

2008 Accountability Reporting for the Community Colleges (ARCC) Report

Background: What is ARCC?

ARCC is a report generated annually by the California Community Colleges System Office in response to the legislative intent of Assembly Bill 1417 (2004) to produce a set of performance indicators for the California Community Colleges, both systemwide and by individual colleges. This report is intended to inform the public at large, state government policymakers, and local boards of trustees, and the report is posted each March on the Chancellor's Office website.

Scope: What does the ARCC report?

In addition to the systemwide indicators that report statewide rates for graduation, transfer, and increase in personal income as a result of receiving a vocational degree, the ARCC reports on seven performance indicators for each of the 109 community colleges. These indicators rate year-to-year changes in student progress and achievement, persistence, completion, and improvement in the areas of transfer, vocational, and basic skills courses. Comparative data also indicate each college's performance within a group of "peer" colleges for each of the seven indicators.

Assessment: What does the ARCC report say about Ohlone College?

On five of the seven accountability indicators, Ohlone is above its peer group average, and six of the seven indicators for 2006-07 are at or above the college's 2005-06 rates. (See the attached response from the report.)