



Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship Data Sheet

The Millennium Scholarship Program, 2000 to 2013

	Class of 2000	Class of 2010	Class of 2011	Class of 2012	Class of 2013
GPA Requirements	3.0	3.25*	3.25*	3.25*	3.25*
Nevada public high school graduates	12,953	20,901	21,137	21,833	23,013
Millennium eligible graduates	7,359	9,124	9,306	9,754	10,534
% of graduates who are eligible	56.8%	43.7%	44.0%	44.7%	45.8%
Activated scholarships	5,657	6,047	5,808	6,049	5,828
% of eligible scholars who activate the scholarship	76.9%	66.3%	62.4%	62.0%	55.3%

*GPA requirement plus completion of the core curriculum.

Source: Nevada State Treasurer's Office 12/12/2014; Nevada Department of Education (Nevada public high school graduates include standard and advanced diplomas)

The Governor Guinn Millennium Scholarship program disbursed \$23.1 million to students in 2012-13, representing 38.8 percent of the overall Nevada financial assistance programs for students in the Nevada System of Higher Education.

Source: NSHE Financial Aid Report



Top 5 Majors for Millennium Students—Fall 2012

- Business
- Nursing
- Education (including Early Childhood Education)
- Psychology
- Biological Sciences

Enrollment of Millennium Scholars in programs that lead to degrees in high-demand fields is crucial to meeting the workforce needs in Nevada. The Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation reports that Education & Health Sciences and Professional & Business Services are among the top growing industries 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

	Millennium Scholars	Non-Millennium Scholars
2013	46.2%	65.0%

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 2012 and returning to any NSHE institution for spring 2013*

Institution Type	Retention Rate	
	Millennium	Non-Millennium
Community Colleges	92.2%	79.0%
Four-Year Institutions	94.5%	90.5%
NSHE	94.2%	85.5%



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

University Graduation Rates *Cohort: First-time, full-time, degree-seeking freshman, entering fall 2007 and graduating with a bachelor's degree within six years*

	Millennium Students	Non-Millennium Students
Graduated within 6 years	45.6%	37.5%
Still Enrolled Spring 2013	18.7%	12.1%
Non-Completers	35.7%	50.4%



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