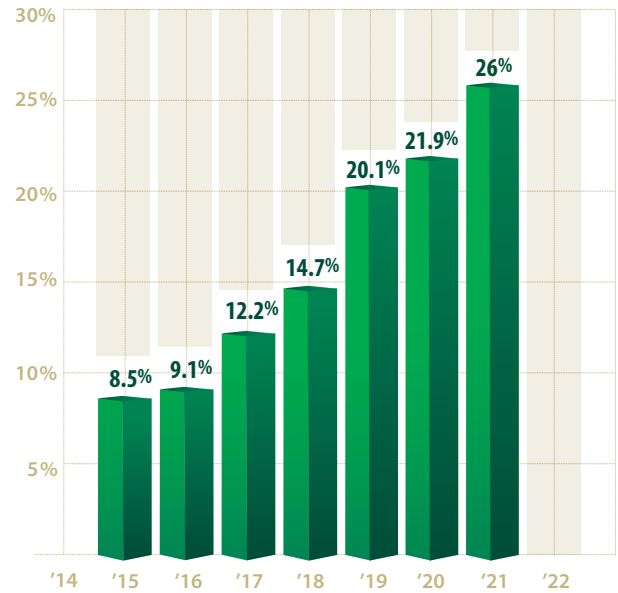




Rising Graduation Rates and Laying a Foundation for Student Success

Sacramento State has undertaken a university-wide effort to help students stay on track and graduate on time. Our four-year graduation rate has risen from 8.5% to 26% in just six years. Great progress has been made, but our work is far from done. Here is how we've done it so far.

4-Year Graduation Rate for First Time Freshmen

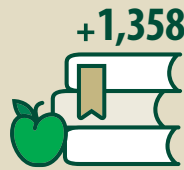


Sacramento State has become a leader within the CSU system and a national model in student success. We've accomplished this by adding courses, hiring faculty and changing the culture throughout the University.



Increasing Tenure Track Faculty

We have increased the number of faculty by more than 80 since 2015, many of the new faculty teach high demand courses



Increasing Undergraduate Course Sections

We have added almost 1,400 course sections, when compared to the 2014-15 academic year, many of the new sections added capacity to previous bottleneck courses



Implementing Structured Scheduling

In 2020, more than 85% of first year students were pre-enrolled with a full-time schedule of 14-16 units in order to ensure they started on track to graduate in four years, in 2014 only 25% of first year students took a full course load



Creating Student Success Centers

Across the University, student success centers have been embedded into each college, allowing students easy access to advising, degree planning, tutoring, peer mentoring, and other services



Investing in Technology

New tools are making it easier for students to create degree plans and for the University to ensure the right courses are taught at the time best suited for the most students



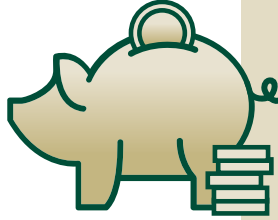
Increasing Use of Summer Session

An additional 2,536 students since the summer of 2015 have taken advantage of reduced fees, summer Pell grants, and are using summer session to get ahead in their studies

Figures above representative of 2020-2021 recorded numbers.

Helping more students graduate on time has saved Sacramento State students and their families more than \$60 million in total college expenses over the last six years.

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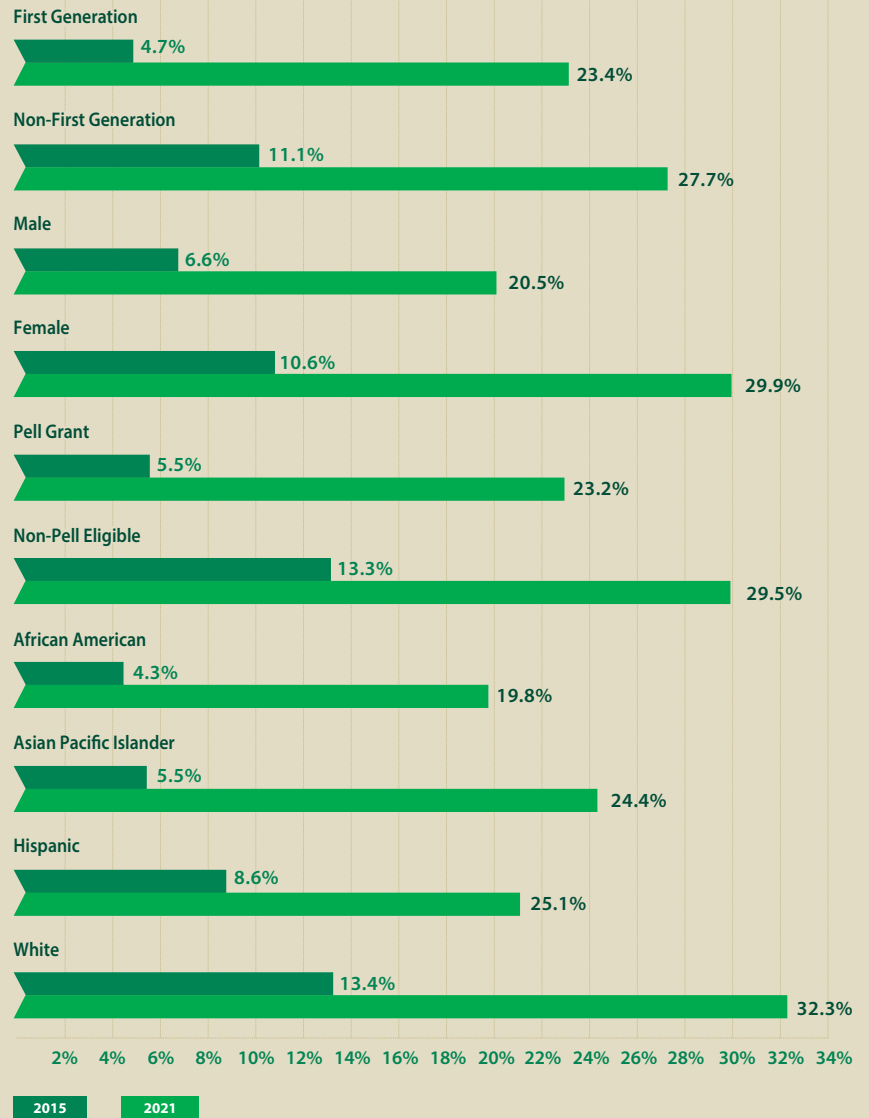
In addition to improvements in the four-year graduation rate, in recent years we've also improved the two-year graduation rate for transfer students, which has risen from 25.6% in 2015 to 44% in 2021.

Our efforts are designed to ensure that all students, especially those from traditionally underserved communities, benefit from increased graduation rates. First-generation, low-income, and students of color have all achieved significant graduation rate increases since 2015.

Leveraging Federal Investments

Sacramento State has used a variety of federal programs to help increase graduation rates. Since 2015, the University has been awarded five Hispanic Serving-Institution (HSI) grants totaling \$14.5 million, two Asian American & Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institution (AANAPISI) grants totaling \$3.75 million, and has strategically used the institutional portion of Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) to support student success by clearing student debt, offering discounted laptop computers, and allocating additional emergency grants to students.

4-Year Graduation Rate for Student Cohorts



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