

## 24. Retention Rates

Retention rate refers to students who returned from the previous year. Retention rate is a measure of the rate at which students persist in their educational program at an institution, expressed as a percentage. For four-year institutions (Cardinal Glennon College), this is the percentage of first-time bachelors (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduates from the previous fall who are again enrolled in the current fall. For all other institutions (Kenrick School of Theology), this is the percentage of first-time degree/certificate-seeking students from the previous fall who either re-enrolled or successfully completed their program by the current fall. (See <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/glossary/index.asp?id=772>)

### **Cardinal Glennon College:**

2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
100%	75%	78%	100%	96%
2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	
87%	93%	88%	95%	

### **Kenrick-Glennon Seminary School of Theology:**

2010-2011	2011-2012	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
91%	88%	89%	85%	90%
2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	
89%	90%	89%	95%	

Because the mission of Kenrick-Glennon Seminary is to prepare men for the Roman Catholic Priesthood, retention rates most typically reflect the number of men who with their Bishop, Vocation Director, and Formation Advisor determine that they are not called to the priesthood at the time of their withdrawal.