

Denver College of Nursing

Student's Right-to-Know Disclosure *Completion Rates*

The Student Right-to-Know Act requires an institution that participates in any student financial assistance program under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (as amended) to disclose information about graduation rates relating to first-time full-time degree/certificate-seeking students.

The National Center for Education Statistics, through the Integrated Post-Secondary Education Data System (IPEDS), developed the graduation rate component to help institutions satisfy the requirements of the Student Right-to-Know legislation. This graduation rate component includes the cohort of full-time, first-time degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students and tracks their completion status at 150% of the normal time to complete all the requirements of their program of study. The required cohort has been defined through IPEDS. The data are to be available by 7/1 each year for the most recent cohort that has had 150% of normal completion by 8/31 of the prior year.

Generally, the cohort used to measure if a group of students completed/graduated within 150% of the normal time of their program length would include all first-time students that started between 9/1 – 8/31 of a given year. For our institution, the 9/1/13 – 8/31/14 cohort is required to be available for disclosure by 7/1/20.

The Denver College of Nursing did not have any first-time students who started during the required cohort of 9/1/13 – 8/31/14. As a result, there is no Completion Rate data available for 7/1/20. (Note: A first-time student is defined as a student who has no prior postsecondary experience attending any institution for the first time at the undergraduate level.)

It is common for our enrollments to already have post-secondary education experience since our programs require it.

This is also consistent with the College's IPEDS graduation rate surveys which result in information being presented on the College Navigator website:

<http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/>