

Physical Sciences, Mathematics, and Engineering Category Profile

PhD Attrition

Cohort Entry Year	# of entering PhD students*	Cumulative Attrition Rate**							Transfers	
		Within a Given Number of Years After Entry into Program							# of students transferring to other NU Programs	% of transfers leaving new NU program without PhD
		1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	6 Years	6 Years +		
2007	269	4%	12%	15%	19%	19%	20%	21%	3	0%
2008	251	9%	14%	18%	21%	23%	24%	24%	6	17%
2009	271	6%	9%	13%	15%	17%	17%	17%	6	17%
2010	257	4%	11%	15%	17%	18%	19%		11	9%
2011	263	6%	13%	16%	19%	19%			5	40%
2012	251	8%	15%	18%	20%				7	29%
2013	241	5%	12%	15%					7	29%
2014	206	5%	13%						6	33%
2015	271	4%							5	100%

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PhD Completion

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		4 Years	5 Years	6 Years	7 Years	8 Years	9 Years	10 Years +	# of students transferring to other NU programs	% of transfers completing PhD in new program
2005	200	3%	24%	55%	68%	68%	69%	70%	6	67%
2006	210	5%	29%	58%	68%	71%	72%	72%	5	60%
2007	269	7%	33%	60%	70%	72%	73%		3	67%
2008	251	4%	31%	56%	68%	72%			6	67%
2009	271	7%	33%	58%	66%				6	0%
2010	257	7%	33%	60%					11	0%
2011	263	3%	30%						5	0%
2012	251	4%							7	0%

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