



Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Data Sheet

The Millennium Scholarship Program, 2000 to 2016

	Class of 2000	Class of 2010	Class of 2012	Class of 2014	Class of 2016
GPA Requirements	3.0	3.25*	3.25*	3.25*	3.25*
Nevada public high school graduates	12,953	20,901	21,833	23,152	24,908
Millennium eligible graduates	7,359	9,124	9,758	10,864	12,717
% of graduates who are eligible	56.8%	43.7%	44.7%	46.9%	51.1%
Activated scholarships	5,657	6,129	6,358	6,754	7,103
% of eligible scholars who activate the scholarship	76.9%	67.2%	65.2%	62.2%	55.9%

*GPA requirement plus completion of the core curriculum.

Source: Nevada State Treasurer's Office 7/10/2017; Nevada Department of Education (Nevada public high school graduates include standard and advanced diplomas)

In 2015-16, Nevada System of Higher Education students received Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship disbursements totaling \$30.4 million. This represented 33.1 percent of the total dollars disbursed in Nevada financial assistance programs that year.

Source: NSHE Financial Aid Report



Top 6 Fields of Study for Millennium Students—Fall 2016

- Business, Management, Marketing
- Health Professions
- Biological & Biomedical Sciences
- Engineering
- Psychology
- Education

Enrollment of Millennium Scholars in programs that lead to degrees in high-demand fields is crucial to meeting the workforce needs in Nevada.





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Historically, data show that Millennium recipients have been more successful in than students who did not receive the scholarship.

Recent NV High School Graduates Placed into at Least One Remedial Mathematics or English Course

HS Graduating	Millennium Scholars	Non-Millennium Scholars
2013	44.0%	66.6%
2014	46.3%	72.2%
2015	39.1%	72.8%

Source: NSHE Remedial Placement and Enrollment Report

Note: In 2013 NSHE began reporting placement into remedial courses instead of enrollment as was reported in previous reports. For this reason, the remedial rate reported for the class of 2013 is not comparable to prior years.



Over time, the remediation rate for Millennium Scholars has remained substantially lower than the rate for those who did not receive the scholarship, reflecting their enhanced preparation for the academic rigor of college-level coursework.

Freshman Persistence Rates to Spring Semester

Cohort: First-time, full-time, degree-seeking freshman, entering fall 2016 and returning to any NSHE institution for spring 2017

Retention Rate		
Institution Type	Millennium	Non-Millennium
Community Colleges	89.4%	79.4%
Four-Year Institutions	93.5%	91.8%
NSHE	92.7%	86.6%



The higher retention rates of Millennium students are evidence of the important role that the assurance of financial assistance and academic preparation play in the success of students in higher education.

Source: NSHE Data Warehouse

Graduation Rates

Cohort: First-time, full-time, degree-seeking freshman, entering fall 2009 and graduating within 150 percent of normal time to degree (6 years for bachelor's degree, 3 years for associate's degree, 1.5 years for a certificate).

	Millennium Students	Non-Millennium Students
Community Colleges	26.6%	11.0%
Four-Year Institutions	46.7%	37.2%



Students receiving the Millennium Scholarship are more likely than non-Millennium students to graduate within 150 percent of expected time at NSHE universities.

Source: NSHE Data Warehouse