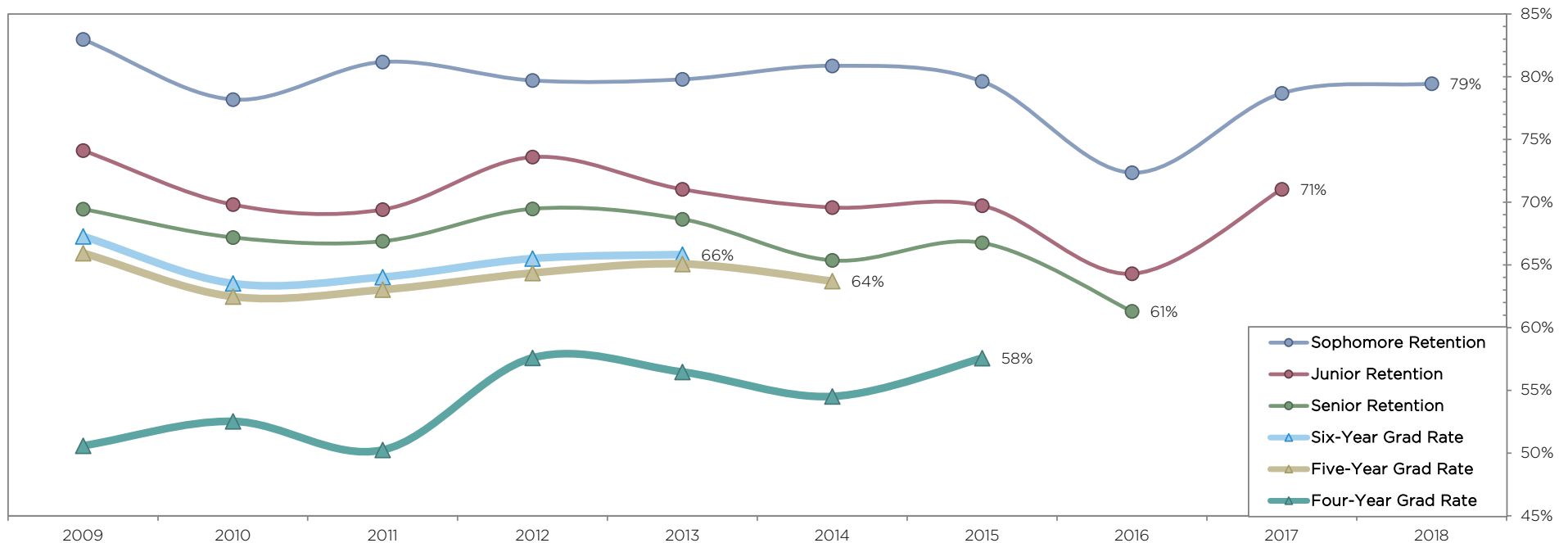# Bellarmine University Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness
Official Retention and Graduation Rates for First-Time, Full-Time Fall Cohorts, 2009 - 2019

Entering Fall Class	Cohort Size	Second Year		Third Year		Fourth Year				Fifth Year		Sixth Year	
		Fall-to-Fall Retention		Fall-to-Fall Retention		Fall-to-Fall Retention		Year-End Graduation Rate		Year-End Graduation Rate		Year-End Graduation Rate	
2019	**616**												
2018	653 [1]	**518**	**79.4%**										
2017	680	535	78.7%	**483**	**71.0%**								
2016	635 [2]	458	72.4%	407	64.3%	**388**	**61.3%**						
2015	707	563	79.6%	493	69.7%	472	66.8%	**407**	**57.6%**				
2014	665 [3]	537	80.9%	462	69.6%	434	65.4%	362	54.5%	**423**	**63.7%**		
2013	674 [4]	537	79.8%	478	71.0%	462	68.6%	380	56.5%	438	65.1%	**443**	**65.8%**
2012	606	483	79.7%	446	73.6%	421	69.5%	349	57.6%	390	64.4%	397	65.5%
2011	600 [5]	483	81.2%	413	69.4%	398	66.9%	299	50.3%	375	63.0%	381	64.0%
2010	577 [6]	448	78.2%	400	69.8%	385	67.2%	301	52.5%	358	62.5%	364	63.5%
2009	602 [7]	497	83.0%	444	74.1%	416	69.4%	303	50.6%	395	65.9%	403	67.3%
Average	**636**		**79.3%**		**70.3%**		**67.0%**		**54.2%**		**64.1%**		**65.6%**

Legend: Sophomore Retention, Junior Retention, Senior Retention, Six-Year Grad Rate, Five-Year Grad Rate, Four-Year Grad Rate

Methodology:

Entering student numbers (full-time traditional and full-time nontraditional) are reconciled with the Colleague cohort code. Regardless of IPEDS-allowed exclusions, the original number above is maintained as it appears in Colleague. However, retention and four-, five- and six-year graduation rates are calculated using the adjusted total (after exclusions from IPEDS). See notes below.

1. *Initial 2018 cohort was 653; adjusted cohort is 652.*
2. *Initial 2016 cohort was 635; adjusted cohort is 633.*
3. *Initial 2014 cohort was 665; adjusted cohort is 664.*
4. *Initial 2013 cohort was 674; adjusted cohort is 673.*
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 599.*

Graduation rate is calculated through August 31 of the fourth, fifth and sixth year post-cohort entry.