

WOMEN in higher education

General outlook of women in higher education

In Medellin in the year 2019, there were 231.037 students enrolled in programs of higher education, the **majority are women**

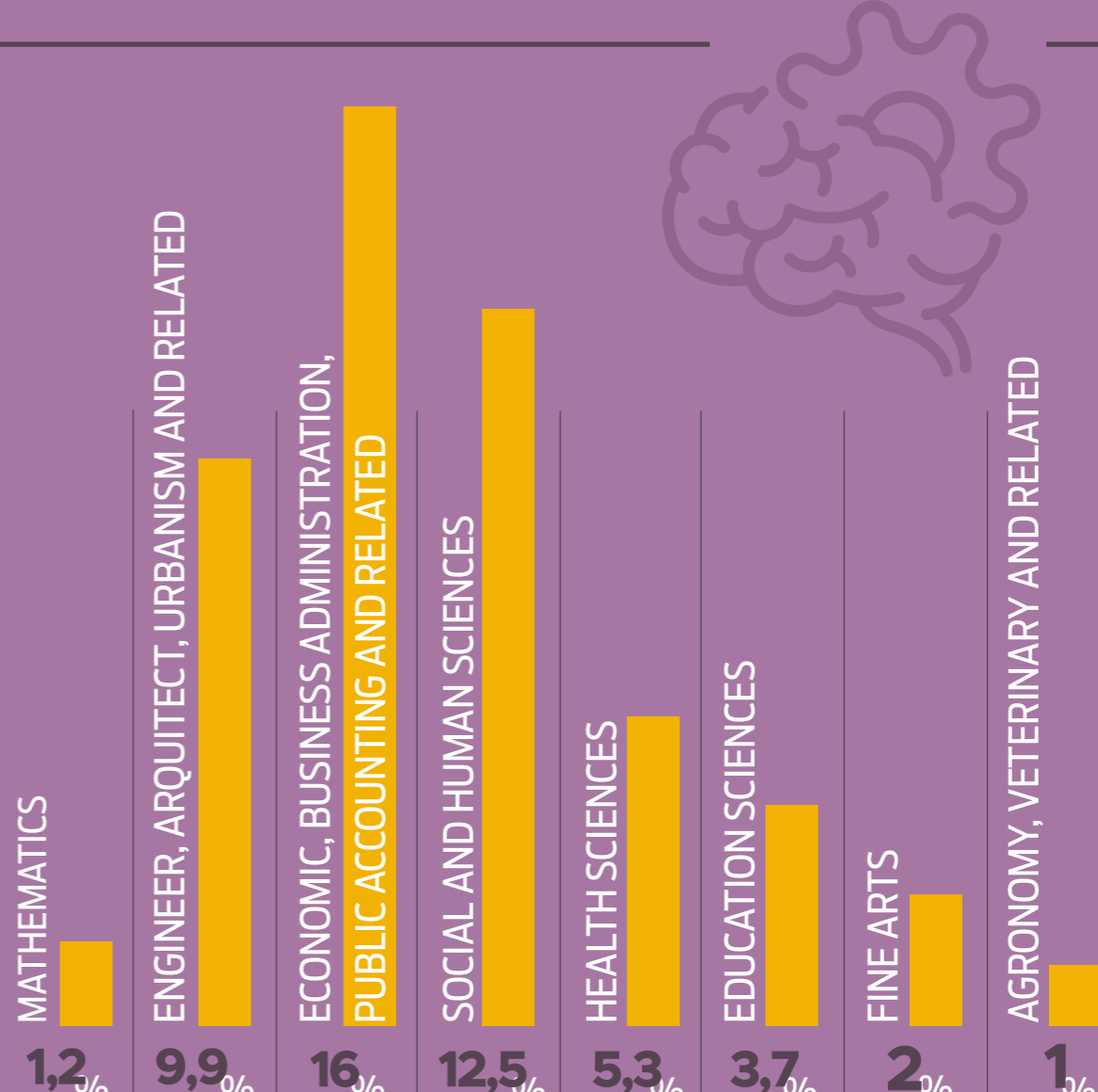
ENROLLING PERCENTAGE



AREAS OF KNOWLEDGE AND PROGRAMS PREFERRED BY WOMEN

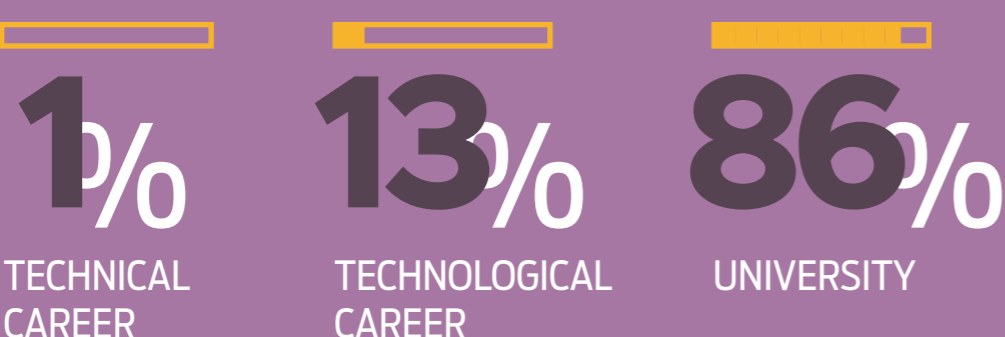
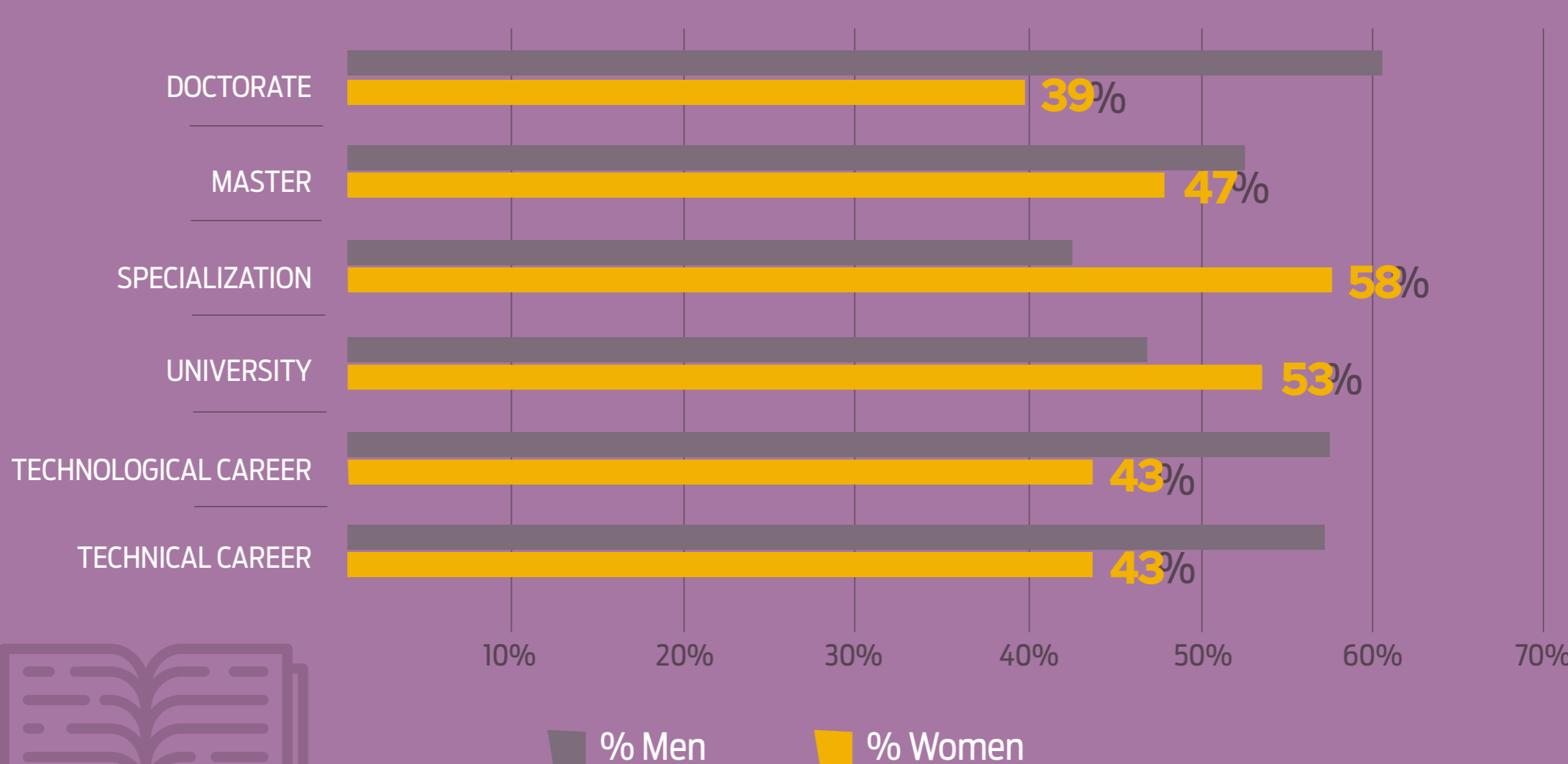
The most common knowledge areas between women are Economic, Business Administration, Public Accounting and related; followed by Social and Human Science. The undergraduate careers that women prefer are Public Accounting, Psychologist and Law.

According to the Expectation Survey realized by Sapiencia, the three principal reasons that women have to choose their academic program are: own preference (57%), facility to work (11%) and external recommendation (10%).



WOMEN ACCORDING TO EDUCATIONAL LEVELS

The participation of women in the total number of students enrolled in university courses is 53% and in specializations it is 57%. In all the other levels there are more men than women enrolled, the greatest gap occurs at the doctoral level, where only 40% of the total number of enrollees are women



In **undergraduate** programs, 86% of the enrolled women study university degrees, 13% technological careers and 1% professional techniques. In **postgraduates**, 57% are enrolled in specializations, 36% in master's degrees and 6% in doctorates.

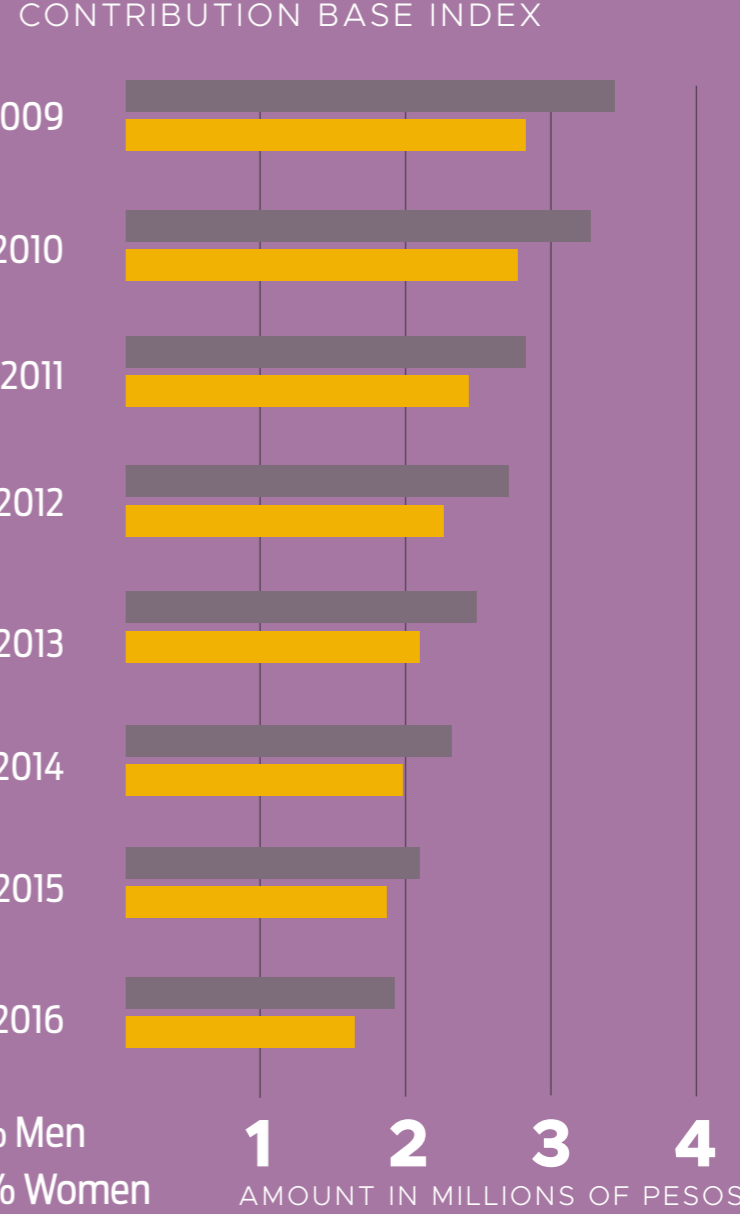
DESERTION

Regarding dropouts, since 2015, it is evident that women have a lower dropout rate than men. The **average dropout rate** for women is 13% and for men 14%.

LABOR INSERTION

The graduate labor market insertion indicator, is the contribution rate. In general, in recent years the rate has been slightly higher for women than for men. In 2016, **the contribution rate for women was 78%** and for men it was 77%. In terms of wages, men have declared a higher contribution base than women.

ESTIMATED CONTRIBUTION BASE INDEX BY SECT



WOMEN IN SAPIENCIA

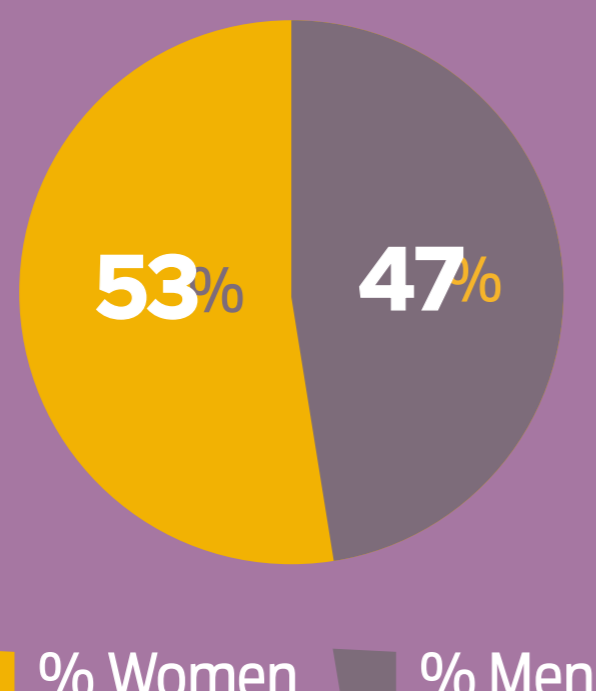
Only in the Sapiencia Fund for International Postgraduate studies (Enlaza Mundos) and Becas Mejores Bachilleres (which grants scholarships for high school graduates who take first place in the Saber 11 Tests) **the participation of women has been 45.9% and 36.8% respectively.** In other words, the number of male beneficiaries has been greater.

RESEARCH

Research is a field that men dominate, because in recognized research groups in the city, only 35.8% of the total numbers of members are women. Also, only 28.7% of the leaders of those groups belong to the female gender.

PROPORTION OF SAPIENCIA WOMEN AND MEN BENEFICIARIES

PROPORTION OF SAPIENCIA BENEFICIARIES BY GENDER



BENEFICIARIES BY FUNDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

