Employment Rates

More than eighty percent of New Jersey graduates and seventy-six percent of New York graduates who graduated during the academic year ending June 30, 2014 were employed in positions related to their programs of study on or before December 31, 2014.

The percentages of graduates employed in positions related to their programs of study are calculated based on communications between graduates and Career Services staff. Those percentages include all graduates who, within one hundred eighty days after graduation, are employed full time in positions related to their Berkeley College programs of study. The numbers include students who have found employment through direct referrals provided by Career Services; students whose Berkeley College internships have led to full-time employment; students who have found employment on their own, including many who have benefitted from coaching and resume assistance offered by Career Services; and students who have remained in positions they held prior to enrolling at Berkeley, as long as those positions are full time and related to the students’ Berkeley College programs.

Relationships between occupations and programs of study are determined using a “crosswalk” between Classification of Instructional Programs published by the National Center for Education Statistics (CIP) and the Standard Occupational Classification system (SOC) administered by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. More information about the crosswalk may be found at https://www.onetonline.org.

Graduates who decline placement assistance from the College and those who cannot be contacted or choose not to provide information are not reflected in the calculations. Reasons for declining placement assistance may include a lack of U.S. work authorization for international students, relocation, continuing education, military service, and medical or other personal issues and preferences.

Graduate and Professional Education

Federal law requires colleges to make available information regarding the types of graduate and professional education in which graduates of the institution’s four-year degree programs enroll. In communications between graduates and Career Services staff, students graduating from Berkeley College with Bachelor’s degrees in 2013 have reported pursuing Master of Business Administration degrees in General Business and Fashion Marketing and Management, as well as Master of Arts degrees in Legal and Ethical Studies and Criminal Justice.

First-to-Second Year Retention Rates

The retention rate is a measure at which students persist in their educational program at an institution. For Berkeley College, this is the percentage of first-time Bachelor’s (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduates from the previous fall who are again enrolled in the current fall.

Among first-time, full-time (FTFT) freshman Bachelor’s degree-seeking students enrolled in fall 2013, sixty-four percent of the New Jersey students and fifty-nine percent of the New York students continued their enrollment in fall 2014. Among FTFT freshman Associate’s degree-seeking students enrolled in fall 2013, fifty-seven percent of the New
Jersey students and fifty-five percent of the New York students continued their enrollment in fall 2014.

**Graduation Rates**

Federal law requires colleges that participate in certain financial aid programs to report the percentage of first-time degree or certificate-seeking students who successfully completed those programs within one and a half times the “normal time” (for example, that would be six years for a Bachelor’s degree program or three years for an Associate’s degree program).

Among FTFT freshman Bachelor’s degree-seeking students that entered in fall 2008, thirty percent of the New Jersey students and thirty-one percent of the New York students have successfully completed their programs at Berkeley College and graduated by August 2014. Among FTFT Associate’s degree-seeking students that entered in 2011, twenty-two percent of the New Jersey students and twenty-eight percent of the New York students have successfully completed their programs at Berkeley College and graduated by August 2014.

For information about graduation rates broken down by gender, ethnicity, and Pell grant recipients, [click here](http://berkeleycollege.edu/catalog_2015/catalog_2015_4462.htm).