



Parkland Pathway to Illinois: Paving the Road from a Comprehensive Community College to a Research I Land Grant Institution





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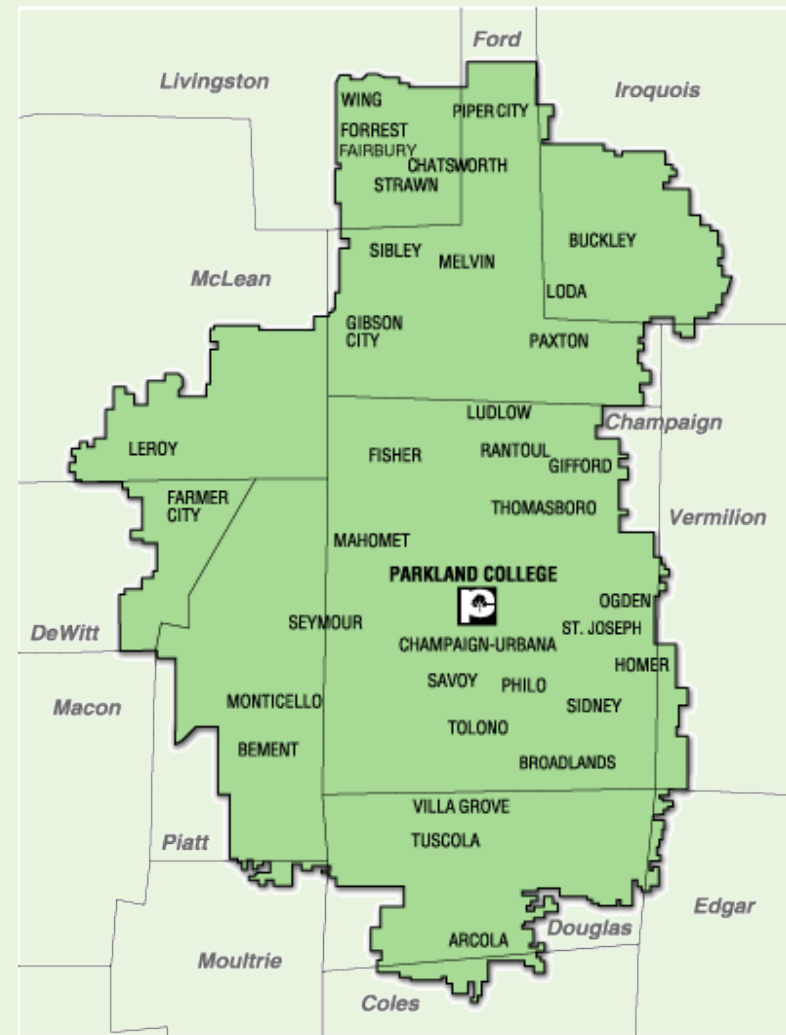


The Institutions



Parkland College

- ▶ **We serve**
 - 26 public high schools
 - Over 66 communities
 - Over 280,000 residents
 - Parts of 12 Illinois counties
- ▶ **Comprehensive College**
 - 37% full-time
 - 27% ethnic minority
 - 30% AA/AS transfer programs
 - 21% AAS occupational programs
 - 20:1 Student to faculty ratio



University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign



- Ranked 11th among public universities (USNWR)
- 3rd most recruited undergrads in the nation (WSJ)
- #1 in Big Ten for starting and mid-career salaries
- 32,579 Undergraduates
- 17:1 student to faculty ratio
- 56% Men, 44% Women
- 29.6% are underrepresented students



The Program





Program Design

- Graduates of Illinois high school
- Focus on underrepresented students, first generation, low SES and/or Parkland district
- All colleges except Business
 - Selected majors or general admissions
- Take Parkland orientation course
- Limited change of major





Program Details

- Dual enrollment with Parkland as the primary institution
- Guaranteed admission at the University of Illinois with stipulations
- Access to smaller class sizes
- Parkland tuition rate at both institutions





Program Details

- Access to award winning faculty at both institutions
- Opportunity to live on U of I campus
- Participate in student clubs at both institutions
- Easy-to-access academic/student support
- Individualized advising at both institutions





Recruitment Activities

- Illinois
 - Solo high school presentations
 - Joint presentations with Parkland Admissions
 - Annual Information Open House
- Parkland
 - SPIN
 - Campus Open House
 - Senior presentations
 - Campus Visit days
 - Every admission presentation





Application Procedures

Parkland College:

- Parkland College degree-seeking application
- ACT scores
- High school transcript
- College Assessments at Parkland College

University of Illinois:

- Parkland Pathway to Illinois application
- Official college transcripts if applicable
- ACT or SAT scores (writing scores are not required)
- Parkland Pathway Essay





After Application

- Weekly emails/phone conversations between Illinois and Parkland
- Orientation
 - Full day event with Parkland and Illinois components

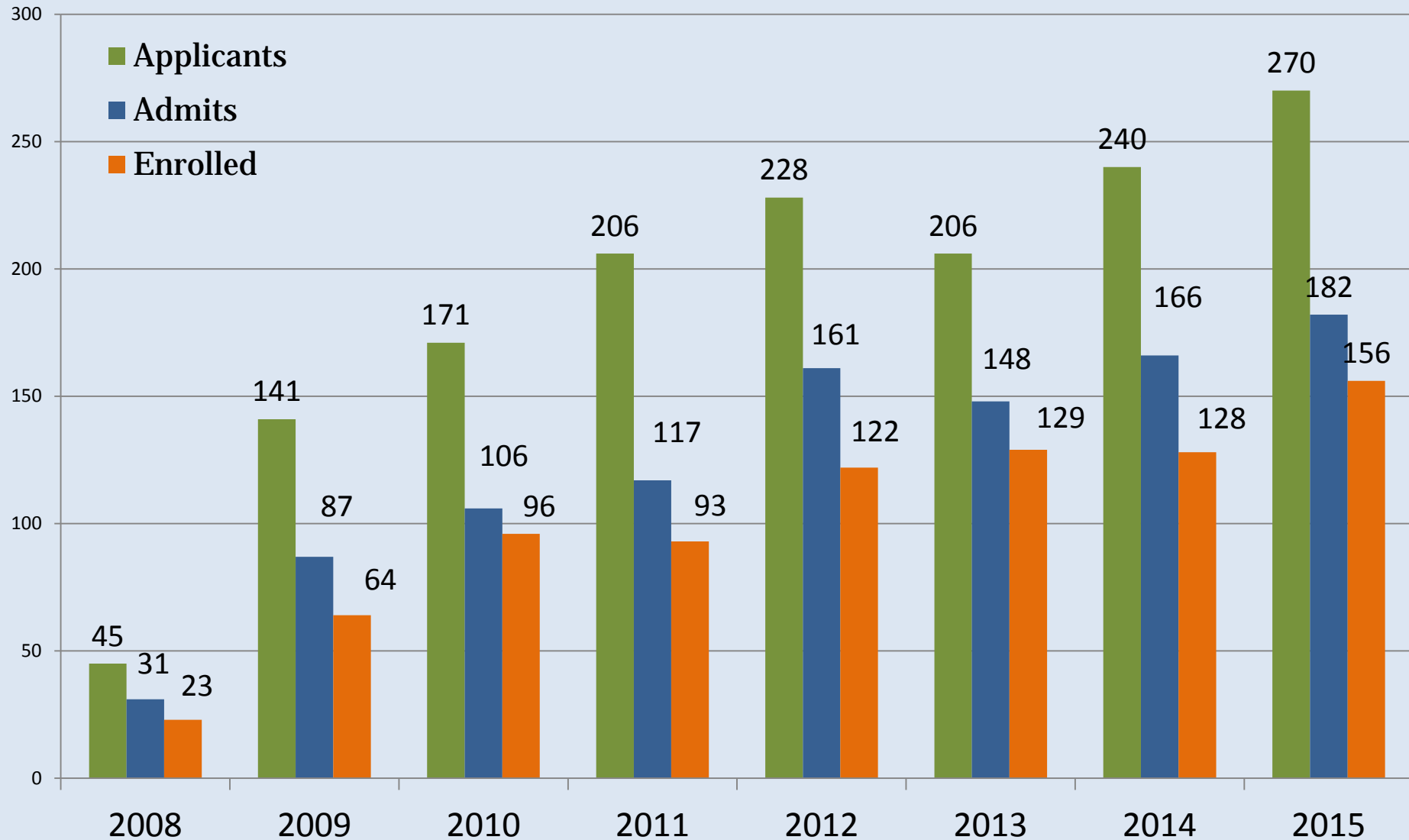


Admission/Continuation Procedures

- Parkland
 - Students are given the PATH designation in Datatel
- Illinois
 - All applicants are given attributes at application
 - Enrolled students are given attributes designating their tuition rate (in Parkland's district, out of district, Trustee, etc.)
 - Tuition Waive-downs
 - Once students apply to transfer, each receives an attribute based on completion status (non-completer or completer).



Participation by Cohort





Policy Summary

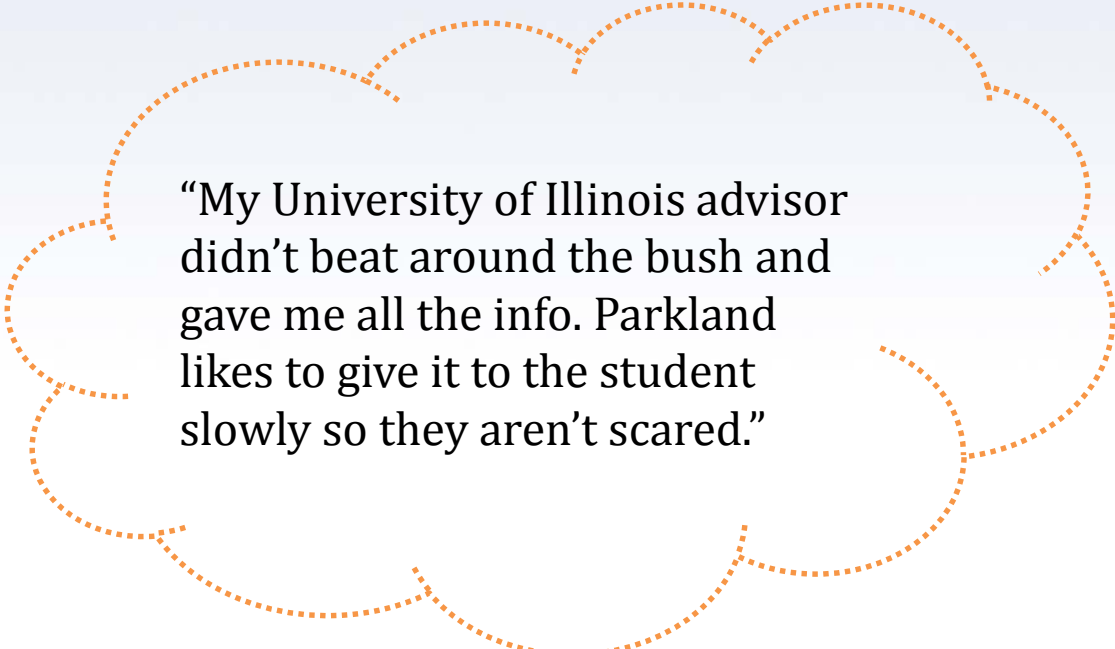
- Must stay in good standing
- Meet with advisors at both institutions at least once per semester
- Minimum of 12 semester hours between institutions
- No early applications to transfer
- Take courses required:
www.transferhandbook.illinois.edu





Advising Structure

- Parkland College advising
 - Dedicated advising staff
- University of Illinois advising
 - Academic Programs office



“My University of Illinois advisor didn’t beat around the bush and gave me all the info. Parkland likes to give it to the student slowly so they aren’t scared.”



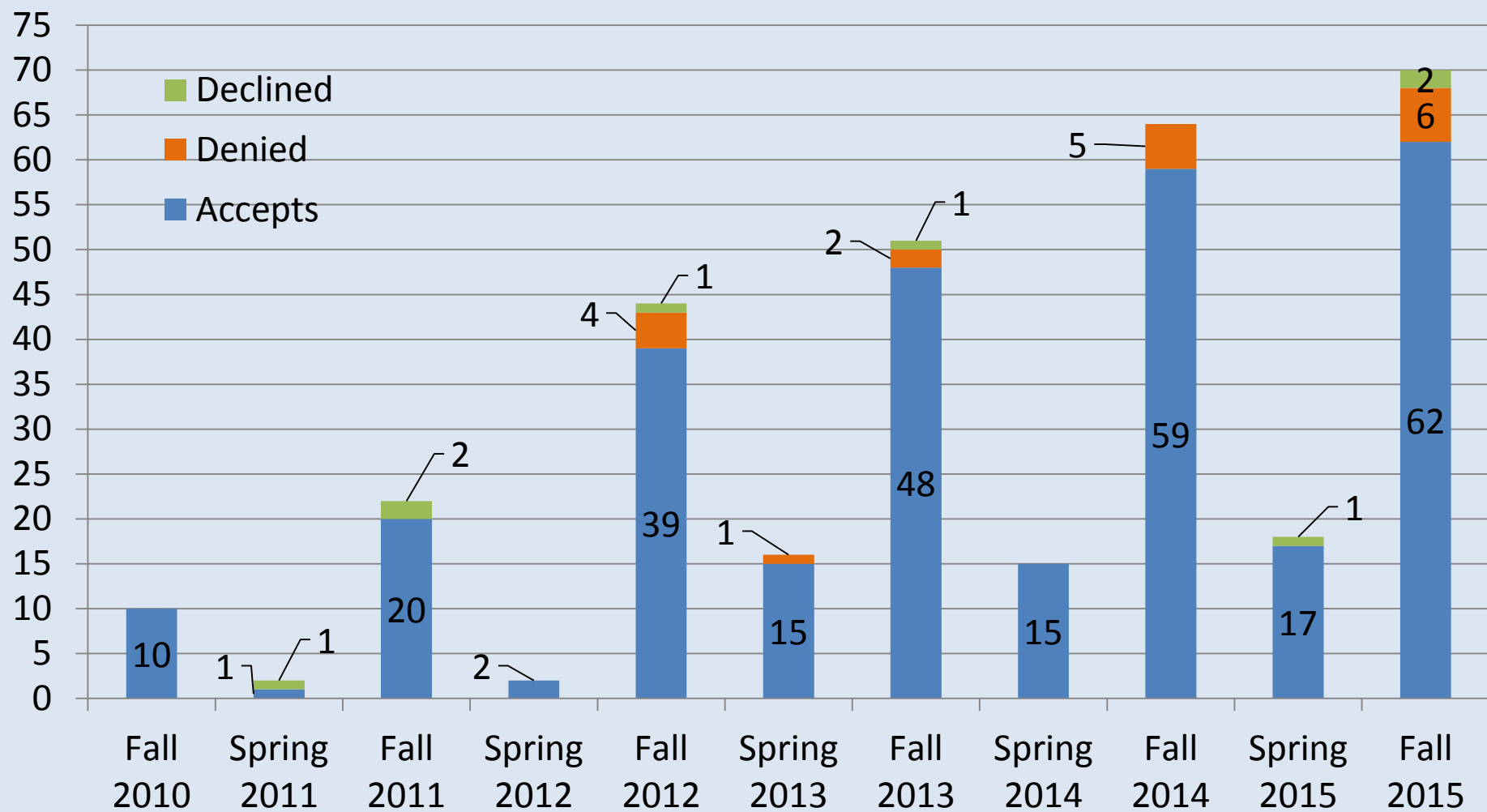
Common Transfer Experiences

- Adjustment
 - Social
 - Culture shock
 - Friend-groups
 - Academic
 - Grade Point Average
 - Teaching and learning styles
 - Advising styles



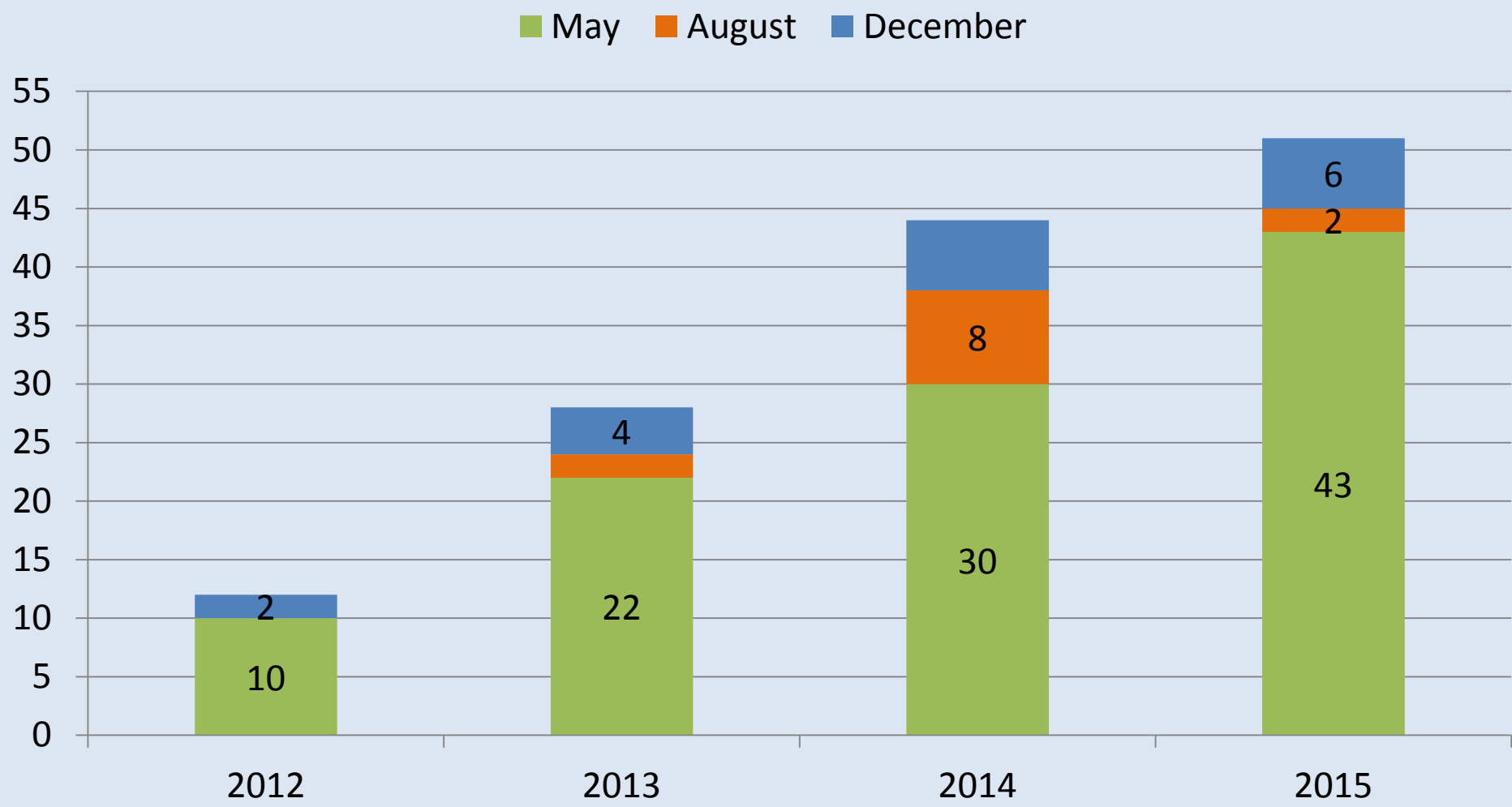


Parkland Pathway Completers





Parkland Pathway Graduation Rates



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