

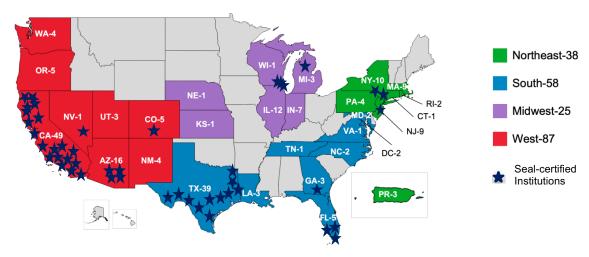


Excelencia in Action (E-Action) is a network of more than <u>208</u>¹ postsecondary leaders from 28 states, Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rico committed to a collective goal with *Excelencia* in Education of Ensuring America's Future by making our country stronger with the talents, skills, and contributions of Latino, and all, college graduates.

The E-Action network represented only 6% of colleges/universities yet enrolled 34% and graduated 36% of all Latino students.

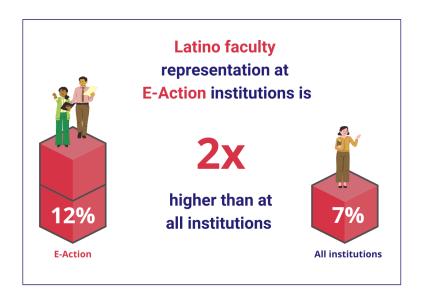
Currently, most colleges and universities in the E-Action network are:

- Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs). About 77% are HSIs, 12% are Emerging HSIs (eHSIs), 11% are neither.
- Public institutions. Over 84% are public institutions, and the others (16%) are private 4-year institutions.
- In the South and West regions. Almost three-quarters are in the South (28%) and West (42%).
- Working to be Seal of Excelencia certified. 48 are nationally certified for intentionally serving Latinos (Sep 2025).

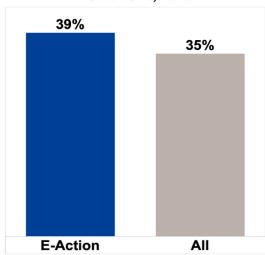


Comparing the E-Action network to all institutions:

- Retention rates are higher.
- Latino faculty representation is about twice as high.
- Students are more likely to receive Pell Grants and less likely to receive federal student loans or total grant aid.²



Pell Grant Recipients at E-Action and All Institutions, 2023-24



¹ Includes three system heads.

² Grant or scholarship aid includes aid received from federal, state and/or local government, the institution, and other sources known by the institution.

Seal of Excelencia Seal-certified 2025 Profile

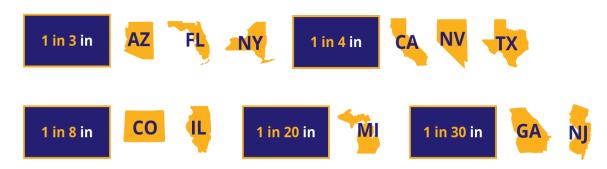


The Seal of *Excelencia* is a national certification for colleges and universities demonstrating positive momentum and intentionality in SERVING Latino students. The certification is valid for three years. <u>As of September 2025, 48 institutions have earned the Seal of Excelencia.</u> Of these, eight institutions from the 2019 inaugural cohort have been recertified twice and are now **Intentionally Thriving Institutions** demonstrating intentionality and impact for their students beyond completion by preparing and connecting them to the workforce.

Seal of *Excelencia* certified institutions represented less than 1% of colleges/universities yet enrolled 16% and graduated 18% of all Latino students.

• The Seal-certified institutions are located in 11 states. Three states enroll 1 in 3 Latino undergraduates, three states enroll 1 in 4, and a significant concentration are in the other five states.

Of Latino students, Seal-certified institutions enroll:

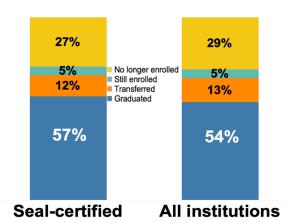


Among Seal-certified institutions:

- Undergraduates have higher retention rates than students at all institutions.
- Undergraduates are more likely to receive Pell Grants and less likely to receive federal student loans.
- Latino faculty representation is over two times higher than at all institutions.
- Latinos' degree outcomes are better than at all institutions.



Degree Outcomes of Latino Students 2023-24



^{*} Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding

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Source: Excelencia in Education analysis of U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), 2023 Fall Enrollment, Retention, Student Financial Aid and Net Price, Graduation Rates, Completions, Fall Staff and Institutional Characteristics Surveys.

Note: Institutions in this analysis are defined as Title IV participating degree-granting public and private, non-profit institutions. Some institutions may not have IPEDS data available for the relevant year.