

Performance Report Board of Regents

June 2013

This report includes information about topics such as grade point averages, retention rates, transfer rates, graduation rates, completion measures, GED test results, and the Small Business Development Center. In addition to the information presented to the Board of Regents in earlier reports regarding State Accountability Measures and *Achieving the Dream*, this report presents information about student success based on the measures listed.

Grade Point Averages

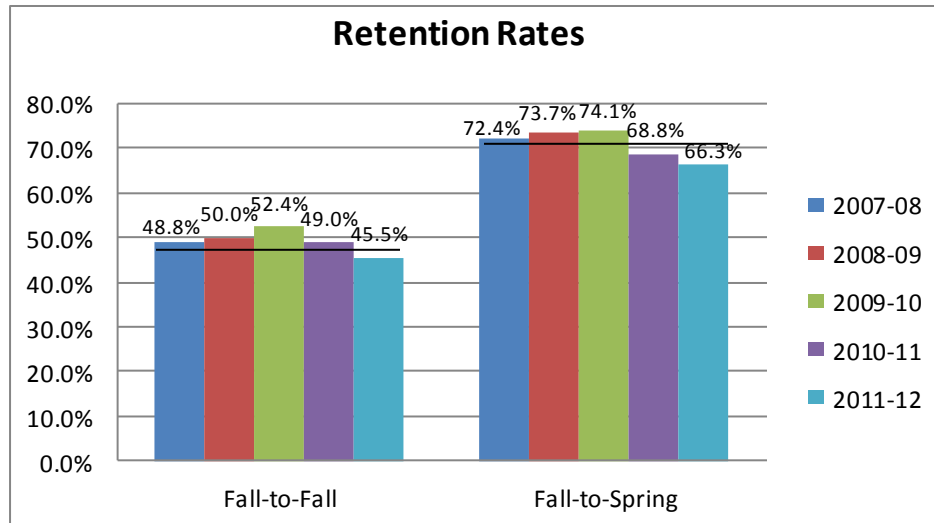
The following chart shows grade point averages for the past five years by semester and general instructional area. There is some fluctuation in GPAs when disaggregated by instructional area, but grade point averages have remained fairly consistent over this period.

Year	Semester	Academic Grade Point Average	Workforce Education Grade Point Average	College-Wide Grade Point Average
2008-09	Fall	2.63	3.08	2.77
	Spring	2.65	3.03	2.76
2009-10	Fall	2.67	3.08	2.79
	Spring	2.72	3.09	2.83
2010-11	Fall	2.64	3.05	2.76
	Spring	2.71	3.04	2.82
2011-12	Fall	2.61	3.11	2.77
	Spring	2.72	3.02	2.81
2012-13	Fall	2.62	3.07	2.76
	Spring	2.73	3.01	2.82

Source: Brazosport College Student Files

Retention Rates

The following graph shows the fall-to-fall and fall-to-spring retention rates from 2007-08 to 2011-12. The rates are cohort-based where a cohort is defined to be a set of students who enrolled for the first-time in that semester at Brazosport College.



Source: Brazosport College Enrollment Reports

Fall-to-Fall Retention refers to the group of students who enroll at Brazosport College for the first time in the fall, and enroll the following fall semester.

Fall-to-Spring Retention refers to the group of students who enroll at Brazosport College for the first time in the fall, and enroll the following spring semester.

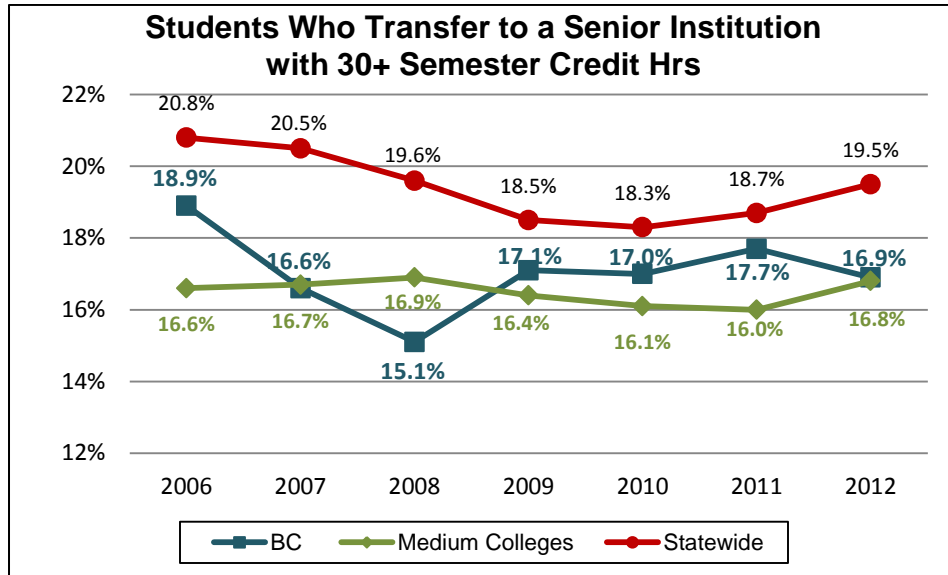
Note: FY = Fiscal Year

During FY2009-10 Brazosport College's retention rates had risen to the highest rates since FY2005-06. Over the past two years retention rates have decreased, fall-to-fall 6.0 points and fall-to-spring 7.8 points. Determining the causes for the decline and why students do not return is difficult, but could be related to the decrease in unemployment rates, job demands, family, finances, and/or health issues. These are some of the issues that show up in the research literature as correlates to retention. Locally, the unemployment rate is lower than both the national and state rates.

Brazosport College participates in the National Community College Benchmark Project (NCCBP) each year and both fall-to-fall and fall-to-spring retention rates are collected from 280 participating colleges. To give a national perspective of our retention rates, the NCCBP medians for fall-to-fall and fall-to-spring retention rates are 48.4 and 71.6 respectively.

30 Hour Transfer Rate (Six-Year)

The following graph shows the percent of students who completed at least 30 semester credit hours at Brazosport College before transferring to a four-year institution.

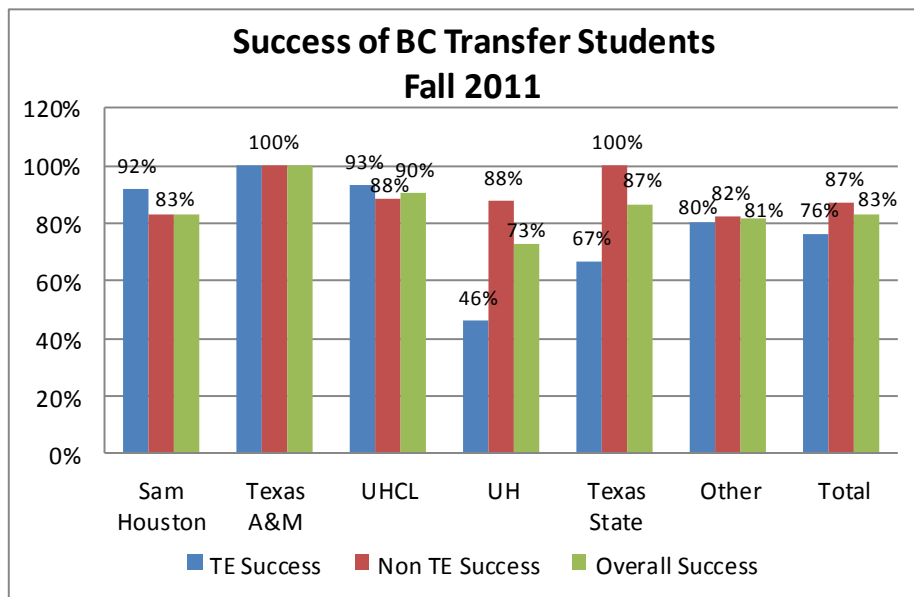


Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

This measure includes the cohort of first-time, degree-seeking students who enrolled at Brazosport College (BC) six years prior to the year reported and accumulated at least 30 credit hours at the institution before transferring. Although this report omits students who completed fewer than 30 semester credit hours before transfer, it does provide a way of comparing transfer results among similar colleges. BC's 2012 transfer rate is comparable to Medium colleges.

Transfer Success Rates

Transfer students had to have at least 30 hours of credit at Brazosport College to be included in the following table. The graphs compare percent success as defined as a grade of C or better for students who were required to take transitional education (TE) courses, students who were not required to take transitional education (Non TE) courses, and all students.



Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB)
 Success = C or better (as reported by the institution to the THECB)
 TE = Transitional Education
 Note: Small sample sizes

Though there is some fluctuation by institution between TE students and Non TE students, TE students are as successful as Non TE students. The numbers of students represented by these percentages are very small which can make small numerical variations seem large when converted to percentages.

Four-Year Institutions Receiving Transfer Students from Brazosport College

The following table shows the number of students who enrolled at Brazosport College during the past two academic years and transferred to a four-year institution in the fall semesters, listed by institution. The number of students who transferred to a four-year university in the 2012 fall semester decreased compared to the previous semesters. The decrease in transfer students to universities could be a result in the continual increase in tuition. Since the 2003 deregulation of Texas college tuition, university tuition has been steadily rising and even doubling at some institutions.

University	Number Transferred Fall 2011	Number Transferred Fall 2012
Texas A&M University	109	100
University of Houston	76	69
University of Houston – Clear Lake	29	45
Texas State University – San Marcos	69	66
Sam Houston State University	61	39

Source: National Student Clearinghouse

Graduation Rates/Completion Measures

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board recently published the *2013 Texas Public Higher Education Almanac* containing a great deal of information on progress in reaching *Closing the Gaps* goals and information that compares colleges on a number of measures. In this section, data about graduation rates and completion measures are presented. These data compare Brazosport College to statewide results for two-year public institutions.

Graduation Rates:

Time Period	Brazosport College – Full-Time	Statewide Two-Year Public Institutions – Full-Time	Brazosport College – Part-Time	Statewide Two-Year Public Institutions – Part-Time
3-Year	21.5% ↑	13.8%	10.0% ↑	8.9%
4-Year	20.5% ↑	19.8%	10.7% ↓	13.1%
6-Year	40.3% ↑	29.3%	32.9% ↑	23.8%

Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

This measure for graduation rates looks at both full-time and part-time students who were first-time, credential-seeking undergraduates who graduate within three, four, or six academic years. As these data show Brazosport College percentages exceed statewide averages in five of the six categories.

Completion Measures:

Completion Measure	Brazosport College	Statewide Two-Year Public Institutions
Average time to associate degree (years)	5.2	4.7
Average semester credit hours to associate degree	95	98

Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Completion measures are calculated using time-to-degree and the average number of semester credit hours to complete an associate degree. The semester credit hours measure includes the number of semester credit hours *attempted* by students.

Brazosport College data compare favorably to statewide data. Since Brazosport College has a larger percentage of part-time students (74.7% compared to a statewide average of 72.1%), the slight increase in time to associate degree completion is not surprising.

Additionally, many of our certificate students, who are typically part-time students, change their goal and work towards an associate's degree.

GED Report for FY 2011-12

Test	Number of Students 2010-11	Number of Students 2011-12
Enrolled in GED program	572	431
Took the Test	419	342
Passed the Test	225 (54%)	247 (72%)

Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

Brazosport College provides GED testing as a community service. Individuals also have the opportunity to enroll in a GED preparatory program at Brazosport College to prepare for the test. Enrollment in the GED program was down this year compared to last year; however, a greater percentage of GED test takers passed their test this year compared to last year. Approximately seven out of ten (72%) of the test takers passed the GED test this year compared to approximately five out of ten (54%) test takers last year.

Small Business Development Center Report

The following table shows the last five years of SBDC activities.

	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>	<i>2010-11</i>	<i>2011-12</i>
Total Consulting Clients	154	183	240	262	227
New Jobs Created	121	104	135	91	79
New Business Starts	25	24	29	33	30
Amount of Financing Obtained	\$12,360,000	\$8,303,250	\$9,546,650	\$8,206,502	\$5,939,670

Source: Small Business Development Center Reports