Widener University

FIRST-YEAR RETENTION RATES BY ENTERING FALL COHORT

2013 – 2025

	Entering Fall Cohort												
Overall Retention	**2013**	**2014**	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**2024**	**2025**
Cohort Size	827	733	846	728	770	768	727	598	591	533	892	916	882
Retained to Second Fall	632	572	693	583	597	628	587	507	446	417	699	698	673
Retention Rate	76%	78%	82%	80%	78%	82%	81%	85%	75%	78%	78%	76%	76%
Retention Rates by Sex													
Female	79%	80%	82%	79%	78%	84%	84%	89%	77%	77%	78%	78%	75%
Male	74%	76%	82%	82%	77%	79%	78%	80%	73%	80%	78%	74%	78%
Retention Rates by Race/Ethnicity													
Asian	84%	78%	76%	81%	64%	78%	85%	92%	87%	94%	86%	75%	86%
Black or African American	60%	72%	70%	71%	74%	70%	71%	74%	68%	65%	72%	71%	70%
Hispanic	67%	58%	62%	67%	60%	73%	75%	78%	76%	85%	69%	73%	76%
White	79%	81%	86%	83%	80%	85%	83%	88%	77%	83%	85%	82%	84%
Other/Unknown	78%	62%	82%	70%	77%	73%	76%	72%	69%	77%	74%	76%	70%

Notes:

- ***Race/Ethnicity*** *: Categories follow IPEDS classifications. "Other/Unknown" combines American Indian or Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Two or More Races, Nonresident Alien, and Unknown.*
- ***Cohort Definition*** *: The cohort includes first-time, full-time bachelor's degree-seeking students entering in the fall.*
- ***Retention Rate*** *: The percentage of the original entering cohort enrolled in the following fall.*

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