

“How is Columbia doing?”

This is a frequently-asked question about the college. Often it is about aspects like enrollment or donations, but it is also relevant to ask how well we are accomplishing our mission and goals. Students, families, churches and the general public want to know whether we are effective educators and good stewards.

Columbia seeks to be open to the questions people may have about the college and we welcome people with questions or concerns to contact us. But, we also make public a number of items so that people can know how we are doing.

In this Reports Section you will find information about Columbia both as an organization as well as a college.

On the organization side, we offer the following:

The Annual General Meeting Report which provides a global report on how the college is doing as well as major decisions before us.

Columbia’s finances are audited annually by an external accounting firm and we have posted these statements for your information.

On the educational side, we have chosen a few representative indicators:

Our retention ratio, which indicates what percentage of students continue in their program.

Students’ average Grade Point Average (GPA) which indicates what level of academic work is being produced by our students. In our system a GPA of 3.0 is equivalent to a B.

Our degree completion rate, which shows the percentage of our students who come for a four-year degree and in fact graduate within 5 years.

The post-graduation paths of our BA graduates; some will go on for other studies, some opt not to seek employment in their field; some do and are successful and some are still looking after a year.

If you would like more information about these or other “outcomes,” please do not hesitate to contact [Bryan Born](#) in the President’s office or [Doug Berg](#) in the Academic Dean’s office.

Student Achievement

2011 2012 2013

Enrollment (Fall headcount)	478	414	419
Retention Rate	44%	56%	64%
Avg GPA	3.0	3.0	3.15
Completion Rate	37%	57%	42%?

Post-BA Grad Paths for 2011-2013

Median

On to further studies	22%
Chose field other than program	17%
Working in field within 1 year	49%
Looking in field after 1 year	0%
Unknown	10%