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Post-Completion Enrollment of NOVA Graduates: 2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 Graduate Cohorts

This Research Brief presents data provided by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) on NOVA graduates enrolled in post-secondary institutions in Virginia the year following their graduation from NOVA. Data were provided for rolling five-year aggregate cohorts. SCHEV limited data to the graduate cohorts from 2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 and to graduates who continued their education in Virginia. Data were disaggregated by award type for transfer degrees and applied (technical-occupational) degrees.

Table 1 and Figure 1 (next page) present the number of NOVA transfer degree graduates for each graduate cohort and number and percentage of those enrolled in post-secondary institutions in Virginia in the year following their graduation from NOVA. The percentage of transfer degree graduates continuing their education in the year after receiving their NOVA degree increased for each subsequent graduate cohort: from 49% for the 2001-02 through 2005-06 graduate cohort to 55% for the 2005-06 through 2009-10 graduate cohort.

**Table 1. NOVA Transfer Degree Graduates and Enrollment Status the Following Year:
2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 Graduate Cohorts**

Graduate Cohorts	# of NOVA Graduates: Transfer Degrees	Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution in Virginia	
		#	%
2005-06 through 2009-10	11,311	6,243	55.2
2004-05 through 2008-09	10,123	5,396	53.3
2003-04 through 2007-08	9,485	4,888	51.5
2002-03 through 2006-07	8,836	4,442	50.3
2001-02 through 2005-06	7,937	3,860	48.6

Source: State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

Figure 1. Percentage of NOVA Transfer Degree Graduates Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution the Following Year: 2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 Graduate Cohorts

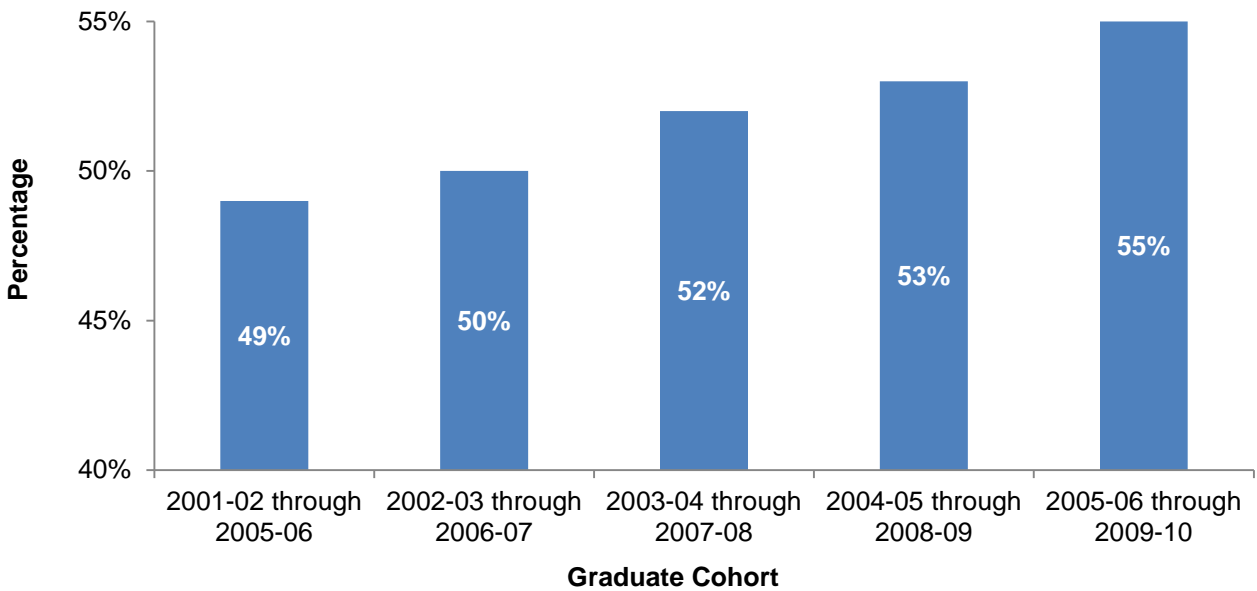


Table 2 and Figure 2 (next page) show the number of NOVA graduates who received an applied (occupational-technical) degree and the number and percentage enrolled in post-secondary institutions in Virginia in the year following their graduation from NOVA. The percentage of applied degree graduates who continued their education in Virginia decreased for each graduate cohort: from 11% for the 2001-02 through 2005-06 graduate cohort to 8% for the 2005-06 through 2009-10 graduate cohort.

Table 2. NOVA Applied Degree Graduates and Enrollment Status the Following Year: 2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 Graduate Cohorts

Graduate Cohorts	# of NOVA Graduates: Applied Degrees	Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution in Virginia	
		#	%
2005-06 through 2009-10	4,143	327	7.9
2004-05 through 2008-09	4,206	361	8.6
2003-04 through 2007-08	4,271	397	9.3
2002-03 through 2006-07	4,465	473	10.6
2001-02 through 2005-06	4,656	520	11.2

Source: State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

Figure 2. Percentage of NOVA Applied Degree Graduates Enrolled in a Post-Secondary Institution the Following Year: 2001-02 to 2005-06 through 2005-06 to 2009-10 Graduate Cohorts

