## VENTURA COLLEGE

Office of Research and Evaluation
Persistence of VC Promise Students: Fall 2007 to Fall 2009

## BACKGROUND

This report presents summary information related to the persistence of fall 2007 students who participated in the Ventura College Promise program. Persistence to the fall 2009 semester for VC Promise students is compared to the persistence of non-VC Promise students.

## VENTURA COLLEGE PROMISE STUDENTS

The Ventura College Promise, a program sponsored by the Ventura College Foundation, pays the first-year VC enrollment fees for students meeting the program's criteria. Student IDs for fall 2007 Ventura College Promise students were provided by the Ventura College Foundation. Of the 1,151 student IDs, 1,061 were matched to fall 2007 VC grades records. As such, students represented by these $\mathbf{1 , 0 6 1}$ student IDs form the cohort of VC Promise students whose persistence is being tracked.

## SUMMARY

In fall 2007, the ages of Ventura College Promise students ranged from 16 years to 24 years - with $\mathbf{9 9 . 5 \%}(1,056)$ of the students being $\mathbf{1 7 - 2 0}$ years-of-age. The table below presents summary data related to students in the 17-20 year age group. Enrollments were extracted from Banner on census for each semester.

| Fall 2007 <br> Students 17-20 <br> Years-of-Age | Spring 2008 <br> Parsist. <br> Rate |  | Average <br> Units | Persist. <br> Rate | Average <br> Units | Persist. <br> Rate | Average <br> Units | Persist. <br> Rate |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-VC Promise | $67.4 \%$ | 10.8 | $43.6 \%$ | 11.1 | $35.4 \%$ | 11.1 | $21.8 \%$ | 10.0 |
| VC Promise | $87.6 \%$ | 13.3 | $68.4 \%$ | 12.5 | $59.2 \%$ | 12.4 | $39.8 \%$ | 10.8 |

Persistence rates for VC Promise students are significantly higher than the corresponding rates for non-VC Promise students, as are average units per student. Persistence rates reflect the percentages of students who maintained continuous enrollments from fall 2007 through the specified semester. Detailed enrollments data, and full-time student percentages, are presented in the tables on page 2. Persistence rates are graphically depicted in the chart below.


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## DATA TABLES

Table A. Persistence of Fall 2007, VC Promise Students - By Student Age

| ```Enrolled in Fall 2007``` |  |  |  | Persisted to Spring 2008 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Persisted } \\ & \text { to } \\ & \text { Fall } 2008 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Persisted to Spring 2009 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Persisted } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Fall } 2009 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
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| Age | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T |
| 16 | 1 | 11 | -0 | 1 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 10 | -0 | 1 | 9 | -0 | 1 | 12 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | 9 | 115 | 7 | 8 | 105 | 6 | 6 | 67 | 2 | 6 | 93 | 6 | 4 | 62 | 4 |
| 18 | 813 | 10,894 | 678 | 710 | 9,526 | 579 | 567 | 7,094 | 417 | 494 | 6,168 | 346 | 336 | 3,614 | 185 |
| 19 | 211 | 2,747 | 164 | 190 | 2,437 | 146 | 136 | 1,710 | 95 | 113 | 1,323 | 72 | 74 | 793 | 45 |
| 20 | 23 | 316 | 19 | 17 | 254 | 15 | 13 | 171 | 10 | 12 | 160 | 10 | 6 | 61 | 3 |
| Sub | 1,056 | 14,072 | 868 | 925 | 12,322 | 746 | 722 | 9,042 | 524 | 625 | 7,744 | 434 | 420 | 4,530 | 237 |


| 21 | 3 | 44 | 3 | 3 | 45 | 3 | 3 | 40 | 3 | 2 | 29 | 2 | 1 | 14 | 1 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 22 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 |
| 23 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 |
| 24 | 1 | 12 | 1 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 | -0 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tot | $\mathbf{1 , 0 6 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 , 1 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{8 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{9 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 , 3 8 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 5 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 2 6}$ | $\mathbf{9 , 0 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 2 7}$ | $\mathbf{6 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{7 , 7 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 6}$ | $\mathbf{4 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 , 5 5 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 9}$ |


|  | Persistence Rate | $\begin{gathered} 87.6 \% \\ (925 \div 1,056) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{6 8 . 4 \%} \\ (722 \div 1,056) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 59.2 \% \\ (625 \div 1,056) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 39.8 \% \\ (420 \div 1,056) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Full-Time Percent | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{8 2 . 2 \%} \\ (868 \div 1,056) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 80.6 \% \\ (746 \div 925) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 72.6 \% \\ (524 \div 722) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 69.4 \% \\ (434 \div 625) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 56.4 \% \\ (237 \div 420) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |

## Definitions of Abbreviations

Hct Student headcount
F-T Full-time students - Students who were enrolled in 12 or more units
Sub Subtotal: Data related to students in the 17-20 year age-group
Tot Total: Data related to all students in the table

Table B. Persistence of Fall 2007, Non-VC Promise Students - By Student Age

| Enrolled <br> in <br> Fall 2007 |  |  |  | Persisted to <br> Spring 2008 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Persisted } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Fall } 2008 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  | Persisted to <br> Spring 2009 |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Persisted } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { Fall } 2009 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Age | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T | Hct | Units | F-T |
| 16 | 266 | 1,087 | 4 | 136 | 754 | 6 | 85 | 543 | 11 | 56 | 364 | 6 | 36 | 409 | 18 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | 477 | 2,164 | 18 | 246 | 1,393 | 17 | 130 | 1,461 | 77 | 119 | 1,354 | 65 | 84 | 980 | 52 |
| 18 | 847 | 8,643 | 429 | 570 | 6,438 | 330 | 407 | 4,943 | 279 | 353 | 4,252 | 241 | 239 | 2,592 | 129 |
| 19 | 1,419 | 15,288 | 802 | 1,027 | 11,986 | 670 | 712 | 7,977 | 427 | 572 | 6,376 | 343 | 339 | 3,357 | 156 |
| 20 | 1,282 | 12,844 | 609 | 870 | 9,572 | 489 | 505 | 5,111 | 239 | 381 | 3,866 | 170 | 217 | 1,898 | 74 |
| Sub | 4,025 | 38,939 | 1,858 | 2,713 | 29,389 | 1,506 | 1,754 | 19,492 | 1,022 | 1,425 | 15,848 | 819 | 879 | 8,827 | 411 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | 927 | 8,013 | 317 | 544 | 5,214 | 229 | 303 | 2,878 | 123 | 223 | 2,215 | 94 | 122 | 1,034 | 30 |
| 22 | 768 | 6,415 | 237 | 452 | 4,261 | 169 | 229 | 2,113 | 87 | 161 | 1,475 | 56 | 84 | 741 | 27 |
| 23 | 540 | 4,141 | 142 | 295 | 2,606 | 96 | 176 | 1,572 | 63 | 118 | 1,045 | 40 | 65 | 576 | 20 |
| 24 | 466 | 3,429 | 94 | 239 | 2,081 | 81 | 119 | 1,010 | 36 | 91 | 772 | 27 | 52 | 392 | 14 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tot | 6,992 | 62,024 | 2,652 | 4,379 | 44,305 | 2,087 | 2,666 | 27,608 | 1,342 | 2,074 | 21,719 | 1,042 | 1,238 | 11,979 | 520 |
| Persistence Rate |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 67.4 \% \\ (2,713 \div 4,025) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 43.6 \% \\ (1,754 \div 4,025) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 35.4 \% \\ (1,425 \div 4,025) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{2 1 . 8 \%} \\ (879 \div 4,025) \times 100 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full-Time Percent | $\begin{gathered} 46.2 \% \\ (1,858 \div 4,025) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 55.5 \% \\ (1,506 \div 2,713) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 58.3 \% \\ (1,022 \div 1,754) \times 100 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 57.5 \% \\ (819 \div 1,425) \times 100 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 46.8 \% \\ (411 \div 879) \times 100 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |  |  |

