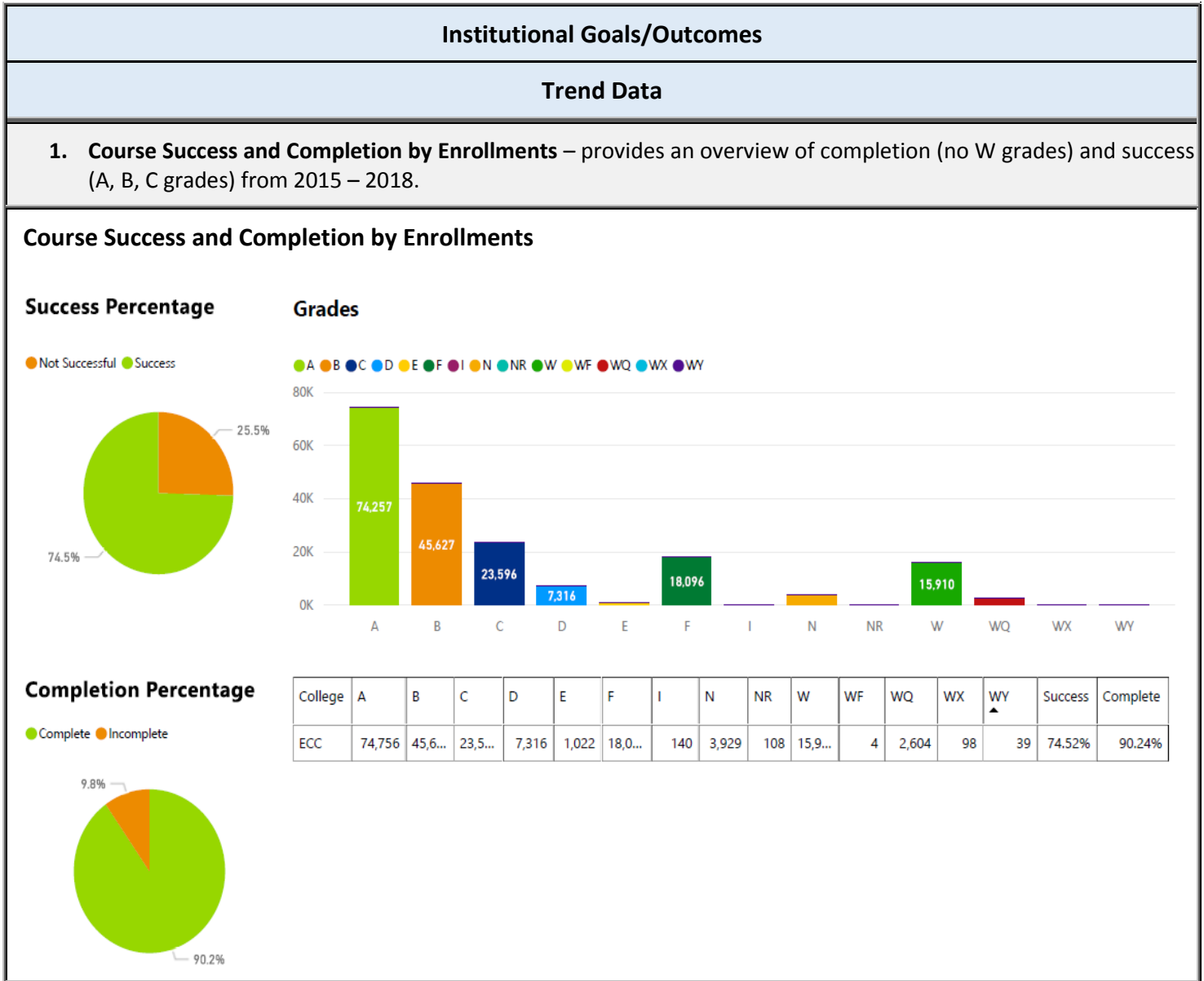


# Student Achievement

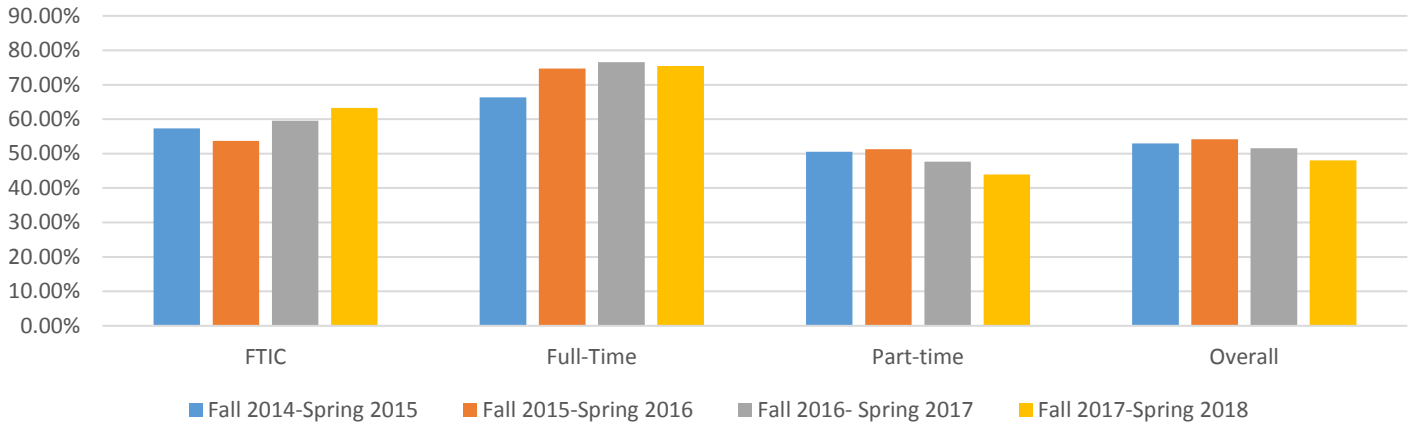
Student achievement is the primary outcome by which this institution evaluates its overall success in accomplishing its mission of *Changing Lives through Higher Education*. El Centro College (ECC) is guided by its 2015 – 2018 Strategic Plan, which identifies six institutional strategic priorities, of which, the first and foremost is “*Student Success- the success of its students is always the primary focus of El Centro College*”.

The College utilizes multiple measures from which to identify, evaluate, and document student achievement.



2. **Persistence** – reveals the student achievement gaps between part-time students and their FTIC and full-time counterparts. Declines in part-time student persistence, which make up more than 87% of the student body, resulted in the College committing to focus 2018 – 2019 AtD efforts solely on part-time student success, persistence, and completion.

### Fall to Spring Persistence

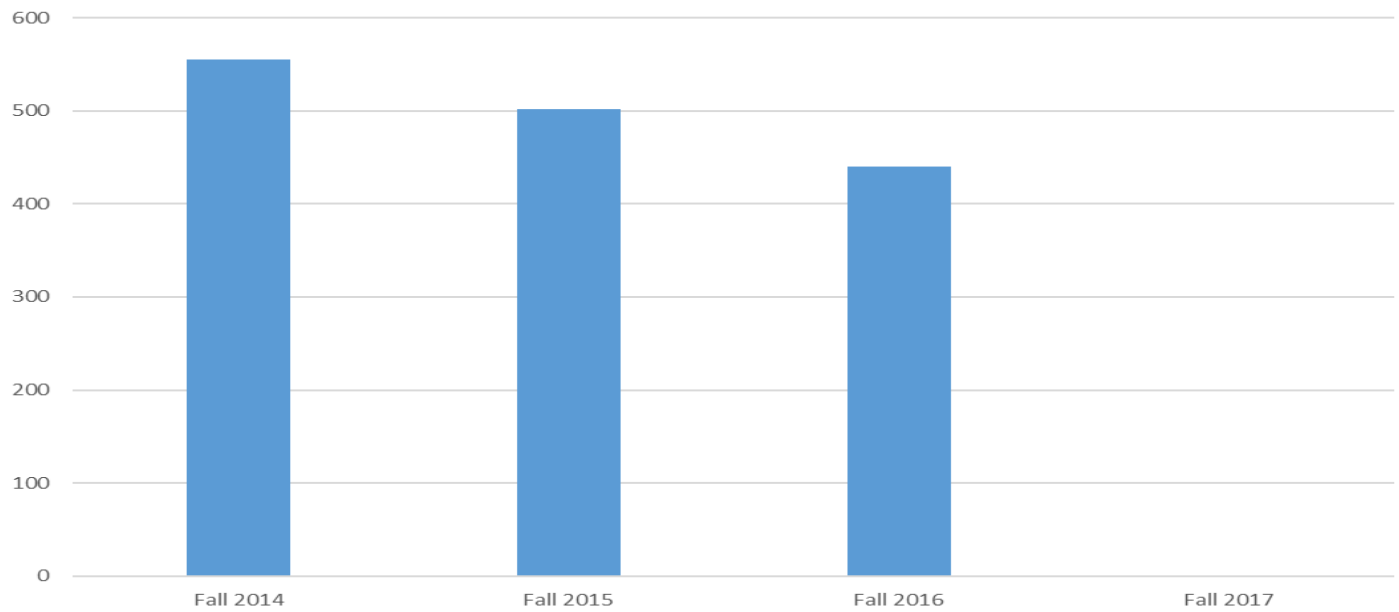


3. **Retention** – is rates at which students return from fall to spring and return from fall to fall, by ethnicity and full-time status.

### Retention Rates of First Time in College Cohorts

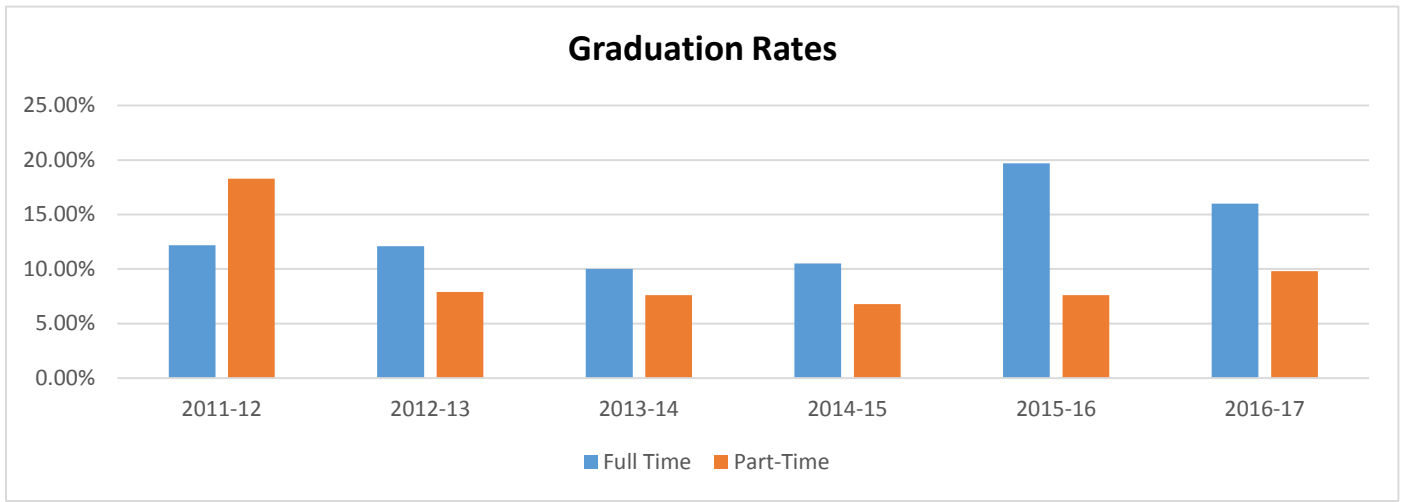
Fall 2014 – 2017

### Retention

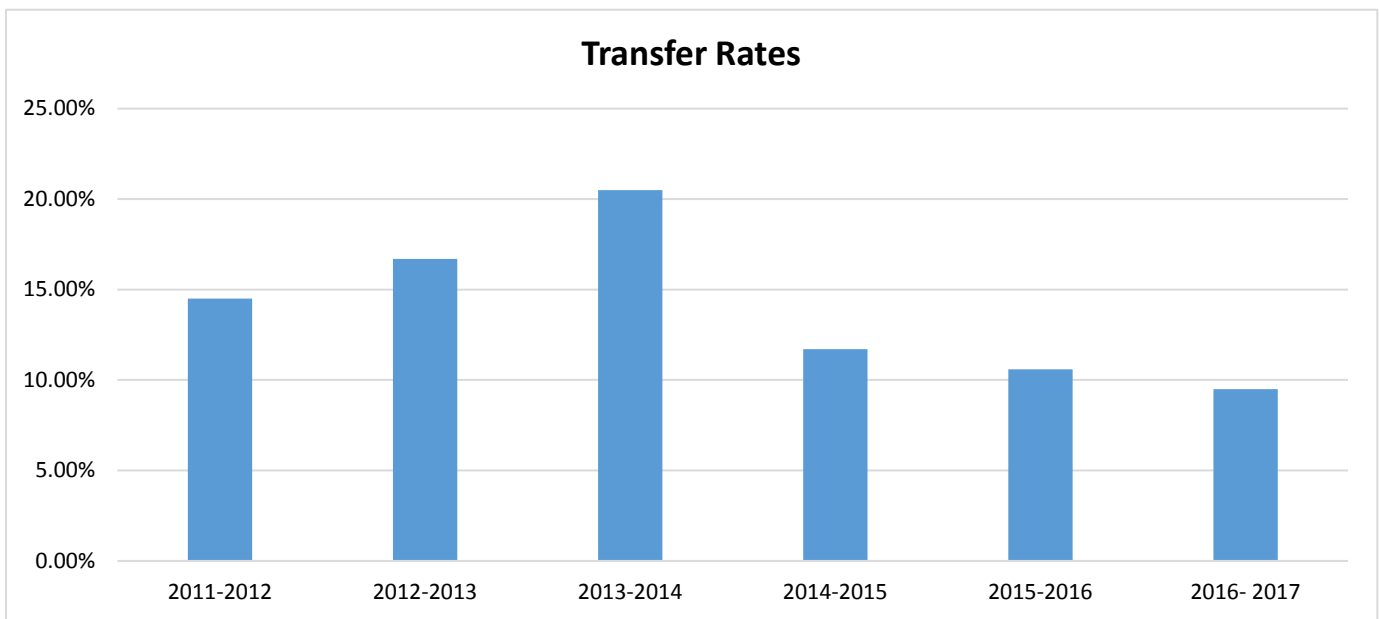


<b>Fall 2014</b>	<b>555</b>
<b>Fall 2015</b>	<b>502</b>
<b>Fall 2016</b>	<b>440</b>
<b>Fall 2017</b>	<b>Data Unavailable</b>

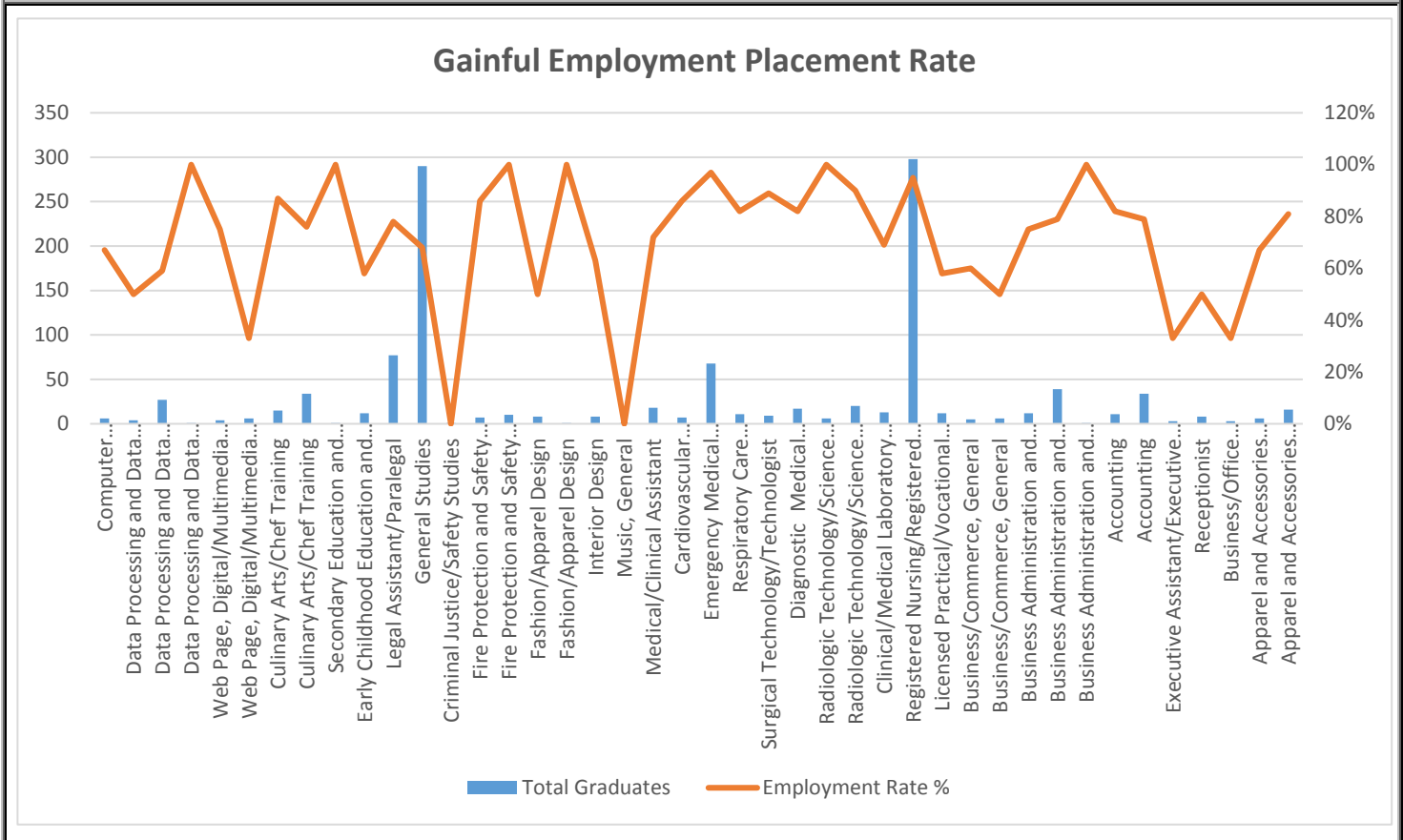
**4. Graduation** – highlights the four-year graduation rates of part time and full time students from 2012 – 2017.



**5. Transfer Rates** – highlights the four-year graduation rates of part-time and full-time students from 2012 – 2017.



6. **Gainful Employment** – shows the most recent gainful employment report for ECC graduates based on the THECB standards which records the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter employment rates of recent graduates from 2016 – 2017. Data shows that ECC had an overall gainful employment average of 72% for recent graduates.



El Centro College is sanctioned by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) which monitors the College’s student achievement through its 60X30TX Plan.

**Voluntary Accountability for Student Achievement Measures.** Since 2010, ECC has been a member of Achieving the Dream (AtD), a nationally-recognized, non-profit organization centered on sustainable student success efforts and closing achievement gap strategies through scalable, evidence-based, student achievement efforts. Achieving the Dream relies exclusively on specific student achievement metrics from which over 220 member colleges are evaluated. Those metrics include:

- Student Success Rates (A, B, and C grades)
- Fall to Spring Persistence
- Fall to Fall Persistence
- Credential Attainment

Since ECC voluntarily participates in AtD, its commitment to these key student achievement metrics has led the College to frame its student achievement efforts around the national AtD agenda.

The Student Achievement data is available at <https://www.elcentrocollege.edu/aboutecc/curriculum-assessment-and-accreditation-office/pages/student-achievement.aspx>.