Overview of Survey Results Grayson College

Student Profile

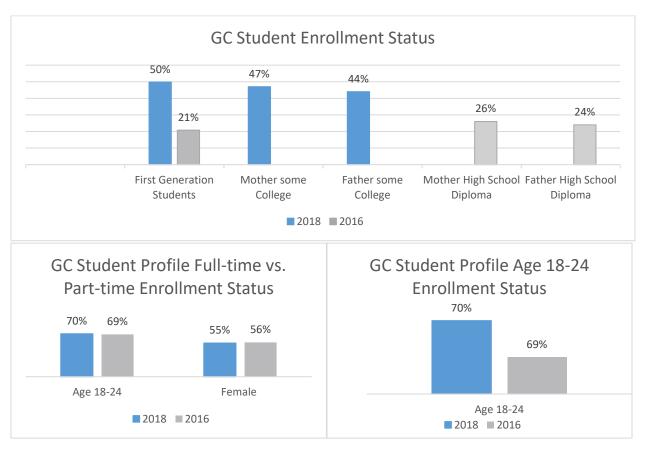
In 2018, more students reported being part-time, a 10% increase over 2016 reporting. The 2018 cohort and 2016 cohort part-time student percentages remained the same at 28%.

According to our 2018 student population, 69% of our students are part-time and 31% attend full-time, in 2016 they reported in at 59% and 41% respectfully. There was a 1% increase in the percentage of students (70%) that report being aged 18 to 24, up from 69% in 2016. In addition, there was a slight decrease of 1% in the percentage of female students in the student population with 55% down from 56% in 2016.

When considering race and ethnicity, there is a new classification 7% of students that marked more than one category when responding to the question, "What is your racial or ethnic identification?" In 2016, only 3% of students marked other.

Our student sample is as equally diverse as the 2018 CCSSE Cohort.

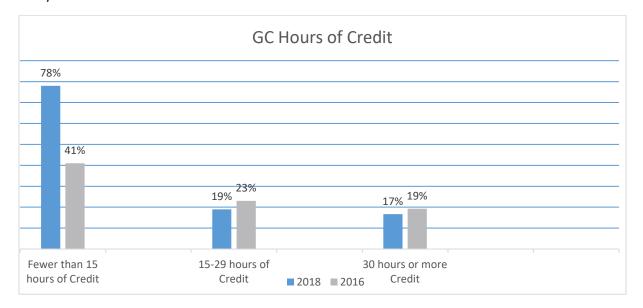
Grayson College saw an increase in the 2018 reporting in regards to first generation students, rising from 20.8% to 49.8%. Students report that 47% of mothers have at least some college and 44% report that their fathers have at least some college. In 2016, 26% reported that that their mothers highest level of education is a high school diploma (with no college experience), and 24.1% indicate that level for their fathers.



Results

In the 2018 CCSSE sample 78%, a 2% increase, of students report that they do "not" participate in any college-sponsored activities (including organizations, campus publications, student government, intramural sports, etc.) In the 2016 sample, 76% of student respondents stated that they did not participate in any college-sponsored activities and 15.7% typically spent only 1 to 5 hours per week participating in these activities.

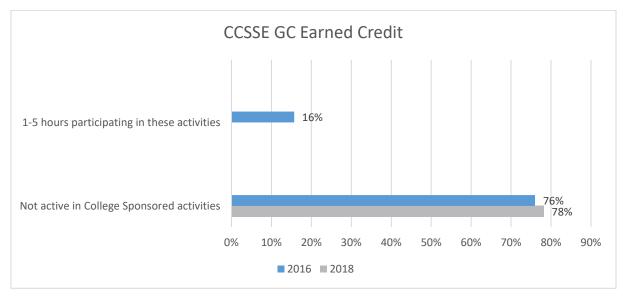
Seventy-eight percent of respondents, a 37% increase, reported that they have completed fewer than 15 hours of credit vs 41% in 2016. Nineteen percent of students in 2018 reported earning 15-29 hours vs 23% in 2016. There was a 20% decrease in the percentage of students reporting they had earned thirty-hours or more in 2018 vs. 36 % in 2016.

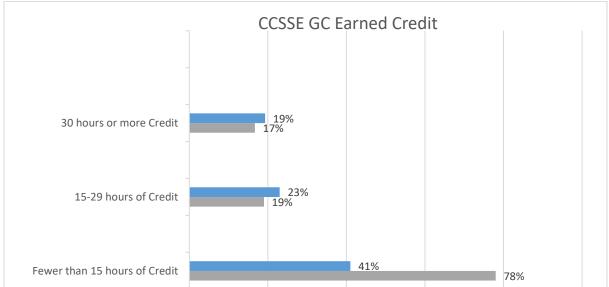




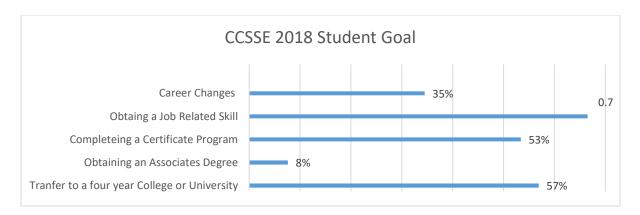
Students report they are working less, 19.2% report that they are working more than 21 hours vs. 52.1 % previously reported in 2016. Only 6.2 % report taking care of dependents where as in 2016, 44reported

taking care of dependents at least 6 hours per week. In 2018, less students report they commute 6-10 hours to class at 16.7% vs. 25.8% spent at least 6 hours per week commuting to class.

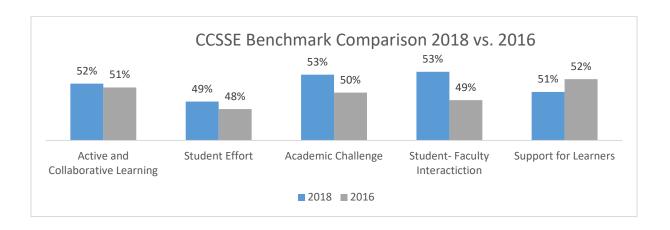


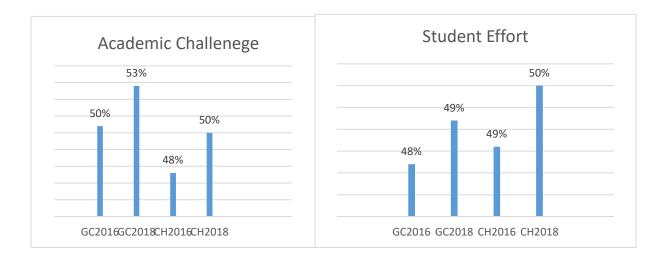


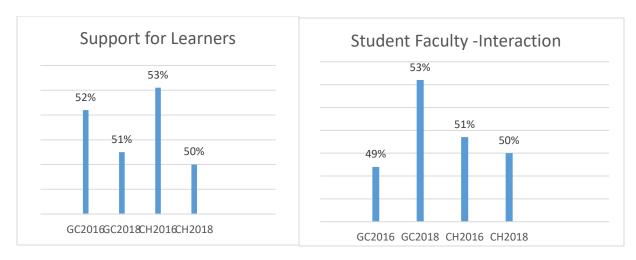
In the 2018 CCSSE sample, 56.9% of students reported that they are planning to transfer to a four-year college or university as a goal, while 7.6% identified obtaining an associate's degree and 53.4% identified completing a certificate program as a goal. 66.5% indicated obtaining or updating job-related skills is a goal, and 34.5% a career change as a goal for attending college.



In the 2016 CCSSE 74.8% of respondents reported starting their college careers at this community college. Approximately 72.4 % of students indicate that their highest level of education attainment is a high school diploma or GED; 63.8% have completed fewer than 30 credit hours of college-level19.3% report having either a certificate or an associate degree; 4.5% have earned a bachelor's degree; and .8% have earned an advanced degree.







Recommendations for Improvement

As we think about the challenges of what would improve student success and college completion let us consider the following ideas. What is known already about effective educational practice? What makes practice effective here at Grayson? How will we execute what we know into daily practice?

Student Faculty-Interaction

Student –Faculty Interaction has increased by 2% as reported by GC students. Congratulations! This issue was moved to action from the CCSSE results 2012 and has reaped the benefits in 2018. Was noted as high impact and low cost in 2012.

Academic Planning and Advising: (Items, 41,7,8,10a,11,12,12a, 12.1j,12.3a,13,14, 15,16,17, 18, 20, 21)

- a. Consider offering Incoming Student Orientation/complete need analysis for college and departments.
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Financial Wellbeing: (items, 9e, 10, 12g, 12.3d, 23d, 27a-h)

- a. Check on process for students who are self-pay. Could issues pertaining to this be because of mixed results from experiences? How students are first contacted and can the process be Stream-lined? What about student's who are self- pay? Are self-pay students staying on track? Who is tracking these students and if so what are the results? Is there a need to track them?
- b. Look at what students are needing to help in their financial Wellness planning?
- c. We see that students appear to be more academically prepared than we previously thought? Are they?

- d. Commuter Services
- e. Daycare for students who have children/ potential private daycare agreement

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Strengthen Career Focused Experiences

Job Skills/Job Placement/ Career Advising/Career Counseling: (items, 4l, 11a, 11h, 11i, 12 b-c, 26d)

- a. Career Services- Is a formal Career/Placement Office needed or viable? Financially feasible for college/students? Early placement is critical for job placement. What could be possible alternatives for a full office considering it is a national trend and best practice?
- b. Is the lack of use of tutoring areas according to these students because of a lack of awareness? Not offered in academically difficult areas? (Tutoring and use of these services).
- c. First –Year Experience, Ex. Consider celebrating 1st and 2nd term G.P.A (Freshman Programs-achievements).
 - *Brownell, J.E., & Saner, L.E. (2010). *Five high-impact practices: Research on learning outcomes, completion, and quality.* Washington DC: Association of American Colleges and Universities.
- d. Campus Wide celebrations and achievement bench marks
- e. Family Centered Programing/Activities/Family and Friends Day
- f. Learning Community

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**Bourdon, C., & Carducci, R. (2002). What works in the community colleges: A synthesis of literature on best practices? Los Angeles, CA: UCLA Graduate School of Education.

Integrate into Student Co-curricular Experiences

<u>Connections/Peer to Peer interactions/ Relationships/Student Support Services</u>): (items, Peer-to-peer interaction in class, 4a,4b,4f,4s, Peer to peer interaction outside of the class, 4g,4h,4q, relationships, 4p, Student faculty Interaction, 4j-n, 4p, 4j,14, 23, Barriers to persistence, 9 a-e, 10, 25, 28)

- a. Look at use of facilities and validate delivery Computer Lab, Library
- b. Awareness? Of programs initial interactions/ How is the information being communicated?
- d. How often are students using resources and services, when, where and how are services being used? (Business Services, Student Services and Academic Services)
- e. For Veteran's Services- Look at male and female difference in engaging services.
- f. Review the connections made with students during their entire time at the college. Discuss ways that each department and Program could help to further facilitate these interactions. Ramp up Student Life /Residence Life transition is happening. Since students are commuting what ways are we connecting them to the college? The data is reflecting that fewer students are commuting than we actually think and the ones who are spending between 1-5 hours in their commute.
- g. Experiential Learning beyond the Classroom