

## Quinnipiac University SOE Measure 6. Certification Rates and GPA at Completion

### MAT and EDL: Certification Rates

Completers in both the MAT and EDL programs within the Quinnipiac University (QU) School of Education (SOE) have consistently high certification rates, as illustrated in Table 6.1. The few MAT candidates who were not certified to teach graduate with a Master's degree from Quinnipiac University and often decide to pursue careers in areas of education outside of K-12 Classroom teaching.

Table 6.1. Quinnipiac and Regional SOE Certification Rates by Cohort Graduation Year

Cohort Year	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Quinnipiac MAT <sup>1</sup>	88%	96%	90%	96%	96%
Quinnipiac EDL	86%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Statewide		-	-	87%	90%
University of Connecticut		-	-	98%	94%
Fairfield University		-	-	100%	83%
Western Connecticut State University		-	-	93%	95%

### Trends and External Benchmarks: Certification

QU SOE has quite consistent certification rates year after year and comparison against external benchmarks<sup>2</sup> (Table 6.1) indicate Quinnipiac is above the Statewide Average and competitive with other regional SOEs.

### MAT and EDL: GPA Upon Completion

Candidates within the QU SOE MAT and EDL programs have, on average, GPAs above 3.85 at graduation, as illustrated in Table 6.2. Median GPA at graduation for the QU SOE 2019 cohort are shown in Table 6.3 alongside those of other regional SOEs.

Table 6.2. MAT and EDL Average Final GPA by Cohort Graduation Year

Cohort Year	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
MAT	3.93	3.89	3.86	3.94	3.90
EDL	3.97	3.96	3.93	3.94	3.94

<sup>1</sup>In the 2017 cohort, 90% of MAT completers were certified in CT in 2017 and an additional 6% were certified in 2018 or in a different state (total 96%). In the 2018 cohort, 87% were certified in CT in 2018 and an additional 9% were certified in 2019 or 2020 or in a different state (total 96%).

<sup>2</sup> [https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Report/Providers/Providers.aspx?p=4\\_10](https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Report/Providers/Providers.aspx?p=4_10)

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Table 6.3. Median Average Final GPA for completers at various regional SOEs<sup>3</sup>

Institution: Level	2019
Quinnipiac University: 4+1 MAT	3.95
Quinnipiac University: Graduate MAT	3.82
Fairfield University: Undergraduate	N/A
Fairfield University: Postgraduate	3.95
University of Connecticut: Undergraduate	3.76
University of Connecticut: Postgraduate	4.00
Southern Connecticut State University: Undergraduate	3.52
Southern Connecticut State University: Postgraduate	3.91
Western Connecticut State University: Undergraduate	3.51
Western Connecticut State University: Postgraduate	N/A

**Trends and External Benchmarks: GPA upon Completion**

Data collected from Title II Public Use Data<sup>2</sup> reveals the median GPA upon graduation for QU SOE completers is very competitive with other regional SOEs. While data across years was not available for trend analysis, we will review trends in this data annually to examine the GPAs of our completers relative to those of regional SOEs.

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<sup>3</sup> [https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Report/DataFiles/DataFiles.aspx?p=5\\_01](https://title2.ed.gov/Public/Report/DataFiles/DataFiles.aspx?p=5_01)