

System: University of Louisiana System  
 Institution: Northwestern State University  
 July 2016

**GRAD Act Template for Reporting Annual Benchmarks and 6-Year Targets**

Element Reference	Measure	Baseline Year/Term Data to include	Baseline data	Year 1 Benchmark	Year 1 Actual	Year 2 Benchmark	Year 2 Actual	Year 3 Benchmark	Year 3 Actual	Year 4 Benchmark	Year 4 Actual	Year 5 Benchmark	Year 5 Actual	Year 6 Target	Year 6 Actual	
<b>1. Student Success</b>																
a. i. a.	Targeted	1st to 2nd Year Retention Rate	Fall 08 to Fall 09 <i>Actual Baseline Data: # in Fall 08 Cohort</i> <i># retained to Fall 09</i>	67.9%	68.5-72.5%	70.2%	70.5%	67.5%	70.5%	67.1%	71.6%	71.0%	71.6%	68.2%	72.6%	71.1%
				1184		1238		1068		1144		1287		1160		1137
				804		869		721		768		914		791		808
ii.	Targeted	1st to 3rd Year Retention Rate	Fall 07 cohort <i>Actual Baseline Data: # in Fall 07 Cohort</i> <i># retained to Fall 09</i>	52.8%	51.4-54.0%	53.8%	53.4%	55.3%	53.4%	55.0%	54.7%	51.7%	55.7%	58.4%	55.7%	57.6%
				1283		1184		1238		1068		1144		1287		1160
				678		637		685		587		592		752		668
iv.	Targeted	Same Institution Graduation Rate	2008 Grad Rate Survey <i>Actual Baseline Data: Fall revised cohort (total)</i> <i>completers &lt;=150% of time</i>	28.1%	26-30%	29.5%	28.0%	27.1%	32.0%	34.0%	34.0%	35.0%	35.0%	37.4%	36.0%	37.8%
				1875		1826		1793		1417		1324		1281		1183
				527		539		486		479		462		479		447
vi.	Targeted	Award Productivity	2008-09 AY <i>Actual Baseline Data: 2008-09 undergrad FTE</i> <i>awards (duplicated)</i>	0.19	0.185	0.19	0.195	0.259	0.195	0.281	0.195	0.214	0.195	0.215	0.205	0.210
				7150		7305		7223		7157.7		7082.4		6745.4		6603
				1364		1369		1870		2009		1514		1452		1386
b. i.	Targeted	Percent Change in program completers														
		Bachelors	2008-09 AY		2.3%	2.3%	-0.7%	2.4%	-0.6%	1.0%	-0.5%	4.9%	-0.2%	-1.7%	0.0%	0.5%
		Post-Bac Cert.	2008-09 AY	1052	N/A*	1076	1045	1077	1046	1062	1047	1104	1050	1034	1052	1057
		Masters	2008-09 AY	0	0	0	59	57	59	56	59	60	59	50	59	53
		Post-Masters Cert	2008-09 AY	230	-2.7%	-2.6%	0.3%	8.3%	1.6%	11.3%	0.7%	21.7%	2.0%	20.4%	2.0%	9.6%
		Specialists	2008-09 AY	0	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*	N/A*
			2008-09 AY	0	0	0	2	5	2	8	2	7	2	11	2	5
			2008-09 AY	20	-25.0%	-25.0%	-20.0%	-35.0%	-20.0%	-60.0%	-20.0%	-30.0%	-10.0%	-35.0%	-10.0%	-65.0%
d. i. b.	Targeted	Passage rate on licensure exam in Education	2007-08 AY <i>Actual Baseline Data: # of students who took exam</i> <i># of students that passed</i>							98.0%	100.0%	98.0%	100.0%	98.0%	100.0%	98.0%
										100		98		136		98
										100		98		136		98
i. d.	Targeted	Passage rate on licensure exam in Nursing (RN)	2008 Calendar Year <i>Actual Baseline Data: # of students who took exam</i> <i># of students that passed</i>							92.0%	96.8%	92.0%	94.5%	92.0%	90.1%	92.0%
										95		128		141		140
										92		121		127		127
<b>2. Articulation &amp; Transfer</b>																
a. i. b.	Targeted	1st to 2nd Year Retention Rate of Transfer Students (full time, bacc, soph)	2008-09 AY to Fall 09 <i>Actual Baseline Data: # in AY 08-09 Cohort</i> <i># retained to Fall 09</i>							68.1%	73.1%	68.3%	69.8%	68.4%	76.8%	68.5%
										364		281		298		276
										266		196		229		202
<b>3. Workforce &amp; Economic Development</b>																
b. iii.	Targeted	# of programs offered through 100% distance ed.	January 1, 2013							45	45	45	50	45	53	45
<b>4. Institutional Efficiency &amp; Accountability</b>																
d. i.	Targeted	Percent of eligible programs that are discipline accredited	January 1, 2013 <i>Actual Baseline Data: # programs</i> <i># discipline accredited</i>							93.0%	96.5%	93.0%	96.6%	93.0%	94.9%	93.0%
										57		58		59		61
										55		56		56		57

**A margin of error will be allowed for annual benchmarks and 6-year targets in the Annual Review**

\* Percent change from baseline cannot be calculated from a baseline of 0