

El Camino College

Time to Completion: First-time Awards From Time of Entry at El Camino



2017-18 Academic Year

The tables below highlight the time it took first-time award recipients to receive their degrees or certificates at El Camino College. Students who have previously completed an award are not included here. El Camino College has made reducing time to completion a focus of its efforts related to Guided Pathways.

During the 2017-18 academic year, 7% of degree earners were able to complete their educational goal within the 2-year normal time to completion (Table 1). Twenty-three percent of degree earners were able to complete their educational goal within three years. For certificate earners, 23% were able to complete within two years and 36% earned their award within three years. The median time to completion for both degrees and certificates is 4 years.

Table 1: Time to Completion by Award Type

Award Type	Awards	Students	Cumulative Percent		
			2 Years	3 Years	4 Years
Degrees	3006	2,072	7%	23%	55%
Certificates	599	523	23%	36%	58%
Total	3,605	2,409	10%	26%	55%

Figure one illustrates the time to completion for degrees and certificates for first-time recipients in 2017-18. The percentage of first-time degree recipients within three years has dipped compared to 2016-17 numbers, but those earning an award within four years is on par with last year's numbers for both degrees and certificates.

Figure 1: Awards Earned within 3 Years from Entry

