

Graduation Rate. (Note. The SACSCOC Graduation rate serves as Northwestern’s **Key Student Completion Indicator**, KSCI). The SACSCOC Graduation rate is calculated based on the Annual Profile information (cohort size and number receiving a degree) that institutions provide to the Commission (as of spring 2018). **SACSCOC Definition**

Specifications. To align all Student Achievement reporting at a February refresh, Graduation Rate Outcome is computed from the most recent SACSCOC Annual Report, which is submitted in January. The SACSCOC report specifies that the figures reported be taken from the most recent IPEDS Grad Rate report, which would have been submitted in the prior April. As a result, the 2020-2021 SACSCOC Grad Rate represents the outcome of the Fall 2013 cohort.

Taking the “Total Number of Students in the Cohort” and “Total Number of Students completed within 150% of time of Degree” from the Annual Profile, the SACSCOC Grad Rate is calculated for the appropriate cohort year as:

$$\frac{\text{(FTFT Bachelor-seeking cohort who graduated within 6 years)} + \text{FTFT Associate-seeking cohort who graduated within 3 years}}{\text{(FTFT Bachelor-seeking cohort + FTFT Associate-seeking cohort)}}$$

[Graduation Rates Charts 1-4](#)

1. Grad Rates by Gender
2. Grad Rates by Ethnicity
3. Grad Rates by Socioeconomic
4. Grad Rates by Age

Goal. 43% (Fall 2015 cohort).

Outcome. 43% (Fall 2013 cohort). A significant increase underscores the quality of the student and the service and support provided.