

From Guided Pathways to Regional Talent Ecosystem: Northern Virginia's Pathway to the Baccalaureate

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A K-16 Systemic Approach

- **10,000+ students...**
- **55 high schools in 8 school systems...**
- **6 NOVA campuses...**
- **George Mason University...**
- **All working toward 1 common vision.**



Program Philosophy

- **Collective Impact Model**
- **Shared Funding & Governance**
- **Seamless K-16 Pipeline**
- **Career Pathways Framework**
- **Common Outcomes & Data-Sharing**



Participant Demographics

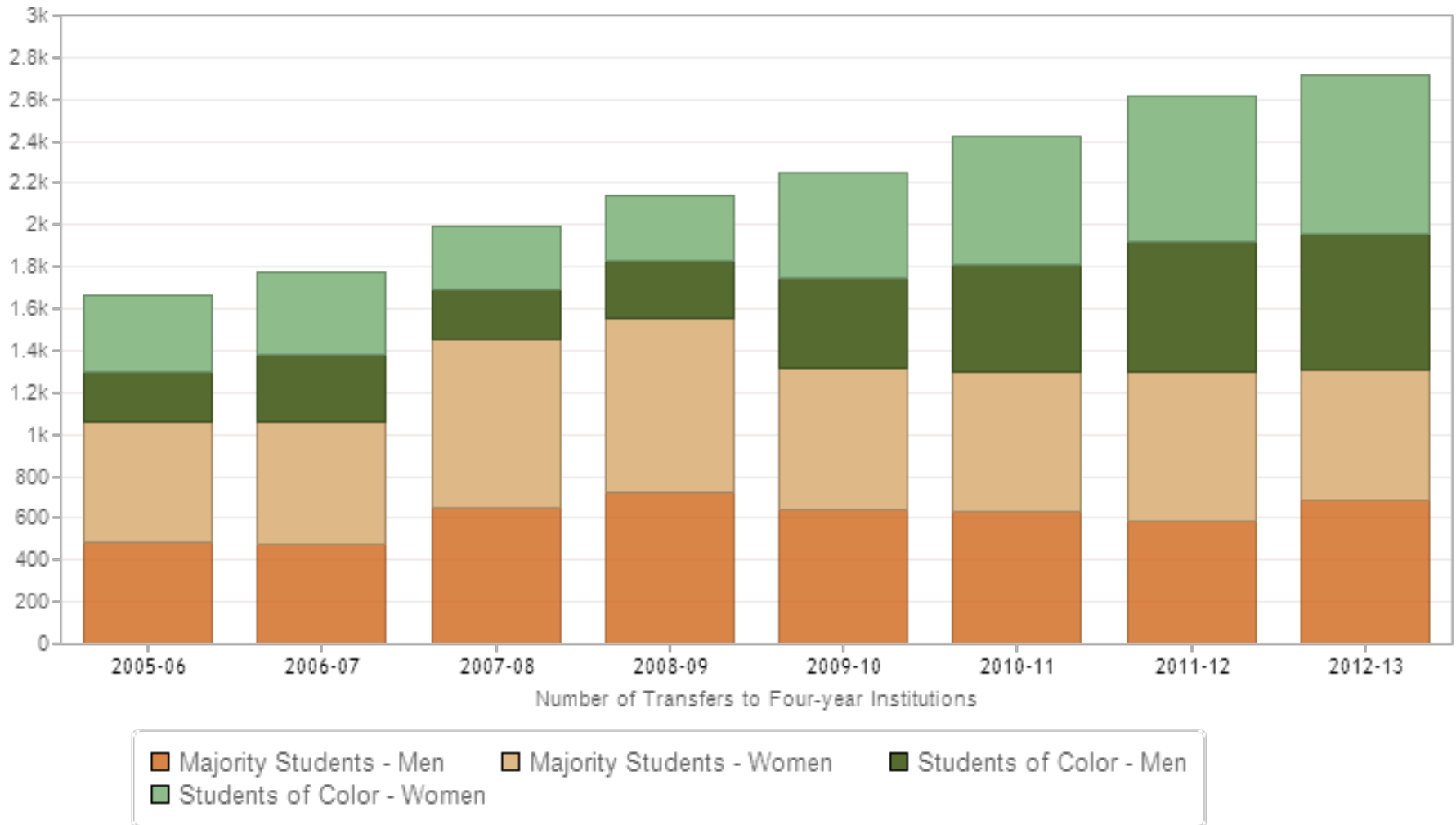
- **From Minority Backgrounds: 79%**
- **From Immigrant Families: 77%**
- **First Generation in College: 71%**
- **With a Disability: 26%**
- **FAFSA/Pell-Eligible: 86%**



Program Outcomes: A Snapshot

- **98% On-time high school graduation.**
- **88% Transition to post-secondary ed.**
- **90% First-to-second term persistence.**
- **83% First-to-second year persistence.**
- **Participants are 7% of NOVA population & 14% of credential completers.**
- **60% transfer to George Mason University**

NOVA Students Transferring to George Mason University: 2005–2012



Source: SCHEV 2014

2005

VS

2016

Total UG enrollment:
17,529

Total UG enrollment: **23,812**

Fall: Enrolled 951 NVCC
transfers

Fall: Enrolled 1,928 NVCC
transfers and 200 were
PW students

- **1 in every 10** transfer students at Mason comes from the PW program
- We remain the **largest university in VA** serving the largest transfer population in the state.

83% of Pathway students who transfer to Mason earn their Bachelor's degrees in three years.