

**TABLE 21  
GRADUATION RATES OF PEER UNIVERSITIES \***

All students in freshmen cohort who entered in the fall of:	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
<b>Western Michigan University</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>54%</b>
Florida International University	47%	47%	48%	48%	49%
New Mexico State University	43%	43%	42%	37%	45%
Texas Tech University	54%	54%	55%	56%	56%
University of Akron	47%	35%	35%	37%	36%
University of Alabama - Tuscaloosa	62%	61%	63%	63%	65%
University of Central Florida	54%	55%	57%	58%	59%
University of Houston	40%	39%	40%	42%	43%
University of Memphis	33%	36%	33%	34%	34%
University of North Texas	39%	40%	43%	45%	44%
University of Oregon	60%	62%	63%	63%	65%
University of Puerto Rico - Rio Piedras	51%	50%	48%	49%	46%
University of Texas - Arlington	37%	38%	40%	42%	52%
University of Toledo	40%	45%	42%	44%	44%
University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee	39%	37%	42%	43%	41%

\* The 14 peer universities were selected based on the Carnegie classification system.