St. Cloud Technical and Community College Student Right-To-Know Graduation and Transfer-Out Rates

What is Student Right-To-Know?

Student Right-To-Know is a federal law that requires all colleges and universities to disclose certain information to students. This handout provides the information that a college must provide to students on graduation rates and transfer-out rates for full-time students seeking degrees at St. Cloud Technical and Community College (SCTCC).

What is a graduation rate and what is a transfer-out rate?

Federal regulations specify how to calculate the graduation and transfer rates. The rates come from a study of St. Cloud Technical and Community College students who started at the college in the fall of 2021. The study includes all first-time students who enrolled full-time that fall and were seeking to earn a degree, diploma or certificate at the college. The **graduation rate** is the percentage of these students who graduated from SCTCC within three years. The **transfer-out rate** is the percentage of these students who did not graduate from SCTCC, but instead transferred to another college or university within three years.

What do I need to know about these rates?

These rates do not report on all students at St. Cloud Technical and Community College. The 448 first-time, full-time students in the study were 10 percent of all students enrolled at SCTCC in fall of 2021.

What are the graduation and transfer-out rates for St. Cloud Technical and Community College students and how do they compare to rates for other colleges?

- The graduation rate for SCTCC was 45 percent.
- The transfer-out rate for SCTCC was 16 percent.
- The combination of the graduation rate and the transfer-out rate for SCTCC was 61 percent. The national average combined rate for similar colleges was 51 percent.

Why don't more St. Cloud Technical and Community College students graduate or transfer in three years?

- Some students take jobs before they graduate;
- Students who switch from full-time to part-time enrollment or "stop out" for one or more semesters are more likely to take more than three years to graduate;
- Other students delay their education for personal, family or financial reasons.

Disaggregated Graduation and Transfer-out Rates

St. Cloud Technical and Community College	Graduation	Transfer-	Combined
	Rate	out Rate	Rate
Total Cohort	45%	45%	61%

	Graduation	Transfer-	Combined
Race Ethnicity	Rate	out Rate	Rate
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*
Asian	*	*	*
Black or African American	13%	33%	46%
Hispanic of any race	35%	19%	
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*
Two or more races	33%	33%	
U.S. Nonresident	*	*	*
Unknown race and ethnicity	*	*	*
White	51%	12%	63%

Gender	Graduation Rate	Transfer- out Rate	Combined Rate
Female	41%	22%	63%
Male	49%	10%	59%

Financial Aid	Graduation	Transfer-	Combined
	Rate	out Rate	Rate
Pell Grant Recipient	33%	21%	54%
Received neither Pell nor Subsidized Stafford Loans	56%	10%	65%
Received Subsidized Stafford Loans, but no Pell	38%	26%	64%

^{*} Suppressed to protect student privacy.

Due to rounding, percentages may not always appear to add up.