

SOUTH GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

In accordance with the Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) Principles of Accreditation Core Requirement 8.1 (Student Achievement), South Georgia Technical College identifies, evaluates, and publishes goals and outcomes for student achievement appropriate to the institution’s mission, the nature of the students it serves and the kinds of programs it offers.

South Georgia Technical College uses graduation rate as reported in the IPEDS Data Feedback Reports discussed below. The institution also looks at retention rate, and job placement in field rate to determine the success of its students. Graduation rate data is also disaggregated by race/ethnicity as an analysis of need to develop institutional practices to seek improvement of at-risk student populations.

Goal 1: Graduation Rate: The mission of the institution is to prepare individuals for the workforce by providing high quality associate of applied science degrees, diplomas and technical certificates of credit. The institution. The college measures student achievement based on graduation rate.

Measure: Using the IPEDS Data-Feedback Reports, graduation rates cohort includes full-time, degree/certificate seeking undergraduate students who complete programs within 150% of normal time.

Rationale: The goal for graduation rates for first time, full- time students within six years is to meet or exceed the average of peer institutions. The institution has a goal to consistently improve its three-year rate: The baseline was derived from an average of the graduation rate of AY 2020 (63%),2021 (59%), and 2022 (60%) = (59%) as a comparison to the same three-year average comparison group at AY 2020 (30%), 2021 (36%), (2022 (38%)= 35%.. These were averaged.

Baseline	2023	2024	2025
47%	57%		

Goal 2: Retention Rate: The college measures student achievement based on retention rate. The institution also measures student achievement based on its Strategic Plan by measuring benchmarked progress in enrollment, and retention rate.

Measure: A fall cohort is tracked through the following academic year for retained or graduated students. Students in a cohort are retained if they enrolled in any postsecondary institution included in the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) during the following academic year or graduated from any such institution during the two-year period.

Rationale: *SGTC measures its retention rate against the average TCSG rate for AY 2020 (73.3%), 2021 (78.2%), and 2022 (66.3%). The institution has a goal of to consistently improve its three-year retention rate.*

Baseline	2023	2024	2025
72.33%	73.3%		

Goal 3: Job Placement In-Field: As a workforce education institution with a mission focused on in-demand technical occupations and economic development, the college measures institutional success first and foremost by student job placement to monitor the applicability and relevance of the college’s course and program offering. The college measures student achievement based on placement in field.

Measure: The in-field placement rate tracks a cohort of graduates through September 15 of the following year to show the percentage who employed in a field related to their award program.

Rationale: *SGTC measures its job placement in field rate against its average for the years 2020 (94.5%), 2021 (95.71%) and 2022 (88.76%). The institution has a goal to consistently improve its three- year job placement in field rate.*

Baseline	2023	2024	2025
94.12%	88.76% *		

*Goal not meet due to COVID

Numbers are updated in October