

Professional Program Student Achievement Outcomes

Belmont University uses licensure passage rates, graduation rates and job placements rates as measures of student success for professional programs. Belmont uses a standard set of measures where possible for these programs, however, because of the variability in programs and guidelines from external accrediting bodies for some programs, some measures are customized for the specific program.

Licensure Passage Rates

Belmont University professional programs track and monitor the performance of Belmont students on state and national licensure examinations or other testing appropriate for the program. Unless required by an external accrediting body, our goal is to maintain passage rates that exceed the state or national average with a threshold of acceptability being no lower than the state or national average.

College of Pharmacy

Licensure passage rates are compared to the national average for The North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination® (NAPLEX) for graduates of the College of Pharmacy. For the class of 2021, Belmont University's NAPLEX passage rate for first-time attempts was 82.4%.

NAPLEX First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	94.03%	88.6%	82.4%
	National	88.34%	86.5%	83.6%
	Difference	+7.11	+2.1	-1.2

In addition, licensure passage rates are compared to the national average for the Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination® (MPJE). For the class of 2021, Belmont University's MPJE passage rate for all attempts was 80%. This is higher than the national average for this examination.

MPJE First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	92.11%	76.47%	80%
	National	83.58%	84.59%	78.3%
	Difference	+8.53	-8.12	+1.7

College of Law

The College of Law is accredited by the American Bar Association. ABA Standard 316 states that "At least 75 percent of a law school's graduates in a calendar year who sat for a bar examination must have passed a bar examination administered within two years of their date of graduation." Therefore, the College of Law uses the ABA requirement as their goal for licensure passage rates. The class of 2021, Belmont University's bar passage rate in the state of Tennessee was 89%.

Bar Passage Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	97.18%	82.76%	89%
	Goal	75%	75%	75%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Nursing

NCLEX RN Passage Rates

Belmont University School of Nursing graduates' first-time passage rates on the NCLEX RN exam developed by The National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) are compared to the state average.

NCLEX RN First Time Pass Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	91%	93%	89%	84%
	National	87.1%	88.2%	86.5%	82.5%
	Difference	+3.9	4.8+	2.5+	1.5+

FNP Certification Passage Rates

FNP Certification first time passage rates are used to measure student achievement for graduates of Belmont's MSN and DNP programs. National comparisons are not available. The School of Nursing has set a goal of 90% with a threshold of 80% as required by AACN. Belmont students have achieved a 100% first time pass rate on the FNP exam for every year since 2004.

FNP Certification Pass Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Occupational Therapy

Master of Occupational Therapy

The percentage of graduates from the Belmont University Master of Occupational Therapy program completing the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) is 100%. The most recent average passing rate for other schools in Tennessee is 99.6%.

NBCOT Pass Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	97%	97%	100%
	State	97.6%	97.25%	99.6%
	Difference	-.6	-.25	+.4

Doctor of Occupational Therapy

The percentage of graduates from the Belmont University Doctor of Occupational Therapy program completing the national certification examination for the occupational therapist administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT) is 100% in 2021. The average passing rate for other schools in Tennessee is 100%.

NBCOT Pass Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%
	State	100%	100%	100%
	Difference	0	0	0

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Physical Therapy

Licensure passage rates for National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) are compared to the two-year average of the six DPT Programs in the State of Tennessee (Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy). The most recent passage rate for the Belmont University DPT program is 100%.

NPTE Passage Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%
	State*	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Difference	N/A	N/A	N/A

* Two-year average of the six DPT Programs in the State of Tennessee

College of Theology and Christian Ministry, Mental Health Counseling

National comparative data is not available for the National Counseling Exam (NCE) for graduates of the College of Theology & Christian Ministry, Mental Health Counseling Program examinations. Belmont has established a goal of 75% with a minimum threshold of 65% for this new program on the NCE.

For the class of 2022, Belmont University's NCE passage rate for first-time attempts was 100%. This is higher than the established goal for this examination. *Note that scores are based on student report since NCE would not release scores to the program.

NCE First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Goal	75%	75%	75%	75%
	Threshold	65%	65%	65%	65%

National comparative data is not available for the National Exam for Marital and Family Therapy (NEMFT) for graduates of the College of Theology & Christian Ministry, Mental Health Counseling Program examinations. Belmont has established a goal of 70% with a minimum threshold of 65% on the NEMFT for this new program.

For the class of 2022, Belmont University's NEMFT passage rate for first-time attempts was 100%. This is higher than the established goal for this examination. *Note that scores are based on student report since NEMFT would not release scores to the program.

NEMFT First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	75%	No Students	100%	100%
	Goal	70%		70%	70%
	Threshold	65%		65%	65%

Mental Health Counseling students who wish to attain licensure as professional counselors (LPC) also take the Tennessee state Jurisprudence Examination. Although state of Tennessee comparative data is not available for the Jurisprudence Exam, Belmont has established a goal of 75% as a benchmark on the Jurisprudence LPC exam for this new program.

For the class of 2021, Belmont University’s Jurisprudence Examination/LPC passage rate for first-time attempts was 100%. This is higher than the established goal for this examination. *Note that scores are based on student report since the Tennessee board of counselors does not release data to programs.

TSJE/LPC First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%	No Students
	Goal	75%	75%	75%	
	Threshold	65%	65%	65%	

Mental Health Counseling students who wish to attain licensure as marriage and family therapists (MFT) also take the Tennessee state Jurisprudence Examination. Although state of Tennessee comparative data is not available for the Jurisprudence Exam, Belmont has established a goal of 75% as a benchmark on the Jurisprudence Exam MFT for this new program.

For the class of 2021, Belmont University’s Jurisprudence Examination/MFT passage rate for first-time attempts was 100%. This is higher than the established goal for this examination. *Note that scores are based on student report since the Tennessee board of counselors does not release data to programs.

TSJE/MFT First Time Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	100%	No Students	100%	No Students
	Goal	75%		75%	
	Threshold	65%		65%	

School of Education, Teaching Licensure

The School of Education measures the percentage of BU teacher education program completers who pass required teacher licensure assessments (all Praxis and edTPA assessments). The program has set a goal of 90% with a minimum threshold of 85%. The Teacher Licensure Assessment pass rate in 2021 for Belmont students was 100%, which is above the program’s goal of 90%.

Licensure Pass Rates		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	93%	95%	100%	
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	
	Threshold	85%	85%	85%	

O’More College of Architecture & Design, Architecture*

The Bachelor of Architecture program began accepting students in the fall 2020 semester. This 5-year program will produce its first graduates in the spring of 2025. Belmont licensure rates for this program will be compared to the national average.

*Accreditation pending through National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB).

Graduation Rates

Belmont University professional programs, with the exception of the College of Law, track and monitor the graduation/completion rates of enrolled students as a measure of student success. Because peer data is not easily available at the graduate and professional level, Belmont has established a set of goals and thresholds for each program. Unless defined by an external accrediting body, Belmont uses a standard methodology of measuring the percentage of students who graduate within 150% of the standard program length.

College of Pharmacy

The College of Pharmacy is accredited by Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE). On-time graduation is defined by ACPE as students graduating within 4 years of matriculation. Total attrition, including delayed graduation, academic dismissal, or withdrawal from the program for any reason must be below 24%. Therefore, on-time graduation must be $\geq 76\%$. The College of Pharmacy has a goal of 90% for on time graduation with the ACPE required 76% as a minimum threshold

		2019	2020	2021	2022
Graduation Rate	Belmont	82%	88%	80%	81%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	76%	76%	76%	76%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Nursing

National data for graduations rates are not available. The school of nursing has a graduation rate goal of 90% with a minimum threshold of 70% as required by AACN.

BSN: Graduation rates for BSN students have remained above the threshold of 70% for each of the past three years and was above the departmental goal of 90% in 2019. Data are reported by cohort year.

		2018	2019
Graduation Rate	Belmont	83%	82%
	Goal	90%	90%
	Threshold	70%	70%

MSN: MSN graduation rates have remained above the goal of 90% in 2017 and 2018, while a dip in 2019 remained above the threshold.

		2018	2019
Graduation Rate	Belmont	100%	77%
	Goal	90%	90%
	Threshold	70%	70%

DNP: DNP graduation rate for the 2018 cohort is above the threshold.

		2018	2019
Graduation Rate	Belmont	80%	86%
	Goal	90%	90%
	Threshold	70%	70%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Occupational Therapy

MSOT: The 2021 graduation rate for the Belmont University Master of Occupational Therapy program was 100%, above the threshold.

Graduation Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	97%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%

*Number who graduate within 150% of the published length of the program in a given calendar year

DOT: The 2022 graduation rate for the Belmont University Doctor of Occupational Therapy program was 100%, above the threshold.

Graduation Rate		2019	2020	2021	2022
	Belmont	100%	100%	100%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

*Number who graduate within 150% of the published length of the program in a given calendar year

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Physical Therapy

The DPT program evaluates the percentage of students who graduate on time as an annual graduation rate, and as a two-year average as required by CAPTE, compared to the national average. Belmont has selected the annual graduation rate as our primary student achievement measure with a goal of 90% and a threshold of 80%.

Graduation Rate		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	98%	98%	95.8%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%

College of Theology and Christian Ministry, Mental Health Counseling

National comparative data are not available for The Mental Health Counseling program. The program has established a goal of 90% with a minimum threshold of 80%. Data reported by cohort year.

Graduation Rate		2017	2018	2021	2022
	Belmont	67%	79%	100%	94%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

Note: 2018 is the first year that Belmont awarded the M.A. in Mental Health Counseling degree.

College of Education, Teaching Licensure

Graduation rates are based on 150% of normal times based on program length and are shown by cohort year. Programs with the same program length are grouped together as most cohort sizes are small. The

College of Education has established a goal of 90% with a minimum threshold of 80%. The most recent graduation rates for programs in the College of Education are above the threshold.

MAT Graduate Education and MED Reading Specialist

		2016	2017	2018	2019
Graduation Rate	Belmont	79%	76%	88%	86%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

MED Learning & Org. Change; MED Organizational Leader & Comm; MM Music Education

		2015	2016	2017	2018
Graduation Rate	Belmont	67%	50%	91%	63%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

MED Graduate Education; MED Non Profit Leadership

		2014	2015	2016	2017
Graduation Rate	Belmont	45%	100%	80%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

O’More College of Architecture & Design, Architecture

The Bachelor of Architecture program began accepting students in the fall 2020 semester. This 5 year program will produce its first graduates in the spring of 2025. The program will use the criteria for Belmont undergraduate programs for its graduation rates with a goal of 75% and a minimum threshold of 70%.

Job Placement Rates

Belmont Professional programs track job placement rates for graduates using the First Destination survey unless otherwise noted. The First Destination Career Outcomes Rate represents the percentage of graduates from whom data could be collected or otherwise obtained, who were working, continuing education, volunteering or enlisted in the military generally within six months of graduation and excludes those who were not seeking employment.

College of Pharmacy

2021 graduates of the College of Pharmacy were employed at a rate of 95% which is above the goal of 90%.

		2018	2019	2020	2021
Job placement rates	Belmont	77%	92%	95%	95%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	86%	86%	86%	86%

College of Law

Graduates of the College of Law were employed at a rate of 90% which matched the stated goal.

Job placement rates		2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	95%	90%	90%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	86%	86%	86%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Nursing

The Nursing program at Belmont has established a First Destination Rate goal of 80% with a minimum threshold of 70%.

BSN: 2021 graduates of Belmont's BSN program were employed at a rate of 96% exceeding the 80% goal set by the program.

Job placement rates		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	98%	99%	96%	97%
	Goal	80%	80%	80%	80%
	Threshold	70%	70%	70%	70%

MSN: 2021 graduates of Belmont's MSN program were employed at a rate of 100% exceeding the 80% goal set by the program.

Job placement rates		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	93%	93%	78%	100%
	Goal	80%	80%	80%	80%
	Threshold	70%	70%	70%	70%

DNP: 2021 graduates of Belmont's DNP program were employed at a rate of 93% exceeding the goal set by the program.

Job placement rates		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	83%	71%	100%	93%
	Goal	80%	80%	80%	80%
	Threshold	70%	70%	70%	70%

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Occupational Therapy

MSOT: Master of Occupational Therapy graduates were placed at a rate of 93% in 2021. This exceeds the threshold of 90% established by the program.

First Destination Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	83%	86%	79%	93%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	85%	85%	85%	85%

Data is collected using the First Destination Survey methodology.

DOT: Doctor of Occupational Therapy graduates were placed at a rate of 100% in 2021. This exceeds the threshold set by the program.

First Destination Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	84%	80%	71%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	85%	85%	85%	85%

Data is collected using the First Destination Survey methodology.

Gordon E. Inman College of Health Sciences & Nursing, Physical Therapy

Data is gathered from both the First Destination Survey (administered by the University) and the Alumni Survey and Employer Surveys (administered by the DPT Program). CAPTE defines employment as graduates who secured professional full-time or part-time employment, enrolled in graduate school, or enlisted in military service within one year of graduation. National employment rates are 99% for each of the past three years (Aggregate Program Data – CAPTE).

First Destination Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	100%	96%	90%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	86%	86%	86%	86%

College of Theology and Christian Ministry, Mental Health Counseling

Job Placement Rates: 100% of graduates in 2022 are employed which exceeds the stated goal of 90%.

Job placement Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	100%	94%	100%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	80%	80%	80%	80%

Note: 2018 is the first year that Belmont awarded the M.A. in Mental Health Counseling degree.

School of Education, Teaching Licensure

Job placement rates for students in the Graduate Education program were 100% in 2021 which exceeds the stated goal of 90%.

First Destination Rate		2018	2019	2020	2021
	Belmont	86%	95%	100%	100%
	Goal	90%	90%	90%	90%
	Threshold	86%	86%	86%	86%

Data is collected using the First Destination Survey methodology.

O'More College of Architecture & Design, Architecture

The Bachelor of Architecture program began accepting students in the fall 2020 semester. This 5 year program will produce its first graduates in the spring of 2025. The program will use the criteria for Belmont undergraduate programs for its graduation rates with a goal of 90% and a minimum threshold of 86%.