

RESEARCH BRIEF

**Four-Year Bachelor's Degree Completion Rates
for NOVA Students: 2013-14 through 2015-16**

Table 1, below, presents the four-year bachelor's degree completion rates for Northern Virginia Community College (NOVA) students at 15 popular Virginia transfer institutions.

- The average four-year completion rate at popular Virginia transfer institutions was 77 percent for the two most recent transfer cohorts of NOVA students (2014-15 and 2015-16).
- Among NOVA students who transferred in 2015-16, students at four institutions had four-year completion rates of 90 percent or higher: George Washington University, James Madison University, the University of Mary Washington, and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech).

Table 1. Four-Year Completion Rates of Students Transferring to Four-Year Institutions in the Fall and Spring of the Designated Years: 2013-14 through 2015-16

Four-Year Virginia Transfer Institution	Transfer Year			3-Year Average
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	
Christopher Newport University	65%	82%	75%	74%
College of William and Mary	95%	91%	83%	90%
George Mason University	73%	74%	72%	73%
George Washington University*	100%	93%	98%	97%
James Madison University	86%	90%	91%	89%
Liberty University	47%	45%	61%	51%
Longwood University	78%	82%	77%	79%
Marymount University	78%	72%	74%	75%
Old Dominion University	65%	58%	56%	60%
Radford University	72%	68%	69%	70%
University of Mary Washington	86%	80%	90%	85%
University of Virginia	84%	90%	88%	87%
Virginia Commonwealth University	69%	69%	67%	68%
Virginia State University	53%	71%	61%	62%
Virginia Tech	80%	89%	90%	86%
Average	75%	77%	77%	76%

Source: State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) – <https://research.schev.edu/feedback/transfer/TR05.asp>

*George Washington University (GWU) has a campus located in Virginia and is certified to operate in the Commonwealth of Virginia by SCHEV. However, data in the table above may also include students enrolled at the GWU flagship campus in Washington, D.C.