Transfer Student Success and Tennessee Promise

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Tennessee Promise: Success after Five Semesters

The Transfer Pipeline to ETSU

Promise Students at ETSU

Pathways to Success for Promise Transfer Students
About Tennessee Promise

Launched statewide in 2015

Last-dollar scholarship for recent high school graduates

Five semesters of eligibility
Tennessee Promise:
Success after Five Semesters
Tennessee Promise: By the Numbers

13,287 Promise students enrolled at community colleges in Fall 2015.

$588 Average Promise award in Fall 2015.

48% Percent of Promise students in Fall 2015 who were also Pell grant recipients.

Source: TSAC & TBR Student Information System
The Tennessee Promise Student Profile includes the following demographic information:

**By Race**
- White: 79.3%
- Black: 11.6%
- Hispanic: 4.1%
- Other: 5.0%

**By Gender**
- Male: 44.1%
- Female: 55.9%

Source: TBR Student Information System
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*Source: TSAC, THEC, TBR Student Information System, & National Student Clearinghouse; based on recent high school graduates.*
Promise Student Outcomes

52.2% overall success rate

2,857 students have earned a degree or certificate

2,578 Associate degrees and 433 technical certificates
The Transfer Pipeline to ETSU
Transfer Students at ETSU

1,638 1,633 1,483 1,524

2013-14 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17

Source: THEC Articulation and Transfer Report

12% of undergraduates enrolled at ETSU in 2016-2017 were transfer students.
56% of undergraduate transfers to ETSU in 2016-2017 were from TN community colleges.
The Community College Transfer Pipeline to ETSU

Source: THEC Articulation and Transfer Report & TBR Student Information System
Promise Students at ETSU
students from the first Promise cohort have transferred to ETSU since Spring 2016.

20% of transfers from TN community colleges to ETSU since Spring 2016 were Promise students.

Promise students have transferred to ETSU with an Associate degree.
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<th>College</th>
<th>Enrolled Students</th>
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<td>Chattanooga</td>
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<td>Cleveland</td>
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<td>Columbia</td>
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<td>Volunteer</td>
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<td>Walters</td>
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**Source:** TSAC & TBR Student Information System

16% of Promise students were enrolled at Northeast or Walters State in Fall 2015.
## Promise Student Success after Five Semesters

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Promise Transfers at ETSU: Spring 2016-Spring 2018

Northeast State: 181 students
Walters State: 93 students
Other Community Colleges: 105 students

ETSU: 379 students

Source: TBR Student Information System
Promise Transfers at ETSU

- Female: 55.7% (ETSU Promise Transfer Students) vs. 57.2% (All Transfer Students to ETSU (Fall 2017))
- Male: 44.3% (ETSU Promise Transfer Students) vs. 42.8% (All Transfer Students to ETSU (Fall 2017))
- White: 93.4% (ETSU Promise Transfer Students) vs. 82.5% (All Transfer Students to ETSU (Fall 2017))
- Black: 3.4% (ETSU Promise Transfer Students) vs. 5.0% (All Transfer Students to ETSU (Fall 2017))
- Hispanic: 1.6% (ETSU Promise Transfer Students) vs. 2.9% (All Transfer Students to ETSU (Fall 2017))

Source: TBR Student Information System & ETSU 2017 Factbook
Promise Transfers at ETSU

36.1%  
Pell recipients (in Fall 2015)

34.8%  
First Generation College Students

82.3%  
Lottery scholarship recipients (in Fall 2015)

Source: TBR Student Information System
Pathways to Success for Promise Students
56% of Promise graduates from Northeast and Walters State have transferred to ETSU.

93% of Promise-ETSU transfers with an Associate degree majored in a program designed to transfer to a four-year university.

58% of Promise-ETSU transfers earned an Associate degree.

Source: TBR Student Information System
68% of Promise-ETSU students transferred with at least 60 credit hours.

Credit Hours Earned by Promise-ETSU Students

- 0.8% 12 or less
- 5.8% 13-24
- 6.6% 25-36
- 7.4% 37-48
- 11.3% 49-59
- 10.0% 60+, no degree
- 58.0% 60+, with degree
### ETSU Transfer Students in Fall 2017

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<th>All Community College Transfers</th>
<th>Promise Transfers</th>
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<td>Enrolled full-time at ETSU</td>
<td>87%</td>
<td>97%</td>
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<td>Classified as juniors</td>
<td>56%</td>
<td>71%</td>
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<td>From the two ETSU pipeline colleges</td>
<td>72%</td>
<td>73%</td>
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**Source:** TBR Student Information System, comparing all transfers to ETSU from community colleges versus Promise transfers to ETSU in Fall 2017.
After Promise, What’s Next?

- Bachelor’s degree completion?
- Financial aid and other college costs?
- Connection to the university community?
- Other Promise student needs and challenges?