## Academic Progress and Time to Degree: Evidence from Event History Analysis

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# NTRODUCTION

# Two questions Higher Ed institutional researchers often ask:

- After controlling student background characteristics,
- What factors affect retention and graduation?
- What factors affect the length of time to graduation?

While retention and graduation have received ample attention and become a yardstick for student success, time to graduation has not been fully examined.

Education is a dynamic and temporal process, and we need to understand factors that affect time to degree.

# NTRODUCTION

### **Common barriers to studying time to degree:**

- Data barrier: Lack of longitudinal data
- Methodological barrier: Unfamiliarity of statistical models that capture progress over time.

### The purpose of this study is:

To overcome both barriers and answer this question:

Beyond students' demographic characteristics and academic preparation at entry, what aspects of their academic progress affect time to graduation?

## LITERATURE ON TIME-TO-DEGREE

## Definitions of Time to Degree: {Total Elapsed Time = Total Enrolled Time + Stop-Out Time

### The current trend and issues:

- "Time to completion of the baccalaureate degree has increased markedly in the United States over the past three decades."
- The median time to earn a Bachelor's degree from public institutions in 2008:
  - ✓ **55 months** for all degree recipients (4.6 years).
  - ✓ 63 months for graduates who started at a 2-year public institutions (5.3 years)
  - ✓ 80 months for those who delayed entry into postsecondary education (6.7 years)

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics. (2011). 2008–09 Baccalaureate and Beyond Longitudinal Study (B&B:08/09): A First Look at Recent College Graduates (NCES 2011-236), Table 3.

## LITERATURE ON TIME-TO-DEGREE

### **Factors affecting Time-to-Degree**

- <u>At macro level</u>: Poor college preparedness, changing demographic composition of students, declines in collegiate resources in the less selective public sector, and increases in student employment
- <u>At micro level</u>: interest-major congruence, motivation, 1st-year academic performance, extracurricular activities, small course loads, changing majors, and living on campus.

# DATA

### The dataset:

For this study, our dataset includes 12,069 first time freshmen in five fall entering cohorts from fall 2002 to fall 2006, in a large state university in California.

### The observation period:

- From fall 2002 to spring 2012 with a maximum of 20 terms.
- All students are tracked from the first to the last enrolled terms during the observation period.

# DATA

### Tracking students over time:

- The enrolled terms include the main terms of fall and spring terms.
- Right-censored data
- List of variables tracked across enrolled terms

#### Table 1 List of Time-dependent Variables

Variable name	Coding
Dependent variable	
Time to degree (The number of enrolled t student graduated with a bachelor's degree	terms from the entering terms to the terms in which a )
Graduation status (1=Graduated with a ba	achelor's degree, 0 = otherwise)
Time-dependent variables	
Enrollment pattern	
Term units enrolled	
Extra enrollment	having extra enrollment=1, otherwise=0
Major status	
Major declaration	Major declared=1, otherwise=0
Major change	Major changed=1, otherwise=0
Double Majors/Minors	Having a double major or minor=1, otherwise=0
Academic performance/progress	
Term GPA	
Cumulative GPA	
Cumulative units earned	

# METHODS

### **Event history analysis (EHA)**

To analyze data obtained by observing individuals over time, EHA focuses on events occurring for the individuals. Time series data typically consist of time for the occurrence of events and the types of events that occur.

### **EHA** applications

Basing their roots on biostatistics and epidemiology, EHA adopted different names across scientific disciplines, such as "event history analysis" (sociology), "duration models" (political science, economics), "hazard models" / "hazard rate models" (biostatistics, epidemiology), and/or "failure-time models" (engineering, reliability analysis).

# METHODS

### Strengths of EHA

- Ability to examine the underlying causal mechanisms behind event occurrence.
- Ability to control for censored data.
- Ability to examine the impact of time-dependent covariates on outcome.

### **Two approaches**

- Continuous time approach: Cox regression model
- Discrete time approach: Logit hazard model

### Methods Cox regression model

#### **Continuous-time hazard:**

Assessing the risk—at a particular moment—that an individual who has not yet done so will experience the event. It is a rate assessing the conditional probability of event occurrence

 $h(t_j) = \lim_{\Delta t \to 0} \left( \frac{\operatorname{Prob} \left\{ T \in (T_j, T_j + \Delta t) | T \ge T_j \right\}}{\Delta t} \right), \qquad h(t_j) \ge 0$ 

#### Cox regression model with time-dependent covariates:

 $Log h(t_j) = Log [h_0(t) * EXP(\alpha * X + \beta * t * X + \delta * Z_j)]$ = Log [h\_0(t)] + \approx \* X + \beta \* t \* X + \delta \* Z\_j

Or

 $h(t_i) = h_0(t) * \mathsf{EXP}(\alpha * X + \beta * t * X + \delta * Z_i)$ 

#### Assessing relative risk: hazard ratio

EXP( $\beta$ ) (for time-independent variables) or EXP( $\delta$ ) (for time-dependent variables). For example, EXP( $\beta$ ) = 2.030 for gender (1=Female and 0=Male as the reference group). It means that the hazard of female students graduating is 2.062 times of that for male at the same point of time over time.

### Methods LOGIT HAZARD MODEL

#### **Discrete-time hazard:**

Conditional probability that an individual will experience the target event in the j-th time period j (T = j) given that s/he didn't experience it in any earlier time period (T >= j).

 $h(t_j) = \operatorname{Prob} \{T = j | T \ge j\}, \quad 0 \le h(t_j) \le 1$ 

#### **General logit hazard model:**

Logit 
$$h(t_j) = (\alpha_1 * D_1 + \alpha_2 * D_2 + \dots + \alpha_J * D_J)$$
  
+ $(\beta_1 * X * D_1 + \beta_2 * X * D_2 + \dots + \beta_J * X * D_J)$   
+ $(\delta_1 * Z_1 * D_1 + \delta_2 * Z_2 * D_2 + \dots + \delta_J * Z_J * D_J)$ 

Or

 $h(t_j) = \frac{1}{1 + EXP[-Logit h(t_j)]}$ 

Note: The model is equivalent to the series of logistic regression models run at each time period. In time period 1: Logit  $h(t_1) = \alpha_1 + \beta_1 * X + \delta_1 * Z_1$ . In time period 2: Logit  $h(t_2) = \alpha_2 + \beta_2 * X + \delta_2 * Z_2$ ,..., and so on.

#### Assessing relative risk: Odds ratio

EXP( $\beta$ ) (for time-independent variables) or EXP( $\delta$ ) (for time-dependent variables). For example, EXP( $\beta_7$ ) = 2.062 for gender (1=Female and 0=Male as the reference group). It means that the Odds of female students graduating in the 7th time period is 2.062 times of that for male.

## DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

### **STUDENT BACKGROUND CHARACTERISTICS**

Total HC	12,069
Gender (Female %)	59%
African American (%)	7%
American Indian (%)	1%
Asian (%)	16%
Pacific Islander (%)	1%
Hispanic (%)	30%
White (%)	35%
Other/ Unknown (%)	8%
Non-Resident Alien (%)	2%
URM status (URM %)	55%
First-generation status (FGS %)	<b>60</b> %
Pell grant eligibility (Pell %)	46%
Avg. HS GPA	3.29
Avg. SAT COMP	944
English/Math remediation status (REM %)	<b>70.0</b> %
Pre-college experience (PreColl %)	22%



### **DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL ENROLLED TERMS**



## DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

### **DISTRIBUTION OF ENROLLED TERMS BY GRADUATION STATUS**



## DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

## TIME TO DEGREE (TD):

## The total number of enrolled terms (spring and fall) from entry to graduation



# IMPACTS OF TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES

#### **GRADUATION AND TIME TO DEGREE FOR TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

	Total HC	Craduation %	Time to degree							
	TOTALLIC		Graduated HC	Mean	Median	SD				
Grand Total	12069	54.4%	6563	9.8	10	1.9				
Gender										
Male	4914	<b>49.7</b> %	2441	10.0	10	1.9				
Female	7155	57.6%	4122	9.6	10	1.8				
Ethnicity										
African American	856	39.4%	337	9.9	10	1.7				
American Indian	80	52.5%	42	10.0	10	1.5				
Asian	1935	51.6%	999	10.2	10	2.0				
Hispanic	3650	50.6%	1846	10.2	10	1.9				
Non-Resident Alien	242	52.1%	126	9.8	10	2.1				
Other/ Unknown	966	58.3%	563	9.6	9	2.0				
Pacific Islander	64	35.9%	23	9.7	10	1.5				
White	4276	<b>61.4</b> %	2627	9.3	9	1.6				
URM status										
Non-URM	5484	<b>60.5</b> %	3316	9.4	9	1.7				
URM	6585	49.3%	3247	10.2	10	1.9				

## **MPACTS OF TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

### **GRADUATION AND TIME TO DEGREE FOR TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

	Tatal UC	Craduation %	Tim	e to degr	ee	
		Graduation %	Graduated HC	Mean	Median	SD
First-generation status						
CGS	4853	<b>60.5</b> %	2935	9.4	9	1.8
FGS	7216	50.3%	3628	10.0	10	1.9
Pell grant eligibility						
Not eligible	6507	<b>59.1</b> %	3846	9.4	9	1.7
Eligible	5562	48.8%	2717	10.2	10	1.9
HS GPA group						
1.86-2.99	2950	38.0%	1122	10.2	10	1.9
3.00-3.26	3041	48.1%	1463	10.0	10	1.9
3.27-3.62	3047	<b>58.</b> 1%	1770	9.9	10	1.9
3.63+	3031	<b>72.8</b> %	2208	9.3	9	1.7
English/Math remediation s	status					
Required	8454	<b>50.</b> 1%	4234	10.1	10	1.9
Nor required	3615	<b>64.4</b> %	2329	9.2	9	1.7
Pre-college experience						
Not having	9428	51.2%	4825	9.9	10	1.8
Having	2641	<b>65.8</b> %	1738	9.4	9	1.9

# **MPACTS OF TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

#### CHART 4 PERCENTAGES\* OF GRADUATED STUDENTS ACROSS ENROLLED TERMS - OVERALL PATTERN



\* Percentage = the total number of students who enrolled divided by the number of students who graduated in the given enrolled terms, which is the estimated conditional probability of graduating in the enrolled term given they didn't graduate in the earlier terms.

## **MPACTS OF TIME-INDEPENDENT VARIABLES**

CHART 5 PERCENTAGES\* OF GRADUATED STUDENTS ACROSS

#### ENROLLED TERMS BY SUBGROUPS



## **MPACTS OF TIME-DEPENDENT VARIABLES**

### **GRADUATION AND TIME TO DEGREE FOR TIME-DEPENDENT VARIABLES**

	Tataluc		Summary of Time to degree						
	Iotal HC	Graduation %	Graduated HC	Mean	Median	SD			
Grand Total	12069	54.4%	6563	9.8	10	1.9			
Major Change	-			-		-			
Didn't change	6933	39.2%	2720	9.6	9	1.9			
Changed	5136	74.8%	3843	9.9	10	1.8			
Double Majors/Minors									
Didn't have	10370	49.5%	5136	9.7	10	1.8			
Had	1699	84.0%	1427	9.9	10	1.9			
Major Declaration						-			
Didn't declare	651	0.0%							
Less than half time	258	46.9%	121	10.6	10	2.2			
More than half time	11160	57.7%	6442	9.7	10	1.8			
Extra Enrollment									
Didn't have	9862	48.4%	4777	9.8	10	1.8			
Had	2207	80.9%	1786	9.6	10	1.9			
Avg Term units enrolled group				-		-			
Less than 6	22	0.0%							
6-11	2567	30.4%	781	12.2	12	1.9			
12-17	9237	60.9%	5626	9.5	10	1.6			
18 or more	243	64.2%	156	7.6	8	1.2			
Avg Term GPA group			-	-					
Less than 2.0	2723	0.7%	18	12.9	13	2.7			
2.00-2.99	5025	58.0%	2913	10.5	10	1.9			
3.00 or above	4321	84.1%	3632	9.1	9	1.6			
Avg Cumulative GPA group				-	-				
Less than 2.0	1838	1.0%	18	10.8	11	2.6			
2.0-2.99	5770	51.4%	2967	10.5	10	1.9			
3.0 or above	4461	80.2%	3578	9.2	9	1.6			

## **MPACTS OF TIME-DEPENDENT VARIABLES**

### ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE ACROSS ENROLLED TERMS (SEE HANDOUT #1)



## **IMPACTS OF TIME-DEPENDENT VARIABLES**

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#### FINDINGS (SEE HANDOUT #2) Cox Regression Model with Time-Dependent Covariates

		Model A						Model B					Model C			
		В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)
<b>Block 1: Entering</b>	time-independ	dent vari	ables (Me	etho	d = Ente	er)										
Gender		0.238	83.169	1	0.000	1.269	0.744	27.658	1	0.000	2.105	0.708	24.868	1	0.000	2.030
URM		-0.264	83.057	1	0.000	0.768	-0.865	28.925	1	0.000	0.421	-0.473	8.345	1	0.004	0.623
FGS		-0.114	17.104	1	0.000	0.892	-0.575	14.813	1	0.000	0.563	-0.363	5.823	1	0.016	0.695
PELL		-0.215	50.641	1	0.000	0.807	-0.597	12.965	1	0.000	0.550	-0.232	1.905	1	0.167	0.793
HS GPA		0.401	173.159	1	0.000	1.494	0.939	32.043	1	0.000	2.557	0.273	2.682	1	0.101	1.314
Rem		-0.189	42.872	1	0.000	0.828	-0.842	26.762	1	0.000	0.431	-0.591	12.775	1	0.000	0.554
Pre-College E	xperience	0.139	23.209	1	0.000	1.150	0.840	28.628	1	0.000	2.317	0.379	5.623	1	0.018	1.461
Block 2: Entering	g interactions o	of time-ii	ndepende	ent v	ariable	s with Tir	ne (Meth	nod = Ente	er)							
T_COV_Gen	der						-0.053	13.828	1	0.000	0.949	-0.054	14.264	1	0.000	0.948
T_COV_UR	Λ						0.062	14.799	1	0.000	1.064	0.037	4.849	1	0.028	1.037
T_COV_FGS							0.048	10.207	1	0.001	1.050	0.037	5.979	1	0.014	1.038
T_COV_PEL	L						0.038	5.261	1	0.022	1.039	0.012	0.522	1	0.470	1.012
T_COV_HS C	GPA						-0.001	11.701	1	0.001	0.999	0.000	5.971	1	0.015	1.000
T_COV_REA	1						0.070	17.395	1	0.000	1.072	0.070	16.818	1	0.000	1.072
T_COV_Pre	College						-0.074	21.237	1	0.000	0.928	-0.036	4.837	1	0.028	0.965
Experience	stime depende	ntvarial	aloc (Mot	hod	- Entor	<u> </u>										
Torm Units	s une-depende	ent varia	Jies (Met	nou	= Enter	)										
Term CPA	enioneu															
Cumulative	Units earned											0.022	1754 487	1	0.000	1.024
Cumulative												0.035	170 844	1	0.000	1.034
Extra Enroll	ment											-0.200	20.002	1	0.000	0.725
Major Chan												-0.522	20.092 F1 827	1	0.000	0.725
Double mai	se ors or Minors											-0.007	170 728	1	0.000	0.515
Major decla	ration											-0.409	1640	1	0.200	0.842
												0.172	1.040	-	0.200	0.042
Goodness-of-fit		• •	1)	1.11	1.1 1	0-0	- 0 -									
Block 0: Beginnii	ng Block (basel	ine mode	el), -2 Log	Like	lihood =	= 108748.	.485									
-2 Log Likelihood	1		1078	315.3	17			1076	31.9	65			10429	95.9	93	
Change From	Chi-square		933	3.168	3			18	3.352	2			333	5.97	2	
FIEVIOUS DIOCK	df			7				7						6		
	Sig.	0.000 0.000 0.000														
Model comparis	on															
AIC			1078	29.3	17			1076	59.9	65			1043	35.9	93	
BIC			1078	79.9	45			1077	761.2	21			10448	30.6	45	

## FINDINGS (SEE HANDOUT #2)

	Wald	Sig.	Exp(B)		Wald	Sig.	Exp(B)					
Final model with cumulative pe	rformance (Mod	el C: -2LL = 1	104295.993,	Chi-square =3335.972, df = 6, P-v	alue <0.000)							
Time-independent varia	ables		Time-dependent varia	Time-dependent variables								
Gender	24.868	0.000	2.030	Cumulative Units earned	1754.487	0.000	1.034					
URM	8.345	0.004	0.623	Cumulative GPA	179.844	0.000	1.649					
FGS	5.823	0.016	0.695	Extra Enrollment	20.092	0.000	0.725					
PELL	1.905	0.167	0.793	Major Change	51.827	0.000	0.513					
HS GPA	2.682	0.101	1.314	Double majors or Minors	170.738	0.000	0.625					
Rem	12.775	0.000	0.554	Major declaration	1.640	0.200	0.842					
Pre-College Experience	5.623	0.018	1.461	Note: -2LL for the null mo	del = 10874	8.485. S	ee the					
				_handout for the detailed I	results.							
Interactions of time-ine	dependent v	ariables	with Tim	e								
T_COV_Gender	14.264	0.000	0.948	—								
T_COV_URM	4.849	0.028	1.037									
T_COV_FGS	5.979	0.014	1.038	_								
T_COV_PELL	0.522	0.470	1.012	_								
T_COV_HS GPA	5.971	0.015	1.000									

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T COV REM

T\_COV\_Pre College Experience

16.818

4.837

0.000

0.028

### FINDINGS LOGIT HAZARD MODELS

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.948

.084

.383

#### Time-varying effects\*

(Estimated EXP(B) from the results of fitting logit hazard model)

Ath torm	5th torm	6th torm	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	13th	14th	15th	16th
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Final model with cumulative performance (-2 Log likelihood = 22351.299, Cox & Snell R Square = 0.682, Nagelkerke R Square = 0.909)

#### Time-independent variables

Gender	2.233	3.725	2.086	2.062	1.521	1.369	1.311	1.376	1.199	1.344	1.516	.755	1.954
URM	.586	1.404	.522	.908	.787	.784	.933	.784	.704	.809	1.609	.660	.402
FGS	.141	1.291	1.288	.806	1.011	.988	.894	.986	.989	1.290	1.367	1.142	.803
PELL	1.592	.500	1.131	.862	1.000	.745	.860	.768	1.022	.807	.975	.806	2.255
HS GPA	.545	.416	.577	.688	.695	.778	.688	1.069	1.011	.797	.696	1.055	.184
REM	.956	1.370	1.398	1.345	1.055	1.158	1.001	1.109	1.571	1.025	.883	3.225	.960
Pre-college experience	.437	.865	1.232	1.136	1.276	.926	.952	.883	1.056	.871	.735	.855	2.813
Time-dependent variables													
Cumulative Units earned	1.123	1.082	1.096	1.073	1.101	1.063	1.076	1.047	1.045	1.032	1.040	1.024	1.044
Cumulative GPA	.509	.972	2.536	2.001	3.121	2.030	2.485	1.366	2.087	2.251	2.771	1.179	1.704
Extra enrollment	1.740	.000	.505	7.069	.340	1.496	.654	2.088	.608	1.169	1.292	.000	1.091
Major change	.000	.000	.275	.376	.306	.445	.441	.354	.857	.282	.653	1.556	.000

1.039 .992 .430 .469 Double majors or Minors .279 .566 .463 .456 .408 .496 .504 1434738 3342982 1.097 2.567 .488 .630 961978 .510 .664 .469 .691 Major declaration

• Yellow-highlighted means that the effect is statistically significant at the level of significance of 0.05. Note: -2LL for the null model = 128887.946.

## CONCLUSION

### **Cox regression:**

- **Time-independent variables:** All time-independent variables affect time to degree except for Pell eligibility and HS GPA. The top two predictors are <u>gender</u> and <u>remediation</u>. Female students are twice as likely to graduate as male students. Students needing remediation are half as likely to graduate as those who don't need remediation.
- **Time-dependent variables:** When controlling for time-independent variables, <u>earned units</u>, <u>GPA</u> and whether one has <u>double major or a</u> <u>minor</u> are the top three predictors of time to degree.
- **Summary:** Time-dependent variables are more powerful predictors of time to degree than time-independent variables. The most powerful predictor is <u>earned units</u>. The first four predictors by strength are all time-dependent.

## CONCLUSION

### Logit hazard regression:

- Most of factors don't have significant effects in the first five enrolled terms and after the 12th term. Between the 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> terms, the variables in the study differentiate our students.
- Cumulative units earned and cumulative GPA have consistently significant effects. Gender effect is decreasing from the 6<sup>th</sup> to 12 terms, and disappeared after the 12<sup>th</sup> term.
- **Summary:** Characteristics students bring with them to college (gender, race, HS performance, etc.) no longer differentiate who will graduate after 6 years in school.

# FURTHER DISCUSSION

- What can we tell students? Not much. The two most powerful predictors of time to degree are *earned units* and *GPA*. They are in fact the dependent variables if we aim students in our study.
- What can we tell policy makers? Time to degree is heavily affected by the type of students an institution serves, and the definition of graduation rate by <u>elapsed years</u> cannot be fairly used across universities.

# FURTHER DISCUSSION

- <u>Elapsed years</u>, <u>enrolled years</u> and <u>FTE years</u> are three measures of time to degree. In the CSU system for most degrees, <u>a FTE year =120 units</u>.
- We propose using FTE year as the measure of time to degree. The ratio of attempted to earned units can be used as a measure of student success in progress.

# FURTHER DISCUSSION

 What can we tell university presidents, provosts, faculty and student service professionals? Attention needs to be directed to <u>how to ensure students pass their required</u> <u>courses.</u> Measures such as Course Redesign and Supplementary Instruction are examples.

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#### Handout #1

#### Chart 6 Academic performance across enrolled terms Student group GR NGR Term GPA **Cumulative GPA** HC: Term units enrolled Cumulative units earned 3.0 12.4 1.54 30 ñ 0.37 GR. 5.0 12.0 2.12 -0.95 œ, 1,502 10 A 2.2918-1.00 <u>20</u> 30 3.94 1,041 20-ns (Time to degree) 19.2 11.8 NGR. 1.52 2.29 35 œ. 1,200 3.00 15-12.0 2.35 35 3.02 œ. T. 11.2 10.8 3.04 œ 20-1.8 Total numbe 10-35 GR. 9.94 NOR 2.00 6.0 1.50 35 GR. 15-2.94 2.0 3.5 2.65 2.54 315 2.00 œ -000 NGR. 2.50 Ľ.

Enrolled terms

#### Handout #2

Table 5 Results of fitting Cox regression models with time-dependent cavariates

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		Model A						Мо	3		Model C					
		В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)	В	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B)
Block 1: Entering t	ime-independe	nt variable	es (Method	= En	iter)				•							
Gender		0.238	83.169	1	0.000	1.269	0.744	27.658	1	0.000	2.105	0.708	24.868	1	0.000	2.030
URM		-0.264	83.057	1	0.000	0.768	-0.865	28.925	1	0.000	0.421	-0.473	8.345	1	0.004	0.623
FGS		-0.114	17.104	1	0.000	0.892	-0.575	14.813	1	0.000	0.563	-0.363	5.823	1	0.016	0.695
PELL		-0.215	50.641	1	0.000	0.807	-0.597	12.965	1	0.000	0.550	-0.232	1.905	1	0.167	0.793
HS GPA		0.401	173.159	1	0.000	1.494	0.939	32.043	1	0.000	2.557	0.273	2.682	1	0.101	1.314
Rem		-0.189	42.872	1	0.000	0.828	-0.842	26.762	1	0.000	0.431	-0.591	12.775	1	0.000	0.554
Pre-College Exper	ience	0.139	23.209	1	0.000	1.150	0.840	28.628	1	0.000	2.317	0.379	5.623	1	0.018	1.461
Block 2: Entering i	nteractions of	time-inde	pendent va	riabl	es with	Time (Me	thod = Ent	ter)								
T_COV_Gender							-0.053	13.828	1	0.000	0.949	-0.054	14.264	1	0.000	0.948
T_COV_URM							0.062	14.799	1	0.000	1.064	0.037	4.849	1	0.028	1.037
T_COV_FGS							0.048	10.207	1	0.001	1.050	0.037	5.979	1	0.014	1.038
T_COV_PELL							0.038	5.261	1	0.022	1.039	0.012	0.522	1	0.470	1.012
T_COV_HS GPA							-0.001	11.701	1	0.001	0.999	0.000	5.971	1	0.015	1.000
T_COV_REM							0.070	17.395	1	0.000	1.072	0.070	16.818	1	0.000	1.072
T_COV_Pre Colleg	ge Experience						-0.074	21.237	1	0.000	0.928	-0.036	4.837	1	0.028	0.965
Block 3: Entering t	ime-dependent	variables	(Method =	Ente	er)											
Cumulative Units e	earned											0.033	1754.487	1	0.000	1.034
Cumulative GPA												0.500	179.844	1	0.000	1.649
Extra Enrollment												-0.322	20.092	1	0.000	0.725
Major Change												-0.667	51.827	1	0.000	0.513
Double majors or l	Minors											-0.469	170.738	1	0.000	0.625
Major declaration												-0.172	1.640	1	0.200	0.842
Goodness-of-fit										-						
Block 0: Beginnir	ng Block (basel	ine mod	el), -2 Log	Like	lihood	= 108748	8.485									
-2 Log Likelihood			1078	15.3	17			1076	31.9	65			10429	95.9	93	
Change From	Chi-square		933	.168	8			183	3.352	2			333	5.97	2	
Previous Block	df			7					7					6		
	Sig.		0.0	000				0.	0.000 0.000							
Model comparis	on															
AIC			10782	29.3	17			1076	59.9	65			10433	35.9 <u>9</u>	93	
BIC			1078	79.94	45			1077	61.2	21			10448	80.6	45	