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# Wisconsin Technical College System to University of Wisconsin System Program Assessment Study

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# Background

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- In March 2001, a Data Exchange Memorandum of Understanding between the WTCS Board and the UWS Board of Regents was developed.
- Goals:
  - track students who were enrolled at the WTCS and subsequently enrolled at the UWS and identify both their originating WTCS program and subsequent UWS major.
  - identify potential program areas for developing new transfer articulation agreements.
  - assess the academic outcomes of these students, including retention and graduation.



# Assessment Approach

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- Only includes students who attended WTCS districts in 1994-95 or later and subsequently enrolled in the UWS.
- Includes students who attended the two systems regardless of whether or not they “transferred” to the UWS.

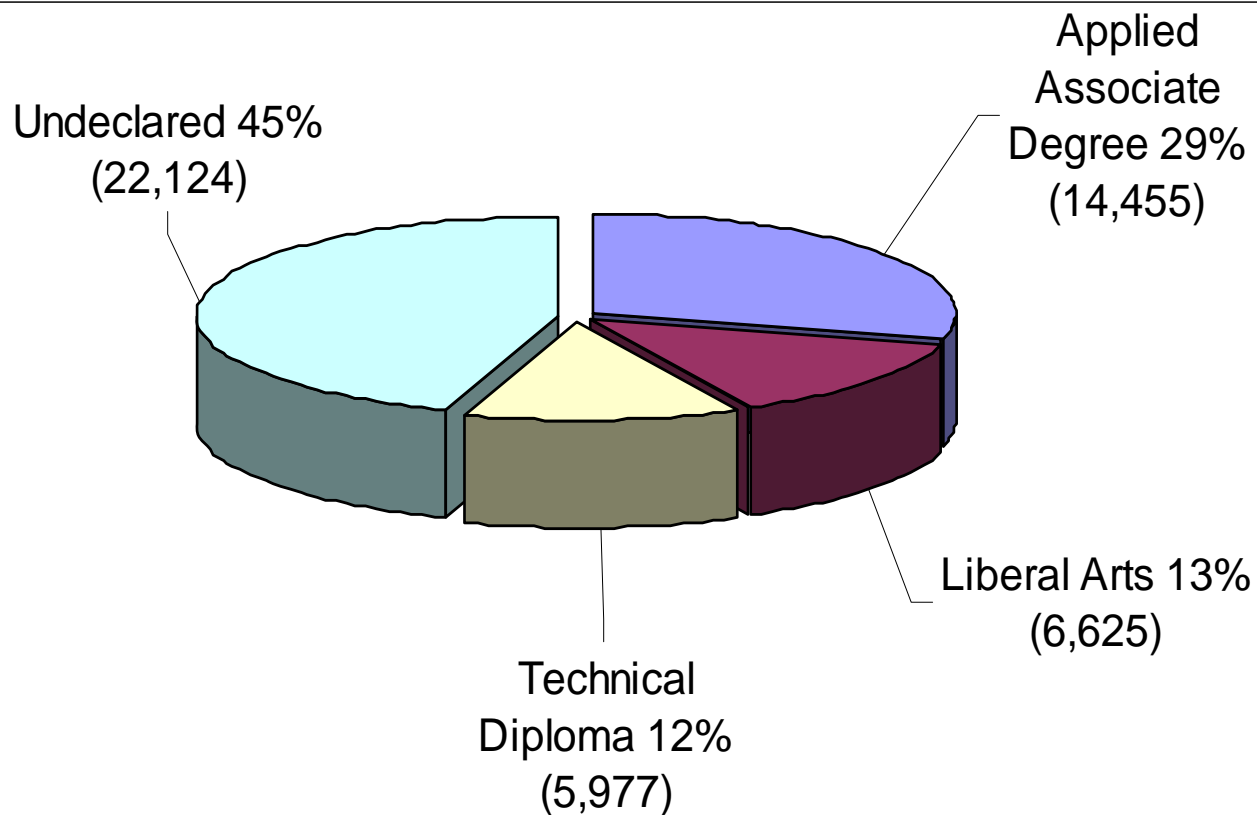


# WTCS to UWS Enrollment

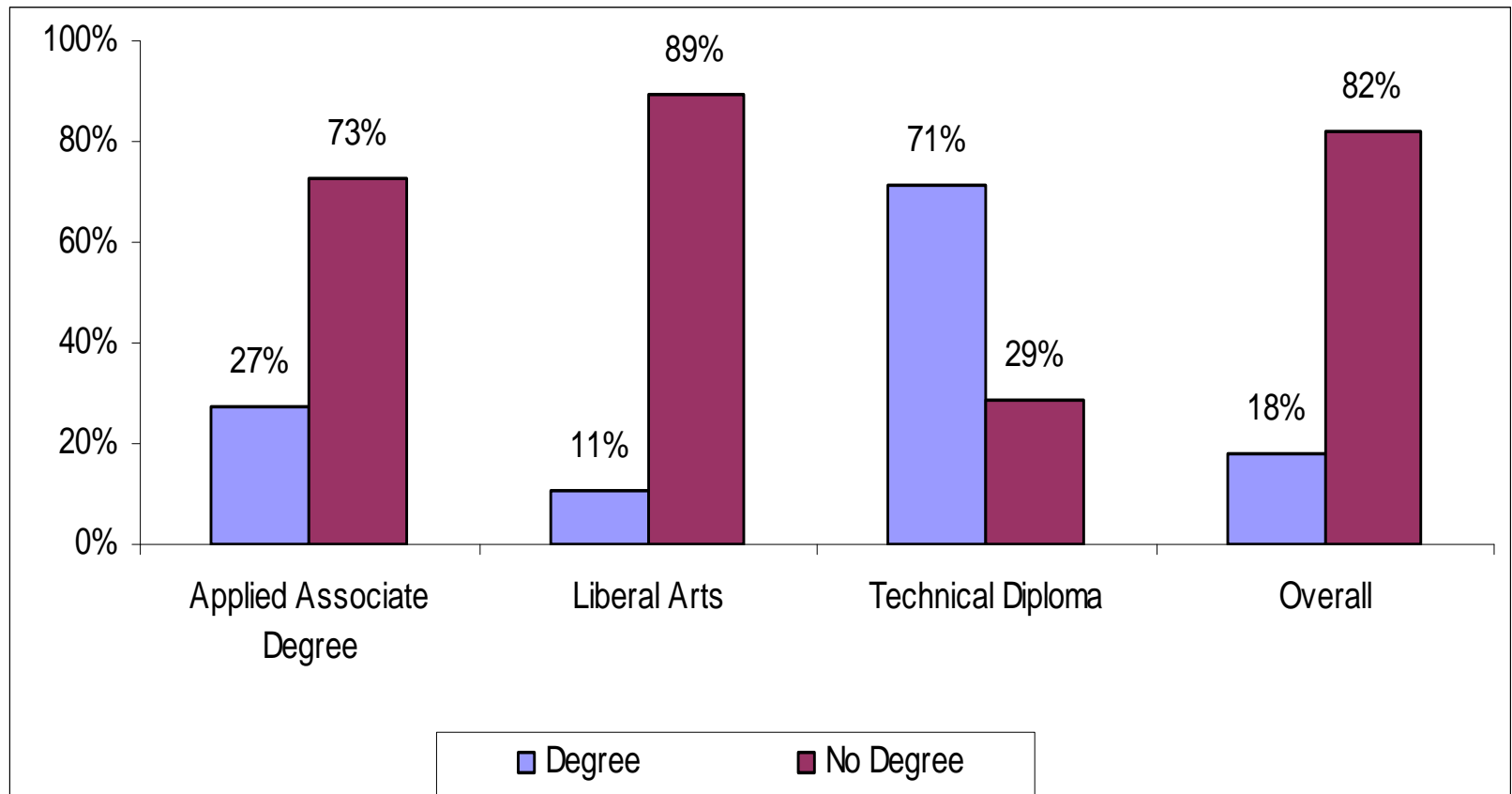
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- Over 49,181 students attended a WTCS district in 1994-95 through 2004-05 and concurrently or subsequently enrolled at a UW System institution.
- Of the students who come to the UWS after attending a WTCS, the majority enroll in the year immediately following their last WTCS year.
- Forty-four percent (44%) of the students wait one year or more before their enrollment in the UWS.

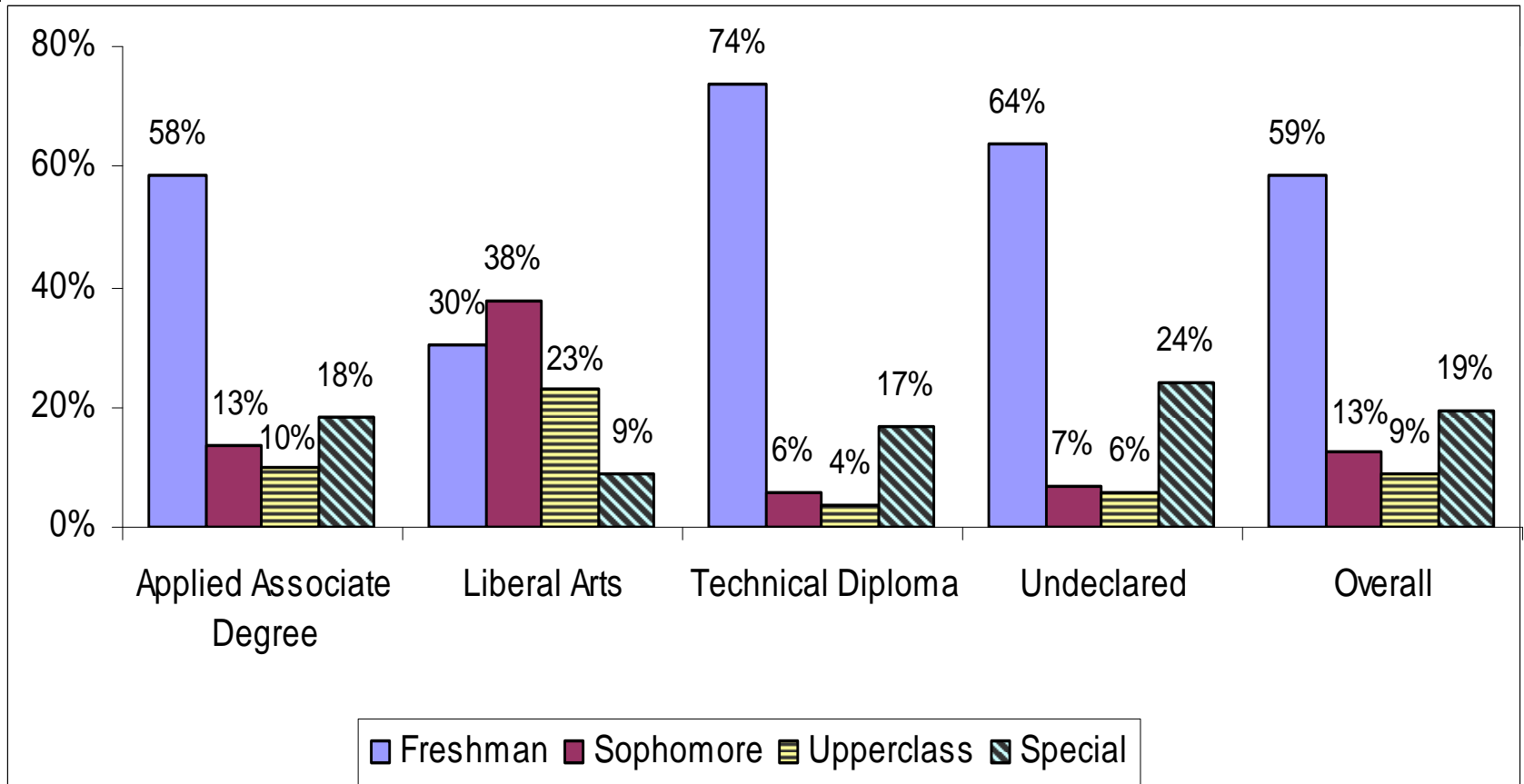
# WTCS/UWS Assessment Cohort by WTCS Program Type



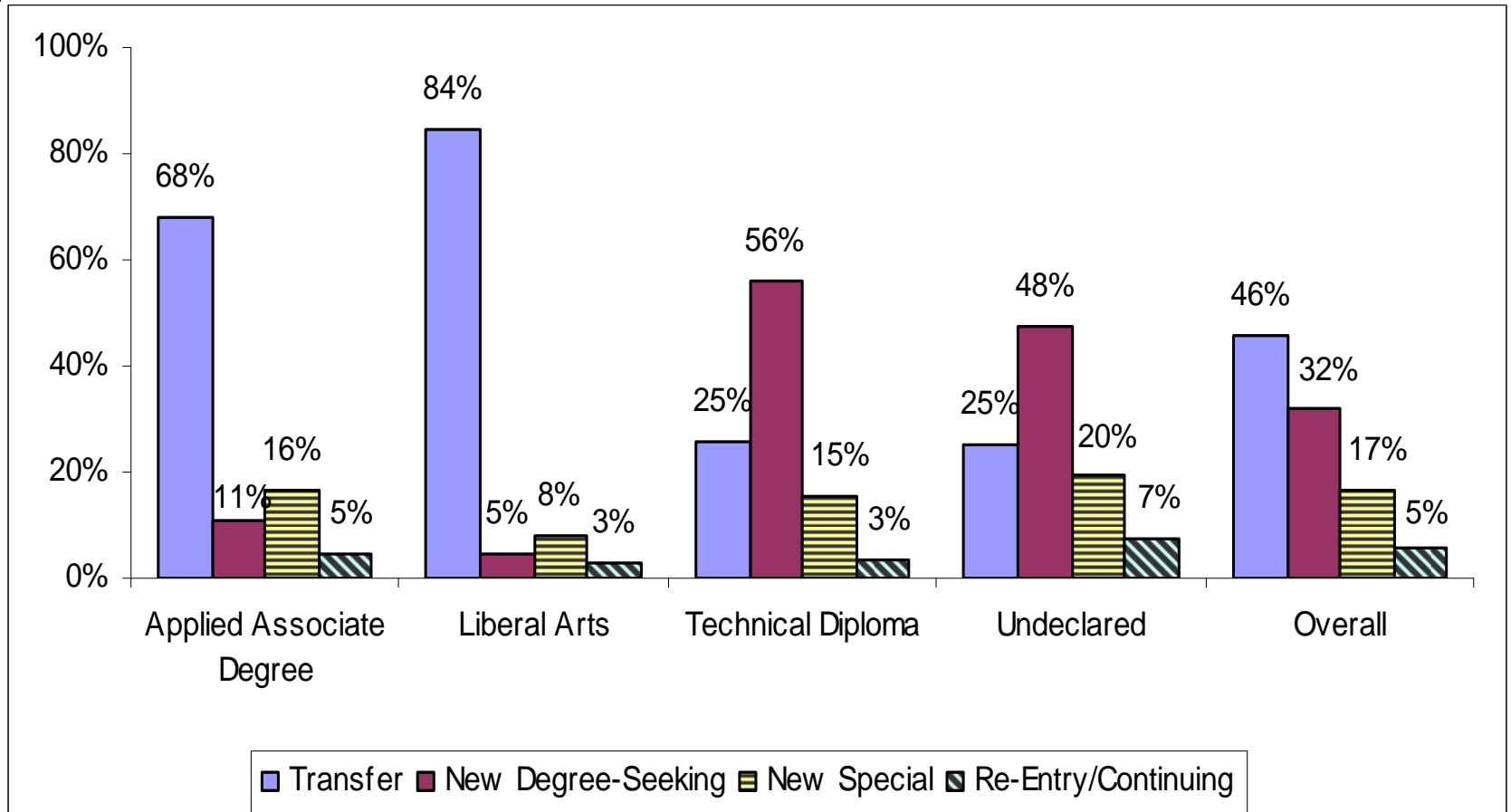
# UWS/WTCS Assessment Cohort by WTCS Program Completion Status



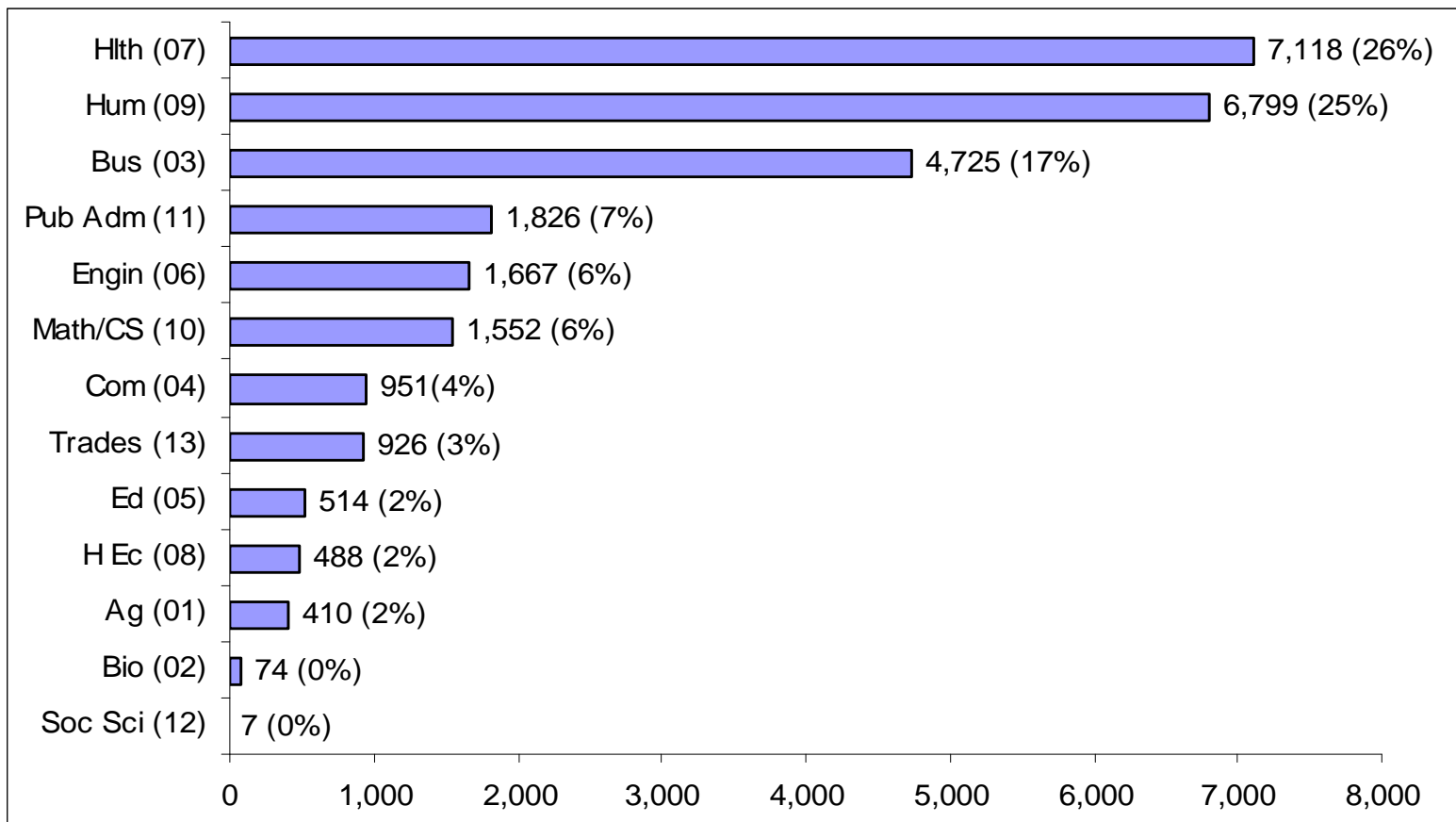
# WTCS/UWS Assessment Cohort by Initial UWS Student Classification



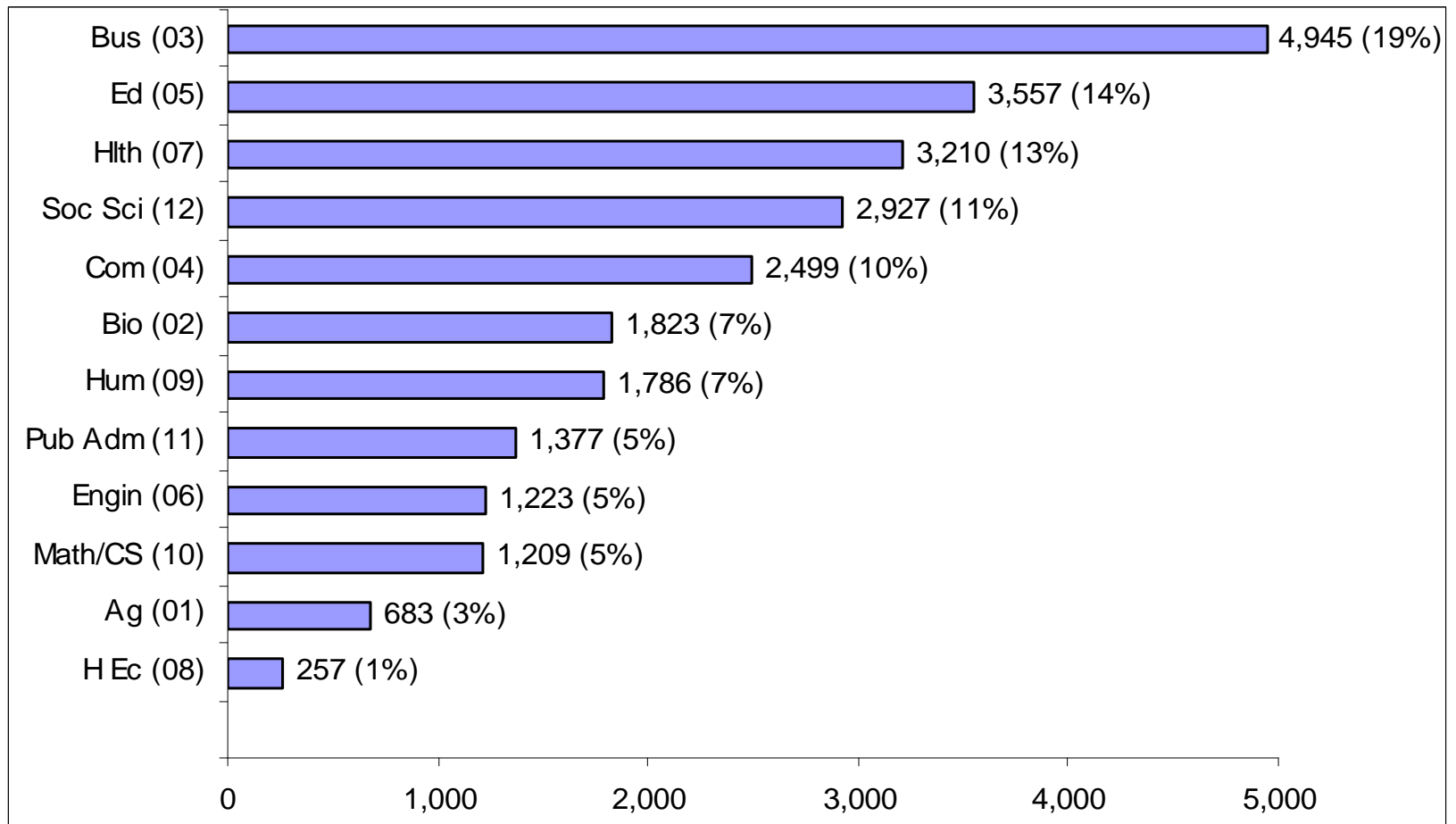
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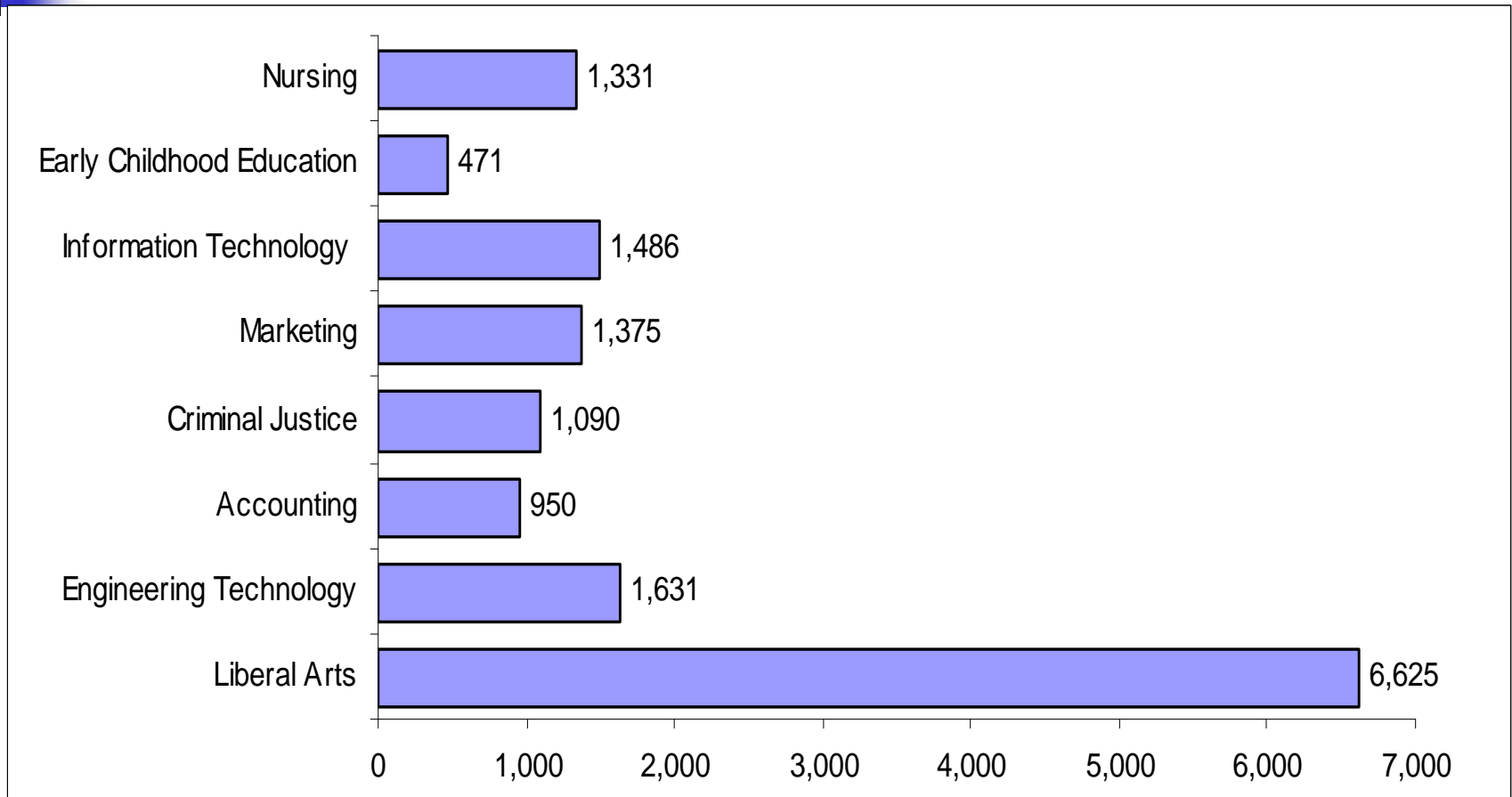
# WTCS/UWS Assessment Cohort by WTCS Program Group



# WTCS/UWS Assessment Cohort by UWS Major Group



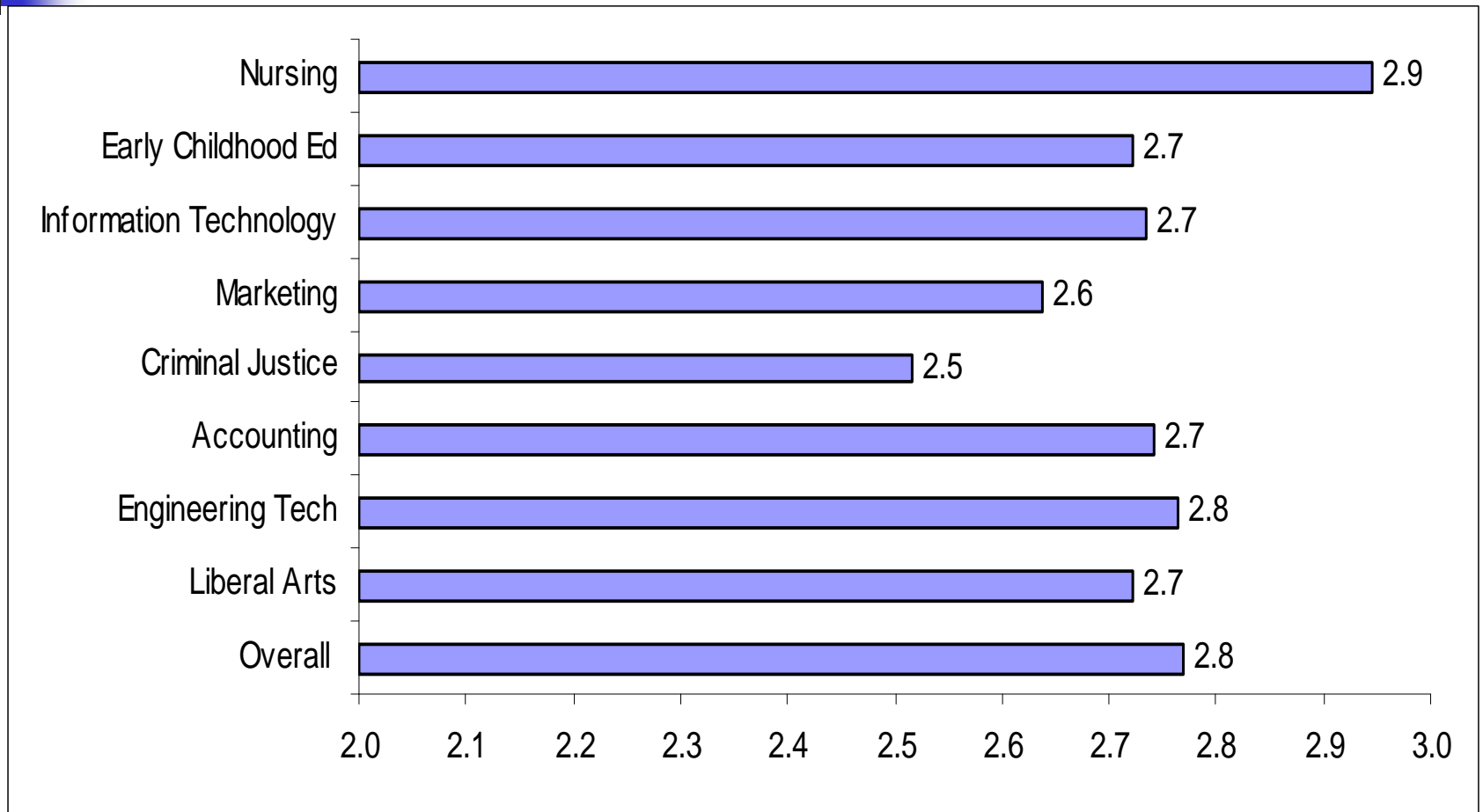
# Number of Students for Selected WTCS Programs



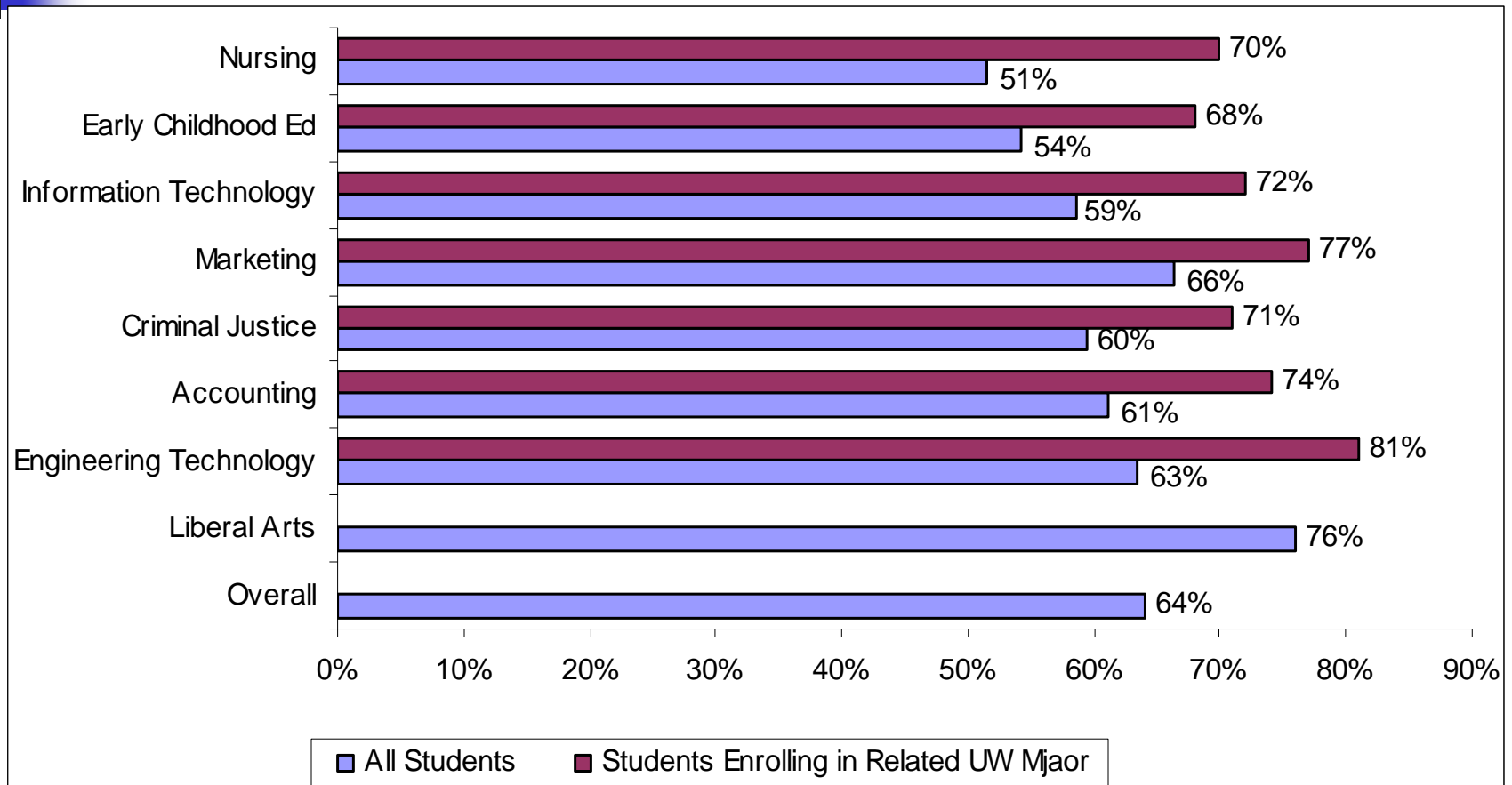
# Top Two UWS Major Groups by Student Enrollment for Selected WTCS Programs

<b>WTCS Program</b>	<b>Top 1 UWS Major Group</b>	<b>Top 2 UWS Major Group</b>
Nursing	Health-Related Professions (69%)	Biological/Physical Sciences (6%)
Early Childhood Ed	Education (64%)	Social Sciences (9%)
Information Technology (IT)	Math, Computer & Info Science (33%)	Business (23%)
Marketing	Business (43%)	Education (18%)
Criminal Justice	Public Administration/Legal Services (30%)	Social Sciences (23%)
Accounting	Business (61%)	Education (9%)
Engineering Technology	Engineering & Architecture (31%)	Business (24%)

# Average First Year GPA at the UWS for Selected WTCS Programs



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Retention at the UWS for Selected WTCS Programs





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