

Board of Management Learning & Teaching Committee

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Action	For note and discussion

1. Recommendations

The Committee is asked to note and discuss the contents of this report.

2. Purpose of report

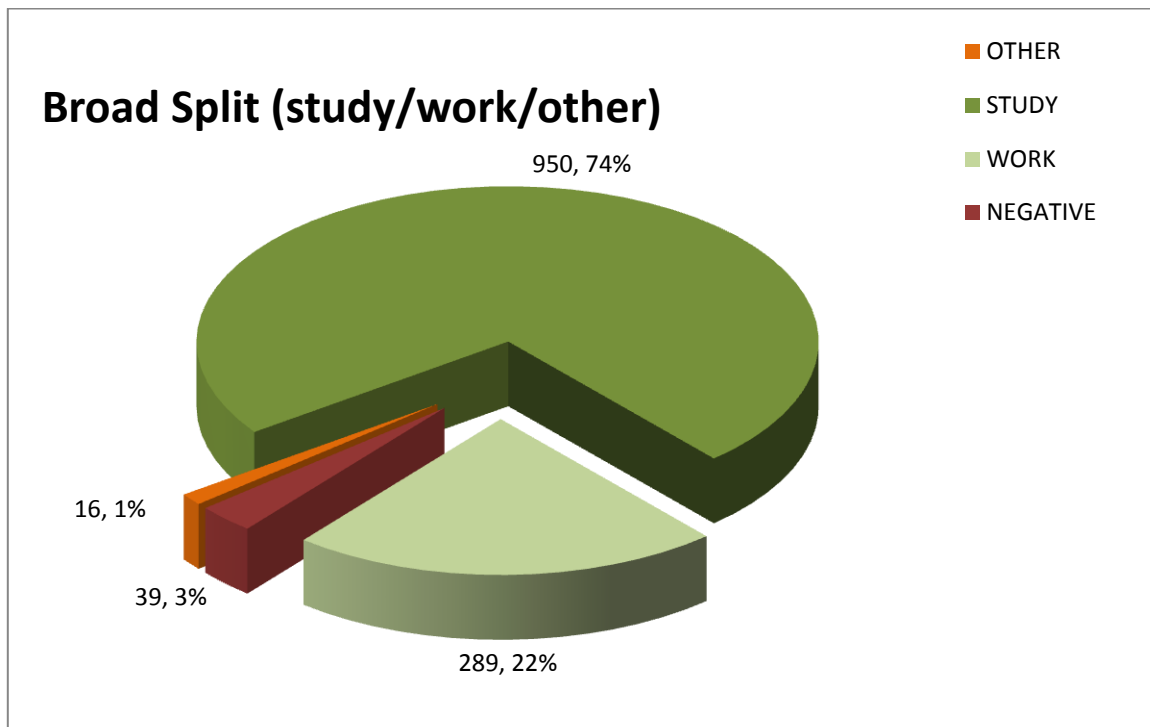
This report outlines College Leaver Destinations (CLD) for City of Glasgow College compared to the National sector for academic year 2015-16 as published by the Scottish Funding Council (SFC).

3. Context and Discussion

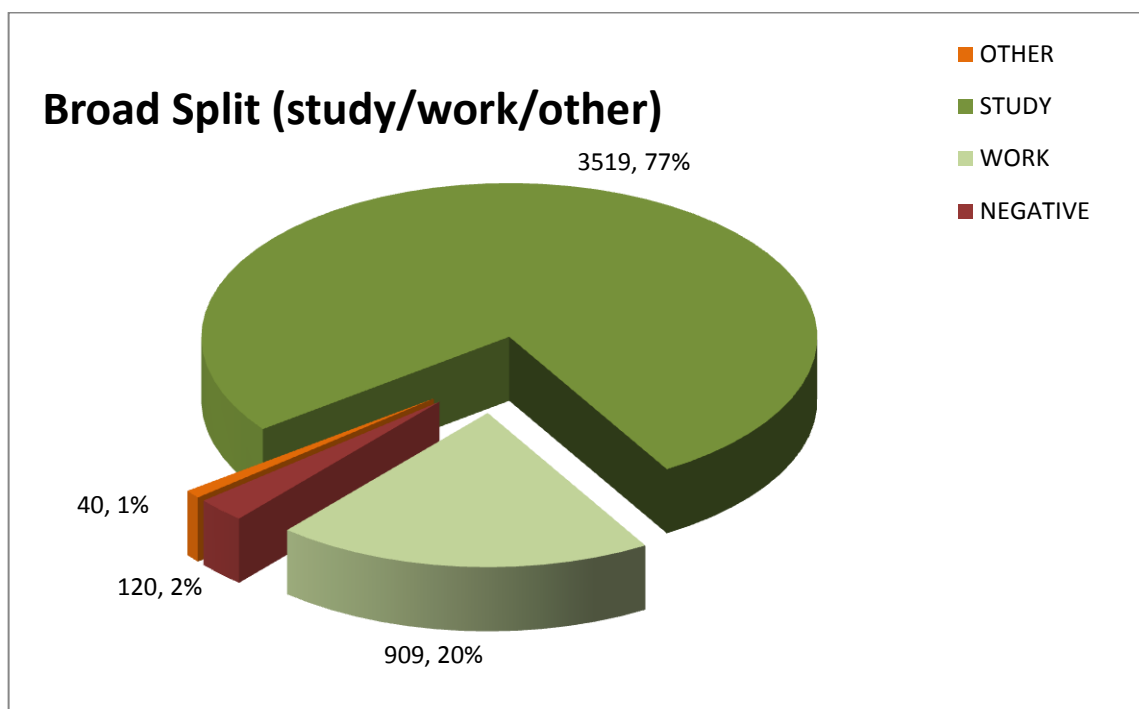
SFC identifies a sample of college leavers each academic year and asks the College to contact them to identify where they have progressed to after their studies. SFC prepopulates some student destinations using data from SAAS, the SDS Data Hub and from those undertaking a Modern Apprenticeships.

The 2015-16 data for the sector was published in September 2017. All data in this report has been sourced from the SFC CLD Statistics Publications.

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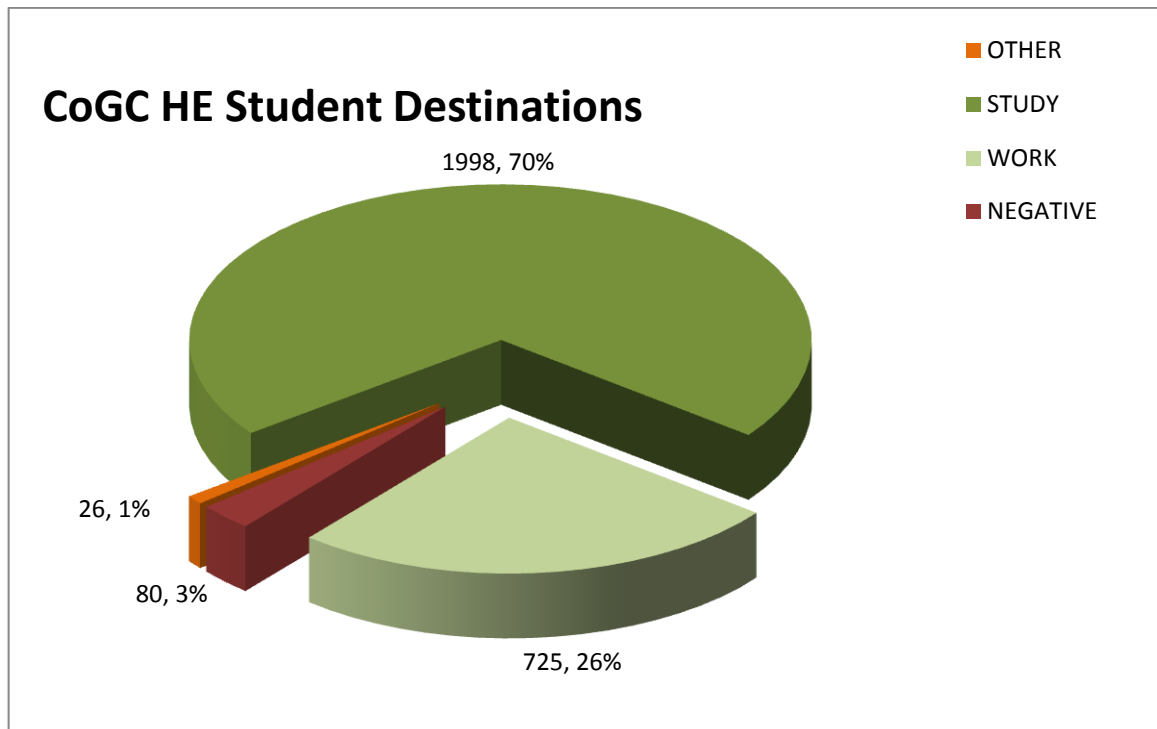
It may be seen that broadly the College follows a similar pattern to the college sector with the majority of full time graduates moving to further study.

It is of note that the College made up 10% of graduates moving into employment in Scotland and also 10% of those going on to further study.

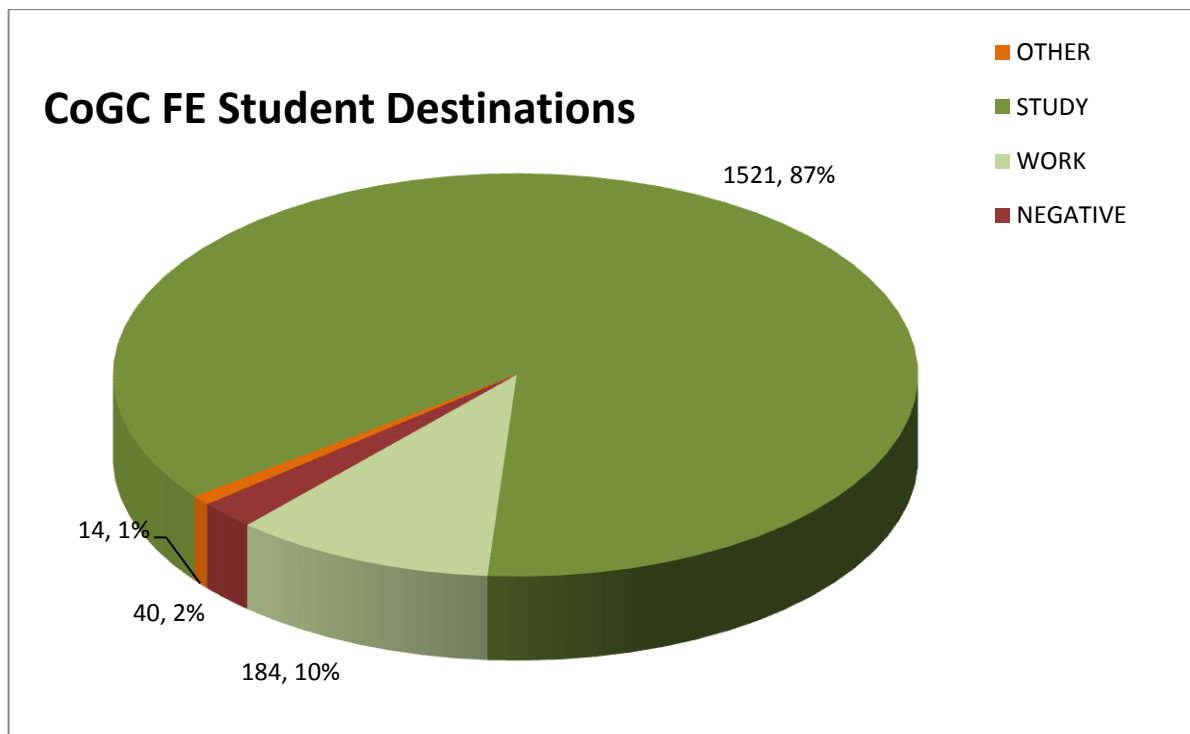
The Other category denotes those students - taking time to travel, who are unemployed and looking for work, those permanently unable to work or not employed and not looking for work or further study.

Destination Breakdown by Higher Education vs Further Education

When splitting the data by Higher and Further Education for the College it may be identified that a higher number of HE students (79.7%) than FE students (20.3%) move to employment. This is perhaps an expected trend as HE students may be judged to be more 'work ready' than FE students.



Nationally HE students destinations are 69% Study, 26% Work, 4% Negative and 1% Other. It is of note that City of Glasgow College HE graduates make up 18.7% of those nationally progressing into employment and 19.4% of those progressing to further study.



Nationally FE students destinations are 79% Study, 16% Work, 4% Negative and 1% Other. It may be seen that in comparison to the national picture the College has more students continuing study and fewer going into employment.

Destination Breakdown by Gender

When analysing the CoGC data by gender there is little difference in destinations for FE students –

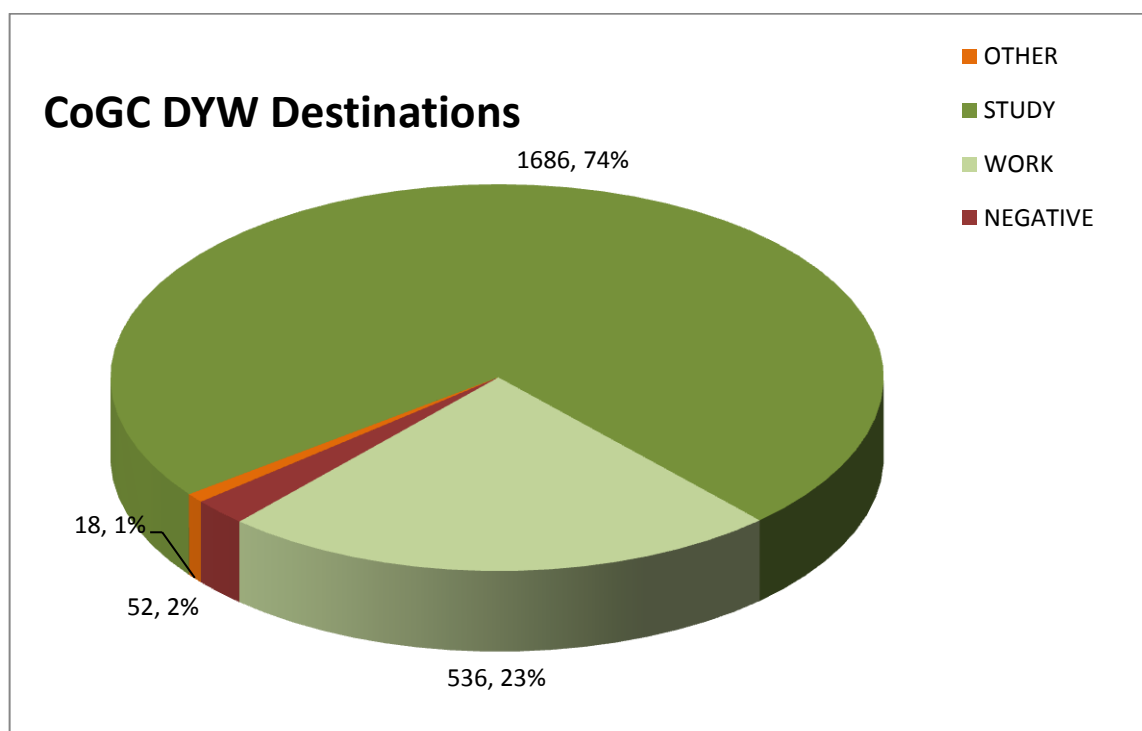
Males (86% Study, 10% Work, 3% Negative and 1% Other) and Females (87% Study, 11 % Work, 1% and 1% Other). The College destinations for Male and Females FE students identify that we have more students continuing to further study than the national trend. It is of note that the College has 11% more males continuing to further study than nationally.

In terms of the College's HE students there is a marked difference in destinations by gender in regard to further study and work -

Males (68% Study, 28% Work, Negative 3% and 1% Other) and Females (74% Study, 22% Work, 3% Negative and 1% Other). When compared to National destinations for HE Female students CoGC has 8% more students continuing in education. When compared to National destinations 8% more College Male graduates progress to employment and 5% fewer Male students progress into further study.

Destinations for DYW Graduates

If the data is analysed at whole College level by 16-24 year olds, which is a key interest group for Developing Scotland's Young Workforce –



The destinations of 16-24 year old students are comparable with the national trends.

If this age group is analysed further at College level it may be noted that nearly 87% (9% above national destinations) of this age group in FE progress to further study compared to 74% at HE level.

4. Impact and implications

This report provides an insight into the destinations of City of Glasgow College full time leavers in 2015-16.

The analysis of the data provides a picture of the journey that the College's students are on. Whilst students can study and leave after a year, if the data is examined by SCQF level it may be seen that the College's FE students, in the main, progress to HE and that HE students articulate to university. It would appear that the aim of college students is to study until they reach an appropriate exit point.

The use of this data informs College marketing in understanding the aims of our students and it also benefit course teams to identify the aspirations of their students in terms of work or further study.

It is anticipated that the data in this report will become more reliable as SFC identify best practice in how Scotland's colleges collect data and also publish trend information for the sector.