

**One-Year Retention Rates**  
**First-Time Full-Time Freshmen, Degree Seeking**  
**Fall 1996-1997 to Fall 2008-2009**

| <i>Year</i>           | <i>DSC Rate</i> | <i>System-Wide Rate</i> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Fall 1996 - Fall 1997 | 58.90%          | 61.20%                  |
| Fall 1997 - Fall 1998 | 54.30%          | 58.90%                  |
| Fall 1998 - Fall 1999 | 61.70%          | 64.40%                  |
| Fall 1999 - Fall 2000 | 58.20%          | 61.00%                  |
| Fall 2000 - Fall 2001 | 59.80%          | 62.90%                  |
| Fall 2001 - Fall 2002 | 67.50%          | 72.00%                  |
| Fall 2002 - Fall 2003 | 58.90%          | 62.40%                  |
| Fall 2003 - Fall 2004 | 63.61%          | 66.28%                  |
| Fall 2004 - Fall 2005 | 56.65%          | 60.25%                  |
| Fall 2005 - Fall 2006 | 63.25%          | 66.40%                  |
| Fall 2006 - Fall 2007 | 65.86%          | 67.37%                  |
| Fall 2007 - Fall 2008 | 60.23%          | 62.97%                  |
| Fall 2008 - Fall 2009 | 64.40%          | 66.84%                  |