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NOVA Transfers to Institutions that Offer Guaranteed Admission Agreements: 2014-15

This Research Brief presents data on students who transferred from NOVA to an institution that offers Guaranteed Admission Agreements to NOVA graduates. Through these agreements, which NOVA has with more than 50 colleges and universities, NOVA graduates are guaranteed admission when they meet the agreement requirements between NOVA and that college/university.

Table 1 lists the total number of NOVA transfers in the 2014-15 academic year to institutions that offer Guaranteed Admission Agreements (GAA) by whether or not they received a NOVA degree prior to transferring¹.

- Seventy-two percent of all transfers from NOVA in the 2014-15 academic year were to institutions that offer Guaranteed Admission Agreements to NOVA students.
- The institution with the largest number of NOVA transfers in 2014-15 was George Mason University (2,629 total transfers, 29 percent).

Table 1. Transfers to Four-Year Institutions that have Guaranteed Admissions Agreements with NOVA: 2014-15

Four-Year Institution with a Guaranteed Admission Agreement	2014-15 Transfers from NOVA			
	With NOVA Degree	Without NOVA Degree	Total Transfers	
			#	% of 2014-15 Transfers
George Mason University	1,815	814	2,629	28.6%
Virginia Commonwealth University	219	458	677	7.4%
James Madison University	108	250	358	3.9%
Virginia Polytechnic Inst. & State University	79	266	345	3.8%
University of Virginia	80	202	282	3.1%
Old Dominion University	81	168	249	2.7%
Radford University	38	206	244	2.7%
Marymount University	84	154	238	2.6%
Strayer University	35	177	212	2.3%
Liberty University	44	128	172	1.9%
American Public University System	20	129	149	1.6%

¹ NOVA graduates may or may not have utilized the GAAs with these institutions.

Table 1 (cont'd). Transfers to Four-Year Institutions that have Guaranteed Admissions Agreements with NOVA: 2014-15

Four-Year Institution with a Guaranteed Admission Agreement	2014-15 Transfers from NOVA			
	With NOVA Degree	Without NOVA Degree	Total Transfers	
			#	% of 2014-15 Transfers
George Washington University	38	92	130	1.4%
University of Mary Washington	40	74	114	1.2%
University of Phoenix	9	91	100	1.1%
University of the District of Columbia	7	66	73	0.8%
Shenandoah University	22	48	70	0.8%
West Virginia University	7	56	63	0.7%
Christopher Newport University	8	54	62	0.7%
Longwood University	9	48	57	0.6%
College of William & Mary	11	45	56	0.6%
Western Governors University	17	31	48	0.5%
American University	11	34	45	0.5%
Virginia State University	2	26	28	0.3%
Park University	9	14	23	0.3%
Shepherd University	2	19	21	0.2%
Norfolk State University	5	12	17	0.2%
The Catholic University of America	4	12	16	0.2%
Trinity Washington University	2	13	15	0.2%
Excelsior College	1	13	14	0.2%
Saint Leo University	0	13	13	0.1%
Colorado Technical University	0	12	12	0.1%
Mary Baldwin College	3	9	12	0.1%
Lynchburg College	1	9	10	0.1%
Argosy University	1	7	8	0.1%
Regent University	1	7	8	0.1%
University of Virginia College at Wise	0	8	8	0.1%
Ferrum College	1	6	7	0.1%
Bluefield College	2	4	6	0.1%
ECPI University	0	6	6	0.1%
Virginia Union University	0	4	4	<0.1%
Virginia Wesleyan College	0	4	4	<0.1%
Emory & Henry College	0	3	3	<0.1%
Jefferson College of Health Sciences	1	2	3	<0.1%
Randolph College	0	3	3	<0.1%
Sweet Briar College	1	2	3	<0.1%
Hollins University	0	2	2	<0.1%
Nyack College	1	1	2	<0.1%
Troy University	0	2	2	<0.1%
University of New Mexico	1	1	2	<0.1%
Regis University	0	1	1	<0.1%
National Louis University	0	0	0	0.0%
University of East London	0	0	0	0.0%
Subtotal of Transfers to GAA Institutions	2,820	3,806	6,626	72.0%
<i>Transfers to Other Institutions</i>	414	2,160	2,574	28.0%
Total Transfers	3,234	5,966	9,200	100.0%

Note: Data for four institutions with GAAs are not available: Capitol Technology University, Open University, Potomac College, and Abertay University.