

Academic Quality Indicators

		Benchmark						
Dimension	Indicators	Minimum	Stretch	AY12	AY13	AY14	AY15	AY16
Excellence of Faculty	Percentage of full-time instructional faculty with terminal degrees in their fields	85%	90%	92%	92%	92%	91%	91%
	Fall IDEA Student Evaluations Item 41 - students rating of instructor as an excellent teacher	60% of courses in which 50% or more of the students rate their instructor as excellent	75% of courses in which 50% or more of the students rate their instructor as excellent	66%	64%	69%	68%	72%
Academic Challenge	NSSE Item 15a - Amount of time students report spending per week on academic work outside of class time - for SRS (given every other year)	15 hrs/wk	20 hrs/wk		16.5 hrs/wk		17.4 hrs/wk	
	SSI Item 39 - I am able to experience intellectual growth here. (given every other year)	80% of students will respond 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied'	90% of students will respond 'satisfied' or 'very satisfied'	89%		86%		87%
Academic Outcomes	Freshman Retention Rate	84%	86%	87%	85%	85%	85%	86%
	Graduation Rate (6 Yr.)	60%	68%	61%	58%	57%	64%	67%
	Senior Integration Project	Institution-wide mean total score (average of all four subscores) is 3.0 or above	Institution-wide mean total score (average of all four subscores) is 3.5 or above	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3
	ETS Proficiency Profile Total Score (given every other year)	5 point gain in Total Score from FR to JR	10 point gain in Total Score from FR to JR		9.0	7.4	10.3	
	Bible and Theology Exam (given every other year)	10% increase (gap score) from FR to SR	15% increase (gap score) from FR to SR			17.6%	13.1%	
	ETS Major Field Test	60% of students at the 50th percentile or above	70% of students at the 50th percentile or above	69%	59%	62%	54%	55%
	GACE Content Assessment Pass Rates (UG)	80%	90%	89%	92%	100%	100%	100%
	Number of Doctorates Earned per year by Covenant graduates	5	7	9	8	3		

	At or above stretch benchmark
	At or above minimum benchmark
	Slightly below minimum benchmark
	Significantly below minimum benchmark