%
BS in Occupational Health, Safety & Environment 1	0.2%
Total 470	100%

II. Where Did Students Transfer?

Level of Insti	tution
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	2 Year Institution	268	57.0%
	4 Year Institution	202	43.0%
Sector of Institution			

Public	402	85.5%
Private	68	14.5%

Top Institutions

Delgado Community College	85	18.1%
Baton Rouge Community College	69	14.7%
Northshore Technical Community College	48	10.2%
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	37	7.9%
River Parishes Community College	26	5.5%
University of New Orleans	24	5.1%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	22	4.7%
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	12	2.6%
Southern University and A&M College	10	2.1%
Southern New Hampshire University	7	1.5%

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 68.8% of Southeastern's transfer out Nursing students.

Where Did Nursing Students Transfer? Top Institutions

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Delgado Community College	30	27.5%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	18	16.5%
Baton Rouge Community College	15	13.8%
Northshore Technical Community College	12	11.0%
Southern University and A&M College	5	4.6%
River Parishes Community College	4	3.7%
Southwest Mississippi Community College	3	2.8%
Chamberlain University	2	1.8%
Nicholls State University	2	1.8%
University of Holy Cross	2	1.8%

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 176 students who graduated with an Associate or Bachelor degree from another institution. For these students, the average cumulative hours earned at Southeastern was 48.0, average cumulative GPA was 2.861, and the average ACT composite was 22.4. For the students that did not receive an Associate or Bachelor degree, the comparative numbers were 28.0, 2.016, and 21.1 respectively.

Highest Awards That Were Awarded to Southeastern Transfer out Students:

Associate	56	25.5%
Bachelor	120	54.5%
Certificate	16	7.3%
Other	13	5.9%
Award not disclosed	15	6.8%
Total	220	100%

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

Louisiana State University	35	19.7%
Delgado Community College	16	9.0%
University of New Orleans	15	8.4%
Northshore Technical Community College	14	7.9%
Baton Rouge Community College	12	6.7%
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	11	6.2%
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University (Our Lady of the Lake)	9	5.1%
Nicholls State University	4	2.2%
Northwestern State University	4	2.2%
Southwest Mississippi Community College	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:

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Nursing	12	10.0%
Marketing/Marketing Management	8	6.7%
Political Science and Government	8	6.7%
Business Administration and Management	6	5.0%
Psychology	6	5.0%
General Studies	5	4.2%
Civil Engineering	4	3.3%
Accounting	3	2.5%
Biology	3	2.5%
Finance	3	2.5%
Fine Studio Arts	3	2.5%
Mechanical Engineering	3	2.5%
Interdisciplinary Studies	3	2.5%
Construction Management	2	1.7%
Drama and Dramatics/Theatre Arts	2	1.7%
History	2	1.7%
Liberal Arts & Sciences/Liberal Studies	2	1.7%
Management Science	2	1.7%
Physical Education Teaching and Coaching	2	1.7%
Pre-Medicine/Pre-Medical Studies	2	1.7%
Social Work	2	1.7%
Agricultural & Extension Education Services	1	0.8%
Anatomy	1	0.8%
Animal Sciences	1	0.8%
Apparel & Textiles	1	0.8%
Audiology and Speech Language Pathology	1	0.8%
Biochemistry	1	0.8%
Computer Science	1	0.8%
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	1	0.8%
Criminology	1	0.8%
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	1	0.8%
Economics	1	0.8%
Electrical and Electronics Engineering	1	0.8%
Elementary Education and Teaching	1	0.8%

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

English Language and Literature	1	0.8%
Exercise Science & Kinesiology	1	0.8%
Family & Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	1	0.8%
Health & Wellness	1	0.8%
Human Development and Family Studies	1	0.8%
Information Technology	1	0.8%
Interior Architecture	1	0.8%
Legal Support Services	1	0.8%
Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities, Other	1	0.8%
Marine Science/Merchant Marine Officer	1	0.8%
Mass Communication/Media Studies	1	0.8%
Mathematics	1	0.8%
Music Teacher Education	1	0.8%
Music	1	0.8%
Nutrition Sciences	1	0.8%
Organizational Behavior Studies	1	0.8%
Plant Sciences	1	0.8%
Public Administration	1	0.8%
Public Health	1	0.8%
Public Relations, Advertising, and Applied Communication	1	0.8%
Religious/Sacred Music	1	0.8%
Sociology	1	0.8%
Speech Communication and Rhetoric	1	0.8%
Sports, Kinesiology, & Physical Education/Fitness	1	0.8%
Total	120	

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

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General Studies	11	19.6%
Nursing	9	16.1%
Business/Commerce	6	10.7%
Mechanic & Repair Technologies/Technicians	6	10.7%
Liberal Arts and Sciences, General Studies and Humanities, Other	5	8.9%
Industrial Production Technologies/Technicians, Other	3	5.4%
Construction Management	2	3.6%
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	2	3.6%
Liberal Arts & Sciences/Liberal Studies	2	3.6%
Criminal Justice/Police Science	1	1.8%

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

Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	1	1.8%
Fire Science/Fire-fighting	1	1.8%
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Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician	1	1.8%
Information Technology	l	1.8%
Instrumentation Technology/Technician	1	1.8%
Intelligence	1	1.8%
Occupational Therapist Assistant	1	1.8%
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	1	1.8%
Surgical Technology/Technologist.	1	1.8%
Total	56	

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

General Studies	9	31.0%
Practical Nursing, Vocational Nursing and Nursing Assistants	7	24.1%
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	3	10.3%
Commercial and Advertising Art	2	6.9%
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician	2	6.9%
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist	1	3.4%
Electrician	1	3.4%
Medical/Clinical Assistant	1	3.4%
Nurse/Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant	1	3.4%
Surgical Technology/Technologist	1	3.4%
Welding Technology/Welder	1	3.4%
Total	29	