

## **Central Lakes College**

### **Student Right-To-Know Graduation and Transfer-Out Rates**

#### **What is Student Right-To-Know?**

Student Right-To-Know is a federal law that requires all colleges and universities to disclose certain information to students. This handout provides the information that a college must provide to students on graduation rates and transfer-out rates for full-time students seeking degrees at Central Lakes College.

#### **What is a graduation rate and what is a transfer-out rate?**

Federal regulations specify how to calculate the graduation and transfer rates. The rates come from a study of Central Lakes College students who started at the college in the fall of 2015. The study includes all first-time students who enrolled full-time that fall and were seeking to earn a degree, diploma or certificate at the college. The **graduation rate** is the percentage of these students who graduated from Central Lakes within three years. The **transfer-out rate** is the percentage of these students who did not graduate from Central Lakes, but instead transferred to another college or university within three years.

#### **What do I need to know about these rates?**

These rates do not report on all students at Central Lakes. The 460 first-time, full-time students in the study were 11 percent of all students enrolled at Central Lakes in fall of 2015.

#### **What are CLC graduation and transfer-out rates?**

- The **graduation rate** for Central Lakes was 48 percent.
- The **transfer-out rate** for Central Lakes was 13 percent.
- The combination of the graduation rate and the transfer-out rate for Central Lakes was 62 percent. The national average combined rate for similar colleges was 45 percent.

#### **Why don't more CLC students graduate or transfer in three years?**

- Since Central Lakes has an “open door” mission, many new students need to take “developmental” courses to improve their reading, writing or math skills before taking other college courses;
- Students who switch from full-time to part-time enrollment or “stop out” for one or more semesters are more likely to take more than three years to graduate;
- Some students take jobs before they graduate;
- Other students delay their education for personal, family or financial reasons.

## Disaggregated Student Right-to-Know Graduation and Transfer-out Rates

	<b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Transfer-out Rate</b>	<b>Combined Rate</b>
<b>Central Lakes College</b>	48%	13%	62%

<b>Race Ethnicity</b>	<b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Transfer-out Rate</b>	<b>Combined Rate</b>
American Indian or Alaska Native	*	*	*
Asian	*	*	*
Black or African American	28%	36%	64%
Hispanic of any race	25%	20%	45%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	*	*	*
Nonresident Alien	*	*	*
Two or more races	29%	26%	54%
Unknown race and ethnicity	*	*	*
White	54%	10%	64%

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Transfer-out Rate</b>	<b>Combined Rate</b>
Female	41%	13%	54%
Male	52%	13%	65%

<b>Financial Aid</b>	<b>Graduation Rate</b>	<b>Transfer-out Rate</b>	<b>Combined Rate</b>
Pell Grant Recipient	43%	11%	54%
Received neither Pell nor Subsidized Stafford Loans	54%	19%	73%
Received Subsidized Stafford Loans, but no Pell	60%	12%	73%

*\*Suppressed to protect student privacy. Due to rounding, percentages may not always appear to add up to 100%.*