



Academic Affairs Committee
August 24, 2024
1:45pm

Discussion Item

AAC – 2 Student Success Update

Background Information

Dr. Andrew Hamilton, Associate Vice Provost for Academic Affairs and Dean of Undergraduate Studies, and Regina McCoy, Associate Vice Provost for Retention and Student Success, will provide an update on student success initiatives. They will discuss improvements in UNCG undergraduate academic performance and the coordinated efforts behind this success. They will also discuss the new and expanded Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP). The QEP includes peer mentoring for first-year students, attention to wellness in our general education Foundations courses, and the Spartan Experience, which aligns co-curricular learning with course-based studies.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Alan Boyette'.

Alan Boyette
Interim Provost & Executive Vice Chancellor

Throw up your hands



A Brief Look at Recent Student Success Metrics



Numbers We've Been Watching Closely

The pandemic was hard on our undergraduates (especially first-years).

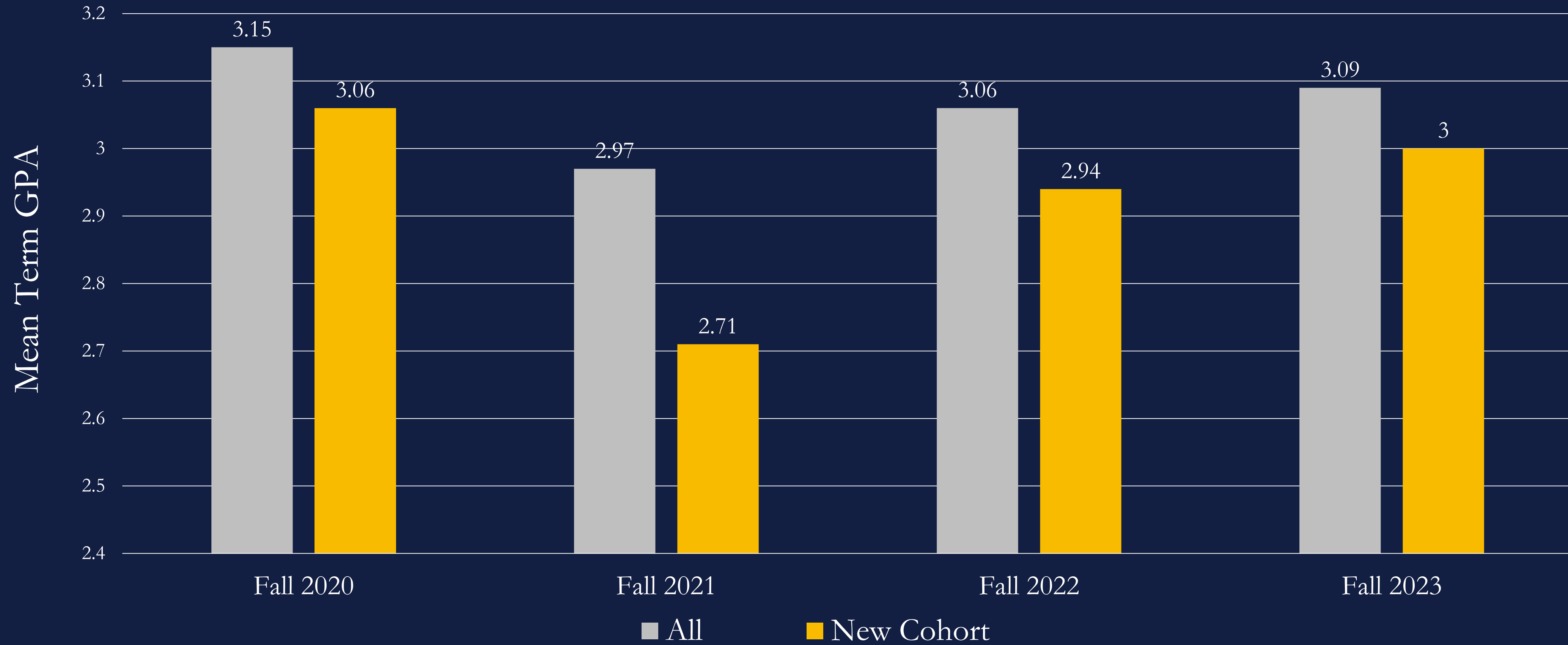
We saw spikes in DFW grades, driving GPAs down, and rates of bad academic standing up.

This has financial aid impacts that also drive attrition.

These all impact graduation rates.

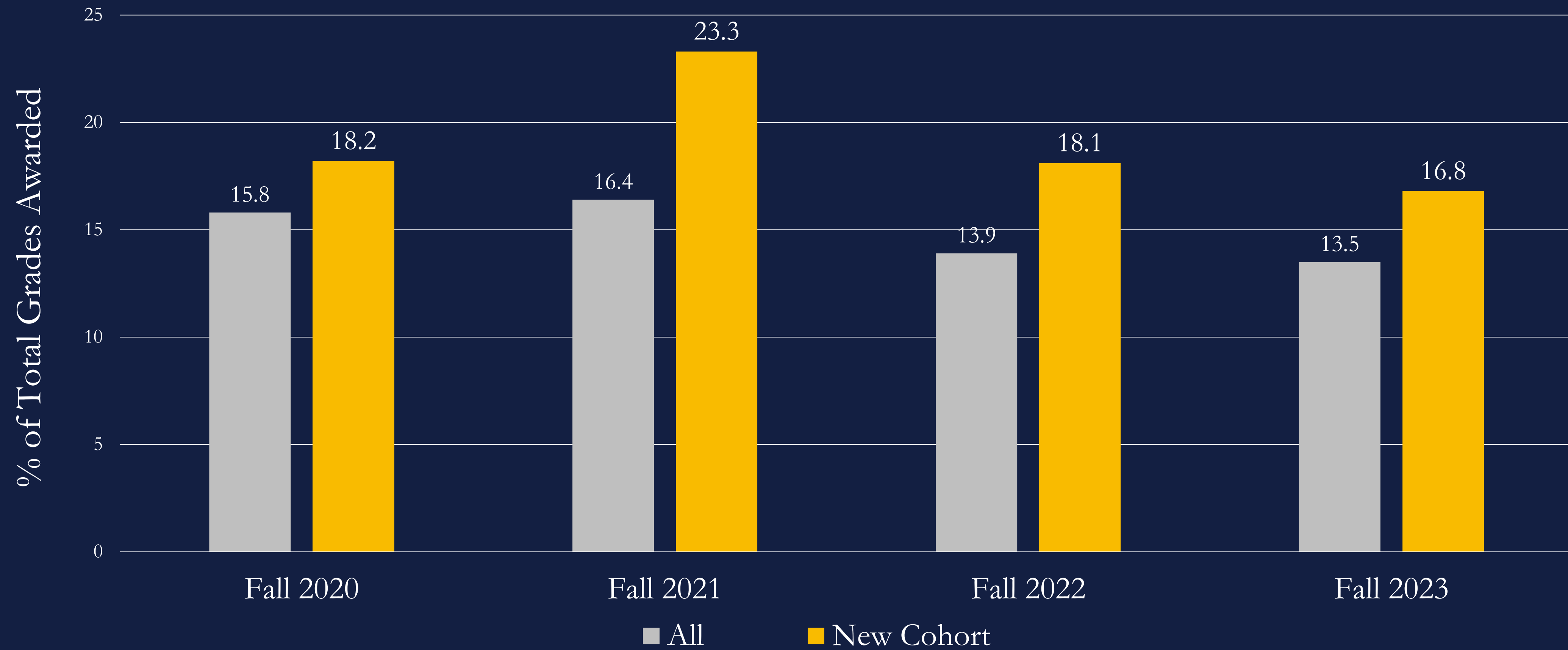
Mean Grade Data

Average Fall Grades (Undergraduates)



Fall DFW Rates

%DFW For Fall Terms (Undergraduates)



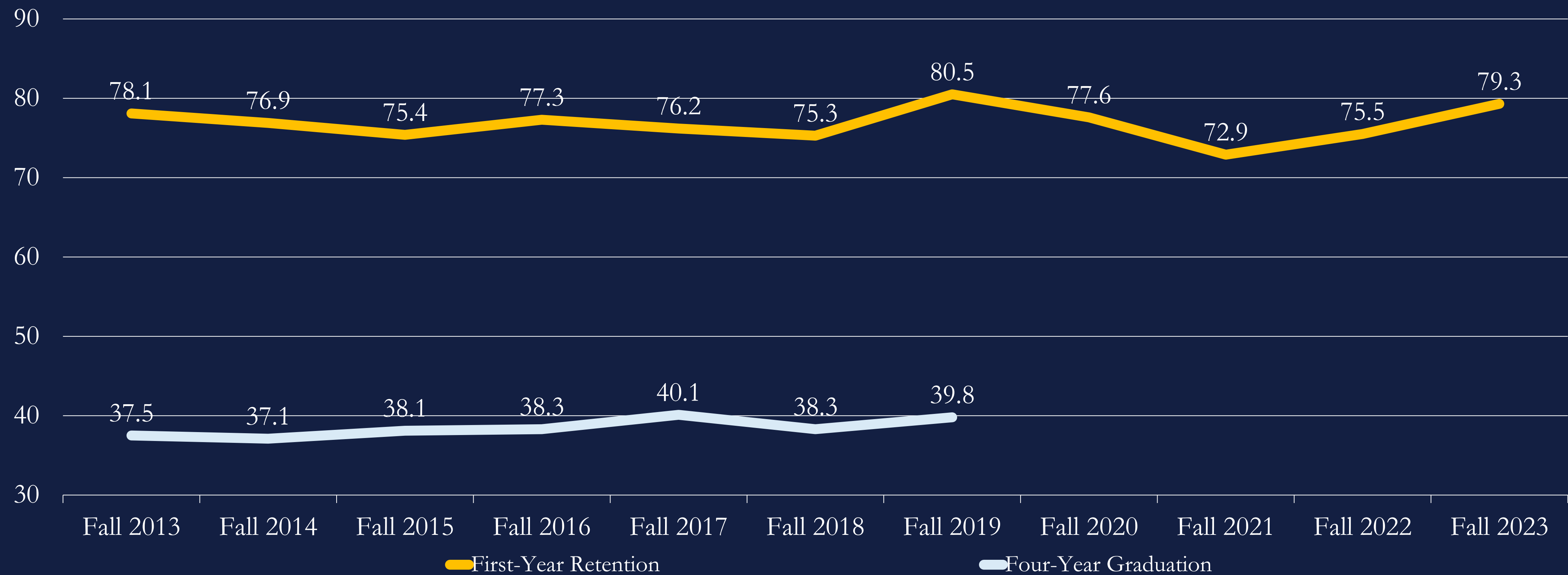
Academic Good Standing

	Fall 2019	Fall 2020	Fall 2021	Fall 2022	Fall 2023
Percent in Good Standing	87.5	87.9	84	86.3	86.5
Percent Suspended or Dismissed	1.75	.89	1.38	1.8	1.52
Percent FTIC Retention to Second Year	80.8	77.9	73.3	75.8	79.3*

*Not final until census

First-Year Retention & Graduation

% Cohort Students Retained and Graduated 2013-2023





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Thank you.

SPARTANS THRIVE

1

Spartans' 1st Mentoring: Through this program, new First-Year & new Transfer students are paired with a mentor who aligns with their academic path and personal interests, providing a tailored support network from day one.

2

MAC Foundations: Our revamped Minerva's Academic Curriculum (MAC) Foundations Course integrates a crucial health and wellness module, highlighting the eight essential dimensions of wellness and link to student success.

3

Spartan Experience: Our Spartan Experience transcends classroom learning by helping students develop a co-curricular transcript that documents their leadership roles, professional development, and community engagement, all aligned with five key competencies essential for modern student outcomes and employer expectations.



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SPARTAN EXPERIENCE

Areas of focus in the program are based on 21st-century student outcomes and feedback from employers denoting the practical skills they look for in the following areas:

- Leadership
- Career
- Inclusion
- Well-Being
- Connections

Get started
with your
Spartan
Experience
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**YOUR SPARTAN EXPERIENCE
STARTS NOW!**



587 First Time in College students matched



556 New Transfer students matched



**Coming October 2024
Minerva's Mentoring
Alumni matched with Junior
and Seniors for Career &
Professional Development**

Mentoring Conversations

What is one question your mentor has helped you answer? "A question my mentor helped me answer was what a normal breakdown of my week is. Although weeks repeat, I never thought of it until it was asked. After being asked about my week, I was made more aware of my time and answered it by setting up a planner to track how I use my hours." -- Ericka, July 2024

What is one short-term question you want your mentor to help you answer? "What are some strategies or habits I can practice to help me get through college(rough classes, motivation, adjusting to college)?." -- Ericka, June 2024

Why are you volunteering as a mentor? "There were several mentors that gave good life experiences (single parent, military) but I wanted someone who was just somebody. Being the oldest child and blazing the path for younger kids while facing the challenges of being the oldest of expectant parents." -- Katy, April 2024



Mentee

Ericka Sanchez



Mentor

Katy Lindsey



2,200+ First Year Students

730+ New Transfer Students

200+ New Online-only Students

NEW! Spanish Interpretation Services

83 SOAR guests utilized Spanish interpretation services, that's 5% of all SOAR guests.

