Virginia Western Fall-to-Fall Programmatic Retention Summary

Fall-to-Fall Programmatic Retention examines if a student is enrolled In the same academic program from one Fall semester to the subsequent Fall semester.

The table below shows fall to fall programmatic retention for the past five years by degree type.

Students are counted for *each* program they are enrolled in as of the initial Fall semester.



Fall-to-Fall Programmatic Retention by Degree

	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023	3-Year Average	3-Year % Change
Degree	% Retained*	% Retained*					
Non Program-Placed**	32%	38%	39%	39%	39%	39%	0%
College Transfer Degrees (AA/AS)	33%	33%	36%	34%	36%	35%	0%
Career Technical Degrees (AAS)	42%	44%	54%	52%	54%	53%	0%
Certificates (CERT)	40%	30%	52%	48%	53%	51%	2%
Career Studies Certificates (CSCs)	36%	32%	38%	42%	36%	39%	-5%
Average Fall-to-Fall Programmatic Retention	35%	36%	40%	40%	39%	40%	-3%
Average Program-Placed Fall-to-Fall Programmatic Retention	37%	37%	41%	41%	40%	41%	-2%

* Retention Rate is intended to determine the percent of students that return to Virginia Western to continue their education; therefore, students who graduated from their program within the fall semesters have been excluded from this calculation.

** "Non Program-Placed" includes personal satisfaction, tranisent, and dual enrollment students (Academic Plan code < 100)

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