



# FOOTHILL COLLEGE

## Institutional Research and Planning

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### Overview

Students who initially enrolled at Foothill College as first-time new students and awarded a certificate or associate's degree in 2009 were identified to determine how long it took for them to obtain their certificate and/or degree (Table 1.)

Table 1. Foothill College Average Time to Completion based on Certificate and/or Degree Awarded in 2009-10.

Students	Average Months	Average Years
111	58.51	4.88

Students were broken down into three categories: those who first enrolled in Fall 2006 or later

### Methodology

Students included in this cohort entered Foothill College as first-time new students and received a certificate and/or degree in 2009. The first-time new student cohort was used to capture those who completed their coursework at Foothill and were less likely to transfer credits. The number of months it took for each student to reach completion was summed.