**Graduating Midwest Liberal Arts Colleges:**

**The influence of student characteristics on graduation rates**

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**Metadata Guide**

Carleton College

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*Graduation Rates Disaggregated by Financial Aid Category*, *n.d*. Distributed by The Office of Institutional Research and Assessment at Carleton College. <https://d31kydh6n6r5j5.cloudfront.net/uploads/sites/292/2020/02/HEOA_Financial_Aid_Grad_Rate_Disclosure_FY_2018.pdf>

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Coe College

*Disaggregated Graduation Rates 2010 – 2020, 2021.* Distributed by Coe College. <https://www.coe.edu/application/files/4316/1590/6327/Disaggregated_Grad_Rates_2010-2020_accessible.03.16.2021.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 22 February 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by Coe College. The link is as follows: <https://www.coe.edu/why-coe/consumer-information>. Following this link, scroll to the ‘Graduation Rate and Retention Rates (Student Right-to-Know Act)’ section. The file is named ‘Disaggregated graduation rates’ and it shows the graduation rates of students entering between 2010 and 2016 disaggregated by financial aid status. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.

Grinnell College

*Four Year Through Eight Year Graduation Rates, n.d.* Distributed by the Analytics and Institutional Research Office at Grinnell College. <http://web.grinnell.edu/institutionalresearch/webdocs/HEOA_GraduationRate_forWeb_Graduation.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 21 February 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by The Analytics and Institutional Research office at Grinnell College. The link is as follows: <https://www.grinnell.edu/about/offices-services/institutional-research/gradretention>. Following this link, the dataset is in a file titled ‘Four Year Through Eight Year Graduation Rates.’ The data shows the number of enrolled students in the college for years between 2007-2017. The data shows graduation rates disaggregated by gender and race. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.

*Graduation Rates by Financial Aid Category, n.d.* Distributed by the Analytics and Institutional Research Office at Grinnell College. <http://web.grinnell.edu/institutionalresearch/webdocs/HEOA_GraduationRate_forWeb_GradFA.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 16 March 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by The Analytics and Institutional Research office at Grinnell College. The link is as follows: <https://www.grinnell.edu/about/offices-services/institutional-research/gradretention>. Following this link, the dataset is in a file titled ‘Graduation Rates by Financial Aid Category.’ The data shows the aggregate number of enrolled students and students who received some form of financial aid by the college for the years between 2010-2017 and shows the graduation rates for these students. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.

Lawrence University

*Graduation Rates Disaggregated by Sex, 2022.* Distributed by the Research Administration Office at Lawrence University. <https://www7.lawrence.edu/mw/Graduation%20Rates%20Disaggregated%20by%20Sex%202015.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 22 February 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by Research Administration office at Lawrence University. The link is as follows: <https://www7.lawrence.edu/info/offices/ora/institutional-data/graduates-alumni-data>. Following this link, the dataset is under the ‘Graduation Rates’ section and the file is titled ‘Sex (Fall Cohorts 2003-2015).’ The data shows the aggregate number of enrolled students disaggregated by gender for the years between 2003-2015 and shows the graduation rates for these students. It also contains visualizations that display 4-, 5-, and 6-year graduation rates for each gender. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.

*Graduation Rates Disaggregated by Race/Ethnicity, 2022.* Distributed by the Research Administration Office at Lawrence University. <https://www7.lawrence.edu/mw/Graduation%20Rates%20Disaggregated%20by%20Race%20Ethnicity%202005-2015%20Cohorts.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 22 February 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by Research Administration office at Lawrence University. The link is as follows: <https://www7.lawrence.edu/info/offices/ora/institutional-data/graduates-alumni-data>. Following this link, the dataset is under the ‘Graduation Rates’ section and the file is titled ‘Race/Ethnicity (Fall Cohorts 2005-2015).’ The data shows the aggregate number of enrolled students disaggregated by race for the years between 2005-2015 and shows the graduation rates for these students. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.

*Graduation Rates Disaggregated by Financial Aid Category, 2022.* Distributed by the Research Administration Office at Lawrence University. [https://www7.lawrence.edu/mw/Graduation Rates Disaggregated by Financial Aid Category 2005-2015 Cohorts.pdf](https://www7.lawrence.edu/mw/Graduation%20Rates%20Disaggregated%20by%20Financial%20Aid%20Category%202005-2015%20Cohorts.pdf)

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Macalester College

*Retention and Graduation Rates 2012-2021*, *2022.* Distributed by the Institutional Research Office at Macalester College. <https://www.macalester.edu/ir/wp-content/uploads/sites/156/Retention-and-Graduation-rates-2012-2021.pdf>

The original data file was first downloaded on 22 February 2022. It can be obtained from the institutional data provided by the Institutional Research office at Macalester College. The link is as follows: <https://www.macalester.edu/ir/institutionaldata/>. Following this link, the dataset is in a file titled ‘Retention and Graduation Rates 2012-2021.’ The data shows the number of enrolled students in the college for years between 2012-2021. The retention and graduation rates for these students are provided; the graduation rates are disaggregated by students’ ethnicities. The file used in this research is an Excel version of this pdf file.