

Presidents for Latino Student Success (P4LSS) is a diverse network of leaders in postsecondary education who have committed to a collective goal with *Excelencia* in Education of making our country stronger with the talents, skills, and contributions of Latino college graduates in collaboration. The network includes more than [135 leaders representing 172 institutions<sup>1</sup> in 28 states, Washington DC, and Puerto Rico.](#)

This profile of the P4LSS network shows diverse representation, and their collective commitment provides opportunities for collaboration to improve access, support, and degree completion for Latino and other post-traditional students. Consider the following profile of the Presidents for Latino Student Success Network in 2021:

**P4LSS institutions represent 5% of colleges/universities, enroll 27% of all Latino students. Latinos earn 34% of the degrees and certificates completed at P4LSS institutions.**

**Most are Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs).** Nearly two-thirds are HSIs and almost one-sixth are Emerging HSIs. HSI (65%), EHSI (15%), Neither (20%)<sup>2</sup>.

**Most are public institutions.** Nearly 90% are public two- and four-year institutions. Public 2-year (44%), Public 4-year (43%), Private 4-yr (13%).

**Most are located in large cities/suburbs.** Nearly two-thirds are in cities and one-fourth are in suburbs. City (62%), Suburb (25%), Rural (8%), and Town (5%).

**Most are in the West and South regions.** Over two thirds are in the West and South (71%) with over a third in California and Texas (34%).

**Over half have student enrollment of 10,000 or more.** Fifty-two percent have student enrollment of 10,000 or more and 21% have student enrollment between 5,000 and 9,999. 10,000+ (52%), 5,000-9,999 (21%), 1,000-4,999 (24%), and under 1,000 (3%).

### Enrollment, Fall 2019

**Latino undergraduate enrollment is concentrated in the P4LSS network.**

- Over 1 in 4 (27%) of all Latino students are enrolled at a P4LSS institution.
- Over 1 in 3 (39%) students enrolled at a P4LSS institution are Latino.
- Over half (61%) of degree/certificate-seeking Latino students at P4LSS institutions are enrolled full-time, similar to 61% nationally.
- Nearly half (39%) of degree/certificate-seeking Latino students at P4LSS institutions are enrolled part-time, similar to 39% nationally.

### Retention, Fall 2019

**Undergraduates in the P4LSS network have similar retention rates as students at all institutions.**

- *Full-time:* 78% of students at a P4LSS institution are retained compared to 76% at all institutions.
- *Part-time:* 48% of students at a P4LSS institution are retained compared to 45% at all institutions.

### Completion, 2018-19

**The P4LSS network enrolls and graduates a disproportionately higher number of Latino undergraduates than their representation among all institutions.**

- The P4LSS network of institutions represent approximately 5% of all degree-granting institutions in the U.S.
- Over 1 in 4 (26%) of all Latinos earned an associate or bachelor's degree from a P4LSS institution compared to about 1 in 6 (17.6%) nationally.
- Over 1 in 3 (35%) of undergraduates earning an associate's or bachelor's degree at a P4LSS institution are Latino compared to 1 in 5 (18%) nationally.

<sup>1</sup> Institutions in this brief are defined as Title IV participating degree-granting public and private, non-profit institutions. Some leaders head more than one institution. Data reported from IPEDS; some institutions may not have IPEDS data available for the relevant year.

<sup>2</sup> Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Percentages are reported out of those who have IPEDS data available and meet the criteria in footnote (1).

## Student Aid, 2018-19

**Undergraduates in the P4LSS network receive a slightly higher rate of Pell Grant aid but lower rates of federal student loans, and all grant aid,<sup>3</sup> compared to all undergraduates.**

At P4LSS institutions:

- 42% of students received Pell Grants compared to 39% nationally.
- 29% of students received federal student loans compared to 37% nationally.
- 64% of students received grant or scholarship aid compared to 68% nationally.

**Undergraduates in the P4LSS network have a higher average Pell Grant award but lower federal student loan and all grant aid nationally.**

- The average Pell Grant at P4LSS institutions is \$4,460 compared to \$4,428 nationally.
- The average federal student loan at P4LSS institutions is \$6,434 compared to \$6,614 nationally.
- The average of all grant aid at P4LSS institutions is \$7,755 compared to \$9,394 nationally.

## Degree Outcomes, 2018-19

**Latinos' degree outcomes:**

- Latino students at P4LSS institutions have lower graduation rates (41%) than Latinos nationally (44%).
- Latino students at P4LSS institutions are more likely to transfer or still be enrolled (22%) than Latinos nationally (20%).
- Latino students at P4LSS institutions have about the same *no longer enrolled* rates as Latino students nationally (37% and 36%).

**All students' degree outcomes:**

- Students at P4LSS institutions have lower graduation rates (48%) than students at all institutions (52%).
- Students at P4LSS institutions are more likely to transfer or still be enrolled (21%) than students at all institutions (18%).
- Students at P4LSS institutions have about the same *no longer enrolled* rates as students at all institutions (31% and 30%).

## Faculty and Staff, Fall 2019

**Latino faculty representation at P4LSS institutions is twice as high as other institutions.**

- *Full-time*: 11% of faculty at P4LSS institutions are Latino compared to 6% at all institutions.
- *Part-time*: 14% of faculty at P4LSS institutions are Latino compared to 7% at all institutions.

**P4LSS institutions have a higher rate of Latino faculty with tenure status and tenure track.**

- At P4LSS institutions, Latino faculty represent 10% of faculty with tenure status and 11% of faculty on tenure track compared to 6% at all institutions for both statuses.

**P4LSS institutions have a higher rate of Latino staff with adjunct status.**

- 13% of adjunct staff at P4LSS institutions are Latino compared to 6% at all institutions.

---

<sup>3</sup> Grant or scholarship aid includes aid received, from the federal government, state or local government, the institution, and other sources known by the institution.