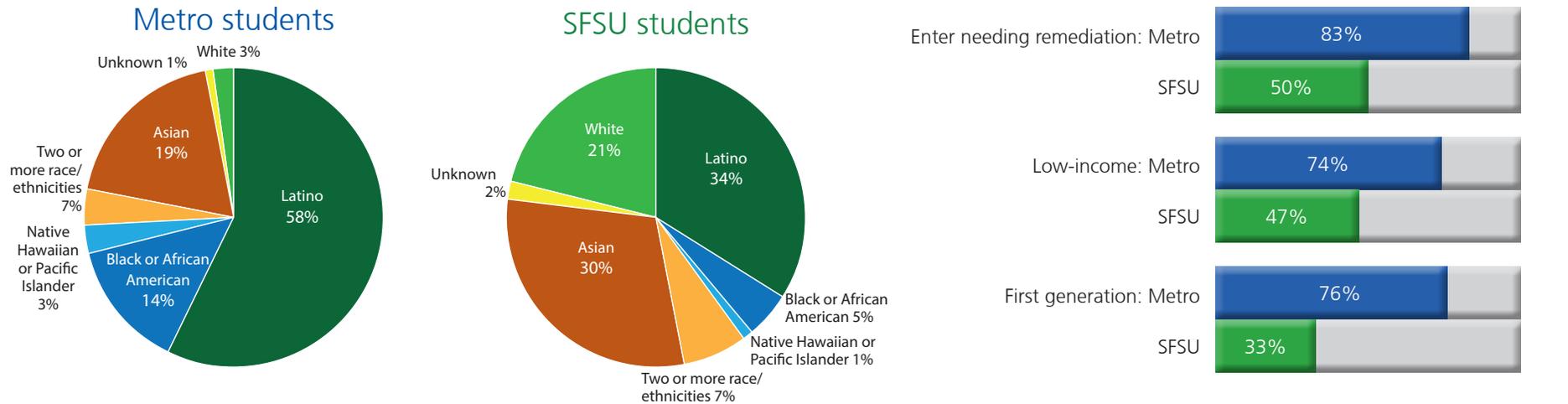
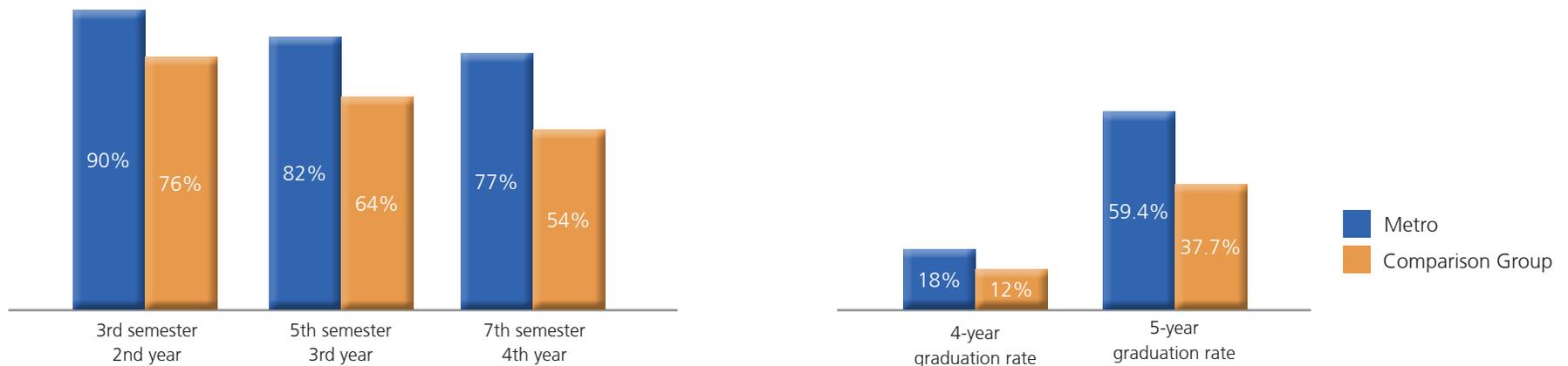


## Who are Metro students?

Metro students come from diverse communities and are often the first in their families to attend college. In fact, 99% are either low-income, first-generation college-going, or underrepresented students. 50% of all SF State first-year students enter needing remediation in math and/or English, compared to 83% of Metro students. Despite this disadvantage at the starting line, Metro students outperform their peers in persistence and graduation. The graphs below represent the demographics of the 2013 cohorts and the most recent outcomes for Metro cohorts 2010 - 2013 and their matched comparison groups.



**77% of Metro students persist into their senior year and almost 60% graduate within five years.** That's more than 20 percentage points higher than a comparison group at SF State, matched on ethnicity, income level, needing remediation, first-generation status, start term, and subject enrollment.



Metro College Success Program is a redesign of the first two years of college to prepare students for graduation, community engagement, and meaningful careers. Each Academy is a 'school within a school' for up to 140 students. The distinguishing feature of the program is a cohort design in which a group of students take two linked general education classes together each semester over four semesters. Metro started in 2007, growing out of a long-standing partnership between SF State and City College of San Francisco since 1992.

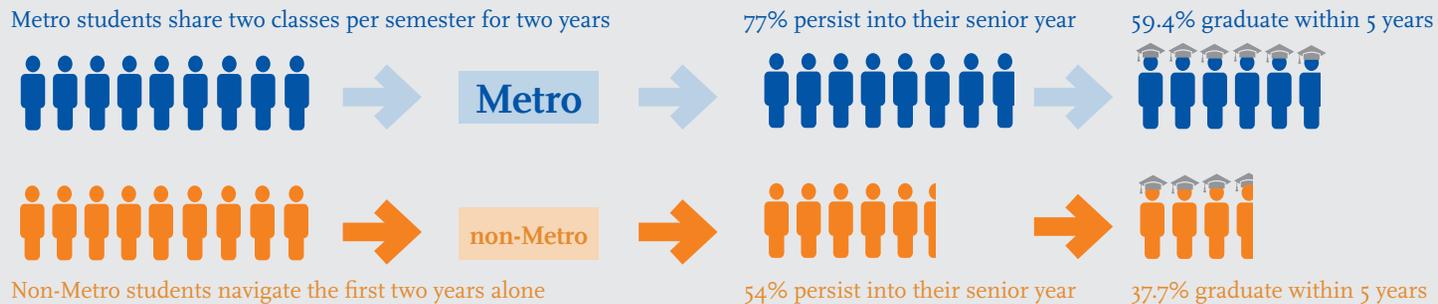
For more information: [www.metrocollegesuccess.org](http://www.metrocollegesuccess.org)

## Metro is an award-winning program that is scalable and sustainable

"The CSU commits to promoting and expanding on the Metro Academies model of high-intensity student learning communities, bringing it within reach of a greater number of universities and community colleges."

CSU Chancellor Timothy White, 2014 White House College Opportunity Day of Action

### Metro's 5-year graduation rate is almost 22 percentage points higher than that of a matched comparison group



Less attrition + timely graduation  
+ fewer excess units = cost reduction

#### Metro lowers cost per graduate at SF State:



Source: A Cost Efficiency Study conducted in partnership with the Research and Planning Group for California Community Colleges and the National Center for Inquiry and Improvement.

