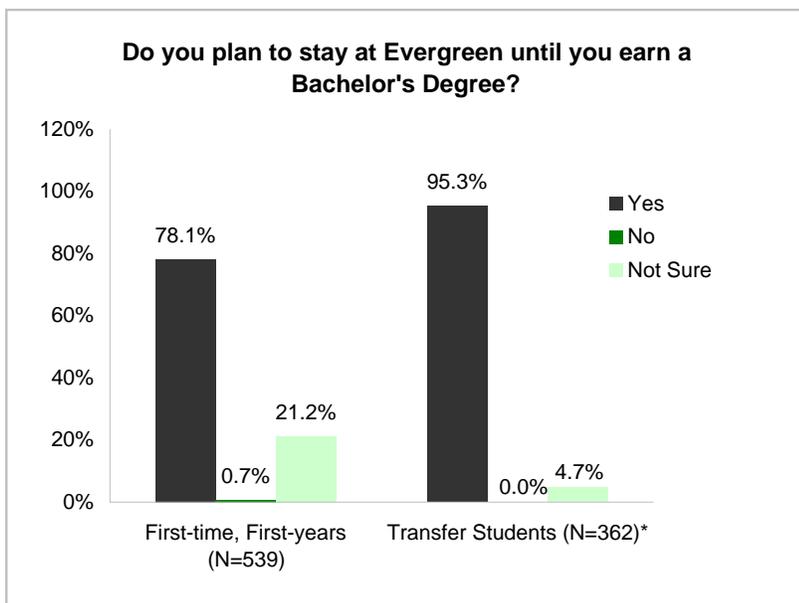


The Evergreen State College
Evergreen New Student Survey 2007
Olympia Campus

Do you plan to stay at Evergreen until you earn a Bachelor's Degree?

Most new students planned to stay at Evergreen until they earn their Bachelor's Degree (78.1% of first-time, first-year; 95.3% of transfer students), while some were unsure whether they would remain at Evergreen until graduation (21.2% of first-time, first-year students; 4.7% of transfer students). No transfer students and less than 1% of first-time, first-year students planned to leave Evergreen before earning a Bachelor's Degree. Of first-time, first-year students who responded *No* or *Unsure*, 64.4% were thinking or planning to transfer to another institution in the future compared to 29.4% of transfer students.



Do you plan to stay at Evergreen until you earn a Bachelor's Degree?

	First-time, First-years (N=539)	Transfer Students (N=362)*
Yes	78.1%	95.3%
No	0.7%	0.0%
Not Sure	21.2%	4.7%

* Does not include one transfer student who skipped the question altogether.

If no or unsure, please mark the answer that best describes your situation:

	First-time, First-years (N=118)	Transfer Students (N=17)
I am thinking about or planning to transfer to another institution in the future.	64.4%	29.4%
I only enrolled to take a specific program, not to stay for a degree.	2.5%	5.9%
Other	27.1%	52.9%

First-time, First-years

Written in as explanation of Other:

Art school

Depending on my experience at Evergreen, I will later determine whether to stay here for my full educational experience.

don't know if I will be able to afford 4 years at TESC

Financial reasons

I am not sure where my path is going to take me in the next 4 years

I am really just here to learn, the degree isn't my focus.

I am still deciding between evergreen and wwu

I can never plan the future

I do not know what direction my learning will take me.

I don't know I am being spontaneous

I don't know if I like it here yet.

I don't know if I will like Evergreen until I try a year of classes

I don't know what I want to do yet.

I don't know.

I have no idea what I want to accomplish in the next 4 years.

I may need only 2 years before going to a graduate school (Acupuncture)

I may transfer or take a long break before a transfer/return

I might take time off, but intent to eventually get my Bachelor's Degree from Evergreen at some point.

I need to see if the programs offered fit my learning style.

I plan earning a bachelor degree, but people change in four years.

I want to see what Evergreen is like before making the decision on where I go to earn a Bachelor's Degree.

I want to see where my interests take me.

I will make a decision after 1st semester

I will see where the wind blows me.

I will stay until I have my degree or change if I can't find any programs I want to take

It honestly depends on how I feel at the end of the quarter.

May go into a different school for becoming a cosmetologist.

Not sure.

Study abroad.

Things sometimes change.

Unsure about future

Transfer Students

Written in as explanation of Other:

Depends on how things turn out..

I'm just not sure what I want to go yet

I'm starting in the fall, and I'm giving this college thing a chance. I don't know for sure that a stamped, institutionalized education is for me, but if it's appropriate for me anywhere, it's going to be at Evergreen. Right now I'm excited to try it, but I'm not ready to lock my mind into a four year plan.

I have a BA already, but if I can somewhat earn a degree in this program, I may do so.

I just don't know

I plan to at the moment but things change

Making sure that I like the school and my education situation.
need more time to decide

This will be the third college I have attended. I am just trying to find the college that is right for me. I hope that it is Evergreen, but I will have to wait and see once I get there.

Comparison to Prior Years

Do you plan to stay at Evergreen until you earn a Bachelor's Degree?

Olympia Campus First-time, First-years

	2003	2005	2007
Yes	83.2%	74.4%	78.1%
No	0.3%	0.0%	0.7%
Not Sure	16.5%	25.6%	21.2%
Number of Respondents	328	414	539

Olympia Campus Transfer Students

	2003	2005	2007
Yes	95.0%	93.0%	95.3%
No	0.8%	1.3%	0.0%
Not Sure	4.2%	5.7%	4.7%
Number of Respondents	357	383	362