

New Entrant Progression and Retention Data

NEW ENTRANTS progression and retention data reports on students who having enrolled in their first Higher Education Programme at Trinity successfully progress from Junior Fresh (Year 1) to Senior Fresh (Year 2).

A range of OUTCOMES exist for New Entrants:

- PROGRESS same Course (Normal Progression)
- REPEAT same course (Do not Progress, but are RETAINED in COLLEGE)
- TRANSFER other Course (Do not Progress but are RETAINED IN COLLEGE)
- NOT RETAINED (Do not Progress e.g. Withdraw).

MEASURE Trinity's Strategic Plan 2014-2019 Goal A1.1 Access and Participation has at a target 'improving rates of undergraduate transition from first to second year courses to 90% by 2019.

ROLES and RESPONSIBILITIES

- the Report can be accessed in the Report Repository in SITs by the Quality Officer and Faculty Administrators only.
- the Quality Officer is responsible for downloading the report and cleansing the data, as outlined below.
- the Faculty Administrators are responsible for responding to 'queries' where the data report shows the student status needs 'to be resolved' including contacting Schools to clarify.
- Academic Registry also have a role in responding to queries where the data report shows the student status needs 'to be resolved' e.g. progress on Student Cases.

IMPORTANT FACTS

- New Entrants generally form the highest proportion of students enrolling in University and of first –year students. However, first year students also include the following student cohorts who are not classified as New Entrants, and must be cleansed from the data:
 - Students repeating Junior Fresh year, or transferring from another programme having successfully completed one year in Trinity in another programme;
 - Students who went Off-Books/Off Books with Assessments and are returning to take first year for the second time with the aim of completing it;
 - Students who enter Trinity for the first time directly into Year 2 or higher i.e. students with Advanced Entry, on Articulation Arrangements or doing top-up degrees;
 - Students who have previously completed a qualification at Trinity College e.g. Certificate , Diploma or other Bachelor programme and who are e.g. changing career.
 - Students who do programmes of one year duration or less as there is no progression involved. However where small number of these students transfer to another programme in Trinity they are included in the data as they do come in and progress.
- For all of the above reasons the data extracted for New Entrant Progression and Retention will not match the 'class-lists' or other data Schools have in SITs.
- The report takes as a starting point students who enter in 'September' of any given year. Therefore students who enrol in courses that follow the Calender (January) rather than the Academic Year (September) will not be picked up until the following September.
- The [Senior Lecturer Annual Report](#) contains the information by School and by Programme.

- The report is run one week after Census Date (31 January), so approximately 7-9 February, when the data is deemed stable.