Mayville State University

Student Right to Know - Completion and Graduation Rates

I. Background

In compliance with federal legislation - The Student Right to Know Law (Public Law 101-542), Mayville State compiles data related to the graduation and completion rates of all students, and specifically of individuals who participate in intercollegiate athletics and receive related athletic aid. This information is provided to students, prospective students, and the general public as a form of consumer protection; i.e. the success of students enrolled at this institution. In particular, the completion and graduation rates of college athletes is of special interest. The institution also provides data related to expenditures for athletic aid, operating expenses for athletic teams, comparisons of expenses and aid for male and female teams, and other financial comparisons.

II. Process and Definitions

Mayville State utilizes a standardized process to identify students who are subsequently tracked to determine their completion and graduation from programs. Resources of the NDUS Connect ND System are used to build each cohort of students and to identify graduates, transfers, completers and non-completers. Official data related to cohorts and eventual graduates and completers is obtained from IPEDS reports that are submitted on a regular basis by the Academic Records Office. The Students Services, Enrollment Services, and Financial Aids Offices are also involved in record keeping and tracking. Following is a brief description of the process that is used:

- Shortly after classes begin in the fall term the Academic Records Office identifies all enrolled students who are involved in intercollegiate athletics and enters sports codes onto the NDUS Student Records System.
- During the fourth week of the fall term, a new cohort of first time, full time freshmen who are seeking a bachelor's or associate's degree at Mayville State is identified and created by the Academic Records Office.
- Each term the Student Affairs Office identifies all students from the previous term who have left Mayville State and who are known to have enrolled at another four year NDUS institution. These individuals' records are tagged automatically as transfers, indicating successful completers.
- By July 1 of each year, the Academic Records Office produces a report that identifies the number of student athletes receiving athletically related aid for the previous year, including data by gender and sport.
- By July 1 of each year, the Academic Records Office produces a report that records the graduation and transfer out rates of the cohort of new, first time freshmen who entered the institution six years previously. This report also records graduation and transfer out rates for students receiving athletically related aid, categorized by race and gender for each sport. This data is included in official IPEDS Graduation Reports submitted to the Department of Education.
- Graduation and transfer information for each respective cohort is verified by participation in the Voluntary System of Accountability project in which data for a cohort is submitted to the National Clearinghouse. That organization then matches student information from their database to confirm students that have graduated from Mayville State and other institutions, as well students who are currently enrolled anywhere. This data is compared to the IPEDS Graduation Report and any discrepancies are identified.
- The Student Services Office reviews these reports and develops a summary report that is compiled and posted at (http://www.mayvillestate.edu/about-msu/Pages/ConsumerInformation.aspx) during October of each year for all enrolled students to access. Upon request, this information is also provided to parents, prospective students, or members of the general public. Copies of the report are available from the Student Services Office in Main 107.

III. Athletic Aid Information

2010-11 Enrollment of Students
Receiving Athletically Related Aid

	Non Res. Male	Non Res. Female	Black Male	Black Female	Indian Male	Indian Female	Asian /Hawaii Male	Asian/ Hawaii Female	Hispanic Male	Hispanic Female	White Male	White Female	Unkn Male	Unkn Female	Total Male	Total Female
Fall 2010 Full time undergrads	21	9	41	6	6	12	7	3	15	9	197	220	0	0	291	261
Football receiving aid	2		8		1		4		4		36				55	
Basketball Receiving aid	1	1	4	1		1					2	3			7	6
Baseball receiving aid	4										6				10	
Other sports receiving aid		1				2				3		10				16
Total athletes receiving aid	7	2	12	1	1	3	4		4	3	44	13			72	22

Graduation, Transfer Out and Completion Rates

All cohorts of first time, full time freshmen are tracked through 150% of their enrollment; i.e. up to six years. Average graduation, transfer and completion (combination of graduation and transfer figures) rates for the most recent four years are provided below. This data suggests that athletes graduate and transfer at rates similar to all other freshmen.

Four Year Average Graduation and Transfer Rates 2001-2005

Sport	% Graduating In Six Years	% Transferring	% Completers
Football	41%	9%	50%
Basketball	71%	6%	77%
Baseball	40%	20%	60%
Other Sports- Volleyball, Soft Ball, Soccer	56%	-	56%
All sports	49%	6%	55%
All Freshmen Cohorts	33%	7%	40%

IV. Graduation, Transfer out and Completion Rates.

The 1991 cohort of new, first time, full time freshmen was the first to be tracked through 150% of normal completion time; i.e. six years. Data for the 2005 cohort is provided below. Included in these tables are initial cohort numbers, graduates of 2 and 4 year programs at MSU, graduates from other institutions, transfers to other four year institutions, and completion/transfer data for students on athletic aid who were involved in football, men's and women's basketball, baseball, and all other sports combined. Information concerning previous cohorts is available from the Student Services Office.

Cohort of First Time, Full Time Freshmen
Fall, 2005

	Non Resident Male	Non resident Female	Native American Male	Native American Female	Black Male	Black Female	Hispanic Male	Hispanic Female	Asian Male	Asian Female	White Male	White Female	Total Males	Total Females	TOTAL	% GRADUATING @ MSU	% GRADUATING @ OTHER	% TRANSFER NOT GRAD	% COMPLETERS
Adjusted Cohort	6	4	2	1	5		2	3			66	55	81	63	144	37			
Graduated @ MSU in 150%	2	1		1	1						10	22	13	24	37	26%			
Graduated Elsewhere in 150%																	22%		
Transfer to 4yr school																			
Total Completers																			48%
Football	1				3		1				18		23		23				
Completed in 150%	1				1						7		9		9	39%			
Transfer to 4yr school											1		1		1			4%	
Total Completers	1				1						8		10		10				
Basketball															-	--			
Completed in 150%															*	--			
Transfer to 4 yr school															*			--	
Total Completers																			
Baseball															-	--			
Completed in 150%																--			
Transfer to 4 yr school																		--	
Total Completers																			
Other sports		4										2		6	6				
Completed in 150%		1										1		2	2	33%			
Transfer to 4 yr school															--			--	
Total Completers																			
Total Athletes	1	4			3		1				18	2	23	6	29				
Completed in 150%	1	1			1						7	1	9	2	11	38%			
Transfer to 4 yr school											1							3%	
Total Completers																			

During the fall of 2005 there were no new freshmen athletes in basketball or baseball receiving athletically related aid.