

Biological Sciences Program Profile

PhD Attrition

Cohort Entry Year	# of entering PhD students*	Cumulative Attrition Rate**							Transfers	
		Within a Given Number of Years After Entry into Program							# of students transferring to other NU Programs	% of transfers leaving new NU program without PhD
		1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years	6 Years	6 Years +		
2007	18	6%	17%	17%	28%	28%	28%	28%	2	0%
2008	24	8%	17%	25%	33%	33%	33%	33%	4	0%
2009	14	7%	21%	36%	36%	36%	36%	36%	2	0%
2010	21	10%	14%	14%	14%	14%	14%	14%	1	0%
2011	16	6%	13%	19%	19%	19%	19%	19%	1	0%
2012	22	5%	9%	14%	14%	14%	14%	14%	2	0%
2013	21	0%	5%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	0	-
2014	15	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	1	0%
2015	20	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0	-

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PhD Completion

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		4 Years	5 Years	6 Years	7 Years	8 Years	9 Years	10 Years +	# of students transferring to other NU programs	% of transfers completing PhD in new program
2005	34	0%	9%	32%	38%	50%	53%	56%	6	83%
2006	24	0%	4%	21%	38%	50%	63%	67%	3	67%
2007	18	11%	11%	28%	61%	61%	67%		2	50%
2008	24	0%	4%	25%	38%	54%			4	25%
2009	14	0%	14%	21%	36%				2	0%
2010	21	5%	5%	19%					1	0%
2011	16	0%	6%						1	0%
2012	22	0%							2	0%

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