

Student Success Priorities

MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN

The University will cultivate a comprehensive approach that enhances retention, **Completion** and student success by:

- ▶ enhancing student advising, mentoring, and support services;
- ▶ recruiting a diverse student body to ensure a vital university community;
- ▶ providing resources to assist students with achieving and maintaining financial stability; and
- ▶ providing academic programs to meet the needs of today's student and workforce.

-MUW Strategic Priorities and Goals 2016-21

Student Success-related Initiatives

- ▶ IHL Performance Allocation Model (2014-2016)
- ▶ Enrollment Management Council Goals
- ▶ Federal Title III Grant (2018-23)
- ▶ Woodward Hines Education Foundation (WHEF)
IMPACT Grant (2020-24)

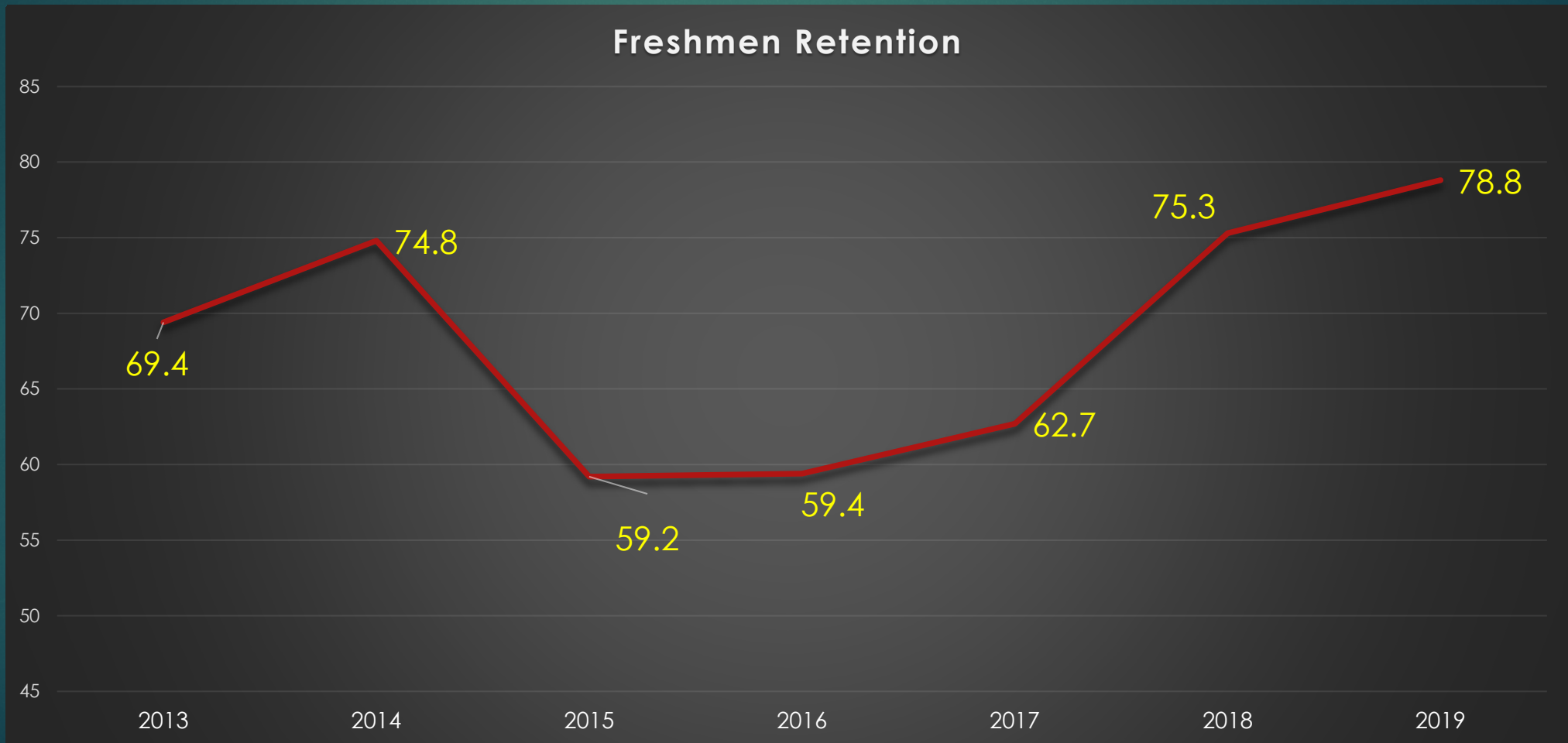
Title III, Part A Strengthening Institutions Grant (2018-23)

- ▶ Increase retention of FTFT Freshmen
- ▶ Increase retention of at-risk students
- ▶ Increase average passing rate of students in IE courses
- ▶ Increase passing rate of students in MA 100
- ▶ Increase 6-year (150%) graduation rate

Title III, Part A Strengthening Institutions Grant (2018-23) contd

- ▶ Intermediate Math Developer
- ▶ Peer Mentors
- ▶ Online Tutoring Platform
- ▶ Expanded Student Counseling Services
- ▶ Degree Works purchase and implementation
- ▶ Laptop checkouts for at-risk students

Freshmen Retention



EMC
Goal:
77%

6 Year Graduation Rate

EMC
Goal:
45%



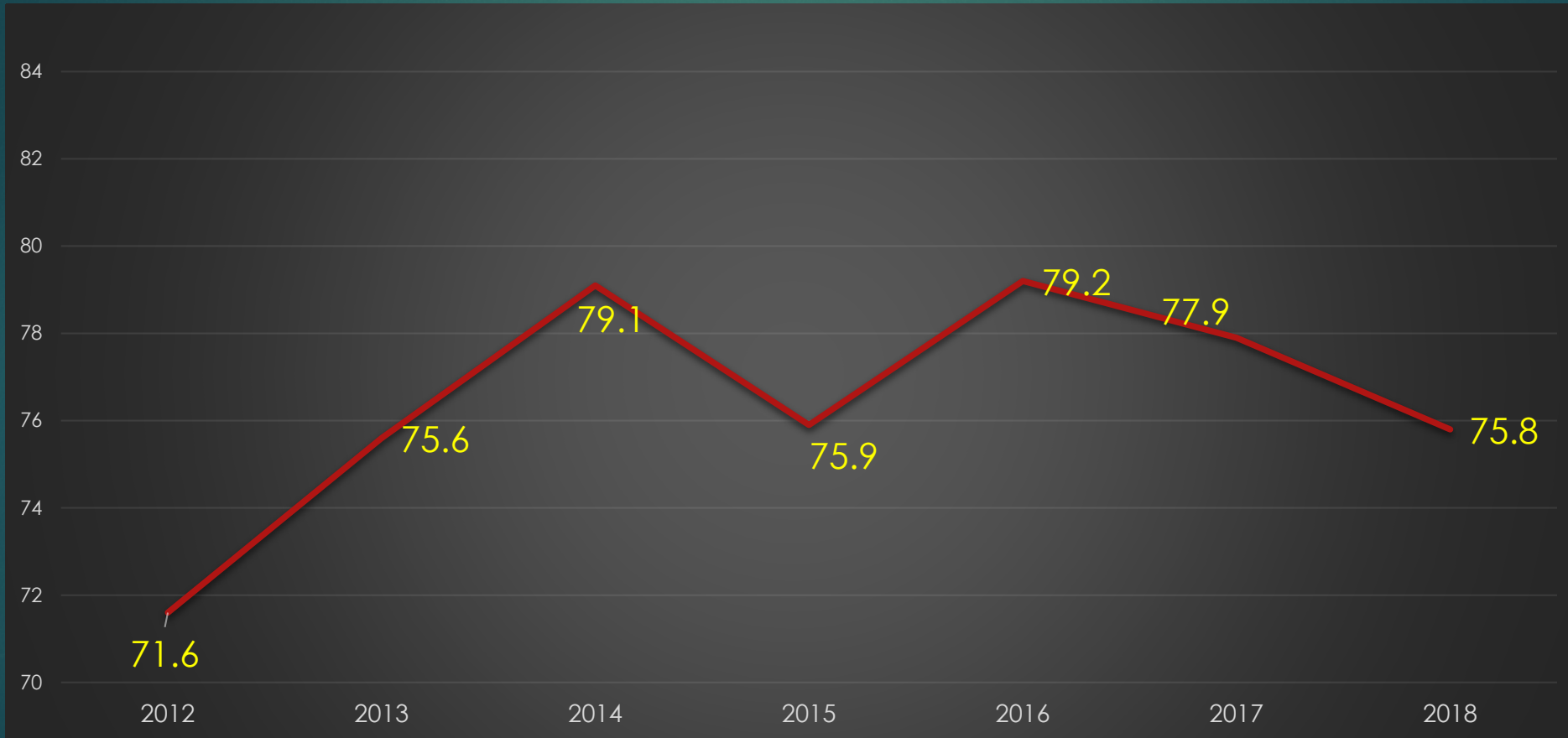
Woodward Hines Education Foundation IMPACT Grant (2020-24)

- ▶ Increase retention of transfer students (non-RN/BSN) to 83%
(Baseline: 76%)
- ▶ Increase 4-year graduation rate of transfer students to 65%
(Baseline 60.2%)
- ▶ Decrease the melt rate of incoming transfer students (non-RN/BSN) selected for financial aid verification from a baseline of 41% to 30%

Woodward Hines Education Foundation IMPACT Grant (2020-24)

- ▶ Transfer Navigator
- ▶ Transfer Student Completion Grants (began Fall 2020)
- ▶ Campus Logic software purchased. Implementation ongoing.

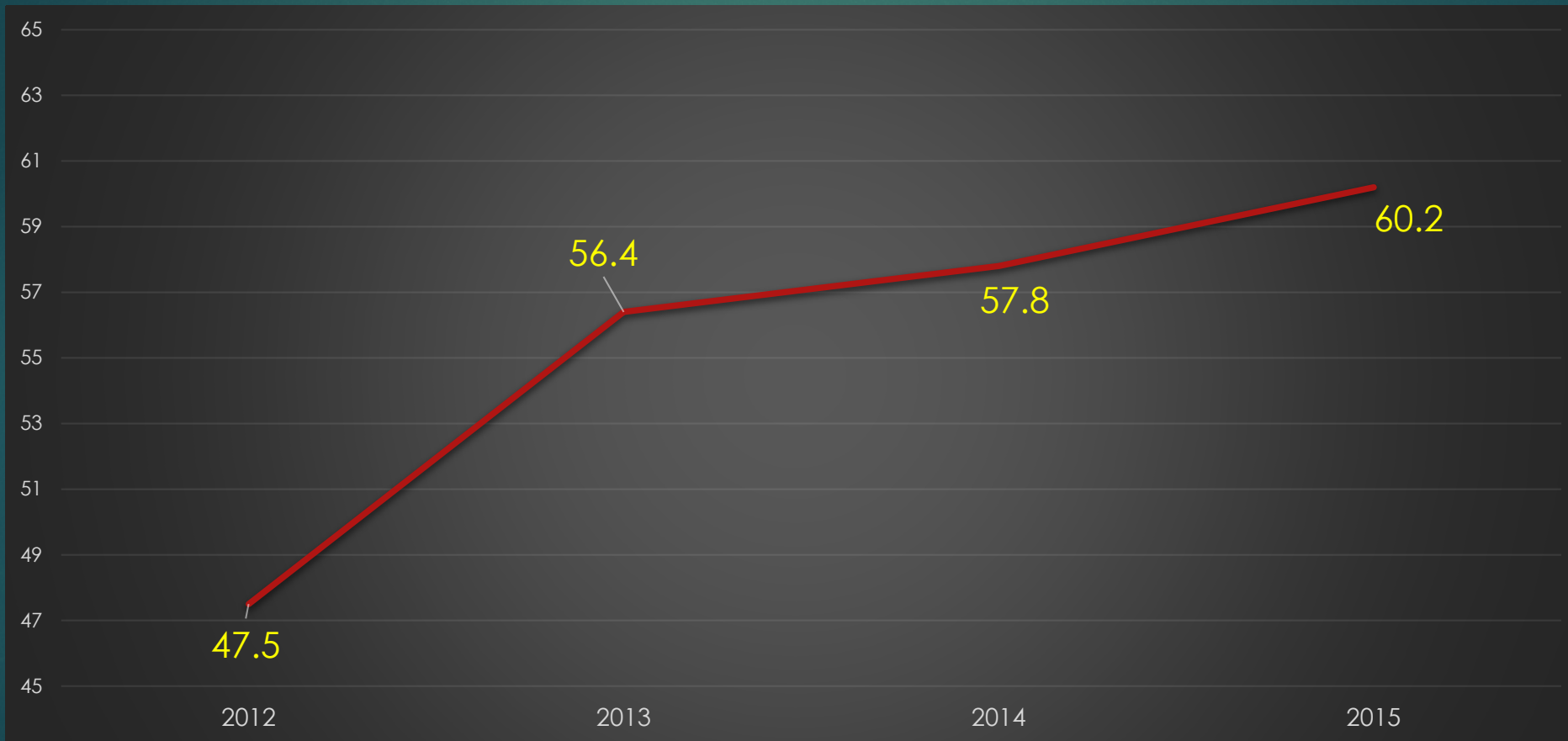
Transfer Retention (Non-RN/BSN)



EMC
Goal:
75%

WHEF
Goal:
83%

Transfer 4-Year Grad Rate (Non-RN/BSN)



EMC
Goal:
59%

WHEF
Goal:
65%

Emerging Student Success Priorities

- ▶ Expanding access to resources for distance students
 - ▶ Pre-Pandemic
 - ▶ Online Orientation Platform (MUW)
 - ▶ Online Tutoring Platform (Title III)
 - ▶ Current and Ongoing
 - ▶ Remote Proctoring (MUW)
 - ▶ Remote access to Peer Mentoring (Title III)
 - ▶ Laptop and WiFi Hotspot checkout (Title III and Hearin Foundation)

Emerging Student Success Priorities

- ▶ Increasing support for at-risk/underserved students
 - ▶ 41% of current FTFT Freshmen Cohort (Range between 40-47%)
 - ▶ Pandemic has negatively impacted the education of all K-12 and higher education students in Mississippi and surrounding states
 - ▶ IHL ACT requirement on hold for 2020-21 and 2021-22 (national trend)
 - ▶ Smaller number of high school graduates in the future
 - ▶ Retention Gap for Minority and Pell recipients

Emerging Student Success Priorities

- ▶ Maintaining support for our freshmen students while expanding support for the transfer cohort
 - ▶ MUW is primarily a Transfer Institution
 - ▶ A significant number of Transfer students are placed on academic probation within 2 semesters of arriving at MUW

Questions

