

Case Study Report: Concurrently Enrolled and Prospective Cohorts at a Private Four Year Institution

Executive Summary

Background

The National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) provides enrollment and degree verification services to the higher education and lending community. As a centralized data warehouse for enrollment, degree, and certification-based data, the Clearinghouse is compliant with the Federal Education Rights to Privacy Act (FERPA); which allows member institutions and service providers to submit and/or receive directory level records in a secured electronic environment. Currently, over 3,000 U.S. colleges and universities, with about 92% of the nation's postsecondary students enrolled, are members of the Clearinghouse.

The NSC requested volunteers to submit data that would be analyzed and used as case study examples in training sessions on the research capacity and capabilities of NSC data. The present report is the result of collaboration between the NSC and a private four year institution to conduct an investigation on concurrent enrollment and the subsequent enrollment patterns of prospective students.

About the Institution

Source: IPEDS College Navigator

The university used for this case study is a four year, private not-for-profit institution. A total of five awards are offered by the school including a bachelor's degree, post-baccalaureate certificate, master's degree, doctor's degree and a first-professional degree. Approximately 90% of the institution's undergraduates attended full-time in 2006. Undergraduate applicants for fall 2007 included a total of 9,979-with 74% admitted. The retention rate, which measures the percentage of entering students who continue their studies the subsequent fall, is at 85% for full-time students and 64% for part-time students. Graduation rates for first-time full-time undergraduates who began their program in 2000 are 31% at 4 years, 53% at 5 years and 78% at 6 years.

Research Question and Method

This case study examines the incidence of concurrent enrollment and the subsequent enrollment patterns of a prospective cohort of students. Two student data files were compiled by the institution and submitted to the Clearinghouse via Student Tracker (ST) for analysis. This ST system allows for the transmission of directory level data for prospective, current and former students. The ST database holds enrollment and degree information on approximately 92% of the nation's college students.

The data file submitted for concurrent enrollment analysis had a total of 33,379 students with a match rate of 32,328. The second file used for the analysis of admitted applicants who did not enroll contained a total of 5,984 students with a ST match of 4,533 found. Match rates exclude data blocked by the student or the institution, students without response data and international students.

Table 1. Student Match Rate per Cohort Submitted by the Institution

Cohort 1: Institution Sent	33,379 students	Cohort 2: Institution Sent	5,984 students
NSC Matched	32,328 students	NSC Matched	4,599 students
No response data	1,031 students	No response data	1,385 students
Blocked data	20 students	Blocked data	66 students

Key Findings

Subsequent Enrollment

* Eighty percent of the prospective cohort was retained at a 4yr institution and less than 10% attended a 2yr institution.

* About 1% of the prospective cohort went on to earn a degree- the majority of these students graduated from a 2yr institution.

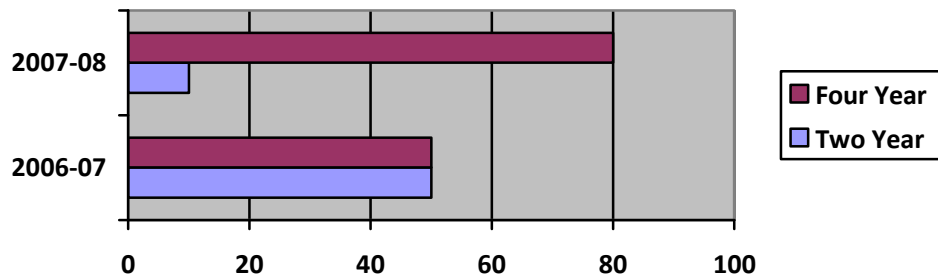
Concurrent Enrollment

* A total of 135 students were found to be concurrently enrolled- predominantly at in-state institutions.

* Utah Valley State College and Salt Lake Community College were the top four year and two year colleges where students were concurrently enrolled, respectively.

Non-enrolled Admitted:

Figure 1. Percent of Prospective Cohort Subsequently Retained at 4-year and 2-Year Institutions for the 2006-07 and 2007-08 Academic School Years



	2006-07	2007-08
Four Year	50	80
Two Year	50	10

Non-enrolled Admitted:

Table 2. Subsequent Enrollment and Completion Outcomes for the 2007 Prospective Cohort by Academic Year

	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>
1. Graduated from other 4 year	0	5
2. Graduated from other 2 year	0	31
3. Retained at Brigham Young University	0	500
4. Retained at other 4 year	2	3633
5. Retained at other 2 year	2	354
Total	4	4523

Approximately 80 percent of the 2007 prospective cohort was subsequently retained at an external four year institution.

Non-enrolled Admitted:

Table 3. Institution by Number of Enrollment Records of 10 or More

BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY -IDAHO	1667
UTAH VALLEY STATE COLLEGE	392
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY	364
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH	193
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY - HAWAII	177
SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY	100
SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	69
LATTER-DAY SAINTS BUSINESS COLLEGE	66
WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY	62
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY	51
DIXIE STATE COLLEGE OF UTAH	40
SNOW COLLEGE	37
IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY	24
BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY	17
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON - SEATTLE	15
WESTMINSTER COLLEGE OF SALT LAKE CITY	12
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - SACRAMENTO	11
TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY, LUBBOCK	10
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA LAS VEGAS	10

Students who were admitted but did not enroll predominantly went to out-of-state institutions.

Concurrently Enrolled:

Table 4. Institution by Number of Student Enrollment and Percentage

Institution Name	Student Count	
	Frequency	Percent
UTAH VALLEY STATE COLLEGE	37	27.41
SALT LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	32	23.71
UNIVERSITY OF UTAH	10	7.41
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY	10	7.41
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY - IDAHO	8	5.94
WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY	4	2.96
LATTER-DAY SAINTS BUSINESS COLLEGE	3	2.22
MODESTO JUNIOR COLLEGE	2	1.48
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT EL PASO	2	1.48
BARSTOW COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1	0.74
BAYLOR COLLEGE OF MEDICINE	1	0.74
BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY - HAWAII	1	0.74
BURLINGTON COUNTY COLLEGE	1	0.74
CITY UNIVERSITY OF SEATTLE	1	0.74
COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1	0.74
CUNY BERNARD M. BARUCH COLLEGE	1	0.74
CUNY CITY COLLEGE	1	0.74
DIXIE STATE COLLEGE OF UTAH	1	0.74
DUKE UNIVERSITY LAW	1	0.74
JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1	0.74
NORTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE	1	0.74
OHLONE COLLEGE	1	0.74
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY - LAW SCHOOL	1	0.74
RICHLAND COLLEGE-DALLAS CC DISTRICT	1	0.74
RIO HONDO COLLEGE	1	0.74
SAN JUAN COLLEGE	1	0.74
SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF IOWA	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX -	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT DALLAS	1	0.74
UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING	1	0.74
WAUBONSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE	1	0.74
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	1	0.74
WITTENBERG UNIVERSITY	1	0.74
Total	135	100

The majority of students concurrently enrolled remained in-state.