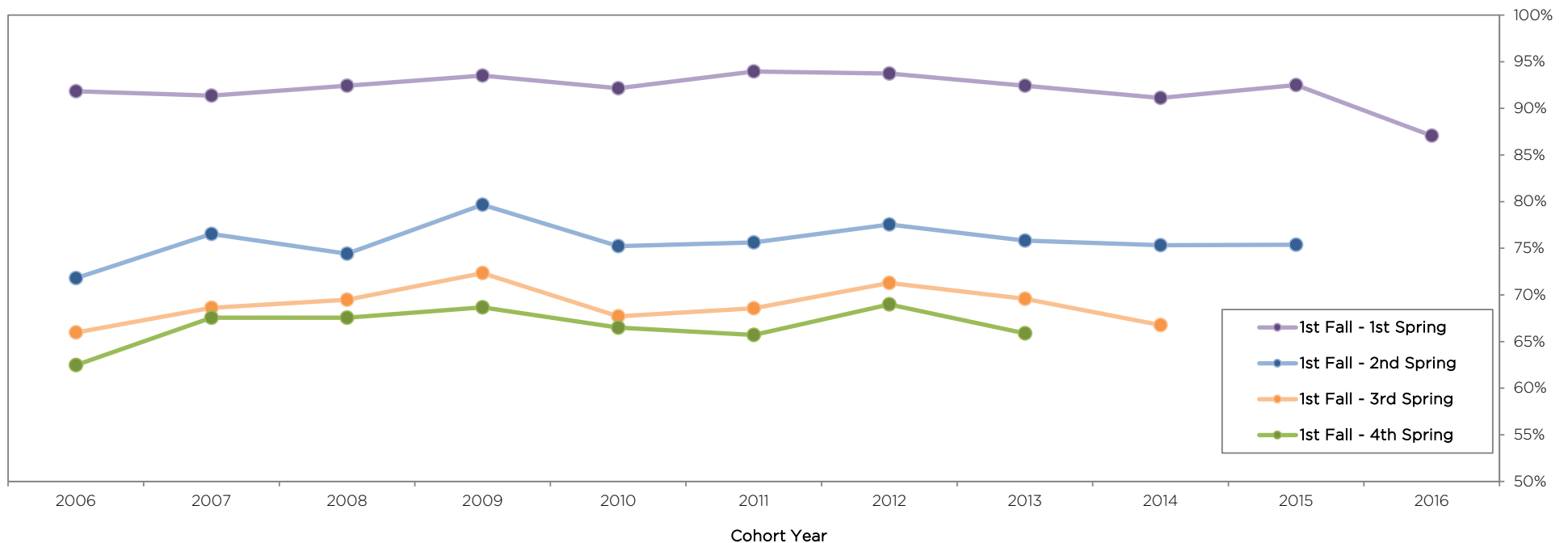


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Official Retention Rates for First-Time, Full-Time Fall Cohorts, 2006 - 2016

Entering Fall Class	Cohort Size	First Year		Second Year				Third Year				Fourth Year			
		First Fall to First Spring		First Fall to Second Fall		First Fall to Second Spring		First Fall to Third Fall		First Fall to Third Spring		First Fall to Fourth Fall		First Fall to Fourth Spring	
2016	635 ¹	552	87.1%												
2015	707	654	92.5%	563	79.6%	533	75.4%								
2014	665	606	91.1%	537	80.8%	501	75.3%	458 ²	68.9%	444	66.8%				
2013	674	623	92.4%	537	79.7%	511	75.8%	478	70.9%	469	69.6%	457 ³	67.8%	444 ⁴	65.9%
2012	606	568	93.7%	483	79.7%	470	77.6%	446	73.6%	432	71.3%	421	69.5%	418	69.0%
2011	600 ⁵	559	93.9%	483	81.2%	450	75.6%	413	69.4%	408	68.6%	398	66.9%	391	65.7%
2010	577 ⁶	528	92.1%	448	78.2%	431	75.2%	400	69.8%	388	67.7%	385	67.2%	381	66.5%
2009	602 ⁷	561	93.5%	497	82.8%	478	79.7%	444	74.0%	434	72.3%	416	69.3%	412	68.7%
2008	567	524	92.4%	441	77.8%	422	74.4%	406	71.6%	394	69.5%	385	67.9%	383	67.5%
2007	568 ⁸	518	91.4%	455	80.2%	434	76.5%	401	70.7%	389	68.6%	386	68.1%	383	67.5%
2006	430 ⁹	394	91.8%	332	77.4%	308	71.8%	289	67.4%	283	66.0%	272	63.4%	268	62.5%
Average	603		92.0%		79.7%		75.7%		70.7%		68.9%		67.5%		66.7%



Methodology:

Entering student numbers (full-time traditional and full-time nontraditional) are reconciled with the Colleague cohort code. Regardless of exclusions during IPEDS, the original number above is maintained as it appears in Colleague. However, retention rates are calculated using an adjusted denominator (factoring in the IPEDS-eligible exclusions). See notes below.

- 1. Initial 2016 cohort was 635; adjusted cohort is 634.*
- 2. One student from the 2014 cohort graduated after four semesters.*
- 3. Six students from the 2013 cohort graduated after six semesters.*
- 4. Twenty-two students from the 2013 cohort graduated after seven semesters.*
- 5. Initial 2011 cohort was 600; adjusted cohort is 595.*
- 6. Initial 2010 cohort was 577; adjusted cohort is 573.*
- 7. Initial 2009 cohort was 602; adjusted cohort is 600.*
- 8. Initial 2007 cohort was 568; adjusted cohort is 567.*
- 9. Initial 2006 cohort was 430; adjusted cohort is 429.*

Students who graduated in less than four years have been included in the third- and fourth-year retention numbers.