

Highest Parent Educational Attainment/First-Generation Students in the First-Year Cohort

Entering Cohort*	First-Generation**	Highest Parent Educational Attainment			
		No College***	Some College****	Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree or Higher
Fall 2020	19%	10.9%	4.7%	3.1%	81.3%
Fall 2019	19.9%	10.1%	5.9%	3.9%	80.1%
Fall 2018	26.6%	10.4%	8.0%	8.2%	73.4%
Fall 2017	21.0%	7.9%	7.1%	6.0%	79.0%
Fall 2016	21.6%	14.7%	1.9%	5.0%	78.4%
Fall 2015	23.6%	11.0%	6.6%	6.0%	76.4%
Fall 2014	20.3%	12.3%	3.5%	4.6%	79.7%

*2 students in the Fall 2014 cohort, 1 student in the Fall 2015 cohort, 3 students in the Fall 2016 cohort, 1 student in the Fall 2017 cohort, and 8 students in the Fall 2019 cohort did not have any information on the education level of their parents.

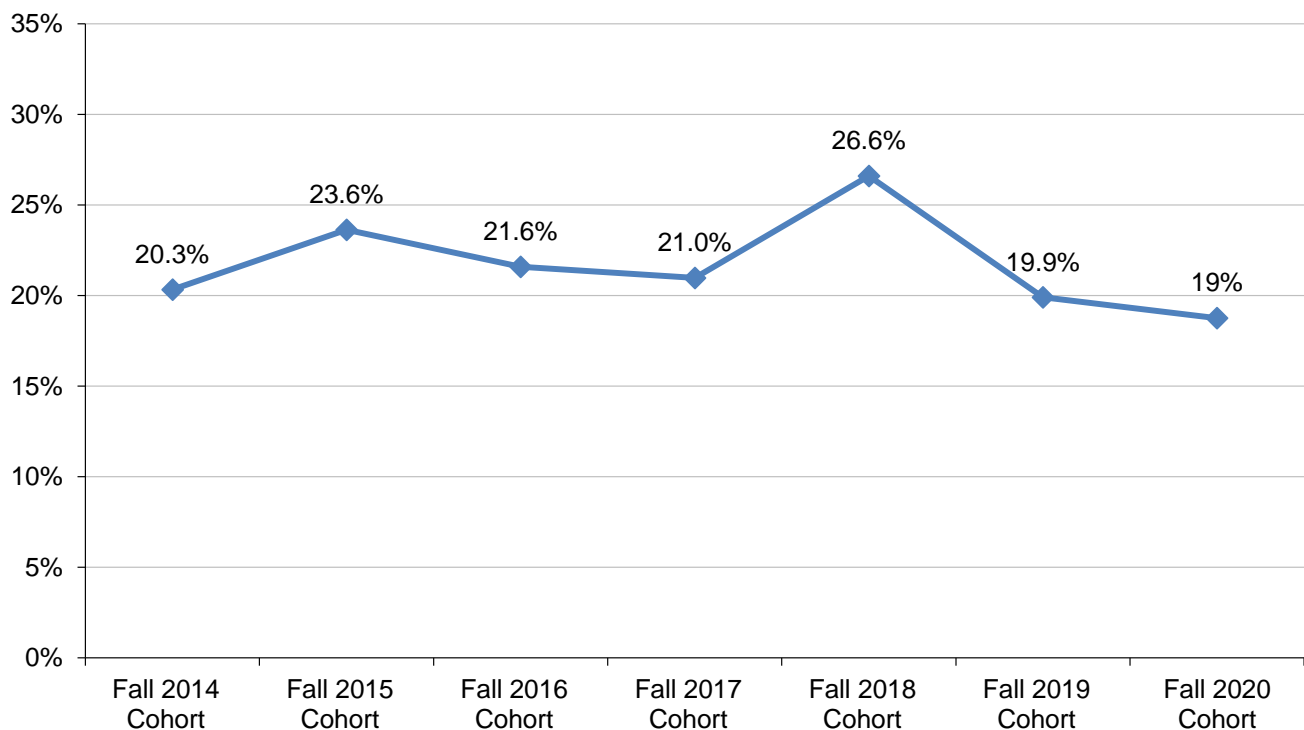
**Working definition of "first-generation student" at Gettysburg College: A first-generation student is defined as one from a family where neither parent has obtained at least a Bachelor's degree.

***Students having neither parent attending any college (including 2-year colleges) after high school.

****Students having at least one parent who attended college (including 2-year colleges), but did not earn at least an Associate's degree.

Sources: Admissions Office and Office of Institutional Analysis (CIRP Freshman Survey & First-Year Dashboard). Almost all data were based on codings by Admissions Office. A very small number of students' information was based on the CIRP Freshman Survey data : 1 student in the Fall 2014 cohort, 1 student in the Fall 2015 cohort, 2 students in the Fall 2016 cohort, and 13 students in the Fall 2019 cohort. Information on 80 students in the fall 2020 cohort was based on FY Dashboard data. Chart created by the Office of Institutional Analysis.

% of First-Generation Students in the First-Year Cohort



In the student body: In Fall 2020, among 2,531 full-time degree-seeking students (census enrollment), 22% were first-generation students.