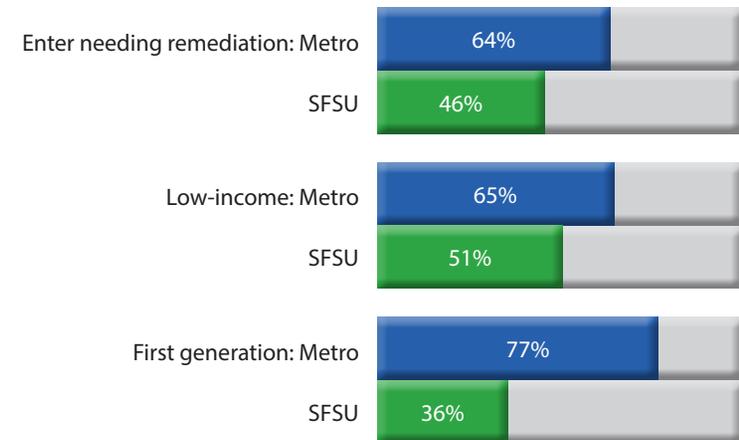
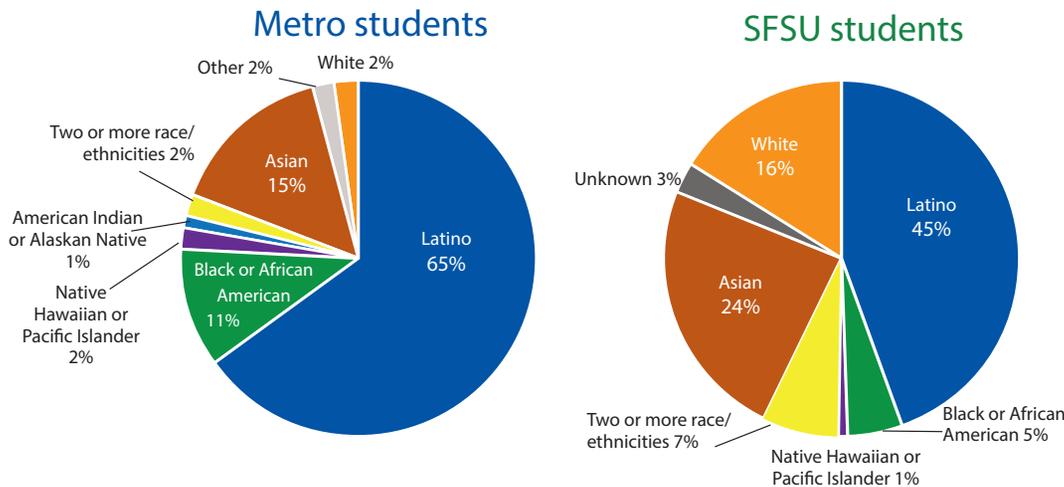
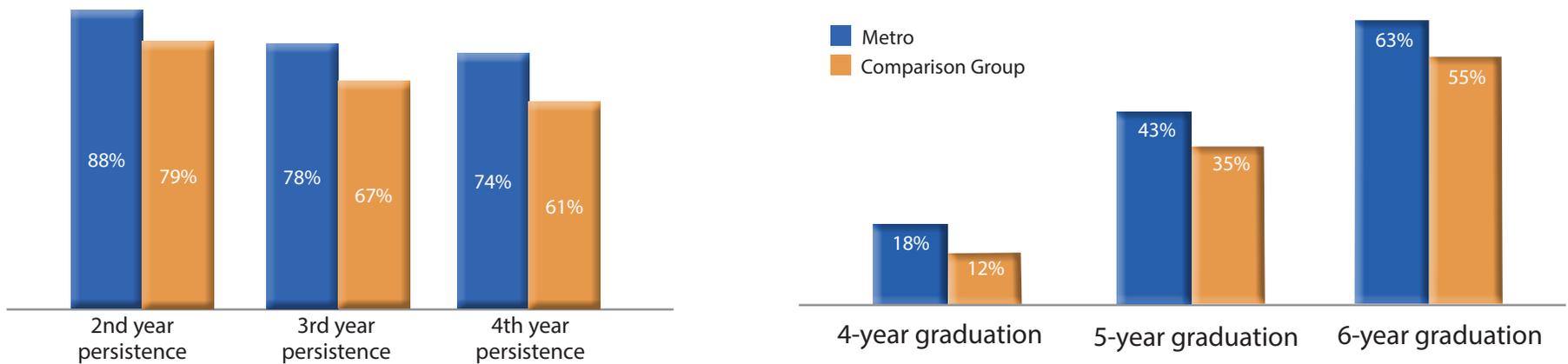


Who are Metro students?

Metro students come from diverse communities and are often the first in their families to attend college. In fact, 91% are either low-income, first-generation college-going, or underrepresented students. 46% of all SF State first-year students enter needing remediation in math and/or English, compared to 64% of Metro students. Despite this disadvantage at the starting line, Metro students outperform their peers in persistence and graduation. The graphs below represent the demographics of the 2017 cohorts and the most recent outcomes for Metro cohorts 2009 - 2016 and their matched comparison groups.



74% of Metro students persist into their senior year. 63% graduate within six years; more than 8 percentage points higher than a comparison group at SF State, matched on ethnicity, income level, needing remediation, first-generation status, start term, and subject enrollment.



Metro students are grouped in academies. Each one is a 'school within a school,' in which up to 140 students take two general education classes together each semester over four semesters, giving each student a personalized educational home. Currently there are one or more Metro Academies in each college at SF State, to prepare students for a variety of majors. Metro began planning in 2007, growing out of a long-standing partnership between SF State and City College of San Francisco since 1992.

Metro is an award-winning program that is scalable and sustainable

"The CSU commits to promoting and expanding on the Metro Academies model of high-intensity student learning communities, bringing it within reach of a greater number of universities and community colleges."

CSU Chancellor Timothy White, White House College Opportunity Day of Action

Metro's 6-year graduation rate is 8 percentage points higher than that of a matched comparison group



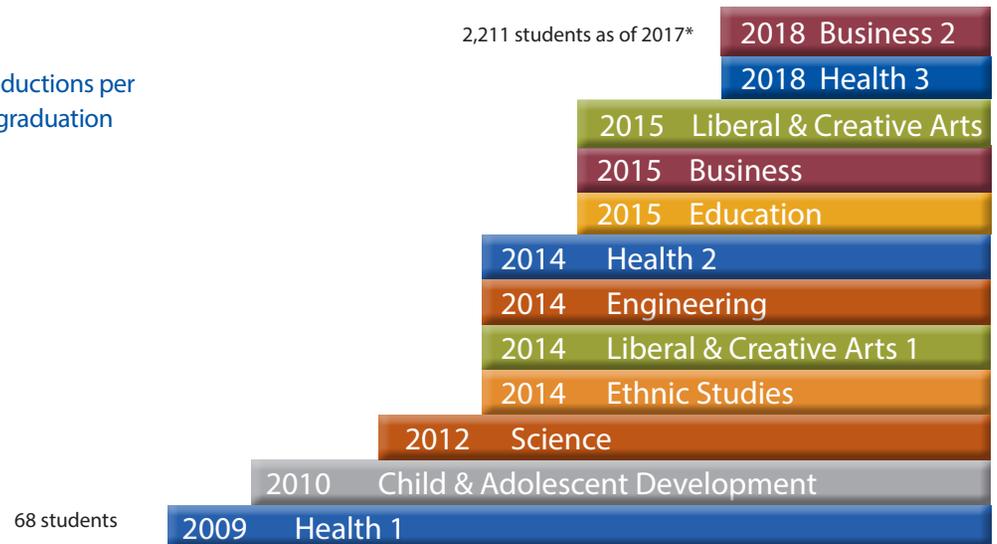
Investing in Closing the Equity Gap: Why Spend a Little More for a Program like Metro?

By spending a little more on the first two years, we can realize much larger cost reductions per graduate, through reducing attrition and off-path courses, and speeding time to graduation



Source: A Cost Efficiency Study conducted in partnership with the Research and Planning Group for California Community Colleges and the National Center for Inquiry and Improvement.

Program and academy growth at SF State



*In fall 2016, Metro began a 'lighter touch' upper division program, including transfer students from Metro's Transfer Academies at City College of San Francisco. An additional 1,1175 Metro students are currently in upper division.