

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AT SWCC

Southwestern Christian College evaluates success with respect to student achievement consistent with its mission.

The Mission of the college is “to offer to its students a holistic education program that motivates students to value and achieve academic excellence.”

Student achievement is assessed at many points along the path toward degree completion. A study of the results of these assessments provide institution planners with a set of indicators and predictors to map and track students along a trajectory that leads to long-term and transferable success. Early alert assessments from each academic division identify “at risk” students who are subsequently referred to the Scholars Lab, a component of the Center for Student Success (CSS). The CSS provides academic support services via supplemental instruction, peer tutoring, counseling and guidance. Faculty reports significant improvement in subsequent assessments for students engaged in CSS activities.

Methods of evaluating Student Achievement include the following:

- Course Completions
- Retention Rates
- Graduation Rates

Table 1 – Student Achievement Metric

Metric	Target	2017-2018 150%	2016-2017 150%	2015-2016 150%
Enrollment	200	107	148	146
Retention Rate	60%	59%	60%	53%
Full Time, 1st Time, Degree Seeking Adjusted Cohort		71	101	86
Number of Graduates		23	29	28
Graduation Rate	30%	32%	28%	32%

Source of Data: Office of Academic Affairs (cbm0001 Reports -THECB) – Previously reported at 100% time

Table 2 – Course Completion Percentages – GPA per Division

Academic Divisions	Target % Course Comp =>C Average GPA	2017-2018 % Course Comp = >C Average GPA	2016-2017 % Course Comp = >C Average GPA	2015-2016 % Course Comp = >C Average GPA
Bible & Religious Studies	70% 2.00	75% 2.78	73% 2.33	76.6% 2.66
Business & Vocational	65% 2.20	70% 2.50	59% 2.24	75.7% 2.5
Natural Science, Math, & Computer Science	60% 2.20	92% 2.85	47% 2.80	92.3% 2.98
Social Sciences	65% 2.50	65% 2.45	63% 2.53	61.5% 2.46
Humanities, Fine Arts	70% 2.50	69% 2.73	84% 3.39	80% 2.75
Basic Studies	65% 2.00	62% 2.45	57.4 2.00	74.8% 2.65

Source of Data: Office of Academic Affairs (Grade Distribution Reports)

Table 3

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN GATEKEEPING COURSES

Academic Year	MATH 135 College Algebra Completion= > C	ENG 131 Composition & Rhetoric Completion => C
AY F2017-2018	87.5%	96%
AY S2016-2017	96%	100%
AY F2015-2016	69.2%	90%
AY S2014-2015	72.2%	73%

Source of Data: Office of Academic Affairs (Grade Distribution Reports)

An additional layer of support is provided through the Office of Financial Aid which is responsible for monitoring Satisfactory Academic Progress each semester. The Financial Aid Office counsels all financial aid recipients and issues warnings with corrective actions to be taken as appropriate.

Student Achievement metrics are published on the Financial Aid page of the college **website: www.swcc.edu**