



Goals for Student Achievement

Below are metrics identified by Shenandoah University as indicators of student achievement as outlined by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges, standard 8.1

Results of these measures can be found at the following links:

#1-#4: <https://www.su.edu/departments-offices/institutional-research/su-dashboard/>

#5: <https://www.su.edu/success/class-of-2024/>

1. Shenandoah University will maintain a freshman to sophomore retention rate that is above the state average for private colleges.

**Average of 4-year non-profit private institutions with >10 students as reported by SCHEV report RT01*

2. Shenandoah will maintain a 6-year graduation rate (using the IPEDS 6-year graduation rate as its chosen SACSCOC metric) that is above the state average for private institutions.

** As reported by SCHEV Graduation Rates, GRS04B, GRSC05*

3. Shenandoah will prepare graduates for employment in a variety of fields as evidenced by meeting or exceeding national pass rates on national licensure examinations.

4. Shenandoah University will expand student perspective as evidenced by increases in student scores from freshman to senior year in key areas of the National Survey of Student Engagement related to critical thinking and intercultural understanding.

Questions included:
• <i>Acquiring job or work-related skills (NSSE, 18e)</i>
• <i>Think Critically and Analytically (NSSE, 18c)</i>
• <i>Understanding People of Other Racial and Ethnic Backgrounds (NSSE, 18h)</i>
• <i>Developing a personal code of values and ethics (NSSE, 18g)</i>

5. Shenandoah University will ensure student success as evidenced by employment rates of graduates that exceed the national average using the First Destinations Survey.