



Institutional Research

Spring 2017 to Fall 2017 Persistence Report

Persistence Rates

The following tables includes all students who were enrolled at Mesa College during the Spring 2017 term and tracks them into the Fall 2017 term to demine if the student:

1. Returned to Mesa College
 - a. Enrolled at Mesa only
 - b. Enrolled at Mesa and another credit college in SDCCD
2. Received a degree at any SDCCD college
3. Did not return to Mesa College
 - a. Enrolled in SDCCD credit college
 - b. Not enrolled in SDCCD credit college

Summary

Overall, 50% of students who attended Mesa College in Spring 2017 and did not receive a degree from SDCCD (N = 22,274) persisted and enrolled in units at Mesa, 10% persisted within the district but not at Mesa College, and 41% of students did not return to any SDCCD credit college in Fall 2017. Nearly 5,500 students (~20%) who were enrolled at Mesa in Spring 2017 are enrolled at either City or Miramar in Fall 2017. The vast majority of students (74%) who persisted *and* enrolled at Mesa College applied to Mesa College most recently, while 62% of those who did not enroll at Mesa applied to Mesa College.

Persisted

When looking at students who persisted to Fall 2017, nearly 60% of enrollments made by these students were in face to face classes at Mesa College, with 18% being face to face classes at other campuses, 13% of enrollments were in online courses at Mesa College, and 7% were online courses at other colleges. Students who are enrolled at both Mesa and another credit college are attempting more units on average (11.48) than those who are only enrolled at Mesa College (9.24). This may indicate that "Mesa" students are looking to fill their schedules at other campuses or students from other campuses are looking to fill their schedules at Mesa. Nearly half of the students enrolled at both Mesa and another credit college applied to either City or Miramar with the other half having applied to Mesa. Of the students who applied to Mesa college, persisted to Mesa, and took classes at another credit college, enrollments at the other colleges were evenly split between City and Miramar with 43% being online and 57% being campus based. This ratio of online vs. campus based courses represents a much larger portion of online enrollments than what we see for the entire group.

Did not Persist

2,163 students were enrolled at Mesa College in Spring 2017 and did not come back in Fall 2017 but remained in the District. These students are nearly evenly spread through the 3 credit campuses with regard to the college they applied to; indicating many of these students (nearly 2/3) did not likely begin their coursework at Mesa. Enrollments made by these students were nearly evenly split between City College and Miramar. Just under 30% of enrollments made by these students were in Online/hybrid courses with the remaining being campus based courses.

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9,179 students who were enrolled in Spring 2017 and did not receive an award, did not return to the district at all in Fall 2017. In general, the demographic characteristics of the students who did not return is closely matched with the demographics of the overall 2016/17 student body indicating there does not seem to be a disproportionate number of students from any particular group who are not persisting.

Table 1. Spring to Fall Persistence Headcount

| Fall 2017 Persistence Group | | Headcount | % of All Spring Students | % of Spring Students who DID NOT Receive an award | Fall 17 Avg. Units |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Persisted | Mesa Only | 7,827 | 33% | 35% | 9.24 |
| | Mesa and Other SDCCD | 3,305 | 14% | 15% | 11.48 |
| | Total | 11,132 | 47% | 50% | |
| Did not Persist | Other SDCCD Only | 2,163 | 9% | 10% | 8.01 |
| | Not enrolled | 9,179 | 39% | 41% | -- |
| | Total | 11,342 | 48% | 51% | |
| Award Received | Awarded Deg/Cert | 1,332 | 6% | -- | -- |
| Total | | 23,806 | 100% | 100% | 5.36 |

*Due to rounding, percentages may not equal exactly 100%

Table 2. Spring to Fall Persistence Headcount by most recent college applied

| Fall 2017 Persistence Group | College Applied | Headcount | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Mesa Only | City | 877 | 4% |
| | Mesa | 6,437 | 29% |
| | Miramar | 513 | 2% |
| Mesa and Other SDCCD | City | 836 | 4% |
| | Mesa | 1,772 | 8% |
| | Miramar | 697 | 3% |
| Other SDCCD Only | City | 735 | 3% |
| | Mesa | 799 | 4% |
| | Miramar | 629 | 3% |
| Not enrolled | City | 1,774 | 8% |
| | Mesa | 6,256 | 28% |
| | Miramar | 1,149 | 5% |
| Total | | 22,474 | 100% |

Note: Students who received an award are removed from this analysis

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Table 3. Spring to Fall Persistence: Enrollments by Persistence Group and Location

| Fall 2017 Persistence Group | Location of enrollments | Fall 2017 Enrollments | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Mesa Only | Mesa | 23,748 | 57% |
| Mesa and Other SDCCD | City | 2,821 | 7% |
| | Mesa | 6,652 | 16% |
| | Miramar | 3,019 | 7% |
| | Total | 12,492 | 30% |
| Other SDCCD Only | City | 2,645 | 6% |
| | Miramar | 2,940 | 7% |
| | Total | 5,585 | 13% |
| Total | | 41,825 | 100% |

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Table 4. Spring to Fall Persistence: Enrollments by Course Type, Persistence Group, Location

| Course Type | Persistence Group | Location of Enrollments | Fall 2017 Enrollment | |
|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Campus | Mesa Only | Mesa | 19,993 | 48% |
| | Mesa and Other SDCCD | Mesa | 4,622 | 11% |
| | | Miramar | 1,842 | 4% |
| | | City | 1,726 | 4% |
| | Other SDCCD Only | Miramar | 2,077 | 5% |
| | | City | 1,978 | 5% |
| | Total | | 32,238 | 77% |
| Online | Mesa Only | Mesa | 3,265 | 8% |
| | Mesa and Other SDCCD | Mesa | 1,902 | 5% |
| | | Miramar | 1,159 | 3% |
| | | City | 1,093 | 3% |
| | Other SDCCD Only | Miramar | 830 | 2% |
| | | City | 665 | 2% |
| | Total | | 8,914 | 21% |
| Hybrid | Mesa Only | Mesa | 490 | 1% |
| | Mesa and Other SDCCD | Mesa | 128 | 0% |
| | | Miramar | 18 | 0% |
| | | City | 2 | 0% |
| | Other SDCCD Only | Miramar | 33 | 0% |
| | | City | 2 | 0% |
| | Total | | 673 | 2% |
| Total | | 41,825 | 100% | |

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Table 5. Ethnicity of students who did not Persist anywhere in SDCCD

| Ethnicity | Headcount | Percentage | 2016-17 Percentage |
|------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| African American | 660 | 7% | 7% |
| American Indian | 31 | 0% | 0% |
| Asian/Pacific Islander | 932 | 10% | 11% |
| Filipino | 370 | 4% | 5% |
| Latino | 3,170 | 35% | 36% |
| Other | 596 | 6% | 6% |
| Unreported | 178 | 2% | 2% |
| White | 3,242 | 35% | 32% |
| Total | 9,179 | 100% | 100% |

Table 6. Gender of students who did not Persist anywhere in SDCCD

| Gender | Headcount | Percentage | 2016-17 Percentage |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Female | 4,796 | 52% | 54% |
| Male | 4,383 | 48% | 46% |
| Total | 9,179 | 100% | 100% |

Table 7. Age of students who did not Persist anywhere in SDCCD

| Age | Headcount | Percentage | 2016-17 Percentage |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|
| Under 18 | 288 | 3% | 3% |
| 18 - 24 | 4,886 | 53% | 56% |
| 25 - 29 | 1,836 | 20% | 19% |
| 30 - 39 | 1,370 | 15% | 14% |
| 40 - 49 | 441 | 5% | 5% |
| 50 and > | 358 | 4% | 4% |
| Total | 9,179 | 100% | 100% |