

Retention and Graduation Rates

Study of New First-Time Freshmen (FF) entering Bethel College beginning Fall 1997#

| Year | Number of First-time Freshmen | Number Retained | Percent Retained | Number Graduated in 4 years | Percent Graduated in 4 years | Number Graduated in 5 years | Percent Graduated in 5 years | Number Graduated in 6 years | Percent Graduated in 6 years | Total Number Graduated in 6 years | Total Percent Graduated in 6 years |
|-------|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| FA76 | 169 | 102 | 60.4% | 47 | 27.8% | 11 | 6.5% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA77 | 156 | 113 | 72.4% | 46 | 29.5% | 14 | 9.0% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA78 | 176 | 97 | 55.1% | 48 | 27.3% | 10 | 5.7% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA79 | 171 | 117 | 68.4% | 59 | 34.5% | 14 | 8.2% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA80 | 190 | 129 | 67.9% | 69 | 36.3% | 12 | 6.3% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA81 | 157 | 118 | 75.2% | 56 | 35.7% | 11 | 7.0% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA82 | 106 | 77 | 72.6% | 41 | 38.7% | 6 | 5.7% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA83 | 166 | 104 | 62.7% | 55 | 33.1% | 11 | 6.6% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA84 | 194 | 124 | 63.9% | 63 | 32.5% | 8 | 4.1% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA85 | 165 | 102 | 61.8% | 49 | 29.7% | 12 | 7.3% | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| FA86 | 164 | 110 | 67.1% | 65 | 39.6% | 13 | 7.9% | 0 | 0.0% | 78 | 47.6% |
| FA87 | 139 | 85 | 61.2% | 55 | 39.6% | 13 | 9.4% | 2 | 1.4% | 70 | 50.4% |
| FA88 | 161 | 115 | 71.4% | 53 | 32.9% | 21 | 13.0% | 1 | 0.6% | 75 | 46.6% |
| FA89 | 135 | 85 | 63.0% | 44 | 32.6% | 16 | 11.9% | 2 | 1.5% | 62 | 45.9% |
| FA90 | 105 | 75 | 71.4% | 45 | 42.9% | 8 | 7.6% | 1 | 1.0% | 54 | 51.4% |
| FA91 | 115 | 86 | 74.78% | 46 | 40.00% | 13 | 11.30% | 0 | 0.00% | 59 | 51.30% |
| FA92 | 113 | 88 | 77.88% | 47 | 41.59% | 11 | 9.73% | 0 | 0.00% | 58 | 51.33% |
| FA93 | 123 | 81 | 65.85% | 45 | 36.59% | 13 | 10.57% | 3 | 2.44% | 61 | 49.59% |
| FA94 | 115 | 74 | 64.35% | 44 | 38.26% | 12 | 10.43% | 1 | 0.87% | 57 | 49.57% |
| FA95 | 130 | 103 | 79.23% | 65 | 50.00% | 15 | 11.54% | 0 | 0.00% | 80 | 61.54% |
| FA96 | 102 | 61 | 59.80% | 25 | 24.51% | 12 | 11.76% | 0 | 0.00% | 37 | 36.27% |
| FA97 | 123 | 74 | 60.16% | 49 | 39.84% | 10 | 8.13% | 5 | 4.07% | 64 | 52.03% |
| FA98 | 104 | 71 | 68.27% | 42 | 40.38% | 5 | 4.81% | 5 | 4.81% | 52 | 50.00% |
| FA99 | 120 | 84 | 70.00% | 52 | 43.33% | 10 | 8.33% | 2 | 1.67% | 64 | 53.33% |
| FA00 | 121 | 87 | 71.90% | 55 | 45.45% | 13 | 10.74% | 2 | 1.65% | 70 | 57.85% |
| FA01 | 125 | 82 | 65.60% | 53 | 42.40% | 10 | 8.00% | 1 | 0.80% | 64 | 51.20% |
| FA02 | 98 | 73 | 74.49% | 37 | 37.76% | 18 | 18.37% | 5 | 5.10% | 60 | 61.22% |
| FA03 | 98 | 80 | 81.63% | 50 | 51.02% | 15 | 15.31% | 3 | 3.06% | 68 | 69.39% |
| FA04 | 118 | 78 | 66.10% | 45 | 38.14% | 17 | 14.41% | 2 | 1.69% | 64 | 54.24% |
| FA05 | 96 | 70 | 72.92% | 35 | 36.46% | 15 | 15.63% | 0 | 0.00% | 50 | 52.08% |
| FA06 | 104 | 75 | 72.12% | 37 | 35.58% | 23 | 22.12% | 0 | 0.00% | 60 | 57.69% |
| FA07 | 108 | 77 | 71.30% | 42 | 38.89% | 10 | 9.26% | 5 | 4.63% | 57 | 52.78% |
| FA08* | 118 | 89 | 75.42% | 50 | 42.37% | 14 | 11.86% | 4 | 3.39% | 68 | 57.63% |
| FA09 | 92 | 76 | 82.61% | 49 | 53.26% | 14 | 15.22% | 0 | 0.00% | 63 | 68.48% |
| FA10 | 127 | 98 | 77.17% | 49 | 38.58% | 18 | 14.17% | 0 | 0.00% | 67 | 52.76% |
| FA11 | 126 | 78 | 61.90% | 39 | 30.95% | 14 | 11.11% | 0 | 0.00% | 53 | 42.06% |
| FA12 | 101 | 71 | 70.30% | 41 | 40.59% | 10 | 9.90% | | 0.00% | 51 | 50.50% |
| FA13 | 123 | 77 | 62.60% | 46 | 37.40% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | 46 | 37.40% |
| FA14 | 110 | 71 | 64.55% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| FA15 | 130 | 81 | 62.31% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| FA16 | 101 | 63 | 62.38% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |
| FA17 | 124 | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | | 0.00% | 0 | 0.00% |

incorporates data from an earlier study originally completed 12/16/87 and updated 9/21/89. Data through FA85 includes number of graduates after five years. Beginning in FA86 graduation rates after six years are included because of Federal regulations requiring institutions to collect and distribute this data.

Note: the purpose of this study is to determine the number of full-time freshmen entering fall term who persist to the next fall term and who continue at Bethel, graduating in four, five, or six years.

* Adjusted from 119 FF to 118 FF to account for deceased class member.