

**Duquesne University**  
**First Year Retention Rate <sup>1</sup> Comparisons: Key Competition <sup>2</sup>**  
**Freshman Cohorts Fall 2016 to Fall 2020**

Institution	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Fall 2020
Ohio State University <sup>3</sup>	94%	95%	94%	94%	94%
University of Pittsburgh <sup>4</sup>	93%	93%	93%	93%	93%
University of Delaware	91%	90%	91%	90%	91%
Saint Joseph's University	91%	89%	88%	89%	89%
University of Dayton	90%	91%	89%	91%	88%
Pennsylvania State University <sup>5</sup>	93%	93%	88%	87%	87%
Temple University	90%	89%	89%	87%	86%
West Chester University	85%	84%	86%	85%	85%
<b>Duquesne University</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>86%</b>	<b>84%</b>
Slippery Rock University	81%	81%	83%	83%	82%
Gannon University	85%	83%	82%	85%	81%
Kent State University <sup>6</sup>	80%	81%	81%	82%	81%
West Virginia University	80%	76%	79%	82%	81%
Chatham University	85%	78%	80%	76%	79%
Robert Morris University	81%	81%	83%	81%	79%
Indiana University of Pennsylvania	72%	71%	72%	72%	71%
<b>Average of Group (excluding Duquesne)</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>87%</b>
<b>Duquesne's Difference from Group Average</b>	<b>(2%)</b>	<b>(3%)</b>	<b>(2%)</b>	<b>(1%)</b>	<b>(3%)</b>

<sup>1</sup> Retention rate is the percentage of first-time, full-time baccalaureate degree-seeking undergraduates from the previous fall who enrolled again in the most recent fall term.

<sup>2</sup> List of the top 15 institutions where Duquesne enrolled freshmen were accepted but did not attend, as well as the those institutions where non-matriculated accepted freshmen enrolled.

<sup>3</sup> Columbus campus

<sup>4</sup> Pittsburgh (Oakland) campus

<sup>5</sup> University Park campus

<sup>6</sup> Kent campus