Student Achievement

The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) requires that institutions publish student achievement information. In SACSCOC's Policy on Institutional Obligations for Public Disclosure, student achievement information may include "reliable information in retention, graduation, course completion, licensure examinations, and job placement rates and other measures of student success appropriate to institutional mission." Claflin University utilizes a variety of measures and metrics of student achievement to evaluate the success of its educational and co-educational programs which align with the University's Mission and Strategic Plan.

Retention & Graduation Rates

Claflin University measures the percentage of first-time students who are seeking bachelor's degrees who return to the institution to continue their studies the following fall semester (retention). The University also measures the completion rates of "full-time, first-time" students.

First-Time Degree-Seeking Freshmen Retention and Graduation Rates

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Employment & Graduate/Professional School Placement

The University monitors the rates at which its graduates secure meaningful/gainful employment and/or enroll in graduate and professional school as a measure of the success of its educational program. The table below summarizes employment and graduate/professional school enrollment for our most recently evaluated alumni. The composite percentage is an unduplicated account of placement activity.

Employment & Graduate/Professional School Placement

Undergraduate Placement Rate								
Graduation Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018			
Employed Pct.	63%	74%	73%	72%	78%			
Grad. School Pct.	24%	28%	32%	30%	31%			
Composite Pct.	78%	82%	84%	82%	86%			

Licensing and Certification Examinations

Claflin University evaluates student success on state and national licensing examinations as a measure of student achievement. Certain professions require graduates to achieve specific levels on licensure examinations for employment. One requirement for teaching kindergarten through twelfth grade in public schools in the state of South Carolina is earning a passing score on the PRAXIS II examination.

Teacher Education Program: Traditional Summary PRAXIS II Pass Rates

			Number	Number	
			Taking	Passing	Pass
Year	Program	Group	Tests	Tests	Rate
2012-13	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MAED, MLE, MUED	16	16	100
2013-14	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MLE	15	15	100
2014-15	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MLE	12	12	100
2015-16	School of Education	ARTE, ECE, ELED, MAED, MLE, MUED	18	18	100
2016-17	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MLE, MUED	14	14	100
2017-18	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MLE, MUED	13	13	100
2018-19	School of Education	ECE, ELED, MAED, MLE, ELED	7	7	100

Degree Productivity

Claflin University also monitors degree productivity, including the total number of degrees awarded over the last five academic terms.

Major	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Major Total
African and African American Studies			1	1		2
Art Education		1				1
Biochemistry	5	11	12	13	6	47
Bioinformatics					2	2
Biology	39	25	27	24	30	145
Biotechnology	2	1	1	1	3	8
Biotechnology (GR)	5	10	4	5	8	32
Business Administration	17	22	22	26	30	117
Business Administration (GR)	14	8	10	14	8	54
Business Administration (GR) (Online)		3	2	3	5	13
Chemistry	3	2	1	1		7
Computer Engineering	3	6	1	1	6	17
Computer Science	5	9	8	3	4	29
Criminal Justice		1	17	31	17	66
Criminal Justice		6	15		10	31
Criminal Justice (GR) (Online)					13	13
Criminal Justice (Online)		2	6	10	7	25
Curriculum and Instruction			13	10	10	33
Digital Design	3	6	5	4	3	21
Early Childhood Education	4	6	4	7	2	23
Elementary Education	6	6	4	3	3	22
English	3	12	5	10	8	38
English Education					1	1
Environmental Science	2		1	1	2	6
History	6	1	3	3	2	15
Human Performance and Recreation	15	19	15	17	15	81
Management	17	16	14	10	17	74
Management Information Science	3	5	1		1	10
Marketing	8	6	7	10	10	41
Mass Communications	29	28	22	28	33	140
Mathematics	1	2	2	2	2	9
Mathematics (Applied Mathematics Track)	4	4	2	1		11
Mathematics Education		1			1	2

Major	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Major Total
Middle Level Education	2	3	5	2		12
Music	7	3	5	8	8	31
Music Education		1	1	1		3
Nursing (Online)			11	5	22	38
Organizational Management	29	16	23	14	10	92
Organizational Management (Online)		2	6	6	1	15
Philosophy and Religion		3	1	2	2	8
Political Science					3	3
Politics and Justice Studies	29	26	6	4	3	68
Psychology	7	22	19	31	38	117
Psychology (Online)				2	5	7
Sociology	26	34	32	13	20	125
Sociology/Criminal Justice Administration	42	41	6	1		90
Spanish				1		1
Sport Management	12	9	24	9	8	62
Studio Art	1	2	4	4	2	13
Completion Grand Total	349	381	368	342	381	1821