

## Time to Degree Declines Over Time for Master's Students

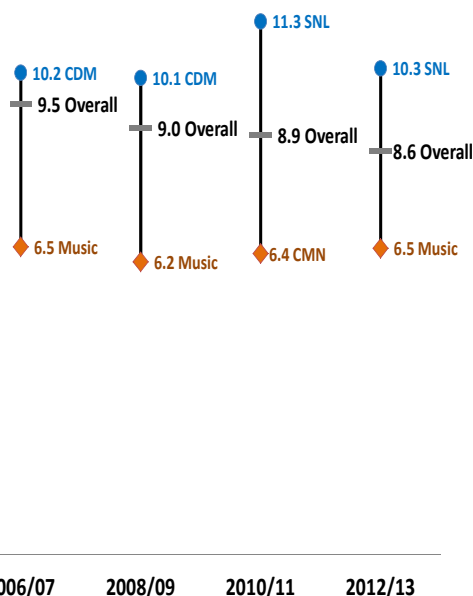
During the 2012/13 academic year, DePaul awarded 6,948 degrees; 40 percent (or 2,772) were master's degrees. Compared to 2006/07, DePaul awarded 20 percent more master's degrees in 2012/13, while annual new master's enrollment declined by 3 percent for this same time period.

Not only are more students completing a master's degree, they are doing so in less time. On average, graduate students receiving master's degrees in 2006/07 enrolled in nine and a half quarters to complete their degrees compared to eight and a half quarters for those receiving degrees in 2012/13.

This reduction by one academic quarter shortens the time to degree by 11 percent.

The time it takes for students to complete their degree varies by college. In total, one in four master's degree recipients complete the degree in six quarters or less. Of the four largest colleges for master's degree recipients, a third of BUS students complete it in six quarters or less, compared to a quarter of LAS students, one in five CDM students and one in 10 COE students receiving master's degrees.

**Average Number of Quarters to Master's Degree Completion—Overall and College with Highest and Lowest Average**



**Number of Quarters to Master's Degree Completion 2012/13**  
(Colleges list in order of number of degrees awarded)

