



Comprehensive Retention and Graduation Rates

Retention and Graduation Rates are comprehensive key performance indicators of Clark Atlanta University (CAU) student success. CAU tracks first to second-year retainment (Fall to Fall), as well as progressive retainment (first to third, fourth, fifth, and six-year). **CAU has an Undergraduate Retention rate of 68% and a Graduation rate of 48%.**

Undergraduate Retention Rates, Entry Year: Fall 2013 – Fall 2023

RETENTION		2013=781		2014=717		2015=844		2016=999		2017=914		2018=921		2019=814		2020=786		2021=1123		2022=1157		2023=1069	
		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
1	Total number of new freshmen full-time and part-time (first-time-in-college) *	781		717		844		999		914		921		814		786		1123		1157		1069	
2	Average high school GPA	3.05		3.01		2.98		3.18		3.24		3.33		3.28		3.21		3.24		3.25		3.46	
3	Number of students from Line 1 returning for a 2nd year.	469	60%	476	66%	561	66%	696	70%	636	70%	676	73%	516	63%	542	69%	791	70%	792	68%		
4	Number of students from Line 1 who returned for a 3rd year	408	52%	403	56%	466	55%	550	55%	530	58%	554	60%	413	51%	411	52%	624	56%				
5	Number of students from Line 1 who returned for a 4th year	374	48%	359	50%	412	49%	513	51%	489	53%	492	53%	346	42%	352	45%						
6	Number of students from Line 1 who returned for a 5th year	109	14%	96	13%	139	16%	133	13%	156	17%	122	13%	123	15%								
7	Number of students from Line 1 who returned for a 6th year	24	3%	19	3%	22	3%	40	4%	28	3%	36	4%										
GRADUATION																							
8	Number of students from Line 1 who graduated in 4 years (or less)	237	30%	197	27%	196	23%	351	35%	313	34%	340	37%	207	25%								
9	Number of students from Line 1 who graduated in 5 years or less (include those from line 7)	303	39%	280	39%	310	37%	439	44%	417	46%	424	46%										
10	Number of students from Line 1 who graduated in 6 years or less (include those from Lines 7 & 8)	341	44%	300	42%	349	41%	457	46%	436	48%												

Sources: Banner by Ellucian/OPAR

Note: * This table will differ from the U.S. Department of Education IPEDS reporting rates; IPEDS reporting considers only the full-time, freshmen.