

1st Fall to 2nd Fall Retention rate. A measure of the rate at which students persist in their educational [program](#) at an institution expressed as a percentage. For [four-year institutions](#), this is the percentage of first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking [undergraduates](#) from the previous fall who are again enrolled in the current fall. **IPEDES Glossary Definition**

Specifications. NSU establishes Freshman cohorts each Fall. These cohorts consist of students who are:

- attending college for the first time,
- are enrolled for at least 12 semester hours, and
- are pursuing a bachelor's degree.

The retention rate is calculated based on the number of these students who enroll in the following Fall in relation to the original cohort population. That is,

$$\frac{\# \text{ Students from Fall}_{20xx} \text{ FTFT Bachelor-seeking Cohort who reenrolled in Fall}_{20xx+1}}{\# \text{ Students in Fall}_{20xx} \text{ FTFT Bachelor-seeking Cohort}}$$

[Fall to Fall Retention Rate Charts 1-4](#)

1. Fall to Fall Retention Rate by Gender
2. Fall to Fall Retention Rate by Ethnicity
3. Fall to Fall Retention Rate by Socioeconomic
4. Fall to Fall Retention Rate by Age

Goal. 76.0% - Retained from Fall 2022 to Fall 2023.

Outcome. 76.0% - Retained from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020.