Florida Colleges Are Leaders Among SREB Member States

The FCS is second among 16 states in the number of degrees and certificates awarded.

In the annual 2018 Southern Regional Exchange Board (SREB) State Data Exchange Indicators Report, the Florida College System (FCS) awarded the second certificates and degrees, totaling over 114,000 for 2015-16. This was comprised of 35,620 (31.0 percent) certificates, 71,817 associate degrees (Associate in Arts, Associate in Applied Science, Associate in Science; 62.5 percent) and 7,439 (6.5 percent) workforce baccalaureate degrees. Twenty-eight Florida colleges serve 67 counties across the state, providing training and education opportunities close to home for more than 813,000 students. Currently 9 in 10 FCS graduates are working or continuing their education. According to Georgetown University’s Center on Education and the Workforce, approximately two-thirds of jobs will require some postsecondary training by 2020 nationwide and with Florida’s population projected to increase to 28 percent to 5.5 million by 2024 (highest projected growth in the SREB), the Florida College System’s institutions are poised to continue to produce more graduates to join the workforce.

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