

FLORIDA

Florida Department of Education

- Coordinating agency
- Housed within the state education agency (K-12)
- Data collected from 2-year public, 4-year public, and public technical centers in the state
- Financial aid entity
- The Florida Department of Education has received 3 NCES Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems grants (FY06, FY09, FY09 [ARRA]), totaling over \$14 million. The agency included its postsecondary and labor partners in the FY2009 Request for Application made possible through the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act.
- 1 of 2 state level postsecondary student unit record (SUR) systems
- Other postsecondary SURs in state (click on active link(s) to view profile):
[Board of Governors](#), [State University System of Florida](#)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SUR NAME **Florida College System Student Database (SDB), Workforce Development Information System (WDIS), PK-20 Education Data Warehouse (EDW), Florida Education and Training Placement Information Program (FETPIP)**

Year SUR Established **1989**

Last period of upgrade/modification **Between 1990 and 1999**

Reasons SUR was Established

- legislative compliance
- institutional resource allocation/funding formula
- IPEDS reporting
- increasing student achievement
- tracking student retention/graduation
- tracking students across institutions
- federal civil rights compliance
- other federal mandates (Title IV of the Higher Education Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 [amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972], Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act, National Education Statistics Act)

Legal Authority to Collect Data

- state law creating data system
- state law requiring the collection of SUR data
- administrative regulations/rules issued to interpret state law(s)

INSTITUTIONAL COVERAGE, TYPES OF DATA, AND METADATA

Institutional Coverage

- 2-year public
- 4-year public
- other institution type (*Florida's Public Technical Centers*)

IPEDS Roles

Verification

- coordinator

Reporting

- coordinator

Participation in IPEDS Surveys

- Institutional Characteristics (IC)
- 12-month Enrollment (E12)
- Completions (C)
- Human Resources (Employees by Assigned Position (EAP), Fall Staff (S), and Salaries (SA))
- Fall Enrollment (EF)
- Graduation Rate (GRS)
- Finance (F)
- Student Financial Aid (SFA)

Types of Data Collected

- K-12 academic history (*high school, admissions test scores*)
- postsecondary academic history (*placement test scores, transfer*)
- demographic
- postsecondary enrollment
- course-level information
- financial aid
- completions
- non-credit instructional activity (*pre-college courses [remedial, developmental], continuing education courses*)
- academic program inventory
- faculty/staff
- facilities/capital projects
- Adult Basic Education (*GED, Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language*)

Authority to Change Data Elements/Definitions

- agency/entity staff
- legislature

Internal Primary Key(s) to Build Longitudinal Records

- Social Security Number (*plans to discontinue use as internal primary key*)

Metadata

business procedures

- data element dictionary
- data submission/reporting procedure
- data certification forms

technical procedures

- data validation/data checking procedure
- data audit procedure
- statistical mechanisms used to alert institutional user of successful or unsuccessful data validation

USES OF SUR DATA

Current Uses and Purposes

- decision-/policymaking
- generating reports and statistics (internal and external)
- consumer information for prospective students
- research
- cross-sector collaboration (K-12, labor, etc.)



Types of Reports

- articulation ([sample](#))
- completions
- distance education
- dual credit/dual enrollment
- enrollment
- facilities utilization
- financial aid
- high school feedback ([sample](#))
- institutional finance
- non-credit instructional activity
- performance measures
- remediation ([sample](#))
- retention ([sample](#))
- transfer ([sample](#))
- other report(s)
 - course performance* ([sample](#))
 - pipeline* ([sample](#))

Audiences Receiving Some or All Reports

governor's office, legislature, coordinating or governing board, K-12 (agency, districts, and/or schools), other state agencies, federal agencies, general public, other audience (ad hoc groups)

LINKING ARRANGEMENTS WITH AGENCIES, STATES, AND ORGANIZATIONS

State P-20 Data Warehouse yes

Managing Agency Florida Department of Education

Host Agency Florida Department of Education

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Links to State Agencies/Entities

- state financial aid agency/entity
- state education agency (K-12)

Access to K-12 agency elements yes

- labor/workforce

Access to labor/workforce agency elements yes

- pre-k/early childhood
- foster care
- motor vehicle division/dept
- juvenile detention
- corrections

Links to Other States no

Links to External Organizations

- National Student Clearinghouse

Primary IDs Used in Matching

- Social Security Number

Demographic Elements Used in Matching

- name
- date of birth
- gender
- race/ethnicity

Legal Mechanisms Enabling Linking

- legislative mandate
- memorandum of agreement/understanding
- administrative rule/regulation

Barriers to Linking

- resources
- coordination with other state authorities/administrators
- data quality concerns
- FERPA concerns

MECHANISMS TO ENSURE DATA QUALITY

Responsibility for Entering Data

- appropriate institutional/campus personnel

Responsibility for Checking/Verifying Data

- appropriate institutional/campus personnel

Method of Informing IR Personnel of Data Submission Inconsistencies

- automated notification (e.g., web-based, program-based method)

On-site Institutional Data Audits no

Professional Development for IR Professionals yes

Mandatory? yes

Frequency annually

DATA ELEMENTS COLLECTED

Postsecondary Elements (36)

- demographic*
- ✓ - student name
- ✓ - date of birth
- ✓ - gender
- ✓ - race/ethnicity
- ✓ - Social Security Number
- ✓ - K-12 identification number
- ✓ - Institutional identification number
- ✓ - student identification number
- ✓ - citizenship
- ✓ - state residency status
- postsecondary academic history*
- ✓ - admissions scores
- ✓ - placement scores
- ✓ - prior college(s) attended
- ✓ - transfer credits
- enrollment status*
- ✓ - degree seeking status
- ✓ - attendance status (full-/part-time)
- 1st term of academic history
- ✓ - program/major
- financial aid*
- ✓ - dependency status
- ✓ - family income
- ✓ - federal financial aid
- ✓ - state financial aid
- ✓ - institutional financial aid
- ✓ - other financial aid
- ✓ - merit-based financial aid
- ✓ - need-based financial aid
- FAFSA fields
- academic activity*
- ✓ - course title
- ✓ - course mode of instruction
- ✓ - course grade
- term student credit hours (SCH) attempted
- term SCH earned
- academic attainment*
- ✓ - degree awarded
- ✓ - degree date
- cumulative SCH earned
- cumulative GPA

K-12 Elements (13)

- demographic*
- ✓ - student free and reduced-price lunch eligibility
- ✓ - language spoken at home
- ✓ - disability status
- high school background*
- ✓ - high school attended
- ✓ - district/school code
- student resident county-district code
- academic activity*
- ✓ - date student enrolled
- ✓ - course type
- ✓ - course title
- ✓ - course grade
- academic attainment*
- ✓ - high school GPA
- ✓ - high school graduation date
- ✓ - assessment scores

Labor/Workforce Elements (15)

- employer ID number
- employer size (# of employees monthly)
- employer county
- ✓ - wages earned
- ✓ - wage type code
- ✓ - hours worked
- ✓ - employment quarter code
- ✓ - employment year
- date student/employee applied for Unemployment Insurance (UI)
- date student first received UI check
- other agencies providing services to student while student is receiving UI
- ✓ - U.S. Census North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code
- ✓ - U.S. Census NAICS title
- ✓ - U.S. Department of Labor Standard Occupational Classification (SOC) code
- ✓ - U.S. Department of Labor SOC title