

Summary of CUNY Transfer Report Findings for QCC:

CUNY central OIRA has developed a CUNY Transfer report in the form of an interactive Tableau Dashboard that shows trends in transfer activities and outcomes. The report is limited to transfers from community colleges to senior and comprehensive colleges within the CUNY system.

What follows are main finding from the report.

General trends:

- The number of QCC students transferring to CUNY Senior colleges (with and without degree) have increased from 1,425 in 2009-10 to 2,080 in 2017-18.
- The first term GPA at the senior college for QCC transfer students has increased slightly from 2.56 for the 2009-10 year to 2.73 for the 2017-18 year.
- The average number of credits earned in the first semester in the senior college remained stable at 9.4 credits over these years.
- The one-year retention rates at the senior colleges for QCC transfer students have gone down from 77% in 2009-10 to 72% in 2016-17.
- The average four-year graduation rates with a Bachelor's Degree for QCC transfer students were between 46 to 50 percent in the last six cohort years.
- The average six-year graduation rates with a Bachelor's Degree for QCC transfer students were between 55 and 59 percent in the last four cohort years.

Detailed findings:

- Queens College is the top destination for QCC transfers receiving about 43-45 percent of all QCC transfer students every year.
- Other major receiving colleges are York College, John Jay, Baruch, and Hunter College.
- The number and percentage of transfers with an Associate's Degree have increased from 57% in 2009-10 to 70% in 2017-18 (percentage based on total transfers per year).
- We have seen a steady decline of the percentage of transfer-outs without a degree over the years from 42% in 2009-10 to 30% in 2017-18.
- 47 percent of QCC transfers in 2017-18 had a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher at the time of transfer.
- 74 percent of transfers in 2017-18 had earned 60 credits by the time they left QCC.
- Students who transferred with an Associate's Degree had on average higher first semester GPAs in senior college than students who transferred without a degree.
- The one-year retention rate in senior college is significantly lower for students who transferred to York College compared to other colleges.
- The four-year Bachelor's Degree achievement rate for QCC transfer students is significantly higher at Baruch College (57%) and John Jay College (55%), Lehman (54%) and is also higher at Queens College (52%) compared to other senior colleges.
- The six-year graduation rate with a Bachelor's Degree is highest at Baruch College – 67%. This rate was 44% at York College.

- CUNY system wide, the average six-year Bachelor's Degree achievement rate in all senior colleges combined was highest for QCC transfer students (57 percent) compared to transfer students from other community colleges (cohorts 2009-10 to 2012-13).
- QCC transfers along with BMCC transfers had the highest average four-year Bachelor's Degree achievement rate of 48 percent for the cohorts 2009-10 to 2014-15.
- Finally, QCC transfer students had the second highest average one-year retention rate of 75 percent for the cohorts 2009-10 to 2016-17 at the senior colleges.