Academic Affairs: A Chapter in Our Student Success Story

Admissions. Persistence. Graduation.

Cal State Long Beach supports holistic student success using an ecological model to understand the whole student experience. We recognize that Beach students navigate various social environments and systems throughout their educational journey. Therefore, CSULB endeavors to meet students at critical junctures in this process to ensure they have the necessary support to succeed as they interact with and within these systems.



Persistence

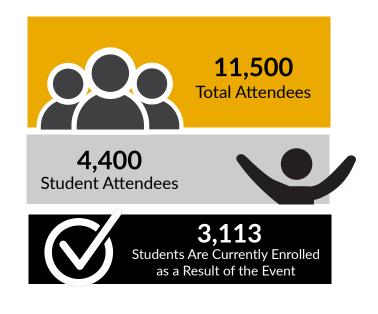
At important points of the student experience, formative assessment helps us understand students' aspirations, strengths, needs, and how best to partner with students in their success. This effort is especially important for students who are historically underrepresented and underserved, to ensure we close opportunity and equity gaps, and support the success of ALL students.

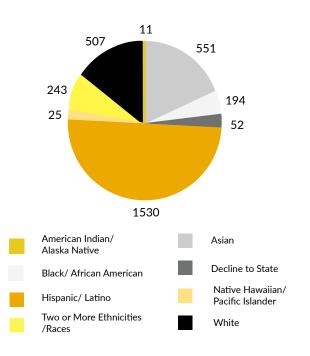


THE ADMISSIONS STORY

A Day at The Beach

On Saturday, April 15, 2023, CSULB hosted A Day at the Beach, an open house event that provided newly admitted students and their families a first look at campus facilities, student organizations, academic resources, and more. The event was an overwhelming success and demonstrated our commitment to serving our surrounding, diverse communities, creating greater access, and supporting students' successful admission and enrollment experience.

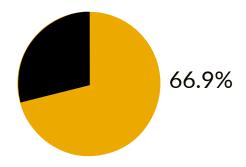




THE PERSISTENCE STORY

Suspension of Disqualification

CSULB aims to remove systemic and environmental barriers to persistence for all students. One strategy implemented throughout the 2022-23 academic year was the pilot program to allow students an extra semester of Academic Warning. A total of 385 undergraduate students were initially disqualified in the FA22 term were granted an extension. As a result, a total of 210 students (66.9%) are now eligible to re-enroll in Fall 2023.



At the End of the Spring 2023 Term



29% Are On Academic Warning (Probation)



17.5% On Academic Warning Contract

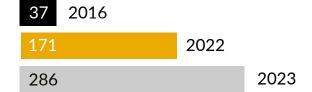


THE GRADUATION STORY

The Provost Graduation Incentive Awards

At CSULB, we strive to increase graduation outcomes for Beach students, many of whom, come from historically underserved communities. One way we seek to increase graduation outcomes is through the Provost's Graduation Incentive Award (PGIA). This special award program aims to increase 4-year and 2-year graduation rates by providing students with incentives to graduate in the summer, instead of delaying graduation to the following fall.

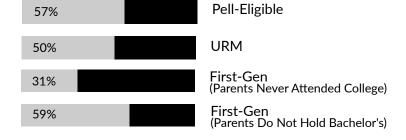
This program initially started on a pilot in 2016 with a total of 37 students. In Summer 2022, the program opened to transfer students who were eligible to graduate in 2 years. The number of students we served increased by more than 150%. In 2023, we awarded 286 students, another 67% increase since last year.



Increasing Outcomes



PGIA allowed CSULB to increase the overall 4-year graduation rate by 1.7 percentage points in 2022, and potentially by 1.4 percentage points in 2023. This is particularly exciting as participating PGIA awardees are highly representative of the demographics of CSULB. Programs such as the PGIA are helping CSULB close opportunity gaps and trend closer to improving outcomes for students who have been historically underserved.



THE CSULB STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

The Beach consistently strives to promote the holistic success of all our students throughout their entire education journey. From the moment students are admitted to the moment they are ready to graduate, CSULB aims to remove barriers and promote equitable outcomes. We are present at pivotal moments to ensure our students have the resources and support needed to succeed.

More Student Success Quick Wins

Additional Student Affairs partners have joined our coordinated care unit expanding their services to students in Beach Connect:

- Beach Central was created to streamline admissions and enrollment questions regarding records, graduation, financial aid and more.
- A Graduate Center was established to ensure students are supported in their post-bacc journey as well.