Common Data Set 2003-2004 A. GENERAL INFORMATION

A1. Address Information

Name of College or University: University of Houston-Downtown
Mailing Address: One Main Street
Houston
City: TX Zip: 77002 Country: USA
Street Address (if different):
City:
State: Zip: Country:
Main Phone Number: 713-221-8000
WWW Home Page Address: www.uhd.edu
Admissions Phone Number: 713-221-8522
Admissions Toll-free Number: N/A
Admissions Office Mailing Address: Office of Admissions, UHD, One Main Street, Rm#35
Houston
City: TX 77002 USA
State: TX Zip: 77002 Country: USA
Admissions Fax Number: 713-221-8157
Admissions E-mail Address: uhdadmit@dt.uh.edu
Is there a separate URL application site on the Internet? Yes No If so, please specify:
A2. Source of institutional control (check one only)
Public
Private (nonprofit)
Proprietary
A3. Classify your undergraduate institution:
Coeducational college
Men's college
Women's college

A4. Academic year calendar

V	Semester		4-1-4
	Quarter		Continuous
	Trimester	(des	Differs by program cribe):
(de:	Other scribe):		
A5. Degrees	s offered by your institution		
	Certificate		Postbachelor's certificate
	Diploma	V	Master's
	Associate		Post-master's certificate
	Transfer		Doctoral
	Terminal		First professional
V	Bachelor's		First professional certificate

B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE

B1. Institutional Enrollment--Men and Women Provide numbers of students for each of the following categories as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 2003.

	FULL-TIME		PA	PART-TIME	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	
Undergraduates					
Degree-seeking, first-time freshmen	443	548	106	104	
Other first-year, degree-seeking	498	727	588	725	
All other degree-seeking	1315	2127	1466	2215	
Total degree-seeking	2256	3402	2160	3044	
All other undergraduates enrolled in credit courses	0	0	0	0	
Total undergraduates	2256	3402	2160	3044	
First-professional					
First-time, first-professional students	0	0	0	0	
All other first-professionals	0	0	0	0	
Total first-professional	0	0	0	0	
Graduate					
Degree-seeking, first-time	1	0	10	35	
All other degree-seeking	3	0	11	52	
All other graduates enrolled in credit courses	0	0	0	0	
Total graduate	4	0	21	87	

Total all undergraduates 10862
Total all graduate and professional students.
GRAND TOTAL ALL STUDENTS: 10974

B2. Enrollment by Racial/Ethnic Category. Provide numbers of undergraduate students for each of the following categories as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 2003. Include international students only in the category "Nonresident aliens." Complete the "Total Undergraduate" column only if you cannot provide data for the first two columns.

	Degree-seeking First-time First year	Degree-seeking Undergraduates (include first-time first-year)	Total Undergraduates (both degree- and non-degree-seeking)
Nonresident aliens	70	421	421
Black, non-Hispanic	294	2874	2874
American Indian or Alaskan Native	2	30	30
Asian or Pacific Islander	113	1123	1123
Hispanic	596	3811	3811
White, non-Hispanic	125	2601	2601
Race/ethnicity unknown	1	2	2
Total	1201	10862	10862

Persistence

B3. Number of degrees awarded by your institution from July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003.

Certificate/diploma	
Associate degrees	
Bachelor's degrees	1421
Postbachelor's certificates	
Master's degrees	8
Post-master's certificates	
Doctoral degrees	
First professional degrees	
First professional certificates	

Graduation Rates

The items in this section correspond to data elements collected by the IPEDS Web-based Data Collection System's Graduation Rate Survey (GRS). For complete instructions and definitions of data elements, see the IPEDS GRS instructions and glossary on the 2003 Web-based survey.

For Bachelor's or Equivalent Programs

Please provide data for the fall 1997 cohort if available. If fall 1997 cohort data are not available, provide data for the fall 1996 cohort.

Fall 1997 Cohort	Fall 1996 Cohort
Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in fall 1997. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding fall 1997.	Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in fall 1996. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding fall 1996.
B4. Initial 1997 cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students	B4. Initial 1996 cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students
B5. Of the initial 1997 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions.	B5. Of the initial 1996 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions.
B6. Final 1997 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions. (Subtract question B5 from question B4)	B6. Final 1996 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions (Subtract question B5 from question B4)
B7. Of the initial 1997 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 2001):	B7. Of the initial 1996 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 2000):
B8. Of the initial 1997 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2001 and by August 31, 2002):	B8. Of the initial 1996 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2000 and by August 31, 2001):
B9. Of the initial 1997 cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2002 and by August 31, 2003):	B9. Of the initial 1996 cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2001 and by August 31, 2002):
B10. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9):	B10. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9):
B11. Six-year graduation rate for 1997 cohort (question B10 divided by question B6): 12.68 %	B11. Six-year graduation rate for 1996 cohort (question B10 divided by question B6)

For Two-Year Institutions

Please provide data for the 2000 cohort if available. If 2000 cohort data are not available, provide data for the 1999 cohort.

2000 Cohort	1999 Cohort
B12. Initial 2000 cohort, total of first-time, full-time	B12. Initial 1999 cohort, total of first-time, full-time
degree/certificate-seeking students	degree/certificate-seeking students
B13. Of the initial 2000 cohort, how many did not	B13. Of the initial 1999 cohort, how many did not
persist and did not graduate for the following	persist and did not graduate for the following
reasons: death, permanent disability, service in the	reasons: death, permanent disability, service in the
armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal	armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal
government, or official church missions; total	government, or official church missions; total
government, or official entirely missions, total	government, or ornelar entiren imposions, total
allowable exclusions	allowable exclusions
B14. Final 2000 cohort, after adjusting for allowable	B14. Final 1999 cohort, after adjusting for allowable
exclusions;	exclusions!
(Subtract question B13 from question B12)	(Subtract question B13 from question B12)
B15. Completers of programs of less than two years	B15. Completers of programs of less than two years
duration (total):	duration (total):
B16. Completers of programs of less than two years	B16. Completers of programs of less than two years
within 150 percent of normal time:	within 150 percent of normal time:
B17. Completers of programs of at least two but less	B17. Completers of programs of at least two but less
than four years (total):	than four years (total):
B18. Completers of programs of at least two but less	B18. Completers of programs of at least two but less
than four years within 150 percent of normal	than four years within 150 percent of normal
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time:	time:
B19. Total transfers-out (within three years) to other	B19. Total transfers-out (within three years) to other
institutions	institutions
B20. Total transfers to two-year	B20. Total transfers to two-year
institutions	institutions
B21. Total transfers to four-year	B21. Total transfers to four-year institutions:
institutions	
Institutions	

Retention Rates

Report for the cohort of all full-time, first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in fall 2002 (or the preceding summer term). The initial cohort may be adjusted for students who departed for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government or official church missions. No other adjustments to the initial cohort should be made.

B22. For the cohort of all full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered your institution as freshmen in fall 2002 (or the preceding summer term), what percentage was enrolled at your institution as of the date your institution calculates its official enrollment in fall 2003?

61.47

C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

Applications

C1. First-time, first-year (freshman) students: Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in fall 2003. Include early decision, early action, and students who began studies during summer in this cohort. Applicants should include only those students who fulfilled the requirements for consideration for admission (i.e., who completed actionable applications) and who have been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution). Admitted applicants should include wait-listed students who were subsequently offered admission.

Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	917
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	1127
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	914
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	1122
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	451
Total part-time first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	110
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	555
Total part-time first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	108

C2. Freshman wait-listed students (students who met admission requirements but whose final admission was contingent on space availability)

Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list?		Yes	V	No
If yes, please answer the questions below for fall 2003 admissions:				
Number of qualified applicants placed on waiting list				
Number accepting a place on the waiting list				
Number of wait-listed students admitted				

Admission Requirements C3. High school completion requirement

Check the appropriate box to identify your high school co	ompletion requirement for degre	e-seeking entering students:
High school diploma is required and GED		e seeking entering students.
Γ	•	
High school diploma is required and GED	-	
High school diploma or equivalent is not re	equired	
C4. Does your institution require or recommend a gen	neral college-preparatory prog	ram for degree-seeking students?
Require		
Recommend		
Neither require nor recommend		
C5. Distribution of high school units required and/or course units required and/or recommended of all or most year of study or its equivalent). If you use a different syst	degree-seeking students using C	Carnegie units (one unit equals one
	Units Required	Units Recommended
Total academic units		25
English		4
Mathematics		3
Science		3
Of these, units that must be lab		
Foreign language		3
Social studies		3.5
History		
Academic electives		1
Other (specify) Economics, Fine Arts, Health Educ		7.5
Basis for Selection C6. Do you have an open admission policy, under which equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to acar applies:		
Open admission policy as described above	for all students	
Open admission policy as described above for a		
selective admission for out-of-state student	s	
selective admission to some programs		_
other (explain)		

C7. Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in your first-time, f	ïrst-year
degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.	

	Very Impo	ortant Im	portant	Considered	Not Con	sidered
Academic					V	
Secondary school record						
Class rank			_		⊽	
Recommendation(s)					✓	
Standardized test scores					✓	
Essay					✓	
Nonacademic				Е	V	
Interview						
Extracurricular activities			_		✓	
Talent/ability					✓	
Character/personal qualities					✓	
Alumni/ae relation					✓	
Geographical residence					V	
State residency					✓	
Religious affiliation/commitment					V	
Minority status					✓	
Volunteer work					V	
Work experience					V	
SAT and ACT Policies C8. Entrance exams A. Does your institution make use	of SAT I, SAT I	I, or ACT score	es in admission d	ecisions for fir	rst-time, first	-year, degree-
seeking applicants? Yes If yes, place check marks in the ap	No opropriate boxes l	pelow to reflect	your institution's	s policies for u	se in admiss	ion.
		ADMISSIO	N			
	Require R	Recommend	Require for So		ider If nitted	lot Used
SATI					1 [
ACT						
SAT I or ACT (no preference)						
SAT I or ACT SAT I preferred						
SAT I or ACTACT preferred						
SAT I and SAT II						
SAT I and SAT II or ACT						

SAT II

In addition, does your institution	on use applicants' test scores	s for placement or o	counseling?					
Placement Yes No								
Counseling Yes No								
B. Does your institution use the SAT I or II, or the ACT for placement only ? If so, please mark the appropriate boxes below:								
PLACEMENT								
	Require	Recommend	Require for Some					
SATI								
SAT II								
ACT								
SAT I or ACT								
C. Latest date by which SAT I of Latest date by which SAT II sco	ores must be received for fal	ll-term admission:		students, or if tests are not				
required of some students):								
Freshman Profile								
Provide percentages for ALL en students enrolled in fall 2003, i aliens, and students admitted ur	ncluding students who bega							
standardized (SAT/ACT) test (freshman) students who subm for a category of students) or co	C9. Percent and number of first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in fall 2003 who submitted national standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. Include information for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted test scores. Do not include partial test scores (e.g., mathematics scores but not verbal for a category of students) or combine other standardized test results (such as TOEFL) in this item. SAT scores should be recentered scores. The 25th percentile is the score that 25 percent scored at or below; the 75th percentile score is the one that 25 percent scored at or above.							
Percent submitting SAT scores		Number submi	tting SAT scores					
Percent submitting ACT scores Number submitting ACT scores								
	25th Percentile	75th Pe	ercentile					
SAT I Verbal								
SAT I Math								
ACT Composite								
ACT English								
ACT Math								

Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

	SAT I Verba	al	SAT I M	<u> </u>	
700-800	0				
500-699					
500-599					
400-499					
300-399					
200-299					
	100%		100%	,	
	ACT Composite		ACT English	ACT M	ath
30-36					
4-29					
18-23					
12-17					
6-11					
Below 6					
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each of the following ranformation). Percent in top tenth of his	ree-seeking, first-time, firs	or those	reshman) students	who had high school	class rank
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GPA: C12. Average high school GPA of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted
Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted high school GPA: %
Admission Policies
C13. Application fee
Does your institution have an application fee? Yes No Amount of application fee: \$25 Can it be waived for applicants with financial need? Yes No
C14. Application closing date
Does your institution have an application closing date? Yes No Application closing date (fall): Priority date: C15. Are first-time, first-year students accepted for terms other than the fall? Yes No
C16. Notification to applicants of admission decision sent (fill in one only)
On a rolling basis beginning (date): By (date): On a rolling basi Other:
C17. Reply policy for admitted applicants (fill in one only)
Must reply by (date): No set date: Must reply by May 1 or within weeks if notified thereafter Other:
C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after admission?
Yes No If yes, maximum period of postponement:
C19. Early admission of high school students: Does your institution allow high school students to enroll as full-time, first-
time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before high school graduation? Yes No

C20. Common application: Will you accept the common application distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals if submitted?
□ Yes □ No
If "yes," are supplemental forms required? Yes No
Is your college a member of the Common Application Group? Yes No
Early Decision and Early Action Plans
C21. Early decision: Does your institution offer an early decision plan (an admission plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date and that asks students to commit to
attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year (freshman) applicants for fall enrollment? Yes No
If "yes," please complete the following:
First or only early decision plan closing date:
First or only early decision plan notification date:
Other early decision plan closing date:
Other early decision plan notification date:
For the Fall 2003 entering class:
Number of early decision applications received by your institution:
Number of applicants admitted under early decision plan:
Please provide significant details about your early decision plan:
C22. Early action: Do you have a nonbinding early action plan whereby students are notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date but do not have to commit to attending your college?
Yes No
If "yes," please complete the following:
Early action closing date:
Early action notification date:

D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

Fall Applic	ants						
D1. Does yo	our institution enrol	l transfer stude	ents? ✓ Yes	No			
	e skip to Section E) transfer students ear		anding credit by tra	nnsferring credi	ts earned from course	e work complet	ted at
other colleg	es/universities?	Yes No					
D2. Provide	the number of stud	ents who appli	ied, were admitted,	and enrolled as	degree-seeking tran	sfer students in	fall 2003.
	Applica	nts	Admitted Ap	plicants	Enrolled Applic	ants	
Men	1145		1145		744		
Women	1596		1596		995		
Total	2741		2741		1739		
	e terms for which tra Winter Spri	·					
D4. Must a	transfer applicant ha	ave a minimun	n number of credits	completed or e	lse must apply as an	entering freshm	nan?
Yes No If yes, what is the minimum number of credits and the unit of measure? 15 hrs at the college level							
D5. Indicate all items required of transfer students to apply for admission:							
	R	equired of All	Recommende d of All	Recommend d of Some		Not require	ed
High school	l transcript					Х	

College transcript(s)	X				
Essay or personal statement					
Interview					
Standardized test scores					
Statement of good standing from prior institution(s)					
D6. If a minimum high school	ol grade point ave	rage is required of	transfer applicants	s, specify (on a 4.0	scale):

NO. T					
V8. List any oth	er application rec	quirements specific	to transfer applicants:		
			d candidate reply date		ents. If applications ar
n a continuous	or rolling basis,	place a check mark	in the "Rolling admiss	ion" column.	
	Priority Date	Closing Date	Notification Date	Reply Date	Rolling Admission
Pall		Aug, 1st			
Winter					
Spring		Dec, 15th			
Summer					
Fransfer Cred	it Policies				
D10 D		1.0		2.0	
D12. Report the	e lowest grade ear	ned for any course	that may be transferred	for credit: L	
D13. Maximum	number of credit	s or courses that ma	y be transferred from	a two-year institut	ion:
Number: 66	Unit ty	vne:			
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D14. Maximum	number of credit	s or courses that ma	y be transferred from	a four-year institu	tion:
Number:	Unit typ	e:			
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D15. Minimum	number of credit	s that transfers must	complete at your inst	itution to earn an a	associate degree:
					120
J16. Minimum	number of credits	s that transfers must	complete at your inst	itution to earn a ba	achelor's degree: L
)17. Describe of	other transfer cred	it policies:			

E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES

E1. Special study options: Identify those programs available at your institution. Refer to the glossary for definitions.

	Accelerated program	~	Honors program
V	Cooperative (work-study) program	V	Independent study
✓	Cross-registration		Internships
V	Distance learning		Liberal arts/career combination
V	Double major	V	Student-designed major
✓	Dual enrollment	V	Study abroad
₽	English as a Second Language (ESL)	V	Teacher certification program
		V	Weekend college
	External degree program		
V	Other (specify):		
	INTERNET COURSES		
E3. Areas	in which all or most students are requir	ed to	o complete some course work prior to graduation:
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✓	Arts/fine arts	V	Humanities
~	Computer literacy	V	Mathematics
✓	English (including composition)		Philosophy
	Foreign languages	V	Sciences (biological or physical)
V	History	V	Social science
V	Other (describe):		
	LITERATURE, POLITICAL SCIENCE, & SPEECH		
Library Co	ollections		
Domont the	mumber of holdings at the and of the 2002	02 £	incel year for each of the estagories helesy. Defeate the Academic
			iscal year for each of the categories below. Refer to the Academic 2-26, column 2 for corresponding equivalents.
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E4. Books,	serial backfiles, and other paper materials	s (inc	luding government documents) [line 22]:
E5. Curren	t serial subscriptions [line 26]:		
E6. Microf	orms [line 24]:		
E7. Audiov	risual materials [line 25]: 4511		
E8. E-Bool	ss [line 23]: 35000		

F. STUDENT LIFE

$F1.\ Percentages\ of\ first-time,\ first-year\ (freshman)\ students\ and\ all\ degree-seeking\ undergraduates\ enrolled\ in\ fall\ 2003\ who\ fit\ the\ following\ categories:$

						First-time, first (freshman) stud		Undergraduates
	Perc	ent from out of state (exc	clude	international/nonresident ali	iens)	0.2%		0.8%
	Perc	ent of men who join frat	ernit	ies		N/A		N/A
	Perc	ent of women who join s		N/A		N/A		
	Perc	ent who live in college-o	wne	d, -operated, or -affiliated ho	using	0.0%		0.0%
	Perc	ent who live off campus	or co	mmu te		100%		100%
	Perc	ent of students age 25 ar	nd ole	der		0.4%		52%
	Ave	rage age of full-time stud	dents	1		20		25
	Ave	rage age of all students (full-	and part-time)		20		27
F2. Act	ivitie	s offered Identify those p	orogi	ams available at your institut	tion.			
		Choral groups		Marching band	V	Student governme	ent	
		Concert band		Music ensembles	V	Student newspape	er	
		Dance		Musical theater		Student-run film s	society	
	V	Drama/theater		Opera		Symphony orches		
	V	Jazz band		Pep band		Television station		
	V	Literary magazine		Radio station		Yearbook		
F3. RO	TC (p	program offered in coope	ratio	n with Reserve Officers' Trai	ining	Corps)		
Or At Air Ford	coope COTC cam coope ce RC	erating institution (name is offered: pus erating institution (name of the offered:):	JNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON-CEN	TRAL			

F4. Housing institution.	: Check all types of college-owned,	-ope	rated, or -affiliated housing available for undergraduates at your
	Coed dorms		Special housing for disabled students
l	Men's dorms		Special housing for international students
	Women's dorms		Fraternity/sorority housing
	Apartments for married students		Cooperative housing
	Apartments for single students		
	Other housing options (specify):		
		G. A	ANNUAL EXPENSES
Provide 200 institution.	4-2005 academic year costs of atte	endar	nce for the following categories that are applicable to your
provide an a			ademic year costs of attendance are not available at this time and en your institution's final 2004-2005 academic year costs of
List the typic academic year	ar (30 semester hours or 45 quarter)	and b hours	s, room and board oard for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 2004-2005 for institutions that derive annual tuition by multiplying credit hour are to the period of time generally extending from September to June:

List the typical tuition, required fees, and room and board for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 2004-2005 academic year (30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours for institutions that derive annual tuition by multiplying credit hour cost by number of credits). A full academic year refers to the period of time generally extending from September to June; usually equated to two semesters, two trimesters, three quarters, or the period covered by a four-one-four plan. Room and board is defined as double occupancy and 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan. **Required fees** include only charges that all full-time students must pay that are *not* included in tuition (e.g., registration, health, or activity fees.) Do *not* include optional fees (e.g., parking, laboratory use).

	FIRST-YEAR	UNDERGRADUATES
PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS Tuition:		
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS Tuition: In-District:	\$2,088	\$2,088
In-state (out-of-district):	\$2,088	\$2,088
Out-of-state:	\$7,752	\$7,752
NONRESIDENT ALIENS Tuition:	\$7,752	\$7,752
REQUIRED FEES:	\$506	\$506
ROOM AND BOARD (on-campus):		
ROOM ONLY: (on-campus)		
BOARD ONLY: (on-campus meal plan)		

Comprehensive tuition and fees):	room and board fee (if y	our college cannot provide so	eparate tuition and room an	d board
Other:				
G2. Number of credits pe	r term a student can tal	ke for the stated full-time tu	nition: 12 minimum 1	2 maximum
G3. Do tuition and fees va	ary by year of study (e.g	g., sophomore, junior, senion	r)? Yes No	
G4. If tuition and fees var	ry by undergraduate ins	structional program, descri	be briefly:	
G5. Provide the estimated	l expenses for a typical	full-time undergraduate stu	ıdent:	
	Residents	Commuters (living at home)	Commuters (not living at home)	
Books and supplies:		\$1020	\$1020	
Room only:			\$6032	
Board only:		N/A	N/A	
Transportation:				
Other expenses:				
G6. Undergraduate per-c	redit-hour charges:			
PRIVATE INSTI	TUTIONS:			
PUBLIC INSTITUTION In-district:	UTIONS:	\$87		
In-state (out-of	-district):	\$87		
Out-of-state:		\$323		
NONRESIDENT	ALIENS:	\$323		

H. FINANCIAL AID

Aid Awarded to Enrolled Undergraduates

H1. Enter total dollar amounts awarded to enrolled full-time and less-than-full-time degree-seeking undergraduates (using the same cohort reported in CDS Question B1, "total degree-seeking" undergraduates) in the following categories. (Note: If the data being reported are final figures for the 2002-2003 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2002-2003 academic year's CDS Question B1 cohort.) Include aid awarded to international students (i.e., those not qualifying for federal aid). Aid that is nonneed-based but that was used to meet need should be reported in the need-based aid columns. (For a suggested order of precedence in assigning categories of aid to cover need, see the entry for "non-need-based scholarship or grant aid" on the last page of the definitions section.)

Indicate the academic year for which data are reported for ite	ems H1, H2, H2A, and H6 below:	
2003-2004 estimated or 2002-2003 final		
H3: Which needs-analysis methodology does your methodology (FM) Institutional methodology (IM)	institution use in awarding	institutional aid? Federal
Both FM and IM		
	Need-based (Include non-need-based aid used to meet need.)	Non-need-based (Exclude non-need-based aid used to meet need.)
	\$	\$
Scholarships/Grants		
Federal	\$ 9,027,761.00	\$0
State (i.e., all states, not only the state in which your institution is located)	\$ 2,143,179.00	
Institutional (endowment, alumni, or other institutional awards) and external funds awarded by the college excluding athletic aid and tuition waivers (which are reported below)	\$ 1,901,266.00	\$ 741,091.00
Scholarships/grants from external sources (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit) not awarded by the college	\$ 509,722.00	\$ 235,844.00
Total Scholarships/Grants	\$ 13,581,928.00	\$ 976,935.00
Self-Help		
Student loans from all sources (excluding parent loans)	\$ 6,315,053.00	\$ 2,792,582.00
Federal Work-Study	\$ 378,023.00	
State and other (e.g., institutional) work-study/employment (Note: Exclude Federal Work-Study captured above.)	\$ 22,827.00	\$0
Total Self-Help	\$ 6,715,903.00	\$ 2,792,582.00
Parent Loans	\$ 11,782.00	\$0
Tuition Waivers Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them. Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.	\$ 7,969.00	\$0
Athletic Awards	\$0	\$0

H2. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Aid: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who applied for and were awarded financial aid from any source. Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid. Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1. Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

	First-time Full-time Freshman	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
a) Number of degree-seeking undergraduate students (CDS Item B1 if reporting on Fall 2003 cohort)	1,017	3,454	3,168
b) Number of students in line a who applied for need-based financial aid	585	2,284	2,535
c) Number of students in line b who were determined to have financial need	561	2,105	2,315
d) Number of students in line c who were awarded any financial aid	561	2,105	2,315
e) Number of students in line ${\bf d}$ who were awarded any need-based scholarship or grant aid	553	1,915	2,069
f) Number of students in line d who were awarded any need-based self-help aid	71	670	1,061
g) Number of students in line ${\bf d}$ who were awarded any non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	8	41	29
h) Number of students in line d whose need was fully met (exclude PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	45	296	200
i) On average, the percentage of need that was met of students who were awarded any need-based aid. Exclude any aid that was awarded in excess of need as well as any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	61 %	58 %	53 %
j) The average financial aid package of those in line d . Exclude any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	\$ 4,745.00	\$ 4,393.00	\$ 4,137.00
k) Average need-based scholarship or grant award of those in line e	\$ 4,461.00	\$ 3,813.00	\$ 3,034.00
l) Average need-based self-help award (excluding PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans) of those in line f	\$ 2,749.00	\$ 2,902.00	\$ 3,109.00
m) Average need-based loan (excluding PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans) of those in line f who were awarded a need-based loan	\$ 1,198.00	\$ 2,416.00	\$ 2,797.00

H2A. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional—not external—non-need-based scholarship or grant aid. Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1. Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

	First-time Full- time Freshman	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
n) Number of students in line a who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid (exclude those who were awarded athletic awards and tuition benefits)	200	389	379
o) Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based scholarship and grant aid awarded to students in line n	\$ 2,260.00	\$ 3,357.00	\$ 3,243.00
p) Number of students in line a who were awarded an institutional non-need-based athletic scholarship or grant	0	0	
q) Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based athletic scholarships and grants awarded to students in line p	\$0	\$0	

H4. Provide the percentage of the 2003 undergraduate class who graduated between July 1, 2002 and June 30, 2003 and borrowed at any time through any loan programs (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; exclude parent loans).
Include only students who borrowed while enrolled at your institution.
H5. Report the average per-borrower cumulative undergraduate indebtedness of those in line H4. Do not include money borrowed at other institutions: \$
Aid to Undergraduate Degree-seeking Nonresident Aliens (Note: Report numbers and dollar amounts for the same academic year checked in item H1.)
H6. Indicate your institution's policy regarding institutional scholarship or grant aid for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:
Institutional need-based scholarship or grant aid is available
Institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid is available
Institutional scholarship and grant aid is not available
If institutional financial aid is available for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens, provide the number of undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens who were awarded need-based or non-need-based aid:
Average dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$\square 5,975.00\$
Total dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$\sum_{213,494.00}\$
Process for First-Year/Freshman Students
H7. Check off all financial aid forms domestic first-year (freshman) financial aid applicants must submit:
FAFSA
Institution's own financial aid form
CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
State aid form
Noncustodial (Divorced/Separated) Parent's Statement
Business/Farm Supplement
Other:

H3. Incorporated into H1 above.

	Check off all financial aid forms nonresident alien first-year financial aid applicants must submit:
~	Institution's own financial aid form
	CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
	Foreign Student's Financial Aid Application
	Foreign Student's Certification of Finances
	Other:
Н9.	Indicate filing dates for first-year (freshman) students:
Prio	rity date for filing required financial aid forms:
Dead	April 1, Eac
No c	leadline for filing required forms (applications processed on a rolling basis):
a) St	Indicate notification dates for first-year (freshman) students (answer a or b): udents notified on or about (date): Yes No If yes, starting date: Indicate reply dates:
Stud	ents must reply by (date): or within weeks of notification.
Тур	es of Aid Available
Plea	se check off all types of aid available to undergraduates at your institution:
H12	. Loans
FED	ERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM (DIRECT LOAN) Direct Subsidized Stafford Loans Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans Direct PLUS Loans

	ERAL FAMILY EDUCATION LOAN PROGRAM (FFEL)
V	FFEL Subsidized Stafford Loans
V	FFEL Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
V	FFEL PLUS Loans
	Federal Perkins Loans
	Federal Nursing Loans
	State Loans
	College/university loans from institutional funds
	Other (specify):
H13	. Scholarships and Grants
	d-Based:
V	Federal Pell
V	SEOG
V	State scholarships/grants
V	Private scholarships
V	College/university scholarship or grant aid from institutional funds
	United Negro College Fund
	Federal Nursing Scholarship
	Other (specify):
H14	. Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

Non-need	Need-based		Non-need	Need-based	
V	✓	Academics	V	V	Leadership
		Alumni affiliations			Minority status
		Art	V		Music/drama
		Athletics			Religious affiliation
		Job skills	V		State/district residency
		ROTC			

I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE

I-1. Please report the number of instructional faculty members in each category for Fall 2003.

The following definition of instructional faculty is used by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in its annual Faculty Compensation Survey. Instructional Faculty is defined as those members of the instructional-research staff whose major regular assignment is instruction, including those with released time for research. Institutions are asked to EXCLUDE:

- (a) instructional faculty in preclinical and clinical medicine
- (b) administrative officers with titles such as dean of students, librarian, registrar, coach, and the like, even though they may devote part of their time to classroom instruction and may have faculty status,
- (c) undergraduate or graduate students who assist in the instruction of courses, but have titles such as teaching assistant, teaching fellow, and the like
- (d) faculty on leave without pay, and
- (e) replacement faculty for faculty on sabbatical leave.

Full-time: faculty employed on a full-time basis

Part-time: faculty teaching less than two semesters, three quarters, two trimesters, or two four-month sessions. Also includes adjuncts and part-time instructors.

Minority faculty: includes faculty who designate themselves as black, non-Hispanic; American Indian or Alaskan native; Asian or Pacific Islander; or Hispanic.

Doctorate: includes such degrees as Doctor of Education, Doctor of Juridical Science, Doctor of Public Health, and Doctor of Philosophy degree in any field such as agronomy, food technology, education, engineering, public administration, ophtalmology, or radiology.

First-professional: includes the fields of dentistry (DDS or DMD), medicine (MD), optometry (OD), osteopathic medicine (DO), pharmacy (DPharm or BPharm), podiatric medicine (DPM), veterinary medicine (DBM), chiropractic (DC or DCM), law (JD) and theological professions (MDiv, MHL).

Terminal degree: the highest degree in a field: example, M.Arch (architecture) and MFA (Master of Fine Arts).

	Full-time	Part-time	Total
a.) Total number of instructional faculty	249	281	530
b.) Total number who are members of minority groups	66	103	169
c.) Total number who are women	122	124	246
d.) Total number who are men	127	157	284
e.) Total number who are nonresident aliens (international)	7	3	10
f.) Total number with doctorate, first professional, or other terminal degree	54	198	252
g.) Total number whose highest degree is a master's but not a terminal master's	52	176	228
h.) Total number whose highest degree is a bachelor's	2	21	23
i.) Total number whose highest degree is unknown or other (Note: Items f, g, h, and i must sum up to item a.)	0	5	5

I-2. Student to Faculty Ratio

Report the Fall 2003 ratio of full-time equivalent students (full-time plus 1/3 part-time) to full-time equivalent instructional faculty (full-time plus 1/3 part-time). In the ratio calculations, exclude both faculty and students in stand-alone graduate or professional programs such as medicine, law, veterinary, dentistry, social work, business, or public health in which faculty teach virtually only graduate level students. Do not count undergraduate or graduate student teaching assistants as faculty.

	20.37	
Fall 2003 Student to Faculty ratio:		Jto 1

I-3. Undergraduate Class Size

In the table below, please use the following definitions to report information about the size of classes and class sections offered in the Fall 2003 term.

Class Sections: A class section is an organized course offered for credit, identified by discipline and number, meeting at a stated time or times in a classroom or similar setting, and not a subsection such as a laboratory or discussion session. Undergraduate class sections are defined as any sections in which at least one degree-seeking undergraduate student is enrolled for credit. Exclude distance learning classes and noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Exclude students in independent study, co-operative programs, internships, foreign language taped tutor sessions, practicums, and all students in one-on-one classes. Each class section should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of course catalog cross-listings.

Class Subsections: A class subsection includes any subsection of a course, such as laboratory, recitation, and discussion subsections that are supplementary in nature and are scheduled to meet separately from the lecture portion of the course. Undergraduate subsections are defined as any subsections of courses in which degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled for credit. As above, exclude noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Each class subsection should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of cross-listings.

Using the above definitions, please report for each of the following class-size intervals the number of *class sections* and *class subsections* offered in Fall 2003. For example, a lecture class with 800 students who met at another time in 40 separate labs with 20 students should be counted once in the "100+" column in the class section column and 40 times under the "20-29" column of the class subsections table.

Number of Class Sections with Undergraduates Enrolled

Undergraduate Class Size (provide numbers)

	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total
CLASS SECTIONS	61	223	456	310	115	44	1	1210
	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total

J. DEGREES CONFERRED
Degrees conferred between July 1, 2002 and June 30, 2003

Reference: IPEDS Completions, Part A

For each of the following discipline areas, provide the percentage of diplomas/certificates, associate, and bachelor's degrees awarded.

Category	Diploma/ Certificates	Associate]	Bachelor's	CIP:1990 Categories to Include	CIP 2000 Categories to Include
Agriculture					1 and 2	1
Architecture					4	4
Area and ethnic studies					5	5
Biological/life sciences				1%	26	26
Business/marketing				45%	8 and 52	52
Communications/communication technologies					9 and 10	9 and 10
Computer and information sciences				3%	11	11
Education					13	13
Engineering/engineering technologies				2%	14 and 15	14 and 15
English				4%	23	23
Foreign languages and literature					16	16
Health professions and related sciences					51	51
Home economics and vocational home economics					19 and 20	19
Interdisciplinary studies				3%	30	30
Law/legal studies					22	22
Liberal arts/general studies				22%	24	24
Library science					25	25
Mathematics				1%	27	27
Military science and technologies					28 and 29	29
Natural resources/environmental science					3	3
Parks and recreation					31	31
Personal and miscellaneous services					12	12
Philosophy, religion, theology					38 and 39	38 and 39
Physical sciences				0%	40 and 41	40 and 41
Protective services/public administration				8%	43 and 44	43 and 44
Psychology				7%	42	42
Social sciences and history				4%	45	45 and 54
Trade and industry					46, 47, 48, and 49	46, 47, 48, and 49
Visual and performing arts					50	50
Other						
TOTAL	100%	100%	1	100%		

Common Data Set Definitions

All definitions related to the financial aid section appear at the end of the Definitions document.

Items preceded by an asterisk (*) represent definitions agreed to among publishers which do not appear on the CDS document but may be present on individual publishers' surveys.

*Academic advisement: Plan under which each student is assigned to a faculty member or a trained adviser, who, through regular meetings, helps the student plan and implement immediate and long-term academic and vocational goals.

Accelerated program: Completion of a college program of study in fewer than the usual number of years, most often by attending summer sessions and carrying extra courses during the regular academic term.

Admitted student: Applicant who is offered admission to a degree-granting program at your institution.

*Adult student services: Admission assistance, support, orientation, and other services expressly for adults who have started college for the first time, or who are re-entering after a lapse of a few years.

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Applicant (**first-time**, **first-year**): An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution).

Application fee: That amount of money that an institution charges for processing a student's application for acceptance. This amount is *not* creditable toward tuit ion and required fees, nor is it refundable if the student is not admitted to the institution.

Asian or Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or Pacific Islands. This includes people from China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, American Samoa, India, and Vietnam.

Associate degree: An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

Bachelor's degree: An award (baccalaureate or equivalent degree, as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education) that normally requires at least four years but *not* more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work. This includes ALL bachelor's degrees conferred in a five-year cooperative (work-study plan) program. (A cooperative plan provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government; thus, it allows students to combine actual work experience with their college studies.) Also, it includes bachelor's degrees in which the normal four years of work are completed in three years.

Black, non-Hispanic: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa (except those of Hispanic origin).

Board (charges): Assume average cost for 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan.

Books and supplies (costs): Average cost of books and supplies. Do not include unusual costs for special groups of students (e.g., engineering or art majors), unless they constitute the majority of students at your institution.

Calendar system: The method by which an institution structures most of its courses for the academic year.

*Career and placement services: A range of services, including (often) the following: coordination of visits of employers to campus; aptitude and vocational testing; interest inventories, personal counseling; help in resume writing, interviewing, launching the job search; listings for those students desiring employment and those seeking permanent positions; establishment of a permanent reference folder; career resource materials.

Carnegie units: One year of study or the equivalent in a secondary school subject.

Certificate: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

Class rank: The relative numerical position of a student in his or her graduating class, calculated by the high school on the basis of grade-point average, whether weighted or unweighted.

College-preparatory program: Courses in academic subjects (English, history and social studies, foreign languages, mathematics, science, and the arts) that stress preparation for college or university study.

Common Application: The standard application form distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals for a large number of private colleges who are members of the Common Application Group.

*Community service program: Referral center for students wishing to perform volunteer work in the community or participate in volunteer activities coordinated by academic departments.

Commuter: A student who lives off campus in housing that is not owned by, operated by, or affiliated with the college. This category includes students who commute from home and students who have moved to the area to attend college.

Contact hour: A unit of measure that represents an hour of scheduled instruction given to students. Also referred to as clock hour.

Continuous basis (for program enrollment): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that enroll students at any time during the academic year. For example, a cosmetology school or a word processing school might allow students to enroll and begin studies at various times, with no requirement that classes begin on a certain date.

Cooperative housing: College-owned, -operated, or -affiliated housing in which students share room and board expenses and participate in household chores to reduce living expenses.

Cooperative (work-study plan) program: A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

*Counseling service: Activities designed to assist students in making plans and decisions related to their education, career, or personal development.

Credit: Recognition of attendance or performance in an instructional activity (course or program) that can be applied by a recipient toward the requirements for a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

Credit course: A course that, if successfully completed, can be applied toward the number of courses required for achieving a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

Credit hour: A unit of measure representing an hour (50 minutes) of instruction over a 15-week period in a semester or trimester system or a 10-week period in a quarter system. It is applied toward the total number of hours needed for completing the requirements of a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

Cross-registration: A system whereby students enrolled at one institution may take courses at another institution without having to apply to the second institution.

Deferred admission: The practice of permitting admitted students to postpone enrollment, usually for a period of one academic term or one year.

Degree: An award conferred by a college, university, or other postsecondary education institution as official recognition for the successful completion of a program of studies.

Degree-seeking students: Students enrolled in courses for credit who are recognized by the institution as seeking a degree or formal award. At the undergraduate level, this is intended to include students enrolled in vocational or occupational programs.

Differs by program (calendar system): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that have occupational/vocational programs of varying length. These schools may enroll students at specific times depending on the program desired. For example, a school might offer a two-month program in January, March, May, September, and November; and a three-month program in January, April, and October.

Diploma: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

Distance learning: An option for earning course credit at off-campus locations via cable television, Internet, satellite classes, videotapes, correspondence courses, or other means.

Doctoral degree: The highest award a student can earn for graduate study. The doctoral degree classification includes such degrees as Doctor of Education, Doctor of Juridical Science, Doctor of Public Health, and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in any field such as agronomy, food technology, education, engineering, public administration, ophthalmology, or radiology. For the Doctor of Public Health degree, the prior degree is generally earned in the closely related field of medicine or in sanitary engineering.

Double major: Program in which students may complete two undergraduate programs of study simultaneously.

Dual enrollment: A program through which high school students may enroll in college courses while still enrolled in high school. Students are not required to apply for admission to the college in order to participate.

Early action plan: An admission plan that allows students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification dates. If admitted, the candidate is not committed to enroll; the student may reply to the offer under the college's regular reply policy.

Early admission: A policy under which students who have not completed high school are admitted and enroll full time in college, usually after completion of their junior year.

Early decision plan: A plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision (and financial aid offer if applicable) well in advance of the regular notification date. Applicants agree to accept an offer of admission and, if admitted, to withdraw their applications from other colleges. There are three possible decisions for early decision applicants: admitted, denied, or not admitted but forwarded for consideration with the regular application pool, without prejudice.

English as a Second Language (ESL): A course of study designed specifically for students whose native language is not English.

Exchange student program-domestic: Any arrangement between a student and a college that permits study for a semester or more at another college **in the United States** without extending the amount of time required for a degree. **See also Study abroad.**

External degree program: A program of study in which students earn credits toward a degree through independent study, college courses, proficiency examinations, and personal experience. External degree programs require minimal or no classroom attendance.

Extracurricular activities (as admission factor): Special consideration in the admissions process given for participation in both school and nonschool-related activities of interest to the college, such as clubs, hobbies, student government, athletics, performing arts, etc.

First professional certificate (postdegree): An award that requires completion of an organized program of study designed for persons who have completed the first professional degree. Examples could be refresher courses or additional units of study in a specialty or subspecialty.

First professional degree: An award in one of the following fields: chiropractic (DC, DCM), dentistry (DDS, DMD), medicine (MD), optometry (OD), osteopathic medicine (DO), rabbinical and Talmudic studies (MHL, Rav), Pharmacy (BPharm, PharmD), podiatry (PodD, DP, DPM), veterinary medicine (DVM), law (LLB, JD), divinity/ministry (BD, MDiv).

First-time student: A student attending any institution for the first time at the level enrolled. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended a postsecondary institution for the first time at the same level in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credit earned before graduation from high school).

First-time, first-year (freshman) student: A student attending any institution for the first time at the undergraduate level. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended college for the first time in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credits earned before graduation from high school).

First-year student: A student who has completed less than the equivalent of 1 full year of undergraduate work; that is, less than 30 semester hours (in a 120-hour degree program) or less than 900 contact hours.

Freshman: A first-year undergraduate student.

*Freshman/new student orientation: Orientation addressing the academic, social, emotional, and intellectual issues involved in beginning college. May be a few hours or a few days in length; at some colleges, there is a fee.

Full-time student (undergraduate): A student enrolled for 12 or more semester credits, 12 or more quarter credits, or 24 or more contact hours a week each term.

Geographical residence (as admission factor): Special consideration in the admission process given to students from a particular region, state, or country of residence.

Grade -point average (academic high school GPA): The sum of grade points a student has earned in secondary school divided by the number of courses taken. The most common system of assigning numbers to grades counts four points for an A, three points for a B, two points for a C, one point for a D, and no points for an E or F. Unweighted GPAs/assign the same weight to each course. Weighting gives students additional points for their grades in advanced or honors courses.

Graduate student: A student who holds a bachelor's or first professional degree, or equivalent, and is taking courses at the post-baccalaureate level.

*Health services: Free or low cost on-campus primary and preventive health care available to students.

High school diploma or recognized equivalent: A document certifying the successful completion of a prescribed secondary school program of studies, or the attainment of satisfactory scores on the Test of General Educational Development (GED), or another state-specified examination.

Hispanic: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

Honors program: Any special program for very able students offering the opportunity for educational enrichment, independent study, acceleration, or some combination of these.

Independent study: Academic work chosen or designed by the student with the approval of the department concerned, under an instructor's supervision, and usually undertaken outside of the regular classroom structure.

In-state tuition: The tuition charged by institutions to those students who meet the state's or institution's residency requirements.

International students: See Nonresident alien.

Internship: Any short-term, supervised work experience usually related to a student's major field, for which the student earns academic credit. The work can be full- or part-time, on- or off-campus, paid or unpaid.

*Learning center: Center offering assistance through tutors, workshops, computer programs, or audiovisual equipment in reading, writing, math, and skills such as taking notes, managing time, taking tests.

*Legal services: Free or low cost legal advice for a range of issues (personal and other).

Liberal arts/career combination: Program in which a student earns undergraduate degrees in two separate fields, one in a liberal arts major and the other in a professional or specialized major, whether on campus or through cross-registration.

Master's degree: An award that requires the successful completion of a program of study of at least the full-time equivalent of one but not more than two academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree.

Minority affiliation (as admission factor): Special consideration in the admission process for members of designated racial/ethnic minority groups.

*Minority student center: Center with programs, activities, and/or services intended to enhance the college experience of students of color.

Nonresident alien: A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely.

*On-campus day care: Licensed day care for students' children (usually age 3 and up); usually for a fee.

Open admission: Admission policy under which virtually all secondary school graduates or students with GED equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to academic record, test scores, or other qualifications.

Other expenses (costs): Include average costs for clothing, laundry, entertainment, medical (if not a required fee), and furnishings.

Out-of-state tuition: The tuition charged by institutions to those students who do not meet the institution's or state's residency requirements.

Part-time student (undergraduate): A student enrolled for fewer than 12 credits per semester or quarter, or fewer than 24 contact hours a week each term.

*Personal counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore personal, educational, or vocational issues.

Post-baccalaureate certificate: An award that requires completion of an organized program of study requiring 18 credit hours beyond the bachelor's; designed for persons who have completed a baccalaureate degree but do not meet the requirements of academic degrees carrying the title of master.

Post-master's certificate: An award that requires completion of an organized program of study of 24 credit hours beyond the master's degree but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctoral level.

Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma: Includes the following three IPEDS definitions for postsecondary awards, certificates, and diplomas of varying durations and credit/contact hour requirements --

Less Than 1 Academic Year: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in less than 1 academic year (2 semesters or 3 quarters) or in less than 900 contact hours by a student enrolled full-time.

At Least 1 But Less Than 2 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 1 but less than 2 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 30 but less than 60 credit hours, or in at least 900 but less than 1,800 contact hours.

At Least 2 But Less Than 4 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 2 but less than 4 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 40 but less than 120 credit hours, or in at least 1,800 but less than 3,600 contact hours.

Private institution: An educational institution controlled by a private individual(s) or by a nongovernmental agency, usually supported primarily by other than public funds, and operated by other than publicly elected or appointed officials.

Private for-profit institution: A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk.

Private nonprofit institution: A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives no compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk. These include both independent nonprofit schools and those affiliated with a religious organization.

Proprietary institution: See Private for-profit institution.

Public institution: An educational institution whose programs and activities are operated by publicly elected or appointed school officials, and which is supported primarily by public funds.

Quarter calendar system: A calendar system in which the academic year consists of three sessions called quarters of about 12 weeks each. The range may be from 10 to 15 weeks. There may be an additional quarter in the summer.

Race/ethnicity: Category used to describe groups to which individuals belong, identify with, or belong in the eyes of the community. The categories do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. A person may be counted in only one group.

Race/ethnicity unknown: Category used to classify students or employees whose race/ethnicity is not known and whom institutions are unable to place in one of the specified racial/ethnic categories.

Religious affiliation/commitment (as admission factor): Special consideration given in the admission process for affiliation with a certain church or faith/religion, commitment to a religious vocation, or observance of certain religious tenets/lifestyle.

*Religious counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore religious problems or issues.

*Remedial services: Instructional courses designed for students deficient in the general competencies necessary for a regular postsecondary curriculum and educational setting.

Required fees: Fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a large proportion of all students that the student who does NOT pay is the exception. Do not include application fees or optional fees such as lab fees or parking fees.

Resident alien or other eligible non-citizen: A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who has been admitted as a legal immigrant for the purpose of obtaining permanent resident alien status (and who holds either an alien registration card [Form I-551 or I-15], a Temporary Resident Card [Form I-688], or an Arrival-Departure Record [Form I-94] with a notation that conveys legal immigrant status, such as Section 207 Refugee, Section 208 Asylee, conditional Entrant Parolee or Cuban-Haitian).

Room and board (charges)--on campus: Assume double occupancy in institutional housing and 19 meals per week (or maximum meal plan).

Secondary school record (as admission factor): Information maintained by the secondary school that may include such things as the student's high school transcript, class rank, GPA, and teacher and counselor recommendations.

Semester calendar system: A calendar system that consists of two semesters during the academic year with about 16 weeks for each semester of instruction. There may be an additional summer session.

Student-designed major: A program of study based on individual interests, designed with the assistance of an adviser.

Study abroad: Any arrangement by which a student completes part of the college program studying in another country. Can be at a campus abroad or through a cooperative agreement with some other U.S. college or an institution of another country.

*Summer session: A summer session is shorter than a regular semester and not considered part of the academic year. It is not the third term of an institution operating on a trimester system or the fourth term of an institution operating on a quarter calendar system. The institution may have 2 or more sessions occurring in the summer months. Some schools, such as vocational and beauty schools, have year-round classes with no separate summer session.

Talent/ability (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students with demonstrated talent/abilities in areas of interest to the institution (e.g., sports, the arts, languages, etc.).

Teacher certification program: Program designed to prepare students to meet the requirements for certification as teachers in elementary, middle/junior high, and secondary schools.

Transfer applicant: An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has previously attended another college or university and earned college-level credit.

Transfer student: A student entering the institution for the first time but known to have previously attended a postsecondary institution at the same level (e.g., undergraduate). The student may transfer with or without credit.

Transportation (costs): Assume two round trips to student's hometown per year for students in institutional housing or daily travel to and from your institution for commuter students.

Trimester calendar system: An academic year consisting of 3 terms of about 15 weeks each.

Tuition: Amount of money charged to students for instructional services. Tuition may be charged per term, per course, or per credit.

*Tutoring: May range from one-on-one tutoring in specific subjects to tutoring in an area such as math, reading, or writing. Most tutors are college students; at some colleges, they are specially trained and certified.

Unit: A standard of measurement representing hours of academic instruction (e.g., semester credit, quarter credit, contact hour).

Undergraduate: A student enrolled in a four- or five-year bachelor's degree program, an associate degree program, or a vocational or technical program below the baccalaureate.

*Veteran's counseling: Helps veterans and their dependents obtain benefits for their selected program and provides certifications to the Veteran's Administration. May also provide personal counseling on the transition from the military to a civilian life.

*Visually impaired: Any person whose sight loss is not correctable and is sufficiently severe as to adversely affect educational performance.

Volunteer work (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students for activity done on a volunteer basis (e.g., tutoring, hospital care, working with the elderly or disabled) as a service to the community or the public in general.

Wait list: List of students who meet the admission requirements but will only be offered a place in the class if space becomes available.

Weekend college: A program that allows students to take a complete course of study and attend classes only on weekends.

White, non-Hispanic: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East (except those of Hispanic origin).

*Women's center: Center with programs, academic activities, and/or services intended to promote an understanding of the evolving roles of women.

Work experience (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students who have been employed prior to application, whether for relevance to major, demonstration of employment-related skills, or as explanation of student's academic and extracurricular record.

Financial Aid Definitions

Financial aid applicant: Any applicant who submits any one of the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

Indebtedness: Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan programs (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

Institutional and external funds: Endowment, alumni, or external monies for which the institution determines the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

Need-based aid: College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and noninstitutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

Need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

Need-based self-help aid: Loans and jobs from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Non-need-based scholarship or grant aid: Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit -based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds, or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

Non-need institutional grants Non-need tuition waivers Non-need athletic awards

Non-need federal grants

Non-need state grants

Non-need outside grants

Non-need student loans

Non-need parent loans

Non-need work

Non-need-based self-help aid: Loans and jobs from institutional, state, or other sources for which a student need not demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Scholarships/grants from external sources: Monies received from outside (private) sources that the student brings with them (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

Work study and employment: Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.