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Spring 2014 Graduation Status of First-Time in College Fall 2010 Cohort

This Research Brief presents graduation data on first-time in college (FTIC), program placed students who enrolled at NOVA in Fall 2010. “Program placed” refers to those students who selected a degree (A.A., A.S., A.A.A., or A.A.S.) or certificate program at the time of enrollment.

Table 1 shows the graduation status, as of Spring 2014, of FTIC, program placed students who enrolled at NOVA in Fall 2010. The majority of students (79 percent) had not graduated by Spring 2014, while 22 percent had graduated at some point during that time period.

Table 1. Graduation Status of Fall 2010 FTIC, Program Placed Students: Spring 2014

Graduation Status	#	%
Graduated	1,368	21.5
Not Graduated	4,987	78.5
Total	6,355	100.00

Table 2 shows the graduation status of FTIC, program placed students who enrolled at NOVA in Fall 2010 disaggregated by award type and major. Students placed in A.S. degree programs had the highest graduation rate (12 percent), followed by students in certificate programs (6 percent), while those enrolled in A.A.A. degree programs had the lowest graduation rate (0.1 percent).

Table 2. Graduation Status of Fall 2010 FTIC, Program Placed Students by Award Type and Major as of Spring 2014

Major / Curriculum Code	# of Graduates	Rate (%)
Award = AA		
Fine Arts 529	9	0.14
Liberal Arts 648	86	1.35
Music 555	3	0.05
Subtotal (AA)	98	1.54
Award = AS		
Business Administration 213	211	3.32
Computer Science 246	18	0.28
Engineering 831	25	0.39
General Studies 699	250	3.93
Information Technology 340	69	1.09

Major / Curriculum Code	# of Graduates	Rate (%)
Science 880	79	1.24
Social Sciences 882	138	2.17
Subtotal (AS)	790	12.42
Award = AAA		
Fine Arts 530	6	0.09
Music 559	3	0.05
Subtotal (AAA)	9	0.14
Award = AAS		
Accounting 203	2	0.03
Administration of Justice 400	12	0.19
Air Conditioning & Refrigeration 904	1	0.02
American Sign Language 640	1	0.02
Architecture Technology 901	3	0.05
Automotive Technology 909	6	0.09
Business Management 212	2	0.03
Communications Design 511	2	0.03
Early Childhood Development 636	4	0.06
Emergency Medical Services 146	1	0.02
Fire Science Technology 427	1	0.02
Hospitality Management 775	2	0.03
Information Systems Technology 299	6	0.09
Marketing 251	1	0.02
Nursing 156	9	0.14
Paralegal Studies 260	1	0.02
Photography 502	1	0.02
Physical Therapist Assistant 180	1	0.02
Radiography 172	1	0.02
Respiratory Therapy 181	1	0.02
Veterinary Technology 188	2	0.03
Subtotal (AAS)	60	0.97
Award = CERT		
Administration of Justice 406	2	0.03
Architectural Drafting 930	1	0.02
Bookkeeping 204	3	0.05
Career Studies 221	38	0.60
Culinary Arts 245	1	0.02
General Education 695	365	5.74
Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Councilor 403	1	0.02
Subtotal (CERT)	411	6.48
Total Fall 2010 FTIC Program Placed Graduates	1,368	21.55
No Award	4,987	78.47
Grand Total	6,355	100.0

Note: due to rounding, percent total may not equal 100