Transfer Monitoring Report

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1. Percentage of credit hours taken in transfer courses

Take Away: With the major increase in certified credit hours in 2010, the proportion of transfer credit hours compared to all other credit hours decreased after holding steady for many years. This suggests that the increase in credit hours may have been due to increases in enrollment in courses in the dual credit, vocational, occupational, business programs.

2. Percent headcount in transfer majors

Take Away: Despite an overall decrease in total headcount over the last several years, the proportion of students in transfer programs has increased slightly.
Take Away: The distribution of the transfer program degrees earned by graduates has remained relatively the same over the last several years, and the majority of transfer graduates (50 to 60 percent) graduate with an Associate of Arts degree.

Take Away: The proportion of students in the fall cohorts who transfer without completing their program at Highland some time in the three years following peaked in 2004 at 24 percent and slightly decreased with every cohort thereafter. Note that these cohorts are comprised of students in all programs and not just the transfer programs.
**Take Away:** While there was a greater number of students in the spring 2010 cohort who had earned 24+ credits and did not enroll at Highland in the year following, about the same proportion of students in both cohorts (approximately 40 percent) had registration activity at another institution of higher education. Note that these spring cohorts are comprised of students in all programs and not just the transfer programs.

**Take Away:** The number of credit hours earned by the majority of spring 2008 cohort transfers ranged from 41-60, while the number of credit hours earned by the majority of the spring 2010 transfers ranged from 24-40. Note that these spring cohorts are comprised of students in all programs and not just the transfer programs.
Education Attainment and Status of Transfer Program Graduates

**7. Education status of transfer graduates after one-year**

- **08 HCC grads**
  - Awarded Bachelor’s degree: 147
  - Enrolled in spring semester after graduation: 18
  - No enrollment in spring semester after graduation: 10
  - No enrollment after HCC: 30

- **10 HCC grads**
  - Awarded Bachelor’s degree: 133
  - Enrolled in spring semester after graduation: 14
  - No enrollment in spring semester after graduation: 28
  - No enrollment after HCC: 22

The data labels represent the no. of students in each legend category. The vertical axis provides the corresponding percentages.

Source: HCC and National Student Clearinghouse Data

**Take Away:** The educational attainment and status of transfer program graduates a year after their graduation is roughly the same for both the 2008 and 2010 graduates, with the exception that there were 10 graduates in the 2010 cohort who earned a bachelor’s degree; none of the graduates in the 2008 cohort had earned a bachelor’s degree in the same time frame.

**8. Education status of transfer graduates after three-years**

- **06 HCC grads**
  - Awarded Bachelor’s degree: 97
  - Enrolled in spring semester of the third year after graduation: 58
  - No enrollment in spring semester of third year after graduation: 15
  - No enrollment after HCC: 20

- **08 HCC grads**
  - Awarded Bachelor’s degree: 95
  - Enrolled in spring semester of the third year after graduation: 47
  - No enrollment in spring semester of third year after graduation: 34
  - No enrollment after HCC: 22

The data labels represent the no. of students in each legend category. The vertical axis provides the corresponding percentages.

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**Take Away:** The proportion of transfer program graduates who earned a bachelor’s degree or appear to still be pursuing their education in the three years following their HCC graduation is roughly the same for both the 2006 and 2008 graduates. Approximately 50 percent in each cohort had earned their bachelor’s degree and another 20 to 30 percent were still enrolled in the spring semester of the third year.