

Alpena Community College Placement Rate Methodology

Per federal guidelines, Alpena Community College surveys its graduates during the second quarter after the student has left the institution. This equates to either six months or 180 days after they have earned a certificate or degree. Graduate response rate is maintained at 70% or above. Alpena Community College calculates the rate for the State of Michigan and it is reported in the Perkins Core Indicators as 4P1 (<http://www.michigancc.net/perkins/core/default.aspx>). Respondents indicate whether they have matriculated to another college, are working, doing both or neither. The survey measures the rate at which graduates continue their education or obtained employment.

Placement rate is calculated by the number of graduates/respondents to the survey who are employed, in the military or in an apprentice program divided by the total respondents, less those not employed and not seeking employment.