

# CAL POLY POMONA STUDENT-ATHLETE SUCCESS

## 4, 5 & 6 YEAR GRADUATION RATE ASSESSMENT (2008-2009 COHORT)

### BACKGROUND

Traditionally the Cal Poly Pomona Intercollegiate Athletic Department only tracks 6 year NCAA Federal Graduation Rate and NCAA Academic Success Rates (ASR) data. NCAA Federal Graduation Rate is a 6 year cohort, includes only first-time freshmen student-athletes who are enrolled fulltime and receive athletic scholarship, and includes student-athletes who quit the team or transfer to another institution. Academic Success Rate (ASR) is a 6 year rate which includes federal cohort and includes transfers, mid-year enrollees, non-athletic scholarship freshmen, and removes student-athletes who leave Cal Poly Pomona while eligible. The NCAA created the "Path to Graduation" initiative and legislation to increase graduation rates. This initiative increased eligibility standards for junior college transfers for Fall 2016 and will increase for first-time freshmen in Fall 2018. The current academic support within the intercollegiate athletic department consists of 1 fulltime Assistant Athletic Director for Student Services who gives academic advising to all student-athletes, monitored study hall four times a week for student-athletes with a 2.5 GPA and under, and coaches conduct academic meetings with each current student-athlete.

### PURPOSE OF ASSESSMENT

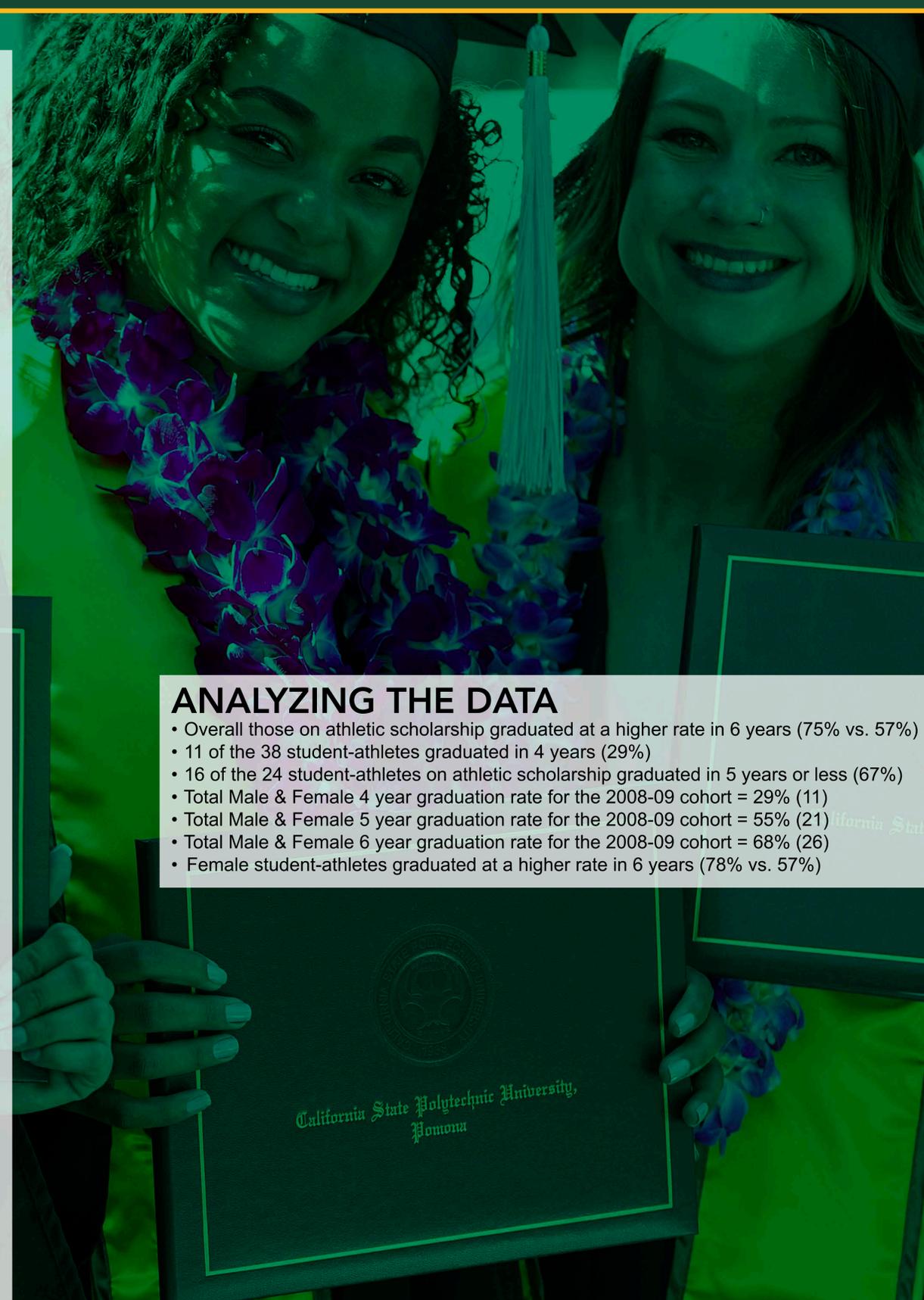
Assess student-athlete 4 year, 5 year, and 6 year graduation rates for first-time freshmen student-athletes who receive athletic scholarship and for non-athletic scholarship student-athletes. To also assess whether athletic scholarship student-athletes at a higher rate than non-scholarship student-athletes and to assess the male vs female cohort results.

### 2008-09 COHORT INFORMATION

- 38 First-time freshmen
- 19 males and 19 females
- 11 males on athletic scholarship and 8 not on athletic scholarship
- 13 females on athletic scholarship and 6 not on athletic scholarship
- Male cohort consisted of 8 baseball, 3 men's basketball, 6 cross country/track, 2 men's soccer
- Female cohort consisted of 6 women's basketball, 3 women's cross country/track, 6 women's soccer, 2 women's volleyball, 2 women's tennis

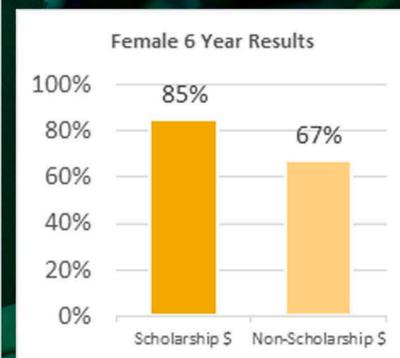
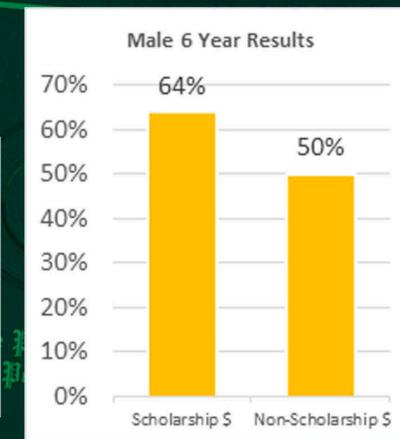
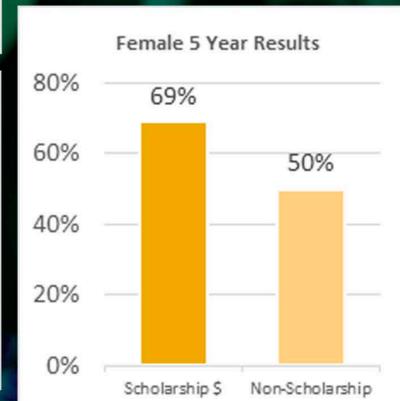
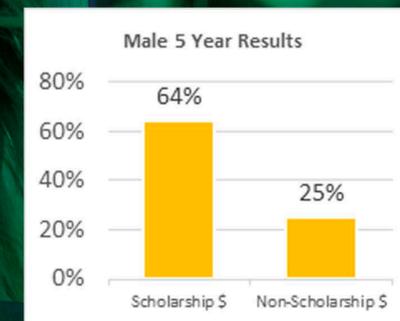
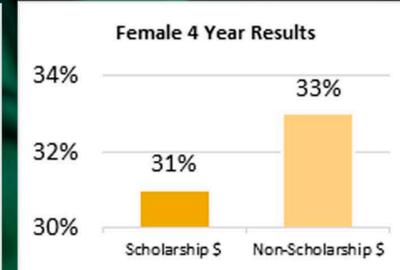
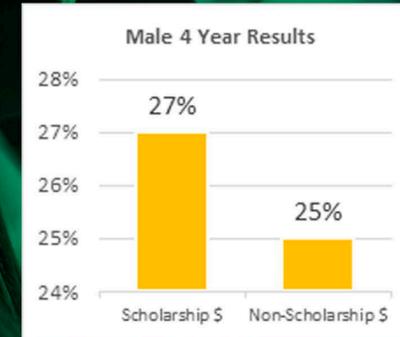
### TARGETED LEARNING OUTCOME

To determine the interventions needed to improve four year graduation rates.



### ANALYZING THE DATA

- Overall those on athletic scholarship graduated at a higher rate in 6 years (75% vs. 57%)
- 11 of the 38 student-athletes graduated in 4 years (29%)
- 16 of the 24 student-athletes on athletic scholarship graduated in 5 years or less (67%)
- Total Male & Female 4 year graduation rate for the 2008-09 cohort = 29% (11)
- Total Male & Female 5 year graduation rate for the 2008-09 cohort = 55% (21)
- Total Male & Female 6 year graduation rate for the 2008-09 cohort = 68% (26)
- Female student-athletes graduated at a higher rate in 6 years (78% vs. 57%)



### CONCLUSION

The Intercollegiate Athletic Department will continue to look at ways to increase overall graduation rates but focusing on 4 year graduation rate through various initiatives which include;

- Increased summer school course offerings
- Increased summer athletic scholarship money
- Closely analyze recruitment of transfer student-athletes and path to graduation
- Generating scholarships for student-athletes who have exhausted athletic eligibility
- NCAA "Path to Graduation" requirements