

NELSON MANDELA UNIVERSITY



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2024

Student success at a glance

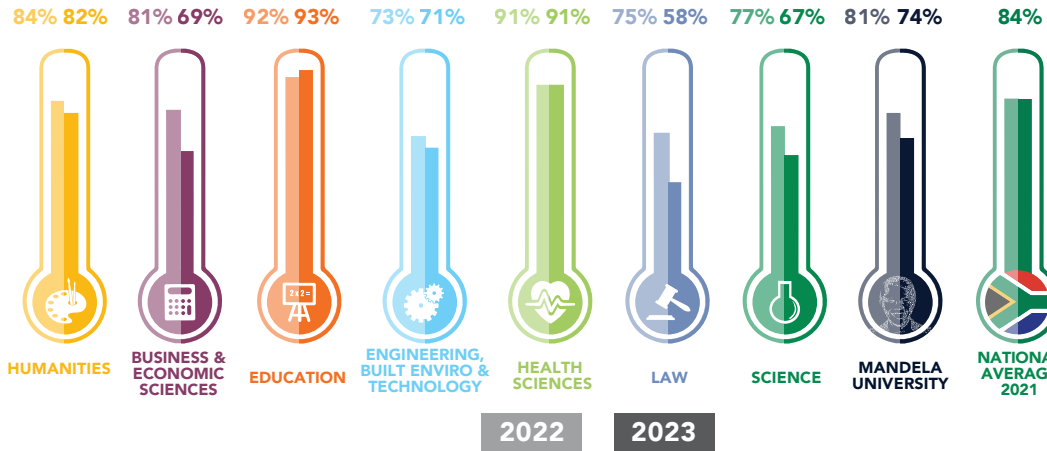
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OUR DEFINITION OF STUDENT SUCCESS

“ Student success is being self-aware, understanding one’s own **strengths and weaknesses**, mindfully setting & **achieving** one’s personal goals with **persistence and commitment**, and taking **co-responsibility** with staff and support structures to progress academically, and to **graduate as holistically developed, responsible citizens**. ”

SUCCESS RATES OF ALL COURSEWORK MODULES BY FACULTY 2022 - 2023



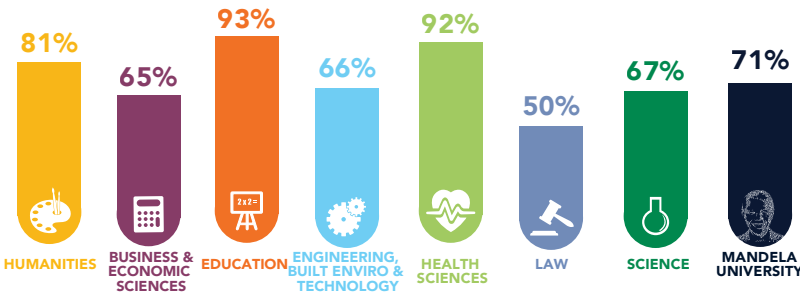
SUCCESS RATES OF NSFAS LOAN-FUNDED STUDENTS 2023

17 681 STUDENTS

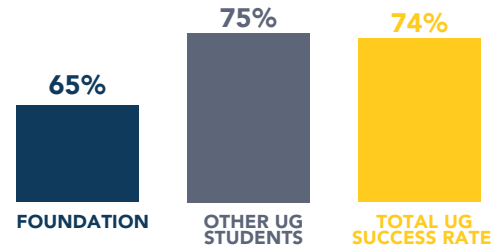
73% SUCCESS RATE

which is below the average of 74% for all Nelson Mandela University students

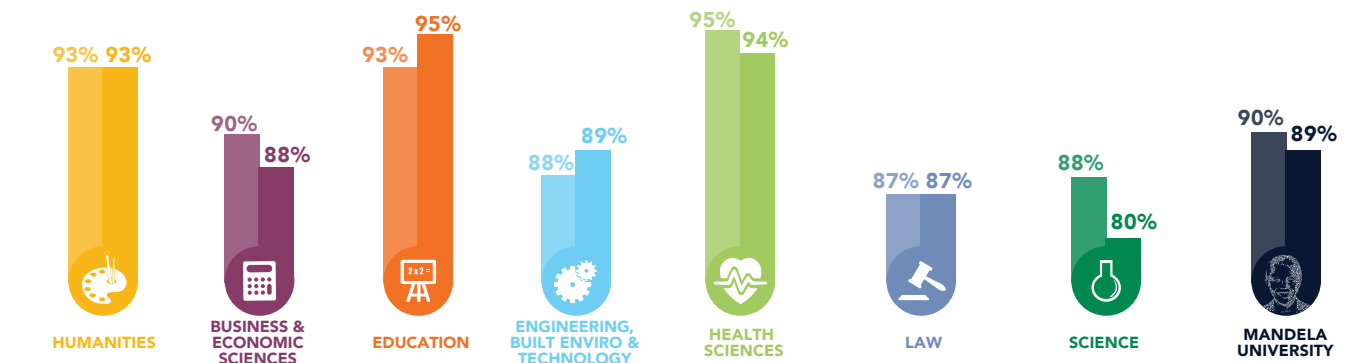
FIRST-TIME ENTERING UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT SUCCESS RATE 2023



SUCCESS RATE OF FOUNDATION/ EXTENDED PROGRAMME STUDENTS COMPARED TO OTHER UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS, 2023



RETENTION OF FIRST-TIME ENTERING STUDENTS BY FACULTY 2023 - 2024

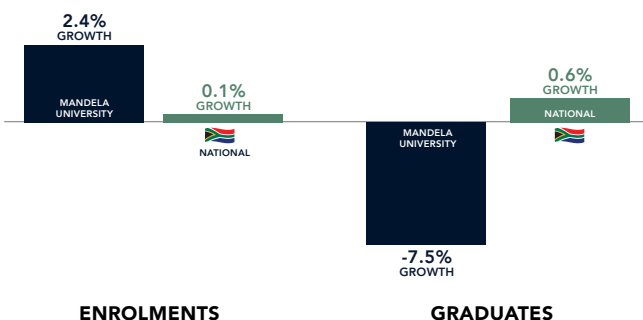


2022 FIRST-TIME ENTERING % RETURNING IN 2023

2023 FIRST-TIME ENTERING % RETURNING IN 2024

AVERAGE ANNUAL GROWTH RATE FOR ENROLMENTS COMPARED TO GRADUATES 2020 - 2023

GROWTH RATES FOR 2020 TO 2023 COMPARED TO THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

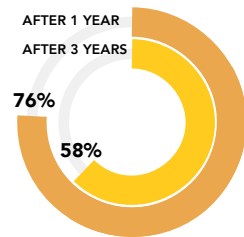


Graduates declined on average by 7.5% per annum, while enrolments grew at 2.4% on average per annum which is an indicator of decreased graduate efficiency.

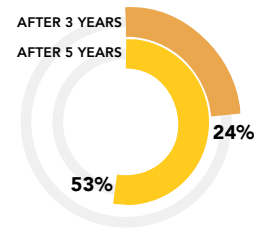
THROUGHPUT RATES* FOR FIRST-TIME ENTERING COHORTS BY QUALIFICATION TYPE 2023

FOR THE 2017 COHORT

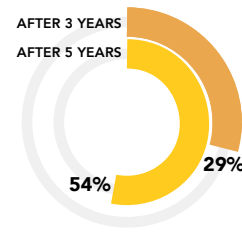
1-YEAR UG CERTIFICATES (MT**=1)



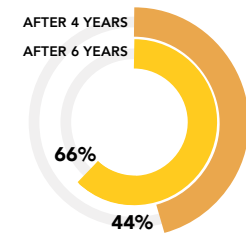
3-YEAR DIPLOMAS (MT=3)



3-YEAR DEGREES (MT=3)



4-YEAR DEGREES (MT=4)



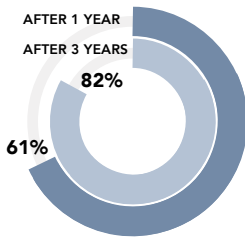
AFTER 1 YEAR 26%
AFTER 3 YEARS 58%

AFTER 3 YEARS 24%
AFTER 5 YEARS 53%

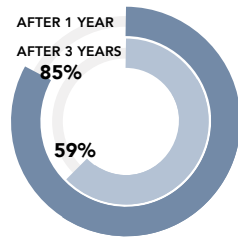
AFTER 3 YEARS 30%
AFTER 5 YEARS 59%

AFTER 4 YEARS 46%
AFTER 6 YEARS 70%

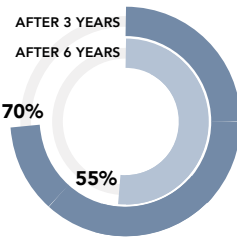
POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE/DIPLOMA



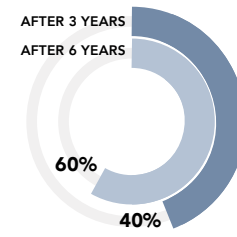
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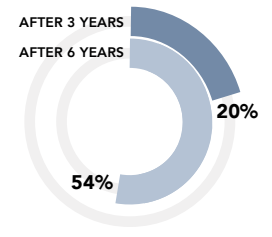
MASTER'S COURSEWORK



MASTERS RESEARCH



PHD



AFTER 1 YEAR 61%
AFTER 3 YEARS 82%

AFTER 1 YEAR 65%
AFTER 3 YEARS 83%

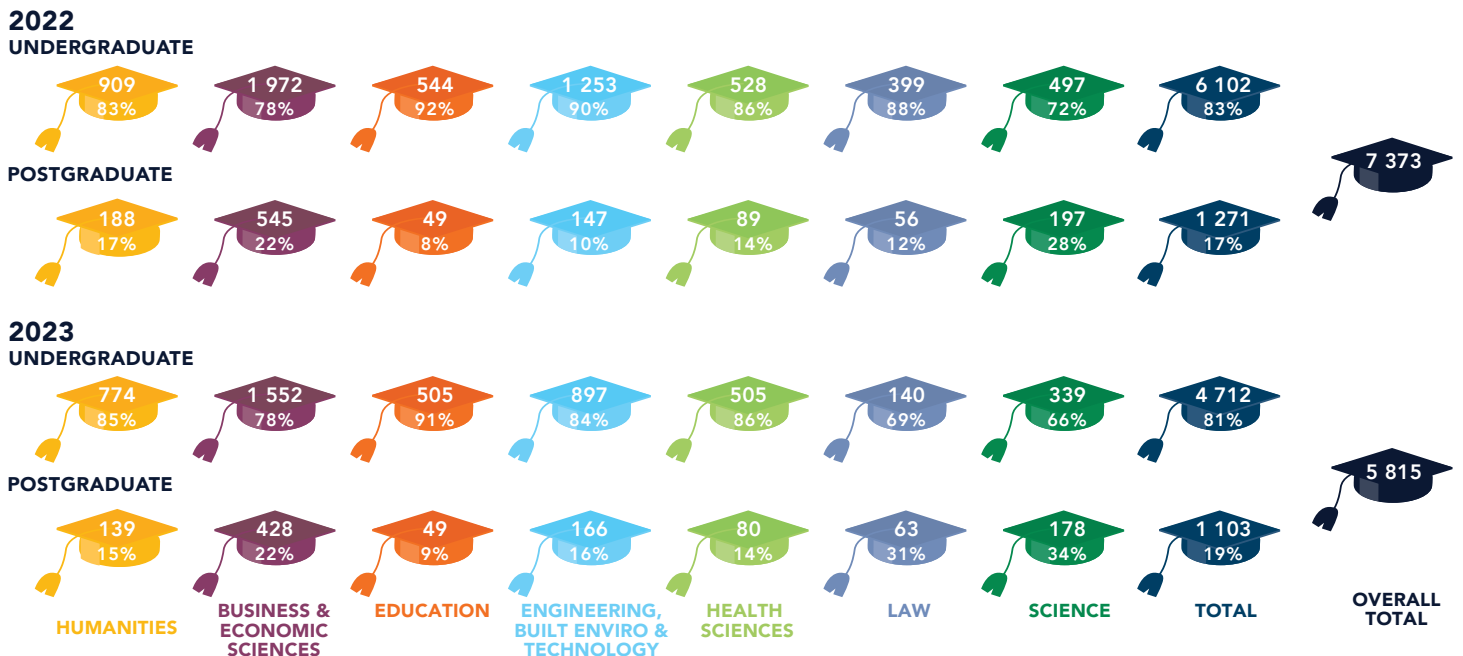
AFTER 3 YEARS 45%
AFTER 6 YEARS 64%

AFTER 3 YEARS 40%
AFTER 6 YEARS 58%

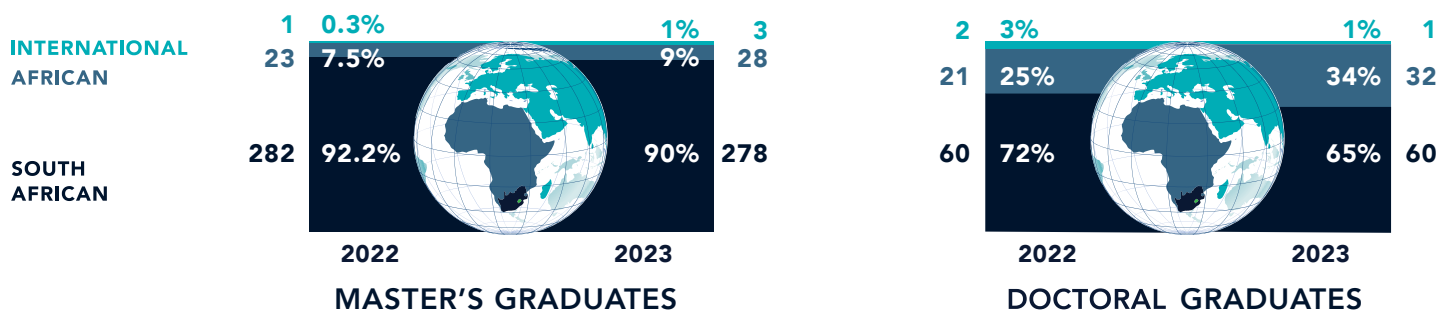
AFTER 3 YEARS 14%
AFTER 6 YEARS 51%

*The throughput rate is the percentage of first-time entering students of a particular cohort that graduate in minimum time for the qualification. The percentage of students that graduate in minimum time plus 3 years (M+3) is also calculated given that a large proportion of students take longer than the minimum time to graduate.
**MT = Minimum Time

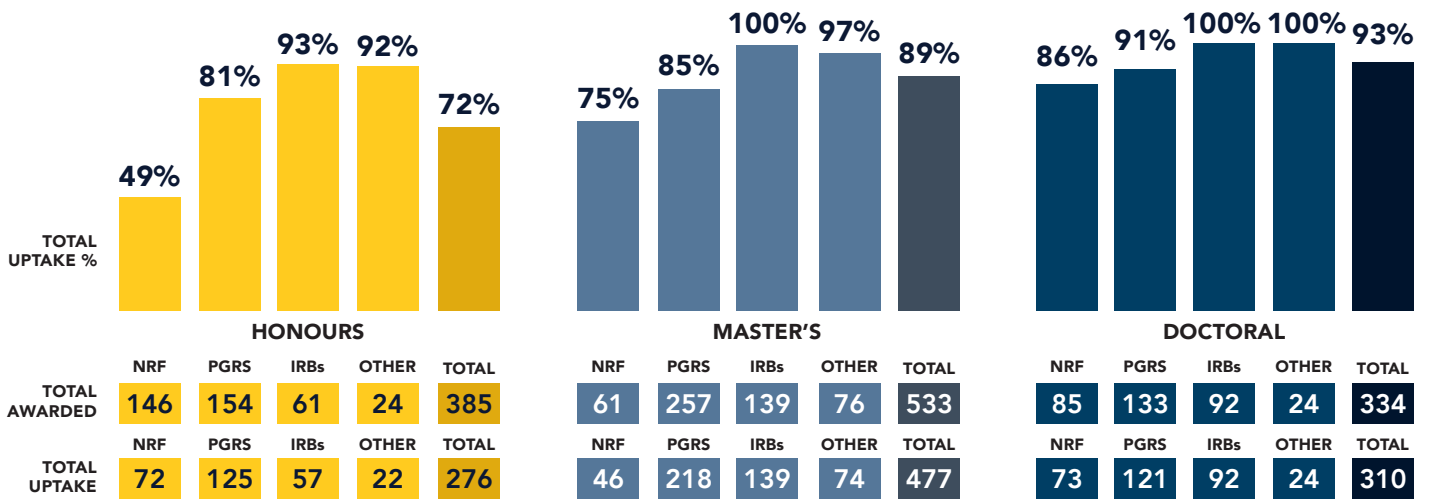
GRADUATE OUTPUTS PER FACULTY 2022 - 2023



GEOGRAPHICAL ORIGIN OF MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL (M&D) GRADUATES 2022 - 2023

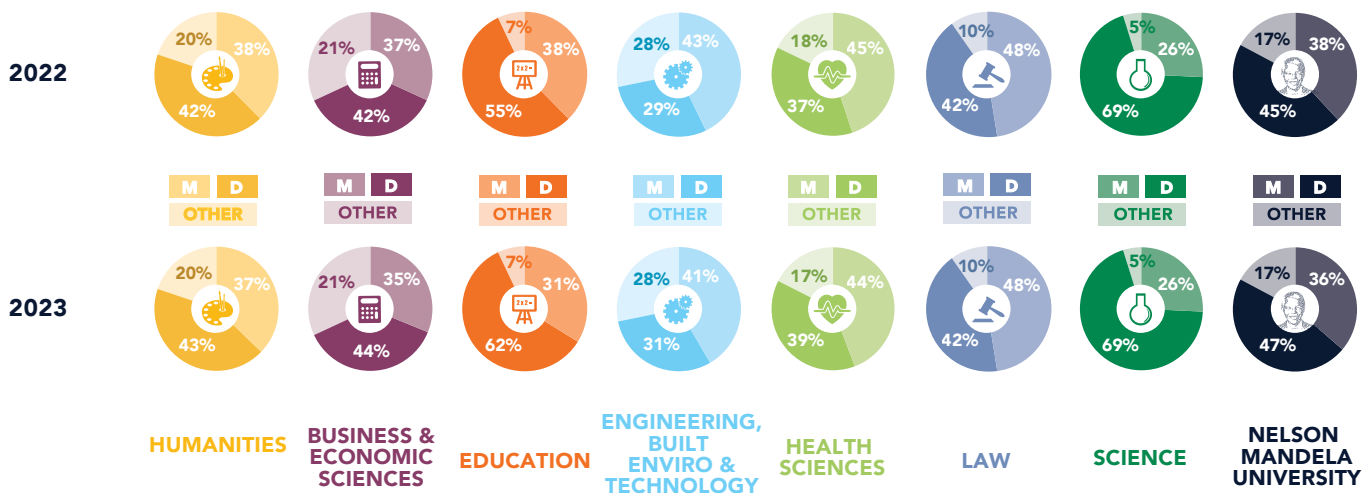


POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS THAT HAVE BEEN AWARDED AND TAKEN UP 2023



NRF: National Research Foundation | PGRS: Postgraduate Research Scholarship | IRB: Internal Research Bursary

% STAFF WITH MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL (M&D) QUALIFICATIONS BY FACULTY 2022 - 2023



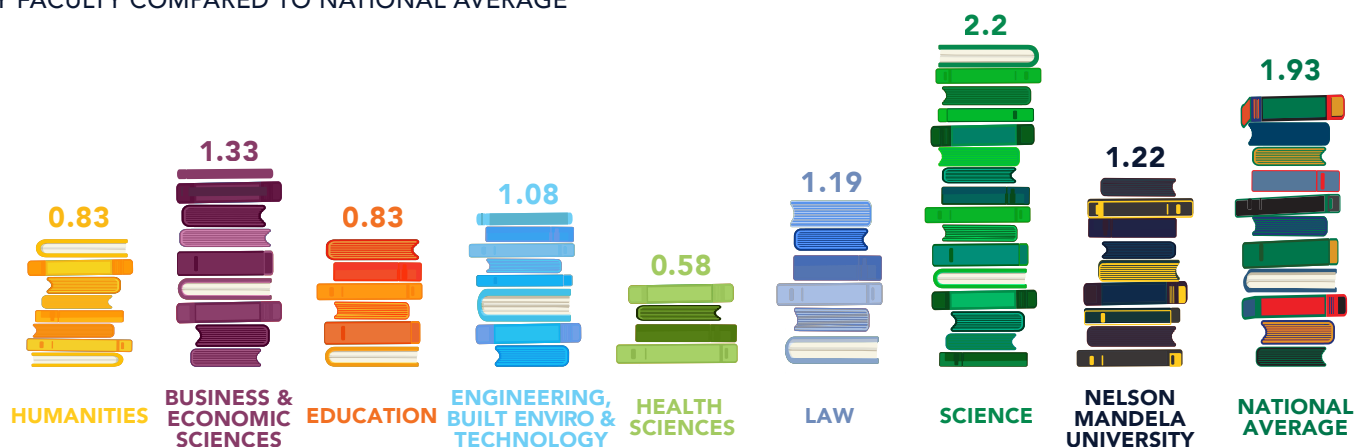
MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL (M&D) WEIGHTED RESEARCH OUTPUT UNITS* (WROU) 2022 - 2023

	HUMANITIES	BUSINESS & ECONOMIC SCIENCES	EDUCATION	ENGINEERING, BUILT ENVIRO & TECHNOLOGY	HEALTH SCIENCES	LAW	SCIENCE	MANDELA UNIVERSITY
2022								
MASTER'S WROU 2022	30	43	11	36	29	9	61	219
% INCREASE 2019-2022	-9%	-33%	83%	-11%	-45%	4%	6%	-17%
DOCTORAL WROU 2022	30	60	27	30	27	9	66	1:28 249
% INCREASE 2019-2022	-9%	-6%	350%	-26%	-48%	0%	15%	-5%
2023								
MASTER'S WROU 2023	31	42	3	46	22	7	53	204
% INCREASE 2020-2022	23%	-40%	-57%	14%	-35%	-35%	2%	-15%
DOCTORAL WROU 2023	18	87	18	42	27	21	66	279
% INCREASE 2020-2023	-40%	38%	20%	75%	-25%	600%	-4%	16%

*Weighted Research Outputs are the total of research publication units (weight = 1), research master's units (weight = 1), and research doctoral units (weight = 3)

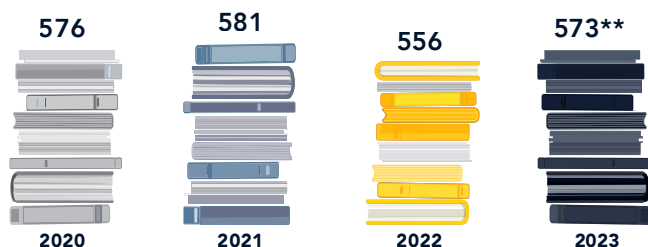
RATIOS OF WEIGHTED RESEARCH OUTPUTS PER ACADEMIC STAFF MEMBER 2023

BY FACULTY COMPARED TO NATIONAL AVERAGE



Weighted Research Outputs include research articles but not conference proceedings, books and chapters in books which will only be available at the end of 2024

NUMBER OF RESEARCH PUBLICATION UNITS* 2019 - 2023



NOTES:

* Research Publication Units include research, articles, conference proceedings, books and chapters in books.

**The Research Publication Units for 2023 are preliminary and still need to be approved by the DHET.

NUMBER OF RESEARCH ENTITIES AND CHAIRS 2024

INSTITUTES	2
CENTRES	12
UNITS	6
TECHNOLOGY STATIONS	2
TOTAL	22



RESEARCH CHAIRS*	18
NRF-RATED RESEARCHERS	95

* This includes all research chairs and not only those awarded by the NRF as SARCHI Chairs

ACADEMIC FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) STUDENT: STAFF RATIO 2022 COMPARED TO 2023

BY FACULTY COMPARED TO NATIONAL AVERAGE



*2023 national data is not yet available