

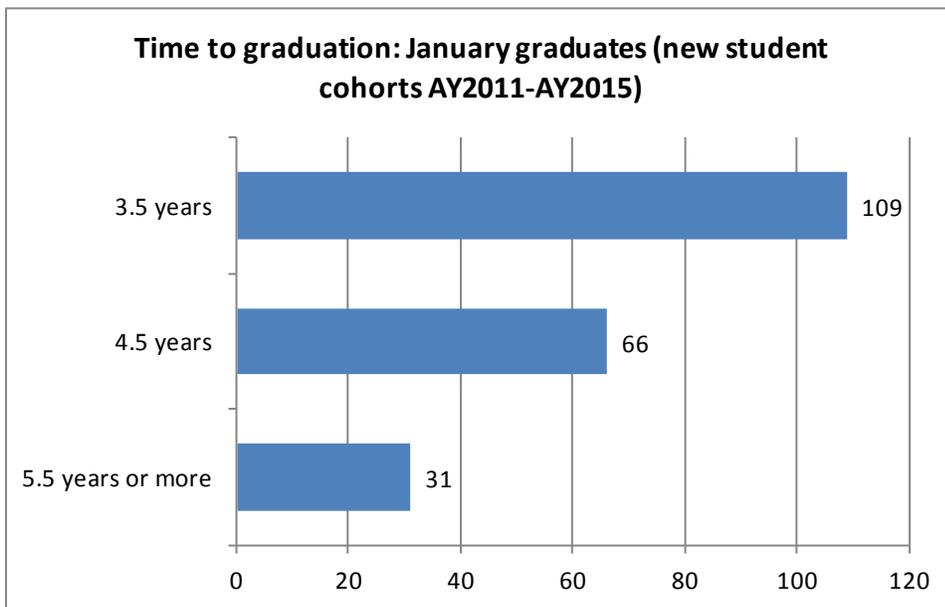
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*Siena Fast Facts*

This week our *Fast Facts* will continue to look at our January graduates.

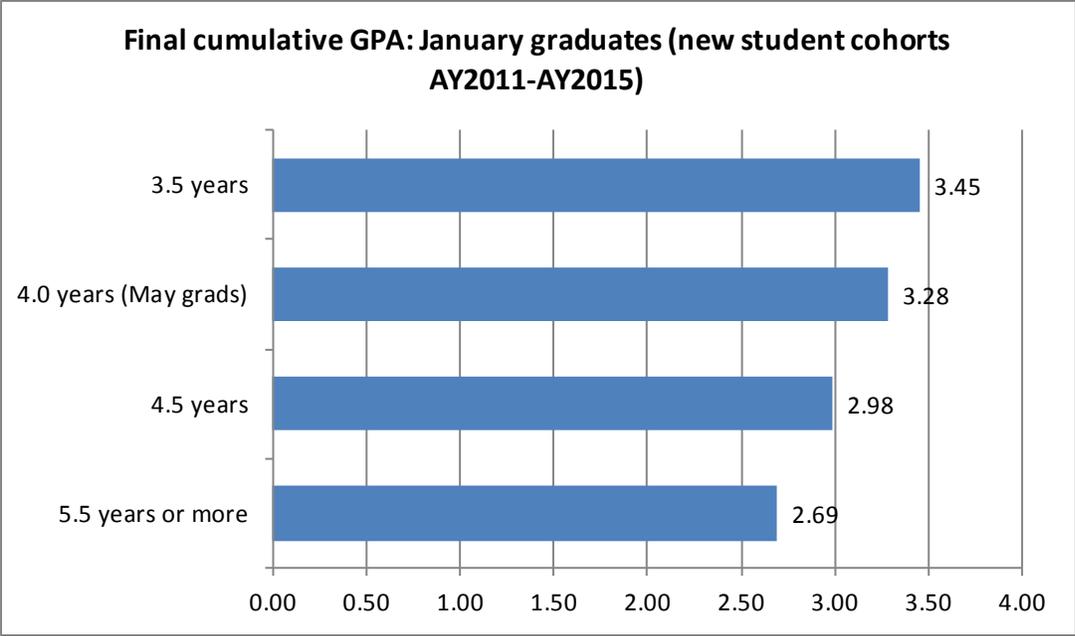
Students who enter Siena as new students but end up graduating in January tend to fall into two categories: those who are trying to graduate a bit early (perhaps to get a jump on graduate school or the job market), and those who need a little longer to graduate (perhaps they switched to part-time, or had multiple major changes).

The chart below shows a breakdown of time to graduation for students who matriculated as new students in a fall term, but graduated in January. Data include graduates from the past five academic years.



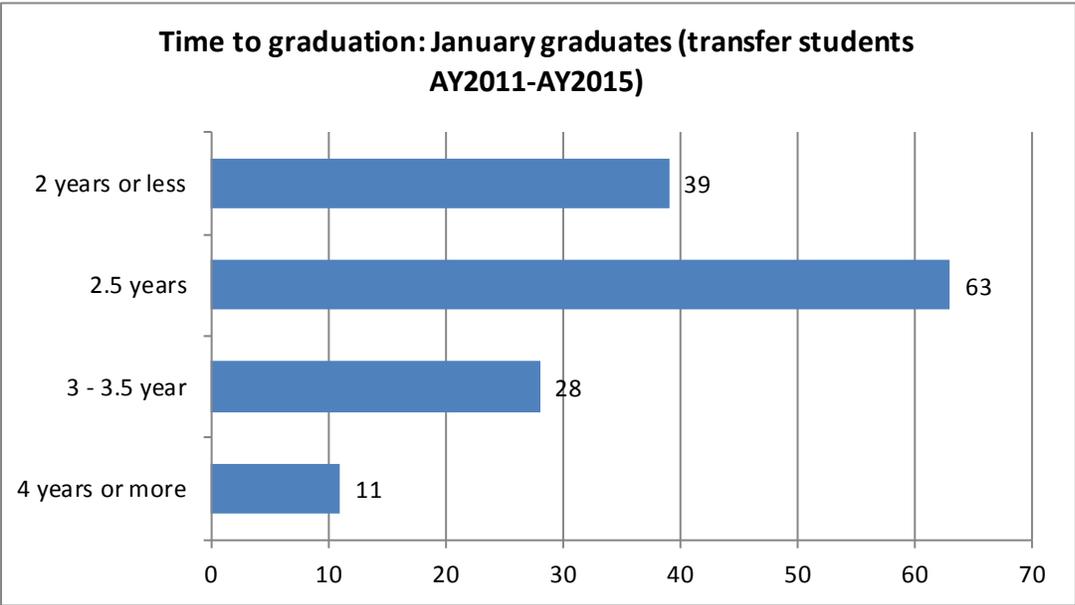
These data show that a little over half of these January graduates were graduating a bit early, while the rest were taking longer than 4 years to graduate.

How well do these graduates do, academically speaking? The chart below shows the final GPA for these January graduates, again broken down by time to graduation. (For reference, we have also included the average GPA for students who graduate in 4 years, i.e. traditional May graduates.)

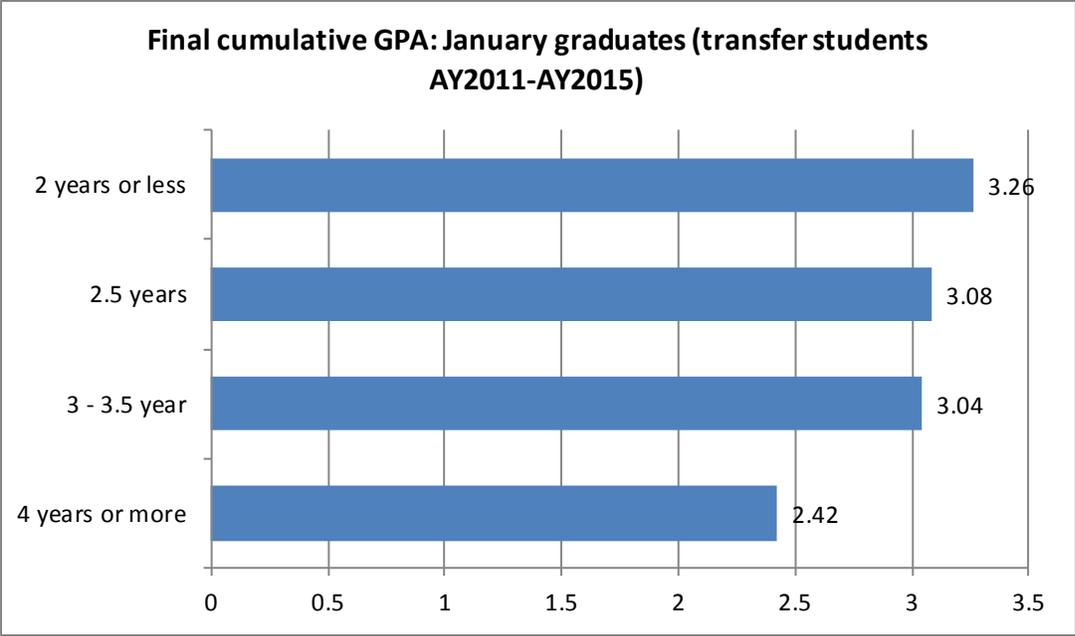


Clearly, students who graduate early do very well academically, whereas students who take longer – especially those who take longer than 5 years, do less well, at least in terms of GPA.

The charts above just consider students who matriculated as new students. But many of our January graduates – about 40% - matriculate as transfer students. The charts below show comparable data for transfer students (although we have also included spring matriculants).



Most transfer students who graduate in January have been at Siena 2.5 years. A smaller but still significant number have been at Siena 2 years or less. Relatively few January graduates have been at Siena for 4 years or more.



For transfer students graduating in January, as with new students, we see that longer time to graduation is associated with lower final GPA.

No *Fast Facts* next week. Enjoy Winter Break!

As always, if you have any ideas for future *Fast Facts*, please let us know.