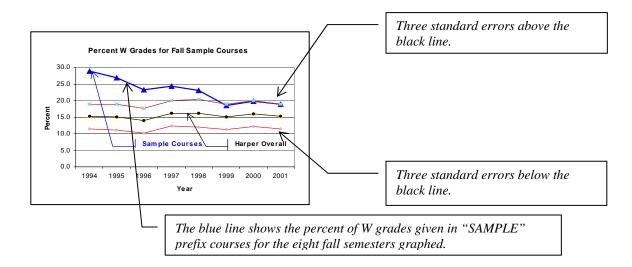
Semester Level Grade Distributions with Graphs for CSC Prefix Courses

Prepared by the Office of Research Teaming to Serve the Research Needs of the College November 21, 2007 The page that follows provides grade distributions for the past ten summer, fall, and spring semesters, which contains six graphs showing the percent F and W grades awarded students taking courses with the specified prefix. Each grade graph has a black line representing the overall Harper percent of students (excluding AED courses) receiving that grade. Each grade graph also has two red lines representing three course prefix standard errors above and below the black line. The percent line for the specified prefix is blue. An annotated sample graph is provided below.

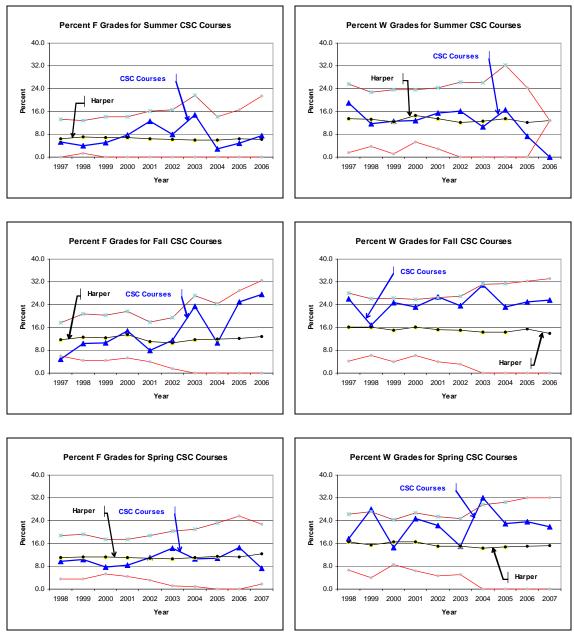


Generally, the blue line should stay between the two red lines with some points above the black line and some points below the black line. Blue points that are above the top red line represent percents that are significantly above the overall Harper percent (p < .01). Similarly, blue points that are below the bottom red line represent percents that are significantly below the overall Harper percent (p < .01).

If the graphs on the following pages show several "blue" points above the top red line or below the bottom red line, further investigation may be warranted. In the sample graph, most of the blue points are above the top red line. This indicates an excessive number of W's were issued for courses with the "SAMPLE" prefix. When all the blue points are below the black line the percent is consistently on the low side; similarly, when all the blue points are above the black line the percent is consistently on the high side.

The last page includes tables giving the total number of all grades given for each year, the percent of each grade type (%A, %B, %C, %D, %F, %W) graphed and its standard error (SE), and another grade labeled "O." O grades are other types of grades (audit, transfer credit, pass, incomplete, and so forth). Typically there are very few O grades.

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## Grade Distributions for CSC Prefix Courses by Semester

Total N	N of	CSC	Stuc	lents	and	Perce	ent I	Earnii	1g E	ach (	Grad	e with	n Star	idard	Error	(SE)	
Summer	N	%А	SE	%B	SE	%C	SE	%D	SE	%F	SE	%W	SE	%O	SE	۶P	SE
1997	95	29.5	4.7	26.3	4.5	12.6	3.4	7.4	2.7	5.3	2.3	18.9	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1998	102	27.5	4.4	34.3	4.7	17.6	3.8	4.9	2.1	3.9	1.9	11.8	3.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1999	79	26.6	5.0	31.6	5.2	13.9	3.9	10.1	3.4	5.1	2.5	12.7	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2000	118	41.5	4.5	24.6	4.0	12.7	3.1	0.8	0.8	7.6	2.4	12.7	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2001	103	32.0	4.6	19.4	3.9	16.5	3.7	3.9	1.9	12.6	3.3	15.5	3.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2002	62	45.2	6.3	17.7	4.9	11.3	4.0	1.6	1.6		3.5	16.1	4.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2003	47	34.0	6.9	12.8	4.9	23.4	6.2	4.3	2.9	14.9	5.2	10.6	4.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004	36	50.0	8.3	27.8	7.5	2.8	2.7	0.0	0.0	2.8	2.7		6.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2005	41		7.1	9.8	4.6	4.9	3.4	2.4	2.4	4.9	3.4	7.3	4.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2006	27	92.6	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Fall	Ν	%A	SE	%B	SE	%C	SE	%D	SE	%F	SE	%W	SE	%O	SE	%P	SE
1997	123	29.3	4.1	22.8	3.8	12.2	3.0	4.9	1.9	4.9	1.9	26.0	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1998	125	33.6	4.2	20.8	3.6	11.2	2.8	7.2	2.3	10.4	2.7	16.8	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1999	133	29.3	3.9	20.3	3.5	9.0	2.5	6.0	2.1	10.5	2.7	24.8	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2000	168	29.8	3.5	19.6	3.1	8.9	2.2	3.6	1.4	14.9	2.7	23.2	3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2001	138	23.2	3.6	31.9	4.0	8.7	2.4	1.4	1.0	8.0	2.3	26.8	3.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2002	114	43.9	4.6	10.5	2.9	7.0	2.4	3.5	1.7	11.4	3.0	23.7	4.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2003	68	22.1	5.0	16.2	4.5	4.4	2.5	2.9	2.0	23.5	5.1	30.9	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2004	56	37.5	6.5	16.1	4.9	5.4	3.0	7.1	3.4	10.7	4.1	23.2	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2005	60	20.0	5.2	15.0	4.6	13.3	4.4	1.7	1.7	25.0	5.6	25.0	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2006	47	27.7	6.5	10.6	4.5	2.1	2.1	6.4	3.6	27.7	6.5	25.5	6.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Spring	Ν	%A	SE	%B	SE	%C	SE	%D	SE	%F	SE	%W	SE	80	SE	۶P	SE
1998	135		4.0	21.5	3.5	14.1	3.0		1.9		2.5		3.3	0.7	0.7	0.0	0.0
1999	135	22.2	3.6	21.5	3.5		2.9		1.9		2.6	28.1	3.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2000	179	29.6	3.4	23.5	3.2	21.8	3.1	2.8	1.2		2.0		2.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2001		34.5	3.7	20.0	3.1		2.2		1.3		2.2		3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2002		31.3	3.9	21.5	3.4	9.7	2.5		1.7		2.6		3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2002		40.3	4.5	21.3	3.8	6.7	2.3		1.2		3.2		3.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2003				21.0	3.0 4.4				1.2				5.1	0.0	0.0		0.0
	84		5.0			6.0	2.6				3.4					0.0	
2005	65		5.3	27.7	5.6	13.8	4.3			10.8	3.8		5.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2006	55		6.7	12.7	4.5	3.6	2.5			14.5	4.8		5.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2007	55	41.8	6.7	12.7	4.5	14.5	4.8	1.8	1.8	7.3	3.5	21.8	5.6	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Total N of CSC Students and Percent Earning Each Grade with Standard Error (SE)

\*Harper overall percent plus/minus three standard errors form the red lines on the graphs. CSC percents within the red lines are not significantly different from the overall Harper percent at the .01 level of significance.