

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS

Academic and Student Affairs

AGENDA ITEM: 8 – U
DATE: December 5-7, 2017

SUBJECT

Licensure and Certification Report

CONTROLLING STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY

[SDCL 13-1-60](#) – Annual report to Board of Regents of outcomes of licensure and certification examinations.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION

The annual Licensure and Certification Report is provided in Attachment I. The examinations included in this report are those that must be passed before a person may be fully licensed or certified to engage in the occupation or profession. Optional examinations are not included.

Students in the following programs achieved a 100% pass rate on the test for which the latest information is available.

<u>University</u>	<u>Program</u>
USD	Audiology
USD	Clinical Psychology
USD	Dental Hygiene
USD	Medicine MD-2 (Clinical Knowledge)
SDSU	Masters/Family Nurse Practitioner
SDSU	Doctor of Nursing Practice / Family Nurse Practitioner
SDSU	Doctor of Nursing Practice / Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist
USD	Occupational Therapy (OTD)
USD	Physical Therapy
DSU	Respiratory Care
USD	Social Work, M.S.W. (Clinical Examination)

IMPACT AND RECOMMENDATION

This is an informational update only and no formal action is required by the Board of Regents at this time.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I – Licensure and Certification Report (2017)

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**South Dakota Board of Regents Performance of University
Graduates on Licensure and Certification Examinations
2017**

This report provides the Board of Regents with information concerning the performance of university graduates on mandatory professional licensure and certification examinations. Graduates have an excellent record of success on these examinations.

1. Examinations Included

The examinations included in this report are those that must be passed before a person may be fully licensed or certified to engage in the occupation or profession. Optional examinations are not included. Some examinations, such as Fundamentals of Engineering or CPA, are not included because graduates are not required to take them in order to practice.

2. Limitations

Licensure and certification examinations cover material related to the specific occupation or profession. These examinations do not provide information about how well students perform in general education courses or in courses outside of the examination field.

3. Format

The programs are listed alphabetically. The data are provided by year for five years or for available years.

Each table shows the number of graduates who took the examination, the number who passed the examination, and the pass rate (percentage). Additional information for some programs, such as national pass rates, or mean scores is available for some programs. Where available, this information is provided.

4. Programs Included

- A. Athletic Training (SDSU)
- B. Audiology (USD)
- C. Clinical Psychology (USD)
- D. Dental Hygiene (USD)
- E. Dietetics (SDSU)
- F. Law (USD)
- G. Medicine (USD)
- H. Nursing
 - 1. SDSU
 - 2. USD
- I. Occupational Therapy (USD)
- J. Pharmacy (SDSU)
- K. Physical Therapy (USD)
- L. Physician Assistant Studies (USD)
- M. Respiratory Care (DSU)
- N. Social Work (USD)
- O. Speech/Language Pathology (USD)

Program:	Athletic Training				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Bachelor of Science				
Examination Title:	Athletic Trainer's Certification Examination				
Organization/Agency:	Board of Certification (BOC)				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2003	Written	12	7	63.64%	65.39%
	Practical	11	9	81.82%	64.89%
	Simulation	11	10	90.91%	65.14%
2004	Written	11	6	54.55%	67.32%
	Practical	8	5	62.50%	72.57%
	Simulation	11	8	72.73%	67.16%
2005	Written	12	4	33.33%	46.76%
	Practical	13	7	53.85%	55.63%
	Simulation	12	7	58.33%	61.04%
2006	Written	11	6	54.55%	48.45%
	Practical	12	11	91.67%	76.28%
	Simulation	11	9	81.82%	72.76%
2007	Apr07 – Feb08	15	7	46.7%	39.1%
2008	Apr08 – Feb09	20	17	86%	51.5%
2009	April09 – Feb10	9	7	78%	43%
2010	April10- Feb11	9	6	67%	60.7%
2011	April 11 – Feb 12	17	16	94.1	82.3
2012	Undergraduate April 12 – Feb 13	13	13	100%	86%
	Graduate April 12 – Feb 13	2	2	100%	86%
2013	Undergraduate	19	18	94.7	86
	Graduate	3	3	100	86
2014-15	Undergraduate	13	11	84.62%	83.93%
	Graduate	5	5	100%	83.63%
2015-16	Undergraduate	17	14	82.35%	86.38%
	Graduate	4	4	100%	86.38%

Program:	Audiology			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	Au.D.			
Examination Title:	National Teachers Exam, Audiology Section			
Organization/Agency:	American Speech and Hearing Association			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2010	5	5	100%	N/A
2011	4	4	100%	89.4%
2012	2**	2	100%	56.7%
2013	4	4	100%	58.2%
2014	4	4	100%	63.3%
2015	4	4	100%	69.7%
2016	6	5***	83.3%	N/A*
2017	6	6	100%	N/A*
2010-2017	35	34	97.1%	N/A*
<p>*(Note: national rates are not available after 2014-2015 per the ASHA website)</p> <p>**2012 was an atypical year. We had admitted four students (rather than five) in fall of 2008 due to faculty shortage/opening and inability to provide in-depth supervision to a fifth student at that time. One of these students changed to the SLP master's program and completed that program. A second student was unable to meet retention requirements and subsequently left the program. Therefore, we had only two graduates in 2012. Currently, however, we have full cohorts, and will be again graduating 4-5 students per year for the foreseeable future.</p> <p>***Note: This graduate retook the exam and subsequently passed; however, it will fall into the next reporting cycle.</p>				

Date:	September 29, 2017				
Program:	Clinical Psychology				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	Ph.D.				
Examination Title:	Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology				
Organization/Agency:	Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards				
Year	Number of Graduates	Number of Writers ^a	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed ^b
2010	8	8	8	100.00%	N/A
2011	8	8	8	100.00%	N/A
2012	9	9	9	100.00%	N/A
2013	5	4	4	100.00%	N/A
2014	6	6	6	100.00%	N/A
2015	7	5	5	100.00%	NA
2016	3	3	3	100.00%	NA
2017	8	7	7	100.00%	N/A
2010-2017	54	50	50	100.00%	N/A
<p>^a Not all of our graduates take the national exam unless required by their employment site (for example, academic appointments do not typically require licensure). Most states require one or two years of post-doctoral supervised experience prior to sitting for the exam. USD graduates take the national exam in the state in which they plan to practice. The national examination (Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology, EPPP) is administered through the licensing boards of those states. Each state sets its own acceptable "cut off" scores. Nearly all states also require an oral exam and/or a written jurisprudence exam in addition to the national written exam.</p> <p>^b National pass rates for graduates from accredited PhD Clinical Psychology Programs are not available annually. The Association of State and Provincial Psychology Boards (ASPPB, who develops/owns the EPPP) provides a five year summary of pass rate for doctoral candidates (all practice specialties in the US and Canada; first time and repeaters). Nationally, the pass rate for candidates taking the EPPP between February 2015 - February 2017, was 80.81%.</p> <p>^c The methodology for counting will be reported based on the academic year (August, December, and May) instead of the calendar year.</p>					
2012	All of them took the test and passed.				
2013	All of them took the test and passed.				
2014	All of them took the test and passed.				
2015	Five took the test and passed. 1 international graduate does not need to take the license exam. 1 student does not require to have a license.				
2016	Three graduates passed in 2015. All of them took the test and passed.				
2017	Eight graduated in 2016. 7 took the exam and passed. 1 planning on taking the exam next year.				

Program:	Dental Hygiene				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	B.S.				
Examination Title:	National Board of Dental Hygiene Examination				
Organization/Agency:	American Dental Association				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2009	03	26 (written exam)	26	100%	97.1%
2009	03	6 (computer-based)	6	100%	92.9%
2010	04	30 computer-based	30	100%	96.1%
2011	04	30	30	100%	94.8%
2012	04	31	31	100%	96.0%
2013	04	30	30	100%	95.2%
2014	04	30	30	100%	95.5%
2015	04	32	32	100%	95.7%
2016	04	32	32	100%	95.0%
2017	04	32	32	100%	*N/A
2009-2017		279	279	100%	
<i>*National % Passed Rate is not yet available for the current year.</i>					

Program:	Didactic Program in Dietetics				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Bachelor of Science Dietetics				
Examination Title:	National Examination for Registered Dietitian Licensure				
Organization/Agency:	Commission on Dietetics Registration\Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (Formerly the American Dietetic Association)				
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed 1 st time	# Passed within 1 st year	% Total Writers Passing First Time-5 year rate ^a	%Passing within the First year ^b
2001-2005	41	34		83%	
2002-2006	41	36		88%	
2003-2007	43	38		88%	
2004-2008	43	37		86%	
2005-2009	40	32		80%	
2006-2010	41	34		83%	
2007-2011	46	35		76%	94%
2008	10	8			
2009	10	7			
2010	10	10			
2011	10	6			90%
2012	13	12			92%
2008-2012 ^a	53	41		81%	
2009-2013	59	51		86	98
2014	21	18	20		90.5
2015	14	12	14		85.7
2016	11	11	11		100
3-year summary pass-rate	46				97.83
<p>^aThese percentages are cumulative first-time pass rates for the specified 5-year periods. Accreditation benchmarks are on the cumulative 5-year pass rate, not the individual years. Accreditation standards are 80% first time pass rate.</p> <p>^bSecond benchmark standards benchmark is % passing within the first year of eligibility and irrespective of repeat status.</p> <p>Note: The program at SDSU is a Didactic Program in Dietetics and students must apply and be accepted into an accredited Dietetic Internship before taking the registration examination. These pass rates listed above are after the student has completed an accredited dietetic internship from another institution. There are no national pass rates published specific to Didactic Program in Dietetics.</p> <p>ACEND standards changed in 2017 and programs are monitored for their pass rate within the first year of taking the examination. Pass rates are monitored on a three year rolling summary.</p> <p>Note: pass rates are monitored irrespective of where students complete the required dietetic internship. Students graduate from SDSU DPD program and must compete and be accepted into an accredited internship. Upon completion of the internship graduates are eligible to take the registration examination. The pass rate monitoring applies to the Didactic Program irrespective of where students completed the accredited internship</p>					

Program:	Law				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	J.D.				
Examination Title:	South Dakota Bar Examination				
Organization/Agency:	South Dakota Board of Bar Examiners				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2010	Feb-1 st time	4	3	75.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	1	0	00.00%	N/A
	July-1 st time	46	46	100.00%	N/A
	July Retesters	2	1	50.00%	N/A
2011	Feb-1 st time	5	4	80.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	0	0	00.00%	N/A
	July-1 st time	35	32	91.43%	N/A
	July Retesters	0	0	00.00%	N/A
2012	Feb-1 st time	1	1	100.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	4	1	25.00%	N/A
	July-1 st time	56	47	83.93%	N/A
	July Retesters	2	0	00.00%	N/A
2013	Feb-1 st time	3	2	66.67%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	11	8	72.73%	N/A
	July-1 st time	40	39	97.50%	N/A
	July Retesters	3	2	66.67%	N/A
2014	Feb-1 st time	4	3	75.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	3	2	66.67%	N/A
	July-1 st time	53	40	75.47%	N/A
	July Retesters	1	0	00.00%	N/A
2015**	Feb-1 st time	3	1	33.33%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	9	1	11.11%	N/A
	July-1 st time	35	22	62.86%	N/A
	July Retesters	8	4	50.00%	N/A
2016	Feb-1 st time	5	2	40.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	11	5	45.45%	N/A
	July-1 st time	34	20	58.82%	N/A
	July Retesters	6	2	33.33%	N/A
2017	Feb-1 st time	4	2	50.00%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	19	6	31.57%	N/A
	July-1 st time	29	15	51.17%	N/A
	July Retesters	13	6	46.15	N/A
2010-2017	Feb-1 st time	29	18	62.06%	N/A
	Feb Retesters	58	23	39.65%	N/A
	July-1 st time	328	261	79.57%	N/A
	July Retesters	35	15	42.85%	N/A
<p>The ABA and National Conference of Bar Examiners report first-time takers separately.</p> <p>* Each state establishes its own passing score so pass rates are not directly comparable across the states.</p> <p>**Addenda: Please note that beginning in February 2015, there were changes in the composition of the exam, as well as the manner in which the South Dakota Board of Bar Examiners graded the test.</p>					

Program:	Medicine (updated 10/13/2017 by P.Bunger)				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	M.D.				
Examination Title:	Step 1: United States Medical Licensing Examination Step 2-CK: United States Medical Licensing Examination				
Organization/Agency:	National Board of Medical Examiners				
Graduation Year	Step	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2011	1	49	46	94%	93%
Retesters		3	3	100%	77%
	2-CK	50	49	98%	97%
Retesters		0	--	--	88%
2012	1	54	49	91%	91%
Retesters		5	4	80%	74%
	2-CK	51	50	98%	98%
Retesters		1	1	100%	87%
2013	1	54	53	98%	94%
Retesters	1	1	0	--	79%
	2-CK	51	51	100%	98%
Retesters	0	--	--	--	88%
2014	1	53	52	98%	95%
Retesters		0	0	--	73%
	2-CK	61	60	98%	97%
Retesters		1	1	100%	85%
2015	1	50	48	96%	96%
Retesters		2	2	100%	80%
	2-CK	53	49	92%	95%
Retesters		3	2	67%	81%
2016	1	60	55	92%	96%
Retesters		5	2	40%	78%
	2-CK	61	60	98%	96%
Retesters		1	1	100%	84%
2017	1	56	52	93%	95%
Retesters		4	2	50%	76%
	2-CK	52	52	100%	96%
Retesters		0	0	--	84%
2018	1	57	55	96%	95%
Retesters		2	2	100%	73%
	2-CK	60	57	95%	96%
Retesters		1	1	100%	84%
2011-2018	1	433	410	95%	94%
Retesters		22	15	68%	76%
	2-CK	439	428	98%	97%
Retesters		7	6	86%	85%
<p>Reporting year is by class (graduation year) rather than the date of the examination.</p> <p>NOTE: All graduates with the MD degree must successfully pass the Step 1 and Step 2-CK (Clinical Knowledge) examinations prior to graduation. Step 3 is required for licensure and is taken after one or two years after obtaining the MD degree, during Residency training. Step 1 is taken following core basic science training, Step 2-CK following core clinical training.</p>					

Program:	Nursing					
University:	South Dakota State University					
Degree:	Bachelor of Science in Nursing					
Examination Title:	National Council Licensure Examination of Registered Nurses					
Organization/Agency:	Board of Nursing					
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *	State % Passed
1996	7/1/95 - 6/30/96	120	109	91%	91%	
1997	7/1/96 – 6/30/97	127	116	91%	91%	
1998	7/1/97 – 6/30/98	130	116	89%	88%	
1999	7/1/98 - 6/30/99	105	92	88%	88%	
2000	7/1/99 – 6/30/00	138	107	77.5%	84%	
2001	7/1/00-6/30/01	123	115	94%	84%	
2002	7/1/01-6/30/02	114	105	92%	89%	
2003	10/1/02-12/31/03	164	153	93%	87%	
2004+	1/1/03-12/31/04	133	121	91%	89%	
2005	1/1/05-12/31/05	185	157	85%	87%	
2006	1/1/06 – 12/31/06	203	171	84%	88%	
2007	1/1/07-12/31/07	214	196	92%	85%	81%
2008	01/01/08-12/31/08	232	216	93%	87%	89%
2009	01/01/09-12/31/09	250	233	93%	88%	90%
2010	01/01/10-12/31/10	227	206	91%	87%	84%
2011	01/01/11-12-31-11	233	218	94%	88%	89%
2012	01/01/12-12/31/12	299	282	94%	84%	90%
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	281	260	93%	83%	84%
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	275	240	87%	82%	85%
2015	1/01/15-12/31/15	288	263	91%	85%	87%
2016	1/01/16-12/31/16	316	278	88%	85%	86%
2005-2016		3003	2720	91%		
<p><i>NOTE: +The South Dakota Board of Nursing reporting date changed in 2004 to the calendar year. Data from the 2007 Annual Report from the South Dakota Board of Nursing, p.33.</i></p> <p><i>*% Passed: Percent passing of all 1st-time NCLEX takers among graduates from SDSU, all SD programs, and all member board jurisdictions (includes both associate and baccalaureate candidates).</i></p>						

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Master of Science Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Neonatal Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	The National Certification Corporation				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2006	01/01/06-12/31/06	2	1	50%	NA
	Retakes	1	1	100%	
2007	01/01/07-12/31/07	1	1	100%	NA
2008	01/01/08-12/31/08	0	0	0	NA
2009	01/01/09-12/31/09	0	0	0	NA
2010	01/01/10-12/31/10	1	1	100%	NA
2011	01/01/11-12/31/11	1	1	100%	NA
2012	01/01/12-12/31/12	0	0	0	NA
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	0	0	0	NA
<i>*This program changed to a DNP in 2009. There will be no new data under the MS category for this specialty.</i>					

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Doctor of Nursing Practice Family Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Family Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	American Academy of Nurse Practitioners				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2013	01/01//13-12/31/13	7	7	100%	82%
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	13	13	100%	86%
2015	01/01/15-12/31/15	20	20	100%	TBD
2016	01/01/16-12/31/16	15	15	100%	89.4%

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Doctor of Nursing Practice Family Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Family Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	American Nurses Credentialing Center				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	0	0	N/A	N/A
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	0	0	N/A	N/A
2015	01/01/15-12/31/15	0	0	N/A	N/A
2016	1/01/16-12/31/16	0	0	N/A	N/A

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Doctor of Nursing Practice Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Organization/Agency:	The National Certification Corporation				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	0	0	N/A	N/A
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	0	0	N/A	N/A
2015	01/01/15-12/31/15	1	1	100%	88%
2016	01/01/16-12/31/16	0	0	N/A	N/A

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Doctor of Nursing Practice Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialists				
Organization/Agency:	American Nurses Credentialing Center				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2016	1/01/16-12/31/16	1	1	100%	Not documented

This is the first and only student to sit for the exam with ANCC. In June of 2017, the College of Nursing at South Dakota State University (SDSU) was notified by the University of MO-Columbia that the organization was no longer enrolling students in the Pediatric Clinical Nurse Specialist (Peds-CNS) track in the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). A collaborative agreement between SDSU and the University of MO to offer this specialization had been in place for more than a decade. In August of 2017, there were no Peds-CNS specialization students enrolled and no new applicants for this specialization in the DNP program at SDSU College of Nursing.

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Master of Science Family Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Family Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	American Academy of Nurse Practitioners				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2006	01/01/06-12/31/06	13	12	92%	NA
2007	01/01/07-12/31/07	16	16	100%	NA
2008	01/01/08-12/31/08	9	9	100%	90%
2009	01/01/09-12/31/09	4	4	100%	94%
2010	01/01/10-12/31/10	19	19	100%	87%
2011	01/01/11-12/31/11	18	18	100%	89%
2012	01/01/12-12/31/12	14	14	100%	87%
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	2	2	100%	?
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	0	0	0	NA
2015	01/01/15-12/31/15	0	0	0	N/A
2016	01/01/16-12-31/16	4	4	100%	81.6%
<p><i>* Note: In 2016, a graduate from 1996 sat for this exam and did not pass. This graduate is not reflected in our numbers because it is unclear why he/she sat for this exam 20 years after graduation.</i></p>					

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Master of Science Family Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Family Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	American Nurse Credentialing Center				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2006	01/01/06-12/31/06	7	7	100%	NA
2007	01/01/07-12/31/07	7	7	100%	NA
2008	01/01/08-12/31/08	6	6	100%	93%
2009	01/01/09-12/31/09	19	19	100%	93%
2010	01/01/10-12/31/10	10	10	100%	87%
2011	01/01/11-12/31/11	3	3	100%	89%
2012	01/01/12-12/31/12	20	20	100%	82%
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	0	0	NA	NA
2014	01/01/14-12/31/14	0	0	NA	NA
2015	01/01/15-12/31/15	0	0	NA	NA
2016	01/01/16-12/31/16	0	0	N/A	N/A

Program:	Nursing				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Master of Science Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Specialization				
Examination Title:	National Certification Exam for Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner				
Organization/Agency:	American Nurse Credentialing Center				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed *
2006	01/01/06-12/31/06	3	3	100%	NA
2007	01/01/07-12/31/07	2	2	100%	NA
2008	01/01/08-12/31/08	0	0	0	NA
2009	01/01/09-12/31/09	0	0	0	NA
2010	01/01/10-12/31/10	0	0	0	NA
2011	01/01/11-12/31/11	3	3	100%	NA
2012	01/01/12-12/31/12	0	0	0	NA
2013	01/01/13-12/31/13	0	0	0	NA
<i>*This program changed to a DNP in 2009. There will be no new data under the MS category for this specialty.</i>					

Program:	Nursing					
University:	University of South Dakota					
Degree:	A.S.					
Examination Title:	National Council Licensure Examination of Registered Nurses					
Organization/Agency:	South Dakota Board of Nursing					
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed	State of SD Pass Rate
2010	01/01/2010-12/31/2010	275	234	85.09%	87.42%	87.41%
2011	01/01/2011-12/31/2011	279	246	88.17%	87.90%	89.20%
2012	01/01/2012-12/12/2012	239	211	88.28%	90.34%	90.18%
2013	01/01/2013-12/31/2013	270	212	78.52%	83.04%	83.86%
2014	01/01/2014-12/31/2014	267	225	84.27%	81.79%	84.66%
2015	1/01/2015-12/31/15	106	89	83.96%	84.51%	86.87%
2016	1/01/2016-12/21/2016	20	17	85.00%	83.01%	84.5%
2017*	1/01/2017-06/30/2017	30	26	86.67%*	81.68%*	84.56%*
2010-2016	01/01/2010 – 12/31/2016	1456	1234	84.76% avg.	85.43% avg.	86.67% avg.
* Current year contains partial data with partial-year numbers only. These numbers are not calculated in the 2010-2016 average. 2017 National and State of South Dakota pass rates are partial as well.						

Program:	Nursing					
University:	University of South Dakota					
Degree:	B.S.N.					
Examination Title:	National Council Licensure Examination of Registered Nurses					
Organization/Agency:	South Dakota Board of Nursing					
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed	State of SD Pass Rate
2015*	01/01/2015-12/31/15	55	47	85.45%	84.51%	86.87%
2016	1/01/2016-12/31//2016	142	126	88.73%	88.84%	86.3%*
2017*	1/01/2017-06/30/2017	126	119	93.65%*	87.73%*	89.11%*
2015-2016	01/01/2015-12/31/2016	197	173	87.09% avg.	86.68% avg.	86.59% avg.
*Current year (2017) contains only up to third quarter data. 2017 National and State of SD are also only partial data. 2015 represents the first year USD Nursing had BSN graduates.						

Program:	Occupational Therapy				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	MS (last class will graduate Dec 2017 and take the exam in 2018)				
Examination Title:	NBCOT (National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy)				
Organization/Agency:	National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT)				
Year		Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2010	1 st Time	18	18	100.00%	82.00%
	Retesters	0	0	N/A	N/A
2011	1 st Time	22	22	100.00%	84.00%
	Retesters	0	0	N/A	N/A
2012	1 st Time	27	26	96.30%	85.00%
	Retesters	1	1	100.00%	N/A
2013	1 st Time	24	23	95.83%	93.00%
	Retesters	1	1	100.00%	N/A
2014	1 st Time	24	24	100.00%	86.00%
	Retesters	0	0	N/A	N/A
2015	1 st Time	26	25	96%	87.00%
	Retesters	1	1	100%	N/A
2016	1 st Time	25	25	100%	87.00%
	Retesters	0	0	N/A	N/A
2017	1 st Time	9	8	89%	Not yet available (2017 as of 10/2017)
	Retesters	1	1	100%	
2010-2017	1 st Time	175	171	97.7%	85.83% (est.)
	Retesters	4	4	100%	N/A

Program:	Occupational Therapy				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	OTD (first class graduated May 2017)*				
Examination Title:	NBCOT (National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy)				
Organization/Agency:	National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT)				
Year		Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2015	1 st Time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Retesters			N/A	
2016	1 st Time	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Retesters			N/A	
2017*	1 st Time	19	19	100%	Not yet available (2017 as of 10/2017)
	Retesters				
2015-2017	1 st Time	19	19	100%	N/A
	Retesters	0			N/A
<i>*First graduating class May 2017</i>					

Program:	Pharmacy				
University:	South Dakota State University				
Degree:	Doctor of Pharmacy (1998-Present): Bachelor of Pharmacy (up to 1998)				
Examination Title:	North American Pharmacist Licensure Examination				
Organization/Agency:	South Dakota Board of Pharmacy				
Year	Month Taken	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
1995	06	63	61	97%	95%
1995	09	2	1	50%	91%
1996	06	54	53	98%	94%
1996	09	1	1	100%	99%
1997	No Graduates; Program Transition Year				
1998	06	42	42	100%	91%
1999	08	45	45	100%	93.21%
2000	05	41	41	100%	95.44%
2001	05	44	44	100%	94.38%
2002	05	44	44	100%	96.74%
2003	05-08**	47	47	100%	93.84%
2004	05-08**	55	55	100%	95.11%
2005	05-08**	56	56	100%	89.15%
2006	05-08**	57	54	95%	94.49%
2007	05-08**	54	54	100%	97.23%
2008	05-08**	59	59	100%	97.44%
2009	05-08**	58	58	100%	97.5%
2010	05-08**	69	69	100%	95.3%
2011	05-08**	65	63	96.92%	94.16%
2012	05-08**	67	67	100%	97.19%
2013	05-08**	66	66	100%	96.57%
2014	05-08**	73	73	100%	95.61%
2015	05-08**	81	81	100%	93.86%
2016	08-08	76	75	98.7	87.8
2017	05-08	73	72	98.6	90.2
**05-08 is equal to the May-Aug time period. NAPLEX changed to computerized testing and thus the students can take the test any time after all application information has been submitted. Reports are generated every quarter to the state board.					

Program:	Physical Therapy				
University:	University of South Dakota				
Degree:	DPT				
Examination Title:	National Physical Therapy Board Exam (NPTE)				
Organization/Agency:	Federation of State Board of Physical Therapy				
Year of Graduation	Number of USD Writers	Number USD Writers Passed	% Total USD Writers Passed	National % Pass Rate	US Accredited Program % Passed
2010	26	26	100.00%	89.52%	
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	70.17%	
Overall	26	26	100.00%	88.51%	88.51%
2011	25	25	100.00%	91.24%	
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	72.73%	
Overall	25	25	100.00%	91.11%	91.11%
2012	26	25	96.15%	88.80%	
Retesters*	1	1	NA	63.62%	
Overall	27	26	100.00%	86.86%	86.86%
2013	25	25	100%	90.94%	
Retesters*	0	0	NA	66.04%	
Overall	25	25	100%	90.51%	90.51%
2014	26	26	100%	92.29%	
Retesters*	0	0	NA	66.42%	
Overall	26	26	100%	92.35%	92.35%
2015	25	25	100%	91.3%	
Retesters*	0	0	NA	N/A**	
Overall	25	25	100%	98.3%	98.3%
2016	26	25	100%	94.3%	
Retesters*	1 ^a	0	0%	N/A**	
Overall	27	26	96.55%	95.3%	98.80%
2017	25	25	100%	94.00%	
Retesters*	0	0	NA	N/A**	
Overall	25	25	100%	94.80%	94.80%
2010-2017	204	202	99.00%	91.55%	
Retesters*	2	1 ^b	50% ^b	N/A**	
Overall	206	203	98.5%	92.22%	92.65%
* Includes 1 st and subsequent retesters					
** Information not available from the FSBPT					
NOTES					
^a A graduate from the Class of 2016 took the NPTE one time in 2016 and one time in 2017 and did not pass either time.					
^b Two graduates from Classes of 2010-2017 (out of 204 graduates) did not pass the NPTE on first attempt. A graduate from 2012 passed on second attempt in 2012. A graduate from 2016 has not passed, as yet, after 2 attempts, therefore the retester % at this time is 50%.					

Program:	Physician Assistant Studies			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	MSPAS (approved 2003)			
Examination Title:	PANCE (Physician Assistant National Certifying Exam)			
Organization/Agency:	NCCPA (National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants)			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2011	20	17	85%	91.00%
Retakes	3	3	100%	87.00%
2012	19	18	94%	93.00%
Retakes†	0	0	N/A	88.00%
2013	19	16	84%	94.00%
Retakes	3	3	100%	91.00%
2014	22	21	95%	95.00%
Retakes	1	1	100%	N/A*
2015	25	23	92%	96.00%
Retakes	2	2	100%	N/A
2016	23	22	96%	96.00%
Retakes	1	1	100%	N/A
2017*	25	24	96%	Available in 2018
Retakes			N/A	N/A
2011-2017	153	141	92%	94%
Retakes**	10	10	100%	N/A
† 2012 retakes	One student didn't retake			
* 2017 N/A	At time of this report 1 student had not retested National retest % no longer available.			
** 2011-2017 Retakes	Two students yet to retake (not included in calculation)			

Program:	Respiratory Care				
University:	Dakota State University				
Degree:	AS/BS				
Examination Title:	NBRC Entry Level Examination				
Organization/Agency:	National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC)				
Year	Type	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2003	New	6	5	83%	66%
	Retesters	4	1	25%	26%
2004	New	15	10	67%	66%
	Retesters	7	5	71%	26%
2005	New	13	11	85%	79%
	Retesters	2	2	100%	29%
2006	New	12	12	100%	79%
	Retesters	0	NA	NA	NA
2007	New	18	14	78%	79%
	Retesters	9	4	44%	29%
2008	New	19	17	89%	79%
	Retesters	2	2	100%	29%
2009	New	20	18	90%	79%
	Retesters	3	2	67%	29%
2010	New	13	11	85%	78%
	Retesters	1	1	100%	25%
2011	New	15	15	100%	78%
	Retesters	1	0	0%	25%
2012	New	20	20	100%	79%
	Retesters	1	0	0%	26%
2013	New	15	12	80%	79%
	Retesters	6	4	67%	26%
2014	New	17	15	88%	80%
	Retesters	2	1	50%	26%
2015	New	17	16	94%	80%
	Retesters	1	1	100%	31%
2016	New	19	19	100%	82%
	Retesters	0	NA	NA	48%
2017	New	12	12	100%	81%
	Retesters	0	NA	NA	46%
2013-2017	New	80	74	93%	80%
	Retesters	9	6	67%	35%

Program:	Social Work			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	B.S.			
Examination Title:	South Dakota Social Work Licensing Examination			
Organization/Agency:	Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB)			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2010	14	13	93%	78%
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	33%
Overall	14	13	93%	69%
2011	11	10	91%	78%
Retesters*	1	1	100%	38%
Overall	12	11	92%	71%
2012	9	7	78%	77%
Retesters*	2	2	100%	37%
Overall	11	9	82%	70%
2013	12	11	92%	78%
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	35%
Overall	12	11	92%	71%
2014	7	4	57%	78%
Retesters*	4	1	25%	38%
Overall	11	5	45%	71%
2015	11	10	91% ¹	78%
Retesters*	3	2	67%	41%
Overall	14	12	86%	71%
2016	10	8	80%	77%
Retesters*	0	0	NA	40%
Overall	10	8	80%	70%
2010-2016	74	63	85%	78%
Retesters*	10	6	60%	37%
Overall	84	69	82%	70%
<p><i>NOTE: The ASWB allows for the release of pass rate data to graduates' respective social work program. This is a recent practice, thus rates are available beginning with the 2010 reporting cycle (2009 graduates).</i></p> <p><i>Association of Social Work Boards does not place emphasis on bachelor's programs because many jurisdictions do not license BSW-level social workers. USD's B.S. in social work graduates about 30 students/year. The numbers presented above reflect a small percentage of the graduates from the program. The undergraduate faculty will incorporate more testing in courses to acclimate students to timed testing situations. In addition, the program will begin to offer graduating seniors a licensing test workshop, which will better prepare them for the baccalaureate social work examination.</i></p> <p>¹ <i>A member of the social work faculty affiliated with the ASWB conducted licensing preparation workshops for BSSW students. This may account for a rebound in scores this past year.</i></p> <p><i>2017-2018: Data is not yet available.</i></p> <p><i>* Includes 1st and subsequent retesters</i></p>				

Program:	Social Work			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	Master of Social Work (M.S.W.)			
Examination Title:	South Dakota Social Work Licensing Examination			
Organization/Agency:	Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB)			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2012 ²	9	9	100%	84%
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	35%
Overall	9	9	100%	72%
2013	7	6	86%	82%
Retesters*	0	0	N/A	31%
Overall	7	6	86%	71%
2014	19	16	84%	82%
Retesters*	1	1	100%	33%
Overall	20	17	85%	71%
2015	24	19	79% ³	81%
Retesters*	1	1	100%	29%
Overall	25	20	80%	69%
2016	42	38	90%	81%
Retesters*	6	2	33%	32%
Overall	48	40	83%	70%
2010-2016	101	88	87%	82%
Retesters*	8	4	50%	32%
Overall	109	92	84%	71%
<p><i>NOTE: The ASWB allows for the release of pass rate data to graduates' respective social work program. This a recent practice, thus rates are available beginning with the 2013 reporting cycle (2012 graduates).</i></p> <p>² <i>The first cohort of MSW students did not graduate until August 2012. There are no test scores before 2012.</i></p> <p>³ <i>Variation in scores from 2014 to 2015 is not statistically significant</i></p> <p>2017-2018: <i>Data is not yet available.</i></p> <p>* <i>Includes 1st and subsequent retesters</i></p>				

Program:	Social Work			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	Master of Social Work (M.S.W.) – Clinical Examination ⁴			
Examination Title:	South Dakota Social Work Licensing Examination			
Organization/Agency:	Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB)			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed
2014 ⁵	1	0	0%	78%
Retesters*	0	0	NA	38%
Overall	1	0	0%	67%
2015	3	3	100%	76%
Retesters*	2	1	50%	35%
Overall	5	4	80%	64%
2016	5	5	100%	78%
Retesters*	0	0	NA	36%
Overall	5	5	100%	67%
2010-2016	9	8	88%	77%
Retesters*	2	1	50%	36%
Overall	11	9	82%	66%
<p><i>NOTE: The ASWB allows for the release of pass rate data to graduates' respective social work program. This a recent practice, thus rates are available beginning with the 2013 reporting cycle (2012 graduates).</i></p> <p>⁴ <i>The Clinical Examination is taken by graduates who have completed a minimum of two years of full-time, appropriate supervised post-MSW employment as a licensed social work at the Certified Social Worker (CSW) level. Upon successful completion of the test and other requirements, the individual then receives the designation as a Certified Social Worker in Private or Independent Practice (CSW-PIP). In 2014, only one MSW Program graduate took the Clinical Exam and did not pass. In 2015, 3 individuals took the Clinical Exam for the first time and passed it. Two individuals re-took the exam, and one passed; the other did not. We do not know if the individual who took and failed the test in 2014 was one of the two people who retook the exam in 2015. Department faculty will reach out to MSW program graduates and invite them to participate in the licensing preparation workshop offered each spring semester. Test preparation will include the Clinical Exam.</i></p> <p>⁵ <i>The first cohort of MSW students graduated in 2012. Because it takes a minimum of 2 years for graduates to become eligible to take the Clinical Exam, we would expect to begin to see scores in the ASWB report show up in 2014 and thereafter. Unless a graduate wants to engage in private or autonomous practice, the advanced clinical license is not required. This may account for the small number of graduates taking the exam.</i></p> <p><i>2017-2018: Data is not yet available.</i></p> <p><i>* Includes 1st and subsequent retesters</i></p>				

Program:	Speech Pathology			
University:	University of South Dakota			
Degree:	MA			
Examination Title:	National Examination in Speech Language Pathology			
Organization/Agency:	American Speech and Hearing Association (ASHA)			
Year	Number of Writers	Number Passed	% Total Writers Passed	National % Passed*
2011	25	23	92.00%	N/A
2012	25	25	100.00%	86.40%
2013	25	25	100.00%	89.50%
2014	28	26	92.86%	90.1%
2015	35**	33	94.3%	84.8%
2016	23	20	87%	N/A
2017	22	21	95.5%	N/A
2011-2017	183	173	94.5%	N/A
<p><i>*(Note: national rates are not available after 2014-2015 per the ASHA website)</i></p> <p><i>**The higher number of graduates taking the Praxis in 2015 reflects the graduation of our second and final distance cohort along with our on-campus students. Also, the lower numbers reflected in 2016 and 2017 do not represent fewer graduates; they are due to graduates' not designating USD as a recipient of the scores.</i></p>				