MEMORANDUM

February 4, 2011

TO: Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs: UHM, UHH, and UHWO
    Academic Officers: UH Community Colleges
    Deans of Student Services: All campuses
    Registrars: All Campuses
    Admissions Officers: All campuses

FROM: Pearl I. Ibusi, Director

SUBJECT: AVERAGE GRADUATION AND PERSISTENCE RATES, AS OF AUGUST 2010

The attached graph reports average graduation and persistence rates for the University of Hawai‘i campuses as of August 2010. The information is provided in compliance with the Student Right-to-Know (SRTK) Act, Public Law 101-542. Institutions are required by Sec. 668.41 of the law to disclose and disseminate this information through appropriate publications and mailings to all currently enrolled and prospective students. The publications and/or mailings must be ones to which every student has access, such as the schedule of classes and campus catalog. Merely posting the information, for example on a bulletin board or providing the flyer only upon request, is not considered sufficient disclosure.

All UH campuses except UH-West O‘ahu are required to disclose the information. UH-West O‘ahu first enrolled first-time freshmen in Fall 2007, so graduation and persistence rate data are not yet required and, thus, this memo is being sent to them for informational purposes. Though the flyer shows data for eight UH campuses, each campus at its discretion may publish only its own rates. The minimum information that must be disclosed is the graduation rates for the Fall 2004 cohort for UH Mānoa and UH Hilo, and the Fall 2007 cohort for the UH community colleges. This information is found in the text of the flyer.

The flyer is accessible on the web at http://www.hawaii.edu/iro/srtk/ in .PDF, Excel, and other formats. The information will also be published in the “How to Enroll” instruction booklet which accompanies the UH application form.
Please ensure that the graduate rate information is published in your upcoming schedule of classes (SOC) and campus catalog, including the online versions. NOTE: Because of the varied formats utilized by the campuses and the necessity for compliance auditing, we request that you provide us with a printed or electronic version of your announcement and/or the specific source (e.g., SOC, catalog, URL, etc.). You should continue to publish the information in subsequent publications until you receive an update like this next year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at iboshi@hawaii.edu or (808) 956-7532.

Thank you for your assistance.

Attachment

C: VP Linda Johnsrud
   VP John Morton
   Interim AVP Karen Lee
Graduation rates for the most recent cohort are 50% at UH Mānoa and 33% at UH Hilo for the Fall 2004 cohort six years after entry, and at the UH community colleges for the Fall 2007 cohort completing within 150% of normal time to completion: 16% overall, 21% at Hawai‘i CC, 11% at Honolulu CC, 17% at Kapi‘olani CC, 21% at Kaua‘i CC, 12% at Leeward CC, 26% at Maui College, and 9% at Windward CC. UH West O‘ahu began admitting first-time students effective Fall 2007, and is not included here since graduation and persistence data are not yet required or available.

This information is provided for the Student Right-to-Know Act, Public Law 101-542. It provides a partial description of the graduation and enrollment patterns of students and describes averages for groups of students. It should not be used to infer or predict individual behavior.

Institutional Research Office, University of Hawai‘i, January 2011