

LRC and WMC Retention Report by First-Time, Full-Time First-Year Cohorts Fall 2021 and Fall 2022

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Overview

This report displays and explains three tables of data on retention rates provided by Institutional Research on cohorts of first-time, full-time, first-year CSUCI students (Fall 2021 and Fall 2022). This report compares retention rates for students who visited either the LRC or WMC with the retention rates of students who did not visit either center. The overall analysis reveals a higher retention rate for students who visit either center with the greatest benefits occurring for the HUG student population.

Table 1. All Centers Retention by Visits and FTFT Freshmen by Cohort

Cohort	Semester	Center Visits	Freshmen
Fall 21	Fall 21 (Y1)	Visits	231
			96.50%
		No Visits	336
			89.60%
	Spring 22 (Y1)	Visits	217
			87.10%
		No Visits	307
			74.30%
	Fall 22 (Y2)	Visits	170
			92.40%
		No Visits	251
			90.00%
	Spring 23 (Y2)	Visits	148
			92.60%
		No Visits	239
			81.20%

Fall 22	Fall 22 (Y1)	Visits	324
			93.50%
		No Visits	311
			83.90%
	Spring 23 (Y1)	Visits	335
			84.50%
		No Visits	229.00
			67.70%

Table 1 represents the retention rates of first-time full-time freshmen (FTTF) students who visited the LRC and WMC combined. Fall 21 represents the cohort of freshmen from Fall 21 and the percentages represent the number of the freshmen cohort who are retained for the next semester

Higher Retention Rates with Center Visits for All Students

Fall 21 First Year Cohort.

The overall retention rate from Spring semester to Year Two was 79.6%. By comparison, Spring to Fall retention rate for students who visited either LRC or WMC was **87.1%** (7.5% higher).

- Fall to Spring one term retention: +7% higher retention rate for students who visited a center in Fall 2021, compared to those who did not (96.5% vs 89.6%)
- Spring 2022 to Fall 2022 one term retention: +13% higher retention rate for students who visited a center in Spring 2022, compared to those who did not (87.10% vs 74.3%).
- We have two years of data following the Fa 21 cohort. The retention rate trends for this cohort indicate that continued visits result in higher retention rates.

Fall 22 First Year Cohort.

This trend persists for the FTTF Fall 22 freshman cohort. This was the first semester that the campus returned fully to in-person instruction. The overall retention rate from Spring semester to Year Two for the Fall 22 FTTF Freshmen cohort was 77.7%. By comparison, Spring to Fall retention rate for students who visited either LRC or WMC was **84.5%** (6.8% higher).

- Fall 22 to Spring 23 one term retention: +10% higher for students who visited a center in Fall 2022, compared to students who did not (93.5% vs 83.9%)
- Spring 23 to Fall 23 one retention: +17% higher for students who visited a center in Spring 2023 compared to those who did not (84.5% vs 67.7%)

Table 2. All Centers Retention by Visits and FTFT Freshmen (Fall 21 Cohort) - HUGs vs Non-HUGs

Cohort	Semester		Center Visits	Freshmen
Fall 21	Fall 21 (Y1)	HUGS	Visits	147
				94.60%
		No Visits		189
				91.50%
		Not HUGS	Visits	84
				100%
	Spring 22 (Y1)	HUGS	Visits	138
				84.10%
		No Visits		174
				72.40%
		Not HUGS	Visits	79
				92.40%
	Fall 22 (Y2)	HUGS	Visits	108
				91.70%
		No Visits		137
				87.60%
		Not HUGS	Visits	62
				93.50%
			No Visits	114

			93.00%
Spring 23 (Y2)	HUGS	Visits	83
			91.60%
		No Visits	141
			83.70%
	Not HUGS	Visits	65
			93.80%
		No Visits	98
			77.60%

Table 3. All Centers Retention by Visits and FTFT Freshmen (Fall 22 Cohort) - HUGs vs Non-HUGs

Cohort	Semester		Center Visits	Freshmen
Fall 22	Fall 22 (Y1)	HUGS	Visits	231
				95.70%
		No Visits		204
				81.90%
		Not HUGS	Visits	93
				88.20%
	Spring 23 (Y1)	HUGS	Visits	242
				84.30%
		No Visits		158
				65.80%
		Not HUGS	Visits	93

				84.90%
			No Visits	71
				71.80%

Higher Retention Rates with Center Visits for HUG Students

Fall 21 First Year HUGs Cohort.

The retention rate for HUG students from Spring semester to Year Two was 77.6%. For non-HUG students, the retention rate was 82.5%. By comparison, the Fall to Spring retention rate for HUG students who visited either LRC or WMC was **84.1%** (+6.5% higher than overall HUGs retention rate for Fall 21 cohort). See table 2.

- Fall 2021 to Spring 2022 one term retention was +3% higher for HUG students who visited a center in Fall 2021, compared to HUG students who did not (94.5 vs. 91.5%).
- Spring 2022 to Fall 2023 one term retention was **+12.6% higher for HUG students who visited a center in Spring 2022 compared to those who did not (84.10% vs 72.4%)**.
- We have two years of data following the Fall 2021 cohort. The retention rate trends for this HUGs cohort indicate that continued visits result in higher retention rates.

Fall 22 First Year HUGs Cohort.

This trend persists for HUG students in the FTFT Fall 22 freshman cohort. The retention rate from Spring semester to Year Two for HUG students was 77.0%. For non-HUG students, the retention rate was 79.3%. By comparison, the Spring to Fall retention rate for HUG students who visited either LRC or WMC was **84.3%** (+7.3% higher than overall HUGs retention rate for Fall 22 cohort). See table 3.

- Fall 2022 to Spring 2023 retention is +13.8% higher for HUG students who visited a center in Fall 2022, compared to that of HUG students who did not (95.7% vs. 81.9%)
- **Spring 2023 to Fall 2023 retention is +19.5% higher for HUG students who visited a center in Spring 2023, compared to that of HUG students who did not (84.3% vs. 65.8%)**.