

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA

2015 Freshman Cohort Retention Report

Executive Summary

This report summarizes the one-year retention of 2,082 students in the University of South Alabama (USA) 2015 first-time full-time baccalaureate degree-seeking freshman cohort. The one-year retention rate for the 2015 freshman cohort was 73%.

Results indicated retention of students who are older, from the Florida service area or Mobile or Baldwin County area, or have a lower high school GPA or lower ACT Composite may require additional resources and monitoring to enable and/or encourage them to persist towards successfully completing a degree at USA. Similar to previous studies, students attending the earlier freshman summer orientation sessions were more likely to return than students attending the later orientation sessions meaning that the orientation session attended could provide another key factor for identifying at-risk freshmen students early on in their college experience.

Freshmen who participated in a learning community were more likely to return so expanding the number of learning communities for freshmen to participate in should receive further consideration. Similarly, students who participated in Greek life at USA were more likely to return to USA which emphasizes the importance of students becoming involved in student organizations at USA that allow them to connect with students with similar interests outside of the classroom as well.

The importance of financial support in the form of freshman scholarships or other types of scholarships was also clear, particularly since students with a higher unmet financial need were less likely to return to USA. Additional USA freshman scholarships should be considered to continue to attract top students to attend USA. In addition, need-based grants could be utilized to assist students in greater need of financial support to encourage them to return to and persist towards completing a degree at USA.

A total of 290 students still had an immunization hold after Fall 2015 and the retention rate for students who still had an immunization hold after Fall 2015 was 60%. Clearing immunization holds earlier should be addressed as well.

Results also showed students who received an at-risk midterm grade (D, F, or U) in the Fall 2015 semester in four or more courses for lack of attendance and/or poor academic performance and students who were placed on probation after the Fall 2015 semester ended were unlikely to return to USA one year later. These findings highlight the importance of intervening prior to the end of the fall semester with students who receive an at-risk midterm grade to help prevent these students from subsequently receiving a low USA GPA and being placed on probation after the fall semester concludes.

Overview

The following report provides a detailed analysis about the one-year retention of the 2,082 first-time full-time baccalaureate degree-seeking freshmen students in the University of South Alabama (USA) 2015

freshman cohort. Retention in the context of this report is defined as whether freshmen students returned and enrolled one year later in the Fall 2016 semester. Similar to reports written by Institutional Research about the 2007 through 2014 freshman cohorts, the input-environment-outcome (IEO) model developed by Alexander W. Astin¹ was used as a conceptual framework to guide this analysis.

Cross tabular results for each variable and whether the student returned are reported. Comparisons for each subgroup are made to the overall retention rate of the cohort (73%). Significant mean differences for the input, environmental, and outcome variables are also indicated.

Additionally, five logistic regression models were tested. The first model included the input² variables. The second model included the input and the environmental³ variables. The third model included three outcome or other variables known after the end of the Fall 2015 semester⁴. The fourth model and fifth model tested a different outcome variable known after the end of the Summer 2016 semester⁵. The predictive power of each model for explaining whether the student would return (Yes/No) is reported as well as which variables were significant in each of the five models.

Cross Tabular Results

Cross tabular results for each variable and whether the student returned are summarized in the following section. Comparisons are made for each subgroup of the variable to the one-year retention rate (73%) of the 2,082 freshmen in the cohort. These comparisons illustrate which subgroups of students returned at higher, similar, or lower rates than the overall cohort retention rate of 73%. In addition, significant mean differences for the input, environmental, and the outcome or other variables known after the end of the Fall 2015 semester and after the end of the Summer 2016 semester are reported.

Input Variable Cross Tabular Results

For the input variables included in this analysis (see Table 1), female students (74%) returned at a higher rate than male students (72%). In terms of race/ethnicity, African-American (71%), multiracial (71%), Hispanic (69%), and students from another race/ethnicity (68%) returned at a lower rate than the cohort retention rate (73%). The mean difference between retention of Asian students compared to students in the White, African-American, Hispanic, and other race/ethnicity subgroups was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

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¹ Astin, A. W. (2002). Assessment for excellence: The philosophy and practice of assessment and evaluation in higher education. American Council on Education, Oryx Press.

² Input variables: Gender, race/ethnicity, age, region, high school GPA, ACT Composite score, first generation status, USA rank as institution of choice, and expectation to graduate from USA.

³ Environmental variables: USA Day attendance, orientation session attended, college, USA freshman scholarship, other scholarship, Pell Grant, expected family contribution, unmet financial need, housing, learning community, Freshman Seminar, and Greek life participation.

⁴ Outcome/other variables after Fall 2015: Number of at-risk midterm grades received, probation status, and immunization hold.

⁵ Outcome variables after Summer 2016: USA hours earned (model 4) and USA GPA (model 5).

Table 1: Comparison of Input Variables to 2015 Cohort Retention Rate

Variable	Retention Rate >= 73%	Count	Retention Rate < 73%	Count
Gender	Retention Rate >= 7370	Count	Actention Rate < 75 /0	Count
Genuer	Female (74%)	1,190	Male (72%)	892
*Race/Ethnic		1,190	Wide (7270)	092
Race/Eimil	*Asian (91%)	69	African-American (71%)	589
	Non-Resident Alien (86%)	103	Multiracial (71%)	63
	White (73%)	1,135	Hispanic (69%)	55
	Wilite (75%)	1,133	Other (68%)	68
*Age			Other (00%)	0
rige	17 years old or younger (79%)	118	19 years old (67%)	198
	18 years old (74%)	1,710	*20 years old or older (54%)	56
*Region	10 years old (1470)	1,710	20 years old of older (3470)	30
Region	*International (86%)	103	Mobile or Baldwin County (71%)	786
	Mississippi service area (79%)	107	Florida service area (68%)	119
	Rest of United States (76%)	156	Tiorida service area (0070)	117
	Rest of Alabama (73%)	811		
*High Schoo		011		
111811 Beried	*3.51-4.0 (83%)	993	3.01-3.5 (68%)	582
	3.31 1.0 (03/0)	775	3.0 or lower (52%)	387
*ACT Compo	osite Score		(CZ/O)	
	30 or higher (89%)	102	20-21 (65%)	366
	26-27 (85%)	181	*19 or lower (64%)	404
	28-29 (83%)	151		
	24-25 (77%)	336		
	22-23 (75%)	346		
*First Gener			,	
	*Unknown (82%)	385	No (72%)	1,202
			Yes (68%)	495
USA Rank as	s Institution of Choice	•		
	Fifth choice or lower (85%)	13		
	Fourth choice (82%)	11		
	Third choice (80%)	55		
	First choice (75%)	568		
	Second choice (75%)	222		
Expectation	to Graduate from USA			
	Yes (76%)	803	Uncertain (61%)	62
	No (75%)	12		
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Note: *Significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Independent T-Test for two group comparisons or at least one group with significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Games-Howell procedure for multiple group comparisons. Significantly different group indicated by orange fill color. Comparison group indicated by "**" and gray fill color.

Retention comparisons based on age showed students who were 19 years or older (at most 67%) returned at a lower rate than younger students. The mean difference between retention of 20-year-old or older students compared to students who were 18 years old or younger was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables). Comparisons based on what region the student came from showed international students (86%), students from the Mississippi service area (79%), and students from the rest of the United States (76%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%).

For the most part, as high school GPA or ACT Composite score decreased, retention also decreased. Students who had a high school GPA ranging between 3.01-3.5 or lower (at most 68%) returned at a lower rate than the overall cohort (73%). Similarly, students who had an ACT Composite score of 20-21

or lower returned at a lower rate than the cohort retention rate (73%). The mean difference between retention of students with a high school GPA of 3.51 or higher in comparison to the lower two high school GPA groups was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables). The mean difference between retention of students with an ACT Composite score of 19 or lower in comparison to students with an ACT Composite score of 22-23 or higher was also statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

The retention rate of students whose first generation status was unknown (82%) because the student did not answer this question on a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was higher than the overall cohort (73%). The mean difference between students whose first generation status was unknown compared to first generation students and students who were not first generation students was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

Two questions from the Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE) were also included in the input variables summary found in Table 1. However, responses to these two BCSSE questions were not included in logistic regression models because only 865 (42%) of the students in the cohort responded to both of these two BCSSE questions and the retention rate of respondents to both questions was 75%.

The first BCSSE question included in this report asked the respondent to rank what choice USA was compared to other institutions the student considered from a high of "first choice" to a low of "fifth choice or lower" institution to attend. Ironically, students who indicated USA was not their "first choice" or "second choice" institution to attend were more likely to return to USA.

The second BCSSE question included in this report asked the respondent to indicate whether he/she expected to graduate from USA. Only students who were "uncertain" about whether they would graduate from USA (61%) had a retention rate lower than the overall cohort (73%).

Environmental Variable Cross Tabular Results

For the environmental variables included in this analysis, USA Day attendance results (see Table 2) showed students who attended one or more USA Day (at least 76%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). In terms of the orientation session attended, the retention rate of students who attended the International orientation session or one of the first six freshman summer orientation sessions was at least 74%. Retention rates based on the orientation session attended ranged from a high of 86% for students who attended the International orientation session to a low of 55% for students who attended the Freshman Session 10 orientation session. When using the Freshman Session 10 orientation session as a comparison group, there was a significant mean difference between the Freshman Session 10 group in comparison to the first six freshman summer orientation sessions and the International orientation session (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

Table 2: Comparison of Environmental Variables to 2015 Cohort Retention Rate

	Table 2. Comparison of Environmen			-	
Variable	Retention Rate >= 73%	Count	Retention Rate < 73%	Count	
USA Day At				_	
	Attended Multiple USA Days (80%)	60	Did Not Attend (72%)	1,406	
	Attended 1 USA Day (76%)	616			
*Orientation	n Session				
	International Orientation (86%)	102	Freshman Session 7 (70%)	184	
	Freshman Session 1 (83%)	199	Freshman Session 8 (69%)	172	
	Freshman Session 2 (81%)	191	May Orientation (67%)	45	
	Freshman Session 4 (80%)	194	Freshman Session 9 (64%)	154	
	Freshman Session 3 (79%)	201	August/Other Orientation (57%)	100	
	Freshman Session 6 (74%)	189	*Freshman Session 10 (55%)	165	
	Freshman Session 5 (74%)	186			
College ⁶				•	
	Engineering (77%)	347	Business (72%)	195	
	Allied Health (74%)	422	Arts & Sciences (71%)	628	
	Nursing (74%)	303	Computing (70%)	76	
	Education (73%)	101			
*USA Fresh	nman Scholarship			•	
	*Yes (80%)	1,081	No (65%)	1,001	
*Other Scho					
	*Yes (81%)	338	No (72%)	1,744	
*Pell Grant					
	No (76%)	1,199	*Yes (69%)	883	
Expected Fo	amily Contribution	,	,		
•	\$25,001 or higher (80%)	206	\$0 (71%)	785	
	\$15,001 to \$25,000 (79%)	195	\$7,501 to \$15,000 (71%)	215	
	1 2722 22 1 27222 (22.22)		\$1 to \$3,750 (70%)	337	
			\$3,751 to \$7,500 (70%)	176	
*Unmet Fin	ancial Need		7-7-10-10-7-19-00 (1-07-0)		
	-\$5,001 or lower (88%)	180	\$5,001 to \$10,000 (70%)	373	
	-\$1 to -\$5,000 (83%)	309	\$10,001 to \$15,000 (64%)	232	
	\$1 to \$5,000 (78%)	257	*\$15,001 or higher (46%)	148	
	\$0 (73%)	415	8 . ()		
Housing				1	
	On campus (75%)	1,254	Off campus (71%)	828	
*Learning C		, , -	Land Zamer		
	*Yes (79%)	826	No (70%)	1,256	
*Freshman	/		1 (
	No (77%)	521	*Yes (72%)	1,561	
*Greek Life	Participation	,	(.2/0)	1,001	
	*Yes (84%)	234	No (72%)	1.848	
Note: *Signif	ficant mean difference at .05 p level based on I				

Note: *Significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Independent T-Test for two group comparisons or at least one group with significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Games-Howell procedure for multiple group comparisons. Significantly different group indicated by orange fill color. Comparison group indicated by "*" and gray fill color.

Retention comparisons based on the college housing the major the student initially selected showed Engineering (77%), Allied Health (74%), and Nursing (74%) students returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). However, no college based comparison was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

⁶ Continuing Education retention is not reported since there were only ten students from Continuing Education in this cohort.

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Scholarship retention rate comparisons illustrated that receiving scholarships positively affected retention. Students receiving a USA freshman scholarship (80%) or some other type of scholarship⁷ (81%) returned at a higher rate than the cohort retention rate (73%). The mean difference between students who received a USA freshman scholarship compared to students who did not receive a USA freshman scholarship was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables). Similarly, the mean difference between students who received some other type of scholarship compared to students who did not was also statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Financial aid comparisons based on whether the student received a Pell Grant, the expected family contribution to the student, and the amount of unmet financial need of the student showed a relationship between the financial resources of the student and/or the student's family and retention. Students receiving a Pell Grant (69%), who had an expected family contribution of \$7,501 to \$15,000 or lower (at most 71%), or who had an unmet financial need of \$5,001 to \$10,000 or higher (at most 70%) returned at a lower rate than the overall cohort (73%). The mean difference between students who received a Pell Grant compared to students who did not receive a Pell Grant was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables). In addition, the mean difference between retention of students with an unmet financial need of \$15,001 or higher in comparison to students with all lower unmet financial need comparison groups was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

Students who lived on campus (75%) or participated in a learning community (79%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). Additionally, the mean difference between retention of students who participated in a learning community and students who did not participate in a learning community was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Students who did not take Freshman Seminar (77%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). The mean difference between retention of students who took Freshman Seminar and students who did not take Freshman Seminar was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Finally, students who participated in Greek life (84%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). In addition, the mean difference between retention of students who participated in Greek life and students who did not participate in Greek life was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Outcome/Other Variable After Fall 2015 Cross Tabular Results

Outcome or other variables incorporated into this analysis included the number of at-risk midterm grades (D, F, or U) a student had in Fall 2015, whether the student was placed on probation after Fall 2015, and whether the student had an immunization hold after Fall 2015 (see Table 3). Students who did not have an at-risk midterm grade or had only one at-risk midterm grade returned at a higher rate (at least 75%) than the overall cohort (73%). The mean difference for students who did not have an at-risk midterm grade in Fall 2015 compared to students who had at-risk midterm grades in two or more courses was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

⁷ Other scholarship includes third party private scholarships that are not considered a USA Freshman scholarship. Institutional Research

Table 3: Comparison of Outcome/Other Variables After Fall 2015 to 2015 Cohort Retention Rate

Variable	Retention Rate >= 73%	Count	Retention Rate < 73%	Count
*Number of A	t-Risk Midterm Grades in Fall 201.	5		
	*No At-Risk MT Grades (83%)	987	2 At-Risk MT Grades (63%)	278
	1 At-Risk MT Grade (75%)	523	3 At-Risk MT Grades (55%)	174
			4 or More At-Risk MT Grades (36%)	120
*Probation St	tatus after Fall 2015			
	No (78%)	1,895	*Yes (23%)	187
*Immunizatio	n Hold after Fall 2015			
	No (75%)	1,792	*Yes (60%)	290
Note: * At least	one group with significant mean differ	ence at 05	n level based on Games-Howell procedure for	multiple

Note: *At least one group with significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Games-Howell procedure for multiple group comparisons. Significantly different group indicated by orange fill color. Comparison group indicated by "*" and gray fill color.

Students who were not on probation after Fall 2015 returned at a much higher rate (78%) compared to students who were placed on probation after the Fall 2015 semester ended (23%). The mean difference between students who were not on probation and students who were placed on probation was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Students who did not have an immunization hold after Fall 2015 (75%) returned at a higher rate than the overall cohort (73%). The mean difference between students who did not have an immunization hold and students who had a hold was statistically significant (see Appendix: Independent T-Test Tables).

Outcome Variable After Summer 2016 Cross Tabular Results

Outcome variables incorporated into this analysis also included the number of hours earned after Summer 2016 at USA and the USA GPA after Summer 2016 (see Table 4). Unsurprisingly, as the number of USA hours earned increased the retention rate also increased. Similarly, students with a higher USA GPA were more likely to return than students with a lower USA GPA.

Table 4: Comparison of Outcome Variables After Summer 2016 to 2015 Cohort Retention Rate

Variable	Retention Rate >= 73%	Count	Retention Rate < 73%	Count					
*USA Hours Earned after Summer 2016									
	*30.5 or more (95%)	736	12.5-18 (42%)	190					
	24.5-30 (87%)	613	6.5-12 (14%)	132					
	18.5-24 (76%)	241	0-6 (10%)	134					
*USA GPA after Summe	er 2016								
	3.51-4.0 (91%)	470	*2.0 or lower (32%)	434					
	3.01-3.5 (89%)	453							
	2.51-3.0 (81%)	412							
	2.01-2.5 (81%)	277							

Note: *At least one group with significant mean difference at .05 p level based on Games-Howell procedure for multiple group comparisons. Significantly different group indicated by orange fill color. Comparison group indicated by "*" and gray fill color.

Students who completed 18.5-24 or more hours at USA after Summer 2016 returned at a higher rate (at least 76%) compared to students completing 12.5-18 or fewer hours (at most 42%). The mean difference between students who completed 30.5 or more hours at USA compared to students in all other USA hours earned groups was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

Students with a USA GPA ranging between 2.01-2.5 or higher after Summer 2016 returned at a much higher rate (at least 81%) compared to students with a USA GPA of 2.0 or lower (32%). Furthermore, the mean difference between students who had a USA GPA of 2.0 or lower compared to students in all other USA GPA groups was statistically significant (see Appendix: ANOVA Tables).

Logistic Regression Results

The focus of this study was to determine which student characteristics (inputs) and environmental characteristics (institutional/other support characteristics) can be used to best predict the retention of USA freshmen students. Since the focus of this study was prediction and classification of a dichotomous outcome variable, stepwise logistic regression was used. This technique allows for the identification of significant variables that contribute to the classification of individuals by using an algorithm to determine the importance of predictor variables. Stepwise logistic regression was used to identify significant variables in the model for predicting the outcome variable. Results of the final step for the model are reported including the classification rate for the model. Additionally, an analysis of the proportionate change in odds for significant variables is provided.

As a part of this study, five logistic models were tested. The first model included the input variables. The second model included the input variables and the environmental variables. The third model tested three variables known after the Fall 2015 semester: 1) the number of at-risk midterm grades a student had in Fall 2015, 2) whether the student was placed on probation after Fall 2015, and 3) whether the student had an immunization hold in Fall 2015 to see what happened when these variables were used as predictors of retention. The fourth and fifth models tested a different outcome variable known after the Summer 2016 semester. The fourth model tested the number of USA hours earned after Summer 2016 and the fifth model tested the USA GPA after Summer 2016 to see what happened when these outcomes were used as individual predictors of retention.

The number of students (selected cases) included in each model varied based on what variables were included in the final model because some students in the cohort had missing data, such as a high school GPA and/or an ACT Composite score. Because complete cases were required to compute the results, the final number of students used for each model ranged from a low of 1,818 students for the second model to a high of 2,082 students for the third model. The total number of students without any missing data for any of the variables used in the five different models was 1,786. The retention rate for this subset of 1,786 students was 75%. With a similar retention rate (75% compared to 73%) and 1,786 students representing 86% of the entire cohort, the models tested provided a solid representation of retention for this population. Since the focus for the models tested was to predict *returning* students, the outcome was coded with students not returning as a "0" and students *returning* as a "1". This focus meant results would predict the odds of whether the student would *return* one year later.

Model 1: Logistic Regression with Input Variables Only

The first model consisted of four steps (see Table 5). The final step (step 4) of the first model showed the model correctly classified students in this cohort who *returned* 95.8% of the time and students who did not return 12.6% of the time for an overall classification rate of 73.7%.

Table 5: Input Model Classification Table^a

				Predicted	d
Observed	b		Retu	rned	Percentage
			No	Yes	Correct
Step 1	Returned	No	0	500	.0
		Yes	0	1379	100.0
	Overall Perc	entage			73.4
Step 2	Returned	No	44	456	8.8
		Yes	46	1333	96.7
	Overall Perd	entage			73.3
Step 3	Returned	No	69	431	13.8
		Yes	58	1321	95.8
	Overall Pero	entage			74.0
Step 4	Returned	No	63	437	12.6
		Yes	58	1321	95.8
	Overall Perc	entage			73.7

a. The cut value is .500

For each variable included in the first model, a comparison group was selected (gender=male, race/ethnicity=White, age=20 years old or older, region=Florida service area, high school GPA=3.0 or lower, first generation status=Yes, and ACT Composite score=19 or lower). Values greater than "1" (Exp *B*) indicated the odds of the outcome (student *returning*) was higher compared to the selected comparison group. Values less than "1" indicated the odds of the outcome (student *returning*) was lower compared to the selected comparison group.

In the first model (see Table 6), high school GPA, first generation status, race/ethnicity, and ACT Composite score were significant in the final step (step 4) of the model. The final step of the model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the two higher high school GPA comparison groups (3.01-3.5=1.952 and 3.51-4.0=4.231) than for a student with a high school GPA of 3.0 or lower. Additionally, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the two higher high school GPA comparison groups than for a student with a high school GPA of 3.0 or lower since the confidence intervals for the two higher high school GPA comparison groups did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Table 6: Input Model Final Variables in the Equation

									C.I.for P(B)
		В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 4 ^d	White			24.882	6	.000			
	African-American	.595	.143	17.232	1	.000	1.813	1.369	2.400
	Asian	1.290	.482	7.155	1	.007	3.634	1.412	9.354
	Hispanic	.242	.352	.471	1	.493	1.274	.638	2.541
	Multiracial	.108	.323	.112	1	.738	1.114	.591	2.100
	Non-Resident Alien	-1.896	1.448	1.715	1	.190	.150	.009	2.563
	Other Race/Ethnicity	.017	.302	.003	1	.956	1.017	.562	1.839
	HS GPA 3.0 or lower			81.470	2	.000			
	HS GPA 3.01-3.5	.669	.145	21.143	1	.000	1.952	1.468	2.596
	HS GPA 3.51-4.0	1.442	.161	80.574	1	.000	4.231	3.088	5.797
	ACT Composite 19 or lower			16.355	6	.012			
	ACT Composite 20-21	064	.164	.154	1	.695	.938	.679	1.294
	ACT Composite 22-23	.227	.185	1.514	1	.219	1.255	.874	1.804
	ACT Composite 24-25	.281	.197	2.034	1	.154	1.324	.900	1.948
	ACT Composite 26-27	.758	.261	8.452	1	.004	2.134	1.280	3.558
	ACT Composite 28-29	.573	.275	4.342	1	.037	1.773	1.035	3.039
	ACT Composite 30 or higher	.774	.366	4.470	1	.034	2.169	1.058	4.447
	First generation			11.886	2	.003			
	Not first generation	.215	.129	2.800	1	.094	1.240	.964	1.595
	Unknown first generation status	.699	.203	11.873	1	.001	2.012	1.352	2.995
	Constant	500	.189	6.977	1	.008	.607		

- a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: High school GPA.
- b. Variable(s) entered on step 2: First generation status.
- c. Variable(s) entered on step 3: Race/ethnicity.
- d. Variable(s) entered on step 4: ACT Composite score.

The final step (step 4) of the first model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was not a first generation student (1.240) and whose first generation status was unknown (2.012) than for a first generation student. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student whose first generation status was unknown than for a first generation student since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

A review of the final step (step 4) results of the first model for the race/ethnicity of the student showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for African-American (1.813), Asian (3.634), Hispanic (1.274), and multiracial (1.114) students, and students from another race/ethnicity (1.017) than for White students. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated that the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was African-American (CI=1.369-2.400) or Asian (CI=1.412-9.354) than for a student who was White since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

In addition, the final step (step 4) of the first model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student with an ACT Composite score of 22-23 or higher (22-23=1.255, 24-25=1.324, 26-27=2.134, 28-29=1.773, and 30 or higher=2.169) than for a student with an ACT Composite score of 19 or lower. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student with an ACT Composite score of 26-27 or higher since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Model 2: Logistic Regression with Input and Environmental Variables

The second model included the input and also the environmental variables. For each environmental variable included in the second model a comparison group was selected (number of USA Days attended=did not attend, orientation session attended=either the August Orientation session, a transfer orientation session, or an unknown orientation session, which college housed the major the student selected at initial enrollment=Arts & Sciences, whether the student received a USA freshman scholarship=no, whether the student received some other type of scholarship=no, whether the student received a Pell Grant=no, expected family contribution=\$0, unmet financial need=\$15,001 or higher, whether the student lived on or off campus=off campus, whether the student participated in a learning community=no, whether the student took Freshman Seminar=yes, and whether the student participated in Greek life=no).

The second model consisted of five steps (see Table 7). In comparison to the first model, the correct classification rate for the second model decreased to 93.9% for *returning* students while the classification rate for the second model increased to 25.6% for students who did not return. The overall correct classification rate for the second model was 75.7%.

Table 7: Input and Environmental Model Classification Table^a

				Predicted	
			Retui	rned	Percentage
	Observed	Observed No Yes		Correct	
Step 1	Returned	No	106	379	21.9
		Yes	71	1262	94.7
	Overall Perc	entage			75.2
Step 2	Returned	No	114	371	23.5
		Yes	74	1259	94.4
	Overall Perc	entage			75.5
Step 3	Returned	No	130	355	26.8
		Yes	73	1260	94.5
	Overall Perc	entage			76.5
Step 4	Returned	No	123	362	25.4
		Yes	81	1252	93.9
	Overall Perc	entage			75.6
Step 5	Returned	No	124	361	25.6
		Yes	81	1252	93.9
	Overall Perc	entage			75.7

a. The cut value is .500

Once again, high school GPA, first generation status, race/ethnicity, and ACT Composite score were significant in the final step (step 5) of the second model (see Table 8). In addition, unmet financial need, Greek life participation, learning community participation, Freshman Seminar, and other scholarship were significant in the final step (step 5) of the second model.

Table 8: Input and Environmental Model Final Variables in the Equation

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		В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 5 ^e	White			29.439	6	.000	1 \ /		
·	African-American	.714	.155	21.219	1	.000	2.043	1.508	2.769
	Asian	1.582	.496	10.178	1	.001	4.862	1.840	12.848
	Hispanic	.353	.363	.948	1	.330	1.423	.699	2.897
	Multiracial	.165	.334	.243	1	.622	1.179	.613	2.270
	Non-Resident Alien	-23.283	40192.970	.000	1	1.000	.000	.000	
	Other Race/Ethnicity	.063	.317	.039	1	.844	1.064	.572	1.982
	HS GPA 3.0 or lower			76.140	2	.000			
	HS GPA 3.01-3.5	.678	.155	19.124	1	.000	1.970	1.454	2.669
	HS GPA 3.51-4.0	1.474	.170	74.925	1	.000	4.368	3.128	6.099
	ACT Composite 19 or lower			6.931	6	.327			
	ACT Composite 20-21	025	.175	.020	1	.886	.975	.692	1.375
	ACT Composite 22-23	.195	.198	.965	1	.326	1.215	.824	1.792
	ACT Composite 24-25	.174	.213	.670	1	.413	1.190	.785	1.805
	ACT Composite 26-27	.591	.275	4.625	1	.032	1.807	1.054	3.097
	ACT Composite 28-29	.404	.292	1.914	1	.166	1.498	.845	2.656
	ACT Composite 30 or higher	.411	.388	1.125	1	.289	1.509	.705	3.227
	First generation			1.480	2	.477			
	Not first generation	.162	.134	1.459	1	.227	1.176	.904	1.529
	Unknown first generation status	.098	.272	.131	1	.717	1.103	.648	1.879
	Received other scholarship	.406	.191	4.544	1	.033	1.501	1.033	2.181
	Unmet need \$15,001 or higher			39.501	6	.000			
	Unmet need \$10,001 to \$15,000	.778	.247	9.921	1	.002	2.178	1.342	3.536
	Unmet need \$5,001 to \$10,000	.909	.231	15.499	1	.000	2.481	1.578	3.901
	Unmet need \$1 to \$5,000	1.213	.254	22.848	1	.000	3.365	2.046	5.534
	Unmet need \$0	1.199	.229	27.354	1	.000	3.316	2.116	5.197
	Unmet need -\$1 to -\$5,000	1.363	.279	23.904	1	.000	3.906	2.262	6.746
	Unmet need -\$5,001 or lower	1.663	.349	22.753	1	.000	5.274	2.663	10.443
	Learning community participant	.521	.125	17.353	1	.000	1.683	1.317	2.150
	Did not take Freshman Seminar	.317	.148	4.600	1	.032	1.373	1.028	1.833
	Greek life participant	.883	.219	16.308	1	.000	2.419	1.575	3.713
	Constant	-1.876	.286	42.952	1	.000	.153		

- a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: Unmet financial need.
- b. Variable(s) entered on step 2: Greek life participation.
- c. Variable(s) entered on step 3: Learning community participation.
- d. Variable(s) entered on step 4: Freshman Seminar.
- e. Variable(s) entered on step 5: Other scholarship.

The final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the two higher high school GPA comparison groups (3.01-3.5=1.970, and 3.51-4.0=4.368) than for a student with a high school GPA of 3.0 or lower. Additionally, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the two higher high school GPA comparison groups than for a student with a high school GPA of 3.0 or lower since the confidence intervals for the two higher high school GPA comparison groups did not encompass an odds value less than one.

When looking at the first generation status of the student, the final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp B) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was not a first generation student (1.176) and whose first generation status was unknown (1.103) than for a first generation student. Institutional Research

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However, the confidence intervals (95%) did not indicate the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was not a first generation student or a student whose first generation status was unknown than a first generation student since the confidence intervals encompassed an odds value less than one for each comparison.

A review of the final step (step 5) results of the second model for the race/ethnicity of the student showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for African-American (2.043), Asian (4.862), Hispanic (1.423), and multiracial (1.179) students, and students from another race/ethnicity (1.064) than for White students. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated that the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was African-American (CI=1.508-2.769) or Asian (CI=1.840-12.848) than for a student who was White since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

The final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student with an ACT Composite score of 22-23 or higher (22-23=1.215, 24-25=1.190, 26-27=1.807, 28-29=1.498, and 30 or higher=1.509) than for a student with an ACT Composite score of 19 or lower. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student with an ACT Composite score of 26-27 (CI=1.054-3.097) since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Unmet financial need results showed in the final step (step 5) of the second model that the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student in all six lower unmet financial need groups (\$10,001 to \$15,000=2.178, \$5,001 to \$10,000=2.481, \$1 to \$5,000=3.365, \$0=3.316, -\$1 to -\$5,000=3.906, and -\$5,001 or lower=5.274) than for a student who had an unmet financial need of \$15,001 or higher. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who had an unmet financial need in all six lower unmet financial need groups than for a student who had an unmet financial need of \$15,001 or higher since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

When looking at Greek life participation, the final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student that participated in Greek life (2.419) than for a student that did not participate. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student that participated in Greek life than for a student that did not participate since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

The final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student that participated in a learning community (1.683) than for a student that did not participate. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student that participated in a learning community than for a student that did not participate since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Freshman Seminar results showed in the final step (step 5) of the second model that the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student that did not take Freshman Seminar (1.373) than for a student that took Freshman Seminar. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student that did not take Freshman Seminar than for a student that took Freshman Seminar since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Finally, the final step (step 5) of the second model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who received some other type of scholarship (1.501) that was not a USA freshman scholarship than for a student who did not receive some other type of scholarship. In addition, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who

received some other type of scholarship than for a student who did not receive some other type of scholarship since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Model 3, Model 4, and Model 5: Logistic Regression Outcome/Other Variable Models
Since outcomes of student success are different from inputs (student characteristics or institutional/other support characteristics), the third, fourth, and fifth models only included outcomes or other variables of interest at two different points in time after the Fall 2015 semester had already begun. The third model included outcome/other variables known after the Fall 2015 semester ended (number of at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015, probation status after Fall 2015, and immunization hold after Fall 2015). The fourth model (number of hours earned after Summer 2016) and fifth model (USA GPA the student attained after Summer 2016) included a different outcome variable known after the Summer 2016 semester ended. The first and second models can be used based on data known before or at least early on after the student comes to campus. However, the third, fourth, and fifth models can only be used after the Fall 2015 semester (third model) or Summer 2016 semester (fourth and fifth models) ended.

Model 3: Logistic Regression with Variables After Fall 2015

The third model included variables known after Fall 2015. For each variable included in the third model a comparison group was selected (number of at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015=four or more at-risk midterm grades, whether the student was placed on probation after Fall 2015=yes, and whether the student had an immunization hold after Fall 2015=yes).

The third model (see Table 9) consisted of three steps. In comparison to the first and second model, the correct classification rate for the third model increased to 97.2% for *returning* students. Similarly, in comparison to the first and second model, the classification rate for the third model slightly increased to 25.8% since this snapshot included data known after the end of the Fall 2015 semester instead of pre-Fall 2015 semester data. The overall correct classification rate for the third model was 78.0%.

Table 9: After Fall 2015 Classification Table^a

			Predicted								
			Retu	rned	Percentage						
	Observed		No	lo Yes C							
Step 1	Returned	No	144	414	25.8						
		Yes	43	1481	97.2						
	Overall Perd	entage			78.0						
Step 2	Returned	No	144	414	25.8						
		Yes	43	1481	97.2						
	Overall Perd	entage			78.0						
Step 3	Returned	No	144	414	25.8						
		Yes	43	1481	97.2						
	Overall Perd	entage			78.0						

a. The cut value is .500

In the final step (step 3) of the third model, probation status after Fall 2015, the number of at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015, and immunization hold after Fall 2015 variables were significant (see Table 10). The final step (step 3) of the third model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who was not on probation after Fall 2015 (7.134) than for a student who was placed on probation after Fall 2015. The confidence intervals (95%) also supported this finding because the odds for a student *returning* was greater for a student who was not on probation after Fall 2015 than a student who was placed on probation after Fall 2015 since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Table 10: After Fall 2015 Model Final Variables in the Equation

								95% (EXF	-
		В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 1 ^a	Not on probation after Fall 2015	2.483	.182	185.227	1	.000	11.980	8.378	17.130
	Constant	-1.209	.174	48.369	1	.000	.299		
Step 2 ^b	4 or more at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015			58.834	4	.000			
	3 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.363	.270	1.807	1	.179	1.437	.847	2.440
	2 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.591	.252	5.481	1	.019	1.806	1.101	2.962
	1 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.958	.242	15.741	1	.000	2.608	1.624	4.187
	No at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	1.362	.236	33.359	1	.000	3.904	2.459	6.198
	Not on probation after Fall 2015	2.001	.194	106.676	1	.000	7.399	5.061	10.817
	Constant	-1.734	.247	49.329	1	.000	.177		
Step 3 ^c	4 or more at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015			54.480	4	.000			
	3 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.330	.271	1.478	1	.224	1.391	.817	2.367
	2 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.558	.254	4.841	1	.028	1.747	1.063	2.872
	1 at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	.913	.243	14.102	1	.000	2.492	1.547	4.013
	No at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015	1.307	.238	30.238	1	.000	3.696	2.320	5.890
	Not on probation after Fall 2015	1.965	.195	102.041	1	.000	7.134	4.873	10.444
	Immunization Hold after Fall 2015	.349	.149	5.481	1	.019	1.418	1.059	1.900
	Constant	-1.955	.267	53.665	1	.000	.142		

- a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: Probation after Fall 2015.
- b. Variable(s) entered on step 2: At-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015.
- c. Variable(s) entered on step 3: Immunization hold after Fall 2015.

When looking at the number of at-risk (D, F, or U) midterm grades in Fall 2015, the final step (step 3) of the third model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who had three or fewer at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015 (three at-risk midterm grades=1.391, two at-risk midterm grades=1.747, one at-risk midterm grade=2.492, no at-risk midterm grades=3.696) than for a student who had four or more at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who had an at-risk midterm grade in Fall 2015 in two or fewer courses than a student who had four or more at-risk midterm grades in Fall 2015 since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

In addition, the final step (step 3) of the third model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student who did not have an immunization hold after Fall 2015 (1.418) than for a student who had a hold. The confidence intervals (95%) also indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student who did not have an immunization hold after Fall 2015 than a student who had a hold since the confidence intervals did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Model 4: Logistic Regression with USA Hours Earned After Summer 2016 Variable

The fourth model included the USA hours earned after the end of the Summer 2016 semester. The
comparison group selected for the fourth model was zero to six hours earned after the end of the Summer
2016 semester. Since the fourth model only included one variable, the model consisted of one step (see
Table 11). The correct classification rate for the fourth model for returning students (92.8%) was lower
than the initial three models. However, in comparison to the other three models, the correct classification
rate was much higher for students who did not return (66.3%) since this snapshot included data known
after the end of the Summer 2016 semester. The overall correct classification rate for the fourth model
was 86.0%.

Table 11: USA Hours Earned After Summer 2016 Model Classification Table^a

			Predicted					
			Retu	Percentage				
	Observed		No	Yes	Correct			
Step 1	Returned	No	346	176	66.3			
		Yes	110	1414	92.8			
Overall Percentage					86.0			

a. The cut value is .500

The fourth model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student with more hours earned (6.5-12=1.470, 12.5-18=6.624, 18.5-24=29.367, 24.5-30=60.273, 30.5 or more=180.983) than for a student with six or fewer hours earned at the end of Summer 2016 (see Table 12). Additionally, the confidence intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the four higher USA hours earned comparison groups than for a student with zero to six USA hours earned since the confidence intervals for the four higher USA hours earned comparison groups did not encompass an odds value less than one.

Table 12: USA Hours Earned After Summer 2016 Model Final Variables in the Equation

									C.I.for P(B)
		В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 1 ^a	USA Hours Earned 0-6			518.045	5	.000			
	USA Hours Earned 6.5-12	.385	.387	.991	1	.319	1.470	.689	3.136
	USA Hours Earned 12.5-18	1.891	.327	33.456	1	.000	6.624	3.491	12.572
	USA Hours Earned 18.5-24	3.380	.328	105.879	1	.000	29.367	15.427	55.906
	USA Hours Earned 24.5-30	4.099	.315	169.251	1	.000	60.273	32.504	111.765
	USA Hours Earned 30.5 or more	5.198	.338	236.231	1	.000	180.983	93.270	351.182
	Constant	-2.231	.292	58.420	1	.000	.107		

a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: USA hours earned after Summer 2016.

Model 5: Logistic Regression with USA GPA After Summer 2016 Variable

The fifth model included the USA GPA after the end of the Summer 2016 semester. The comparison group selected for the fifth model was an USA GPA of 2.0 or lower after the end of the Summer 2016 semester. Since the fifth model only included one variable, the model consisted of one step (see Table 13). The correct classification rate for the fifth model for *returning* students (90.9%) was lower than the other four models. The correct classification rate for the fifth model for students who did not return (56.5%) was higher than the first, second, and third models since this snapshot included data known after the end of the Summer 2016 semester instead of pre-Fall 2015 semester data, but was lower than the fourth model. The overall correct classification rate for the fifth model was 82.1%.

Table 13: USA GPA After Summer 2016 Model Classification Table^a

			Predicted						
			Retu	rned	Percentage				
	Observed		No	Yes	Correct				
Step 1	Returned	No	295	227	56.5				
		Yes	139	1385	90.9				
	Overall Perc	entage			82.1				

a. The cut value is .500

The fifth model showed the odds (Exp *B*) of a student *returning* was greater for a student with a higher USA GPA (2.01-2.5=8.970, 2.51-3.0=8.946, 3.01-3.5=16.729, 3.51-4.0=20.548) than for a student with an USA GPA of 2.0 or lower at the end of Summer 2016 (see Table 14). In addition, the confidence

intervals (95%) indicated the odds of a student *returning* was greater for a student in the four higher USA GPA comparison groups than for a student with an USA GPA of 2.0 or lower since the confidence intervals for the four higher USA GPA comparison groups did not encompass an odds value less than one

Table 14: USA GPA After Summer 2016 Model Final Variables in the Equation

							95% (EXF	
	В	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	Lower	Upper
Step 1 ^a USA GPA 2.0 or lower			425.090	4	.000			
USA GPA 2.01-2.5	2.194	.184	141.908	1	.000	8.970	6.252	12.869
USA GPA 2.51-3.0	2.191	.162	182.941	1	.000	8.946	6.512	12.289
USA GPA 3.01-3.5	2.817	.181	242.850	1	.000	16.729	11.738	23.842
USA GPA 3.51-4.0	3.023	.189	256.235	1	.000	20.548	14.191	29.751
Constant	753	.103	53.501	1	.000	.471		

a. Variable(s) entered on step 1: USA GPA after Summer 2016.

Peer Comparisons

Finally, to gain a better idea about how USA one-year retention rates compared to one-year retention at peer institutions, the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) Data Center was used to compare USA retention rates to 13 peer institutions (see Table 15). A retention rate trend over a period of five years based on the latest available retention rate data in IPEDS showed the USA retention rate was low compared to the other peer institutions over this same time period. The USA retention rate over this time period ranged from a low of 65% for the 2010 freshman cohort to a high of 71% for the 2013 freshman cohort. The retention rate of peer institutions over this same time period ranged from a low of 64% for the University of New Orleans 2009 freshman cohort to a high of 84% for the Florida International University 2012 and 2013 freshman cohorts.

Table 15: One-Year Retention Rate Peer Comparisons * Ranked by 2013 Cohort Retention Rate * High to Low

•	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
	Cohort	Cohort	Cohort	Cohort	Cohort
Institution Name	Retention	Retention	Retention	Retention	Retention
Florida International University	84	84	82	82	83
University of North Florida	83	82	83	81	83
Old Dominion University	81	80	80	80	80
University of Massachusetts-Boston	80	77	79	75	75
University of Memphis	78	76	76	77	78
University of North Texas	78	75	76	78	78
University of Nebraska at Omaha	77	75	72	73	73
Texas State University	76	77	76	79	79
Florida Atlantic University	75	77	78	79	80
University of Montana	73	73	74	72	74
Indiana University-Purdue University-Indianapolis	71	72	72	72	74
University of South Alabama	71	68	66	65	66
University of Texas at Arlington	69	71	72	71	70
University of New Orleans	69	67	65	67	64

Source: National Center for Education Statistics IPEDS Data Center

Implications

Based on what we know about a student before the student steps foot on campus (input variables), one-year retention of students with lower high school GPAs and students with lower ACT Composite scores is a concern. This prompts further reflection regarding admission standards and the allocation of resources to support at-risk students. In addition, older students and students from the Florida service area or

Mobile or Baldwin County area may require additional resources and monitoring to enable and/or encourage them to persist towards successfully completing a degree at USA.

When we look at the institutional support and other support provided to a student (environmental variables), the orientation session students in the 2015 cohort attended provided a significant predictor of student retention, with students attending the earlier Freshman Summer orientation sessions more likely to return than students attending the later orientation sessions. The orientation session attended by students provides a key factor for identifying at-risk freshmen students early in their college experience.

The importance of financial support in the form of freshman scholarships or other types of scholarships was also clear, particularly since students with a higher unmet financial need were less likely to return to USA. Additional USA freshman scholarships should be considered to continue to attract top students to attend USA. In addition, need-based grants could be utilized to assist students in greater need of financial support to encourage them to return to and persist towards completing a degree at USA.

This annual retention study also compared retention of freshmen who participated in a learning community to freshmen who did not participate in a learning community. Freshmen who participated in a learning community were significantly more likely to return to USA the following year. Therefore, expanding the number of learning communities for freshmen to participate in should receive further consideration.

Students who participated in Greek life at USA were more likely to return to USA. This emphasizes the importance of students becoming involved in student organizations at USA that allow them to connect with students with similar interests outside of the classroom as well.

A total of 290 students still had an immunization hold after Fall 2015 and the retention rate for students who still had an immunization hold after Fall 2015 was 60%. Clearing immunization holds earlier should be addressed as well.

Finally, results showed students who received four or more at-risk midterm grades (D, F, or U) in the Fall 2015 semester for lack of attendance and/or poor academic performance and students who were placed on probation after the Fall 2015 semester ended were unlikely to return to USA one year later. An at-risk midterm grade is recorded in the middle of the semester which allows time to intervene before the semester concludes. Interventions to assist students who receive an at-risk midterm grade are important, because students who were placed on probation after the Fall 2015 semester (23%) or who had a USA GPA of 2.0 or lower due to poor academic performance after the Summer 2016 semester (32%) were less likely to return to USA one year later than students who had an at-risk midterm grade in one (75%), two (63%), three (55%), or four or more courses (36%) in the Fall 2015 semester.

Future Retention Research

This report is the first of two one-year retention studies about the 2015 freshman cohort that will be completed by the Office of Institutional Research during the Fall 2016 semester. The second retention study will use National Student Clearinghouse data to explore the issue of "Where did non-returning freshmen in the 2015 cohort go?" This study will determine how many non-returning freshmen students transferred to another college or university or "stopped out" of college altogether.

APPENDIX

Independent T-Test Tables

2015 Cohort * Gender * Group Statistics

	Gender T-Test	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	Male	892	.72	.452	.015
	Female	1190	.74	.436	.013

2015 Cohort * Gender * Independent Samples Test

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			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	r Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	8.762	.003	-1.493	2080	.136	029	.020	068	.009
	Equal variances not assumed			-1.486	1883.276	.137	029	.020	068	.009

2015 Cohort * USA Freshman Scholarship * Group Statistics

	Freshman Scholarship	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1001	.65	.476	.015
	Yes	1081	.80	.397	.012

2015 Cohort * USA Freshman Scholarship * Independent Samples Test

		2010 Control C								
		Levene's Test for Equality of Variances				t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	240.211	.000	-7.805	2080	.000	150	.019	187	112
	Equal variances not assumed			-7.752	1953.793	.000	150	.019	187	112

2015 Cohort * Other Scholarship * Group Statistics

	Other Scholarship	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1744	.72	.451	.011
	Yes	338	.81	.390	.021

2015 Cohort * Other Scholarship * Independent Samples Test

	2010 Contract Child Contract C								
		s Test for							
	Equality of	f Variances	t-test for Equality of Means						
								95% Con Interval	of the
					Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	Differe	ence
	F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned Equal variances assumed	72.630	.000	-3.712	2080	.000	097	.026	149	046
Equal variances not assumed			-4.093	527.458	.000	097	.024	144	051

2015 Cohort * Pell Grant * Group Statistics

	Pell Grant	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1199	.76	.425	.012
	Yes	883	.69	.463	.016

2015 Cohort * Pell Grant * Independent Samples Test

			s Test for Variances			t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned Equal va	ariances assumed	56.505	.000	3.851	2080	.000	.075	.020	.037	.114
Equal va	ariances not assumed			3.801	1803.262	.000	.075	.020	.036	.114

2015 Cohort * Housing * Group Statistics

	Housing	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	Off Campus	828	.71	.454	.016
	On Campus	1254	.75	.435	.012

2015 Cohort * Housing * Independent Samples Test

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			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	12.963	.000	-1.829	2080	.068	036	.020	075	.003
	Equal variances not assumed			-1.813	1717.840	.070	036	.020	075	.003

2015 Cohort * Learning Community * Group Statistics

	Learning Community	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1256	.70	.461	.013
	Yes	826	.79	.409	.014

2015 Cohort * Learning Community * Independent Samples Test

	2010 Contact Learning Community Independent Campico Tool									
			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	r Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	97.139	.000	-4.713	2080	.000	093	.020	132	054
	Equal variances not assumed			-4.830	1904.513	.000	093	.019	131	055

2015 Cohort * Freshman Seminar * Group Statistics

	Took Freshman Seminar	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	521	.77	.421	.018
	Yes	1561	.72	.449	.011

2015 Cohort * Freshman Seminar * Independent Samples Test

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			vene's Test for ality of Variances t-test for Equality of Means							
		Equality 0	Variations			Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	22.435	.000	2.244	2080	.025	.050	.022	.006	.094
	Equal variances not assumed			2.318	944.305	.021	.050	.022	.008	.093

2015 Cohort * Greek Life Participation * Group Statistics

	Greek Life Participation	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1848	.72	.450	.010
	Yes	234	.84	.366	.024

2015 Cohort * Greek Life Participation * Independent Samples Test

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			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	96.878	.000	-4.042	2080	.000	124	.031	184	064
	Equal variances not assumed			-4.745	329.447	.000	124	.026	175	072

2015 Cohort * Probation After Fall 2015 * Group Statistics

	Probation After Fall 2015	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1895	.78	.413	.009
	Yes	187	.23	.422	.031

2015 Cohort * Probation After Fall 2015 * Independent Samples Test

			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Cor Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	.506	.477	17.378	2080	.000	.552	.032	.489	.614
	Equal variances not assumed			17.086	222.698	.000	.552	.032	.488	.615

2015 Cohort * Immunization Hold After Fall 2015 * Group Statistics

	Immunization Hold in Fall 2015	N	Mean	Std. Deviation	Std. Error Mean
Returned	No	1792	.75	.431	.010
	Yes	290	.60	.491	.029

2015 Cohort * Immunization Hold After Fall 2015 * Independent Samples Test

			s Test for f Variances			t-test fo	or Equality of	Means		
						Sig. (2-	Mean	Std. Error	95% Con Interval Differe	of the
		F	Sig.	t	df	tailed)	Difference	Difference	Lower	Upper
Returned	Equal variances assumed	71.492	.000	5.653	2080	.000	.157	.028	.103	.212
	Equal variances not assumed			5.142	364.459	.000	.157	.031	.097	.218

ANOVA Tables

2015 Cohort * Race * Multiple Comparisons
Dependent Variable: Returned
Games-Howell

		imes-nowell			95% Confide	ence Interval
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Race	(J) Race	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
White	African-American	.012	.023	.998	06	.08
	Asian	188*	.037	.000	30	08
	Hispanic	.034	.064	.998	16	.23
	Multiracial	.011	.059	1.000	17	.19
	Non-Resident Alien	139 [*]	.036	.004	25	03
	Other	.049	.059	.981	13	.23
African-American	White	012	.023	.998	08	.06
	Asian	200 [*]	.039	.000	32	08
	Hispanic	.022	.066	1.000	18	.22
	Multiracial	001	.060	1.000	18	.18
	Non-Resident Alien	151 [*]	.039	.003	27	04
	Other	.037	.060	.996	15	.22
Asian	White	.188 [*]	.037	.000	.08	.30
	African-American	.200*	.039	.000	.08	.32
	Hispanic	.222 [*]	.072	.040	.01	.44
	Multiracial	.199	.067	.054	.00	.40
	Non-Resident Alien	.049	.048	.950	09	.19
1.0	Other	.237*	.067	.010	.04	.44
Hispanic	White	034	.064	.998	23	.16
	African-American Asian	022 222*	.066 .072	1.000	22 44	.18 01
	Multiracial	023	.072	1.000	44 28	.23
	Non-Resident Alien	173	.003	.202	39	.04
	Other	.014	.085	1.000	24	.27
Multiracial	White	011	.059	1.000	19	.17
	African-American	.001	.060	1.000	18	.18
	Asian	199	.067	.054	40	.00
	Hispanic	.023	.085	1.000	23	.28
	Non-Resident Alien	150	.067	.280	35	.05
	Other	.038	.081	.999	20	.28
Non-Resident Alien	White	.139 [*]	.036	.004	.03	.25
	African-American	.151 [*]	.039	.003	.04	.27
	Asian	049	.048	.950	19	.09
	Hispanic	.173	.071	.202	04	.39
	Multiracial	.150	.067	.280	05	.35
Othor	Other	.188		.080	01	.39
Other	White	049	.059	.981	23	.13
	African-American	037	.060	.996	22	.15
	Asian	237 [*]	.067	.010	44	04
	Hispanic	014	.085	1.000	27	.24
	Multiracial	038	.081	.999	28	.20
	Non-Resident Alien	188	.066	.080	39	.01

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * Age * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

					95% Confidence Interva	
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Age	(J) Age	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
20 years or older	17 years or younger	252 [*]	.077	.008	45	05
	18 years old	206 [*]	.068	.019	39	03
	19 years old	136	.075	.276	33	.06
17 years or younger	20 years or older	.252*	.077	.008	.05	.45
	18 years old	.047	.039	.635	06	.15
	19 years old	.116	.050	.099	01	.25
18 years old	20 years or older	.206 [*]	.068	.019	.03	.39
	17 years or younger	047	.039	.635	15	.06
	19 years old	.070	.035	.195	02	.16
19 years old	20 years or older	.136	.075	.276	06	.33
	17 years or younger	116	.050	.099	25	.01
	18 years old	070	.035	.195	16	.02

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * Region * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

					95% Confide	ence Interval
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Region	(J) Region	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
Mobile or Baldwin	Rest of Alabama	016	.022	.979	08	.05
County	Mississippi Service Area	082	.042	.388	20	.04
	Florida Service Area	.032	.046	.982	10	.16
	Rest of United States	044	.038	.858	15	.07
	International	152 [*]	.038	.001	26	04
Rest of Alabama	Mobile or Baldwin County	.016	.022	.979	05	.08
	Mississippi Service Area	066	.042	.630	19	.06
	Florida Service Area	.048	.046	.899	08	.18
	Rest of United States	028	.038	.978	14	.08
	International	135 [*]	.037	.005	24	03
Mississippi Service	Mobile or Baldwin County	.082	.042	.388	04	.20
Area	Rest of Alabama	.066	.042	.630	06	.19
	Florida Service Area	.114	.058	.372	05	.28
	Rest of United States	.038	.052	.978	11	.19
	International	070	.052	.761	22	.08
Florida Service Area	Mobile or Baldwin County	032	.046	.982	16	.10
	Rest of Alabama	048	.046	.899	18	.08
	Mississippi Service Area	114	.058	.372	28	.05
	Rest of United States	076	.055	.742	23	.08
	International	183 [*]	.055	.012	34	03
Rest of United States	Mobile or Baldwin County	.044	.038	.858	07	.15
	Rest of Alabama	.028	.038	.978	08	.14
	Mississippi Service Area	038	.052	.978	19	.11
	Florida Service Area	.076	.055	.742	08	.23
	International	108	.048	.230	25	.03
International	Mobile or Baldwin County	.152 [*]	.038	.001	.04	.26
	Rest of Alabama	.135 [*]	.037	.005	.03	.24
	Mississippi Service Area	.070	.052	.761	08	.22
	Florida Service Area	.183 [*]	.055	.012	.03	.34
	Rest of United States	.108	.048	.230	03	.25

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * High School GPA * Multiple Comparisons

Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

					95% Confidence Interva	
(I) High School		Mean			Lower	Upper
GPA	(J) HS GPA	Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
3.0 or lower	3.01-3.5	162 [*]	.032	.000	24	09
	3.51-4.0	313 [*]	.028	.000	38	25
3.01-3.5	3.0 or lower	.162*	.032	.000	.09	.24
	3.51-4.0	151 [*]	.023	.000	20	10
3.51-4.0	3.0 or lower	.313 [*]	.028	.000	.25	.38
	3.01-3.5	.151 [*]	.023	.000	.10	.20

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * ACT Composite * Multiple Comparisons
Dependent Variable: Returned
Games-Howell

	00	ames-Howell			95% Confide	nce Interval
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) ACT	(J) ACT	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
19 or lower	20-21	017	.035	.999	12	.09
	22-23	110 [*]	.034	.019	21	01
	24-25	135 [*]	.033	.001	23	04
	26-27	215 [*]	.036	.000	32	11
	28-29	192 [*]	.039	.000	31	08
	30 or higher	256 [*]	.039	.000	37	14
20-21	19 or lower	.017	.035	.999	09	.12
	22-23	093	.034	.098	19	.01
	24-25	118 [*]	.034	.010	22	02
	26-27	198 [*]	.036	.000	31	09
	28-29	175 [*]	.040	.000	29	06
	30 or higher	239 [*]	.040	.000	36	12
22-23	19 or lower	.110 [*]	.034	.019	.01	.21
	20-21	.093	.034	.098	01	.19
	24-25	025	.033	.988	12	.07
	26-27	105 [*]	.035	.049	21	.00
	28-29	082 146*	.039	.343 .004	20 26	.03
24-25	30 or higher 19 or lower	146 .135*	.033	.004	26 .04	03 .23
24-23	20-21	.118 [*]	.033	.010	.02	.22
	22-23	.025	.033	.988	07	.12
	26-27	080	.035	.257	18	.02
	28-29	057	.038	.755	17	.06
	30 or higher	121 [*]	.038	.030	24	01
26-27	19 or lower	.215 [*]	.036	.000	.11	.32
	20-21	.198*	.036	.000	.09	.31
	22-23	.105 [*]	.035	.049	.00	.21
	24-25	.080	.035	.257	02	.18
	28-29	.023	.041	.998	10	.14
22.22	30 or higher	041	.041	.950	16	.08
28-29	19 or lower	.192*	.039	.000	.08	.31
	20-21	.175*	.040	.000	.06	.29
	22-23 24-25	.082 .057	.039	.343	03	.20
	24-25 26-27	023	.038 .041	.755 .998	06 14	.17 .10
	30 or higher	023	.041	.759	14	.07
30 or higher	19 or lower	.256*	.039	.000	.14	.37
	20-21	.239*	.040	.000	.12	.36
	22-23	.146*	.039	.004	.03	.26
	24-25	.121*	.038	.030	.01	.24
	26-27	.041	.041	.950	08	.16
	28-29	.064	.044	.759	07	.19

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * First Generation * Multiple Comparisons

Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

					95% Confidence Interval		
(I) First Generation	(J) First Generation	Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound	
No	Yes	.040	.025	.238	02	.10	
	Unknown	091 [*]	.024	.000	15	04	
Yes	No	040	.025	.238	10	.02	
	Unknown	131 [*]	.029	.000	20	06	
Unknown	No	.091*	.024	.000	.04	.15	
	Yes	.131 [*]	.029	.000	.06	.20	

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * Institution of Choice * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned

Games-Howell

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					95% Confide	ence Interval
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Institution of Choice	(J) Institution of Choice	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
1st choice	2nd choice	002	.034	1.000	10	.09
	3rd choice	050	.057	.906	21	.11
	4th choice	068	.123	.979	47	.33
	5th choice or lower	096	.106	.888	43	.24
2nd choice	1st choice	.002	.034	1.000	09	.10
	3rd choice	048	.062	.937	22	.12
	4th choice	066	.125	.983	47	.34
	5th choice or lower	094	.108	.904	43	.24
3rd choice	1st choice	.050	.057	.906	11	.21
	2nd choice	.048	.062	.937	12	.22
	4th choice	018	.134	1.000	43	.40
	5th choice or lower	046	.118	.995	40	.31
4th choice	1st choice	.068	.123	.979	33	.47
	2nd choice	.066	.125	.983	34	.47
	3rd choice	.018	.134	1.000	40	.43
	5th choice or lower	028	.160	1.000	51	.45
5th choice or lower	1st choice	.096	.106	.888	24	.43
	2nd choice	.094	.108	.904	24	.43
	3rd choice	.046	.118	.995	31	.40
	4th choice	.028	.160	1.000	45	.51

2015 Cohort * Expectation to Graduate * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned

Games-Howell

					95% Confidence Interva	
(I) Expectation to Graduate	(J) Expectation to Graduate	Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
No	Yes	015	.131	.993	37	.34
	Uncertain	.137	.145	.619	24	.51
Yes	No	.015	.131	.993	34	.37
	Uncertain	.152	.064	.054	.00	.31
Uncertain	No	137	.145	.619	51	.24
	Yes	152	.064	.054	31	.00

2015 Cohort * USA Day * Multiple Comparisons
Dependent Variable: Returned
Games-Howell

		Mean			95% Confide	ence Interval
		Difference	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) USA Days	(J) USA Days	(I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
Did Not Attend	Attended 1 USA Day	043	.021	.104	09	.01
	Attended Multiple USA Days	083	.053	.273	21	.05
Attended 1 USA Day	Did Not Attend	.043	.021	.104	01	.09
	Attended Multiple USA Days	040	.055	.744	17	.09
Attended Multiple USA Days	Did Not Attend	.083	.053	.273	05	.21
	Attended 1 USA Day	.040	.055	.744	09	.17

2015 Cohort * Orientation * Multiple Comparisons
Dependent Variable: Returned
Games-Howell

					95% Confide	ence Interval
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Orientation	(J) Orientation	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
August/Transfer/Unknown	May Orientation	097	.087	.996	39	.20
Orientation	Freshman Session 1	264 [*]	.056	.000	45	07
	Freshman Session 2	236 [*]	.057	.004	43	04
	Freshman Session 3	221 [*]	.057	.011	41	03
	Freshman Session 4	234 [*]	.057	.005	43	04
	Freshman Session 5	167	.059	.209	37	.03
	Freshman Session 6	171	.059	.174	37	.03
	Freshman Session 7	131	.060	.608	33	.07
	Freshman Session 8	122	.061	.733	33	.08
	Freshman Session 9	066	.063	.998	28	.15
	Freshman Session 10	.018	.063	1.000	19	.23
	International Orientation	293 [*]	.060	.000	50	09
Freshman Session 10	August/Transfer/Unknown Orientation	018	.063	1.000	23	.19
	May Orientation	115	.081	.967	39	.16
	Freshman Session 1	283 [*]	.047	.000	44	13
	Freshman Session 2	255 [*]	.048	.000	42	09
	Freshman Session 3	240 [*]	.048	.000	40	08
	Freshman Session 4	253 [*]	.048	.000	41	09
	Freshman Session 5	185*	.051	.018	35	02
	Freshman Session 6	189 [*]	.050	.012	36	02
	Freshman Session 7	150	.052	.163	32	.02
	Freshman Session 8	140	.052	.272	32	.03
	Freshman Session 9	085	.055	.945	27	.10
	International Orientation	311 [*]	.052	.000	48	14

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

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2015 Cohort * College * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

New College Difference (I-J) Error Sig. Lower Bound Bound			Ü.	mes-Howell			95% Confid	lence Interval
Ocollege				Mean	Std			
AS AH024 028 .991 .111 00 BU -010 .037 1.000 -12 .11 ED -019 .048 1.000 -16 .11 ED -019 .048 1.000 -17 .11 EG -0.59 .029 .455 .15 .00 NU -026 .031 .991 -12 .00 CE .213 .168 .889 -43 .88 AH AS .024 .028 .991 .06 .1 BU .014 .039 1.000 -10 .11 CS .040 .057 .997 .14 .22 ED .004 .049 1.000 -10 .11 EG .035 .031 .949 .13 .00 NU -002 .033 1.000 -10 .11 EG .035 .031 .949 .13 .00 CE .227 .168 .833 .40 BU .041 .039 1.000 .10 .11 CS .040 .057 .058 .304 .949 .13 .00 CE .227 .168 .333 .40 BU .035 .031 .000 .10 .11 AH .014 .039 1.000 .10 .11 AH .014 .039 1.000 .10 .11 AH .014 .039 1.000 .13 .11 CS .026 .062 1.000 .17 .22 ED .010 .055 1.000 .18 .11 EG .049 .039 .914 .17 .00 NU .016 .041 1.000 .14 .11 CE .223 .170 .874 .42 .88 EG .049 .039 .914 .17 CS .05 .056 .1000 .19 .11 BU .016 .041 1.000 .22 .11 BU .026 .062 1.000 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .22 .11 ED .036 .069 1.000 .22 .11 ED .037 .058 .897 .22 .11 BU .040 .057 .997 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .13 .11 EG .075 .058 .897 .25 .11 EG .076 .075 .075 .075 .075 .976 .976 .976 .22 AH .000 .016 .11 AH .004 .049 .050 .993 .19 .11 AH .004 .055 .996 .22 .11 ED .007 .051 .000 .18 .22 ED .005 .005 .005 .000 .100 .11 BU .010 .055 .1000 .16 .11 BU .010 .055 .1000 .16 .11 BU .000 .000 .11 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .11 EG .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .000 .0	(I) College	(J) College				Sia		
BU -0.10 0.037 1.000 -1.12 1.11 CS 0.16 .066 1.000 -1.66 .15 ED -0.19 .048 1.000 -1.7 1.15 EG -0.59 0.29 .455 -1.15 .00 NU -0.26 .031 .991 -1.12 .00 CE 2.13 1.168 .889 -4.3 .88 AH AS .024 0.28 .991 -0.66 .1 BU .0.14 .039 1.000 -1.10 .11 EG .0.35 .031 .949 -1.3 .00 CS .0.40 .057 .997 .14 .22 ED .0.40 .049 1.000 -1.15 .11 EG .0.35 .031 .949 -1.3 .00 CE .237 .168 .833 -40 .88 BU AS .0.10 .037 1.000 -1.10 .11 CE .237 .168 .833 -40 .88 BU AS .0.10 .037 1.000 -1.10 .11 CE .237 .168 .833 .40 .88 BU AS .0.10 .037 1.000 -1.10 .11 CS .0.266 .062 1.000 -1.17 .22 ED .0.01 .055 1.000 .17 .22 ED .0.01 .055 1.000 .18 .11 EG .0.49 .039 .914 -1.17 .00 NU .0.16 .041 1.000 .14 .17 CC .223 .170 .874 -422 .88 CS .3 .040 .057 .997 -2.22 .1 ED .0.040 .057 .997 -2.22 .1 ED .0.05 .000 .022 .10 ED .0.05 .000 .022 .1 ED .0.03 .000 .022 .1 ED .0.04 .049 .050 .993 .100 .255 .10 EG .0.49 .055 .000 .255 .10 EG .0.49 .056 .062 1.000 .16 .11 EG .0.49 .0.50 .993 .914 .11 CC .223 .170 .874 .422 .88 CS .3 .0.10 .056 .1000 .22 .1 ED .0.05 .000 .022 .1 ED .0.05 .000 .023 .009 .000 .255 .11 EG .0.040 .050 .993 .19 .1 ED .0.05 .000 .018 .22 EG .0.05 .005 .009 .000 .16 .11 EG .0.040 .050 .993 .19 .1 EG .0.040 .050 .993 .11 .00 .16 .11 EG .0.040 .050 .993 .11 .00 .16 .11 EG .0.041 .000 .16 .11 EG .0.042 .005 .005 .000 .10 .11 EG .0.042 .005 .005 .000 .100 .16 .11 EG .0.044 .005 .005 .11 EG .0.049 .005 .005 .11 EG .0.040 .005 .005								.06
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NU				E .				.13
CE				B .				.03
AH AS BU .024 .028 .991 .06 .1 BU .014 .039 1.000 -10 .10 CS .040 .057 .997 .14 .22 ED .004 .049 1.000 .15 .10 EG .005 .031 .949 .13 .00 NU .002 .033 1.000 .10 .11 CE .237 .168 .833 -40 .88 BU AS .010 .037 1.000 .10 .11 CS .026 .062 1.000 .17 .22 ED .004 .049 .039 1.000 .10 .11 CS .026 .062 1.000 .17 .22 ED .010 .055 1.000 .18 .11 CS .026 .062 1.000 .18 .11 CC .223 .170 .874 .42 .88 CS AS .016 .056 1.000 .19 .11 CE .223 .170 .874 .42 .88 CS AS .016 .056 1.000 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .25 .11 EG .049 .039 .914 .17 CC .056 .050 1.000 .19 .11 AH .040 .057 .997 .22 .11 ED .035 .069 1.000 .25 .11 EG .056 .050 1.000 .25 .11 EG .056 .050 1.000 .15 .11 EG .056 .050 1.000 .15 .11 EG .056 .050 1.000 .15 .11 ED .040 .057 .997 .22 .11 ED .056 .050 1.000 .25 .11 EG .057 .058 .897 .25 .11 ED .057 .058 .897 .25 .11 ED .058 .059 .059 .956 .22 .11 ED .058 .059 .059 .956 .22 .11 ED .057 .058 .897 .25 .11 ED .057 .058 .897 .25 .11 ED .058 .059 .059 .993 .19 .11 NU .007 .051 .1000 .16 .11 EG .040 .050 .993 .19 .11 NU .007 .051 .000 .16 .11 EG .040 .050 .993 .19 .11 NU .007 .051 .000 .16 .11 EG .040 .050 .993 .11 .11 EG .058 .075 .058 .897 .10 .22 ED .040 .050 .993 .11 .11 EG .058 .075 .058 .897 .10 .22 ED .040 .050 .993 .11 .11 EG .058 .075 .058 .897 .10 .22 ED .007 .051 .000 .10 .11 EG .058 .004 .0050 .993 .11 .11 EG .007 .051 .000 .15 .11 EG .007 .051 .000 .15 .11 EG .007 .051 .000 .15 .11		NU		026	.031	.991	12	.07
BU		CE		.213	.168	.889	43	.85
CS	AH	AS		.024	.028	.991	06	.11
ED				.014	.039	1.000	10	.13
EG		CS		.040	.057	.997	14	.22
NU CE		ED		.004	.049	1.000	15	.16
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BU AS				002	.033	1.000		.10
BU AS								.88
AH	BU	AS		.010	.037			.12
CS		AH		014	.039	1.000	13	.10
EG		CS		.026	.062	1.000	17	.22
NU		ED		010	.055	1.000	18	.16
NU CE		EG		049	.039	.914		.07
CE		NU						.11
CS AS								.86
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EG033 .034 .97814 .0°								.16
								.07
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2015 Cohort * Expected Family Contribution * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

		Mean			95% Confide	ence Interval
(I) Expected Family	(J) Expected Family	Difference	Std.		Lower	Upper
Contribution	Contribution	(I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
\$0	\$1 to \$3,750	.016	.030	.995	07	.10
	\$3,751 to \$7,500	.009	.038	1.000	10	.12
	\$7,501 to \$15,000	.006	.035	1.000	09	.11
	\$15,001 to \$25,000	081	.033	.141	18	.01
	\$25,001 or higher	088	.032	.074	18	.00
\$1 to \$3,750	\$0	016	.030	.995	10	.07
	\$3,751 to \$7,500	007	.043	1.000	13	.11
	\$7,501 to \$15,000	010	.040	1.000	12	.10
	\$15,001 to \$25,000	098	.038	.113	21	.01
	\$25,001 or higher	104	.037	.065	21	.00
\$3,751 to \$7,500	\$0	009	.038	1.000	12	.10
	\$1 to \$3,750	.007	.043	1.000	11	.13
	\$7,501 to \$15,000	002	.046	1.000	14	.13
	\$15,001 to \$25,000	090	.045	.342	22	.04
	\$25,001 or higher	096	.044	.253	22	.03
\$7,501 to \$15,000	\$0	006	.035	1.000	11	.09
	\$1 to \$3,750	.010	.040	1.000	10	.12
	\$3,751 to \$7,500	.002	.046	1.000	13	.14
	\$15,001 to \$25,000	088	.043	.307	21	.03
	\$25,001 or higher	094	.042	.218	21	.03
\$15,001 to \$25,000	\$0	.081	.033	.141	01	.18
	\$1 to \$3,750	.098	.038	.113	01	.21
	\$3,751 to \$7,500	.090	.045	.342	04	.22
	\$7,501 to \$15,000	.088	.043	.307	03	.21
#05.004 L: L	\$25,001 or higher	006	.040	1.000	12	.11
\$25,001 or higher	\$0	.088	.032	.074	.00	.18
	\$1 to \$3,750	.104	.037	.065	.00	.21
	\$3,751 to \$7,500	.096	.044	.253	03	.22
	\$7,501 to \$15,000	.094	.042	.218	03	.21
	\$15,001 to \$25,000	.006	.040	1.000	11	.12

2015 Cohort * Multiple Comparisons
Dependent Variable: Returned
Games-Howell

	Gaines-	Ī			95% Confidence Interval	
		Mean	Std.		Lower	Upper
(I) Unmet Financial Need	(J) Unmet Financial Need	Difference (I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
-\$5,001 or lower	-\$1 to -\$5,000	.049	.033	.737	05	.15
	\$0	.152 [*]	.033	.000	.06	.25
	\$1 to \$5,000	.100	.036	.080	01	.21
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	.181 [*]	.034	.000	.08	.28
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	.240 [*]	.040	.000	.12	.36
	\$15,001 or higher	.418 [*]	.048	.000	.28	.56
-\$1 to -\$5,000	-\$5,001 or lower	049	.033	.737	15	.05
	\$0	.103 [*]	.031	.014	.01	.19
	\$1 to \$5,000	.050	.034	.750	05	.15
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	.131 [*]	.032	.001	.04	.23
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	.191 [*]	.038	.000	.08	.30
	\$15,001 or higher	.369 [*]	.046	.000	.23	.51
\$0	-\$5,001 or lower	152 [*]	.033	.000	25	06
	-\$1 to -\$5,000	103 [*]	.031	.014	19	01
	\$1 to \$5,000	053	.034	.710	15	.05
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	.028	.032	.977	07	.12
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	.087	.038	.261	03	.20
Φ4 t- ΦΕ 000	\$15,001 or higher	.266*	.047	.000	.13	.40
\$1 to \$5,000	-\$5,001 or lower -\$1 to -\$5,000	100	.036 .034	.080 .750	21 15	.01
	-\$1 to -\$5,000 \$0	050 .053	.034	.750	15 05	.05 .15
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	.033	.035	.244	03	.13
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	.140*	.033	.012	.02	.26
	\$15,001 or higher	.319*	.049	.000	.17	.46
\$5,001 to \$10,000	-\$5,001 or lower	181 [*]	.034	.000	28	08
φο,σοι το φτο,σοσ	-\$1 to -\$5,000	131 [*]	.032	.001	23	04
	\$0	028	.032	.977	12	.07
	\$1 to \$5,000	081	.035	.244	19	.02
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	.059	.040	.749	06	.18
	\$15,001 or higher	.238 [*]	.048	.000	.10	.38
\$10,001 to \$15,000	-\$5,001 or lower	240 [*]	.040	.000	36	12
	-\$1 to -\$5,000	191 [*]	.038	.000	30	08
	\$0	087	.038	.261	20	.03
	\$1 to \$5,000	140 [*]	.041	.012	26	02
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	059	.040	.749	18	.06
A - - - - - - - - - 	\$15,001 or higher	.178*		.012	.02	.33
\$15,001 or higher	-\$5,001 or lower	418*	.048	.000	56	28
	-\$1 to -\$5,000	369*	.046	.000	51	23
	\$0	266 [*]	.047	.000	40	13
	\$1 to \$5,000	319 [*]	.049	.000	46	17
	\$5,001 to \$10,000	238 [*]	.048	.000	38	10
	\$10,001 to \$15,000	178 [*]	.052	.012	33	02

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * At-Risk Midterm Grades in Fall 2015 * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

		Mean			95% Confidence Interval		
(I) At-Risk Midterm Grades in	(J) At-Risk Midterm Grades in	Difference	Std.		Lower	Upper	
Fall 2015	Fall 2015	(I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound	
No At Risk MT Grades	1 At Risk MT Grade	.079*	.022	.004	.02	.14	
	2 At Risk MT Grades	.199*	.031	.000	.11	.29	
	3 At Risk MT Grades	.277*	.040	.000	.17	.39	
	4 or More At Risk MT Grades	.470 [*]	.046	.000	.34	.60	
1 At Risk MT Grade	No At Risk MT Grades	079 [*]	.022	.004	14	02	
	2 At Risk MT Grades	.120 [*]	.035	.005	.03	.21	
	3 At Risk MT Grades	.198*	.042	.000	.08	.31	
	4 or More At Risk MT Grades	.391*	.048	.000	.26	.52	
2 At Risk MT Grades	No At Risk MT Grades	199 [*]	.031	.000	29	11	
	1 At Risk MT Grade	120 [*]	.035	.005	21	03	
	3 At Risk MT Grades	.078	.048	.478	05	.21	
	4 or More At Risk MT Grades	.271 [*]	.053	.000	.13	.42	
3 At Risk MT Grades	No At Risk MT Grades	277 [*]	.040	.000	39	17	
	1 At Risk MT Grade	198 [*]	.042	.000	31	08	
	2 At Risk MT Grades	078	.048	.478	21	.05	
	4 or More At Risk MT Grades	.193 [*]	.058	.009	.03	.35	
4 or More At Risk MT Grades	No At Risk MT Grades	470 [*]	.046	.000	60	34	
	1 At Risk MT Grade	391 [*]	.048	.000	52	26	
	2 At Risk MT Grades	271 [*]	.053	.000	42	13	
	3 At Risk MT Grades	193 [*]	.058	.009	35	03	

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * USA Hours Earned After Summer 2016 * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

			Mean		95% Confidence Interval	
(I) USA Hours Earned After	(J) USA Hours Earned After	Difference	Std.		Lower	Upper
Summer 2016	Summer 2016	(I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
0-6 hours	6.5-12 hours	039	.039	.919	15	.07
	12.5-18 hours	319 [*]	.044	.000	45	19
	18.5-24 hours	662 [*]	.038	.000	77	55
	24.5-30 hours	769 [*]	.029	.000	85	69
	30.5 or more hours	854 [*]	.027	.000	93	78
6.5-12 hours	0-6 hours	.039	.039	.919	07	.15
	12.5-18 hours	279 [*]	.047	.000	41	15
	18.5-24 hours	623 [*]	.041	.000	74	51
	24.5-30 hours	730 [*]	.033	.000	82	63
	30.5 or more hours	815 [*]	.031	.000	90	73
12.5-18 hours	0-6 hours	.319 [*]	.044	.000	.19	.45
	6.5-12 hours	.279 [*]	.047	.000	.15	.41
	18.5-24 hours	344 [*]	.045	.000	47	21
	24.5-30 hours	450 [*]	.038	.000	56	34
	30.5 or more hours	535 [*]	.037	.000	64	43
18.5-24 hours	0-6 hours	.662*	.038	.000	.55	.77
	6.5-12 hours	.623*	.041	.000	.51	.74
	12.5-18 hours	.344*	.045	.000	.21	.47
	24.5-30 hours	107 [*]	.031	.008	20	02
	30.5 or more hours	192 [*]	.029	.000	27	11
24.5-30 hours	0-6 hours	.769 [*]	.029	.000	.69	.85
	6.5-12 hours	.730 [*]	.033	.000	.63	.82
	12.5-18 hours	.450 [*]	.038	.000	.34	.56
	18.5-24 hours	.107*	.031	.008	.02	.20
	30.5 or more hours	085 [*]	.016	.000	13	04
30.5 or more hours	0-6 hours	.854 [*]	.027	.000	.78	.93
	6.5-12 hours	.815 [*]	.031	.000	.73	.90
	12.5-18 hours	.535 [*]	.037	.000	.43	.64
	18.5-24 hours	.192 [*]	.029	.000	.11	.27
	24.5-30 hours	.085*	.016	.000	.04	.13

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.

2015 Cohort * USA GPA After Summer 2016 * Multiple Comparisons Dependent Variable: Returned Games-Howell

		Mean			95% Confidence Interval	
(I) USA GPA After	(J) USA GPA After	Difference	Std.		Lower	Upper
Summer 2016	Summer 2016	(I-J)	Error	Sig.	Bound	Bound
2.0 or lower	2.01-2.5	488 [*]	.033	.000	58	40
	2.51-3.0	488 [*]	.030	.000	57	41
	3.01-3.5	567 [*]	.027	.000	64	49
	3.51-4.0	586 [*]	.026	.000	66	51
2.01-2.5	2.0 or lower	.488*	.033	.000	.40	.58
	2.51-3.0	.000	.031	1.000	08	.08
	3.01-3.5	079 [*]	.028	.040	16	.00
	3.51-4.0	098*	.027	.003	17	02
2.51-3.0	2.0 or lower	.488 [*]	.030	.000	.41	.57
	2.01-2.5	.000	.031	1.000	08	.08
	3.01-3.5	079 [*]	.024	.011	15	01
	3.51-4.0	098*	.024	.000	16	03
3.01-3.5	2.0 or lower	.567*	.027	.000	.49	.64
	2.01-2.5	.079 [*]	.028	.040	.00	.16
	2.51-3.0	.079*	.024	.011	.01	.15
	3.51-4.0	019	.020	.879	07	.04
3.51-4.0	2.0 or lower	.586 [*]	.026	.000	.51	.66
	2.01-2.5	.098*	.027	.003	.02	.17
	2.51-3.0	.098*	.024	.000	.03	.16
	3.01-3.5	.019	.020	.879	04	.07

^{*.} The mean difference is significant at the 0.05 level.