



**Student Achievement - Persistence**

- Goal:** Increase student persistence
- Vision 2023 Goal:** Foster Student Success
- Criteria:** Increase 1-year persistence rate for first-time, degree-seeking undergraduates (FTIC) by 1% annually
- Threshold of Acceptability:** Expected to be greater than the baseline and/or previous year’s results, depending on which is greater

**1-Year Persistence Rates**

One year persistence rates for first-time, degree-seeking undergraduates enrolled in at least 12 semester credit hours in the fall.

2016		
Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent
2015	271	70.5%

2017		
Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent
2016	382	77.2%

Target Achieved

2018		
Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent
2017	394	70.8%

Target Not Achieved

2019		
Entering Fall Cohort	Count	Percent
2018	508	69.5%

Target Not Achieved

**Results:**

Texas Southmost College (TSC) regularly tracks its first-time, degree seeking undergraduates (FTIC) through the Office of Institutional Planning, Research and Effectiveness. Criteria data for this outcome were derived from the Fall 2016 Texas Higher Education Accountability System as part of Vision 2023. The fall 2015 FTIC cohort composed of 271 students had a 70.5% fall-to-fall persistence rate. The fall

2016 cohort increased its 1-year persistence rate to 77.2%. In the next two cohorts TSC has seen a slight decline in its 1-year persistence rate.