## GENERAL INFORMATION

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Are your responses to the CDS posted for reference on your institution's Web site? Xes No If yes, please provide the URL of the corresponding Web page: http://www.unco.edu/iras/commondatasets.html Other (describe):

**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, 2015. Include international students only in the category "Nonresident aliens." Complete the "Total Undergraduates" column only if you cannot provide data for the first two columns. Report as your institution reports to IPEDS: persons who are Hispanic should be reported only on the Hispanic line, not under any race, and persons who are non-Hispanic multi-racial should be reported only under "Two or more races."

	Degree-seeking First-time First year	Degree-seeking Undergraduates (include first-time first-year)	Total Undergraduates (both degree- and non- degree-seeking)
Nonresident aliens	10	98	169
Hispanic/Latino	491	1633	1660
Black or African American, non- Hispanic	111	373	379

equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall **2008**. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding Fall **2008**.

**B4.** Initial **2008** cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: <u>2,071</u>

**B5.** Of the initial **2008** cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, or service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions:  $\underline{0}$ 

**B6.** Final **2008** cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: <u>2,071</u>

equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall **2009**. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding Fall **2009**.

**B4.** Initial **2009** cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: <u>2,275</u>

**B5.** Of the initial **2009** cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, or service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions:  $\underline{0}$ 

**B6.** Final **2009** cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: **2**,**ot** 

B15.

**C5.** Distribution of high school units required and/or recommended. Specify the distribution of academic high school course units required and/or recommended of all or most degree-seeking students using Carnegie units (one unit equals one year of study or its equivalent). If you use a different system for calculating units, please convert.

	Units Required	Units Recommended
Total academic units		19
English		4
Mathematics		4
Science		3
Of these, units that must be lab		2
Foreign language		1
Social studies		2
History		1
Academic electives		2
Computer Science		
Visual/Performing Arts		
Other (specify)		

## **Basis for Selection**

**C6.** Do you have an open 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? If so, check which applies:

Open admission policy as described above for all students \_\_\_\_\_

Open admission policy as described above for most students, but selective admission for out-of-state students \_\_\_\_\_ selective admission to some programs \_\_\_\_\_ other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_\_

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

Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
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Level of applicant's interest		$\boxtimes$	
SAT and ACT Policies			

## **C8.** Entrance exams

A. Does your institution make use of SAT, ACT, or SAT Subject Test scores in **admission** decisions for first-time, first-year, degree-seeking applicants? 🛛 Yes 🗌 No

If yes, place check marks in the appropriate boxes below to reflect your institution's policies for use in admission for **Fall 2017.** 

	Require	Recommend	ADMISSION Require for Some	Consider If Submitted	Not Used
SAT or ACT ACT only SAT only SAT and SAT Subject Tests or ACT					
SAT Subject Tests					

B. If your institution will make use of the ACT in admission decisions for first-time, first-year, degree-seeking applicants for Fall 2017

Latest date by which SAT Subject Test scores must be received for fall-term admission\_n/a\_\_\_

- F. If necessary, use this space to clarify your test policies (e.g., if tests are recommended for some students, or if tests are not required of some students): SAT or ACT is required for all students unless they are over the age of 23.
- G. Please indicate which

12-17	11.4%	15.6%	23.9%
6-11	0%	0.8%	0%
Below 6	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%

C10. Percent of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who had high school class rank within each of the following ranges (report information for those students from whom you collected high school rank information).

Percent in top tenth of high school graduating class12.6%Percent in top quarter of high school graduating class35.0%Percent in top half of high school graduating class73.6%Percent in bottom half of high school graduating class26.4%Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted high school class rank: \_82.8%\_\_

C11. Percentage of all enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who had high school gradepoint averages within each of the following ranges (using 4.0 scale). Report information only for those students from whom you collected high school GPA.

Percent who had GPA of 3.75 and higher	24.4%
Percent who had GPA between 3.50 and 3.74	14.2%
Percent who had GPA between 3.25 and 3.49	15.4%
Percent who had GPA between 3.00 and 3.24	16.0%
Percent who had GPA between 2.50 and 2.99	25.3%
Percent who had GPA between 2.0 and 2.49	4.6%
Percent who had GPA between 1.0 and 1.99 Percent who had GPA below 1.0	0.1% 0% 100%

C12. Average high school GPA of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted GPA:

#### C16. Notification to applicants of admission decision sent (fill in one only)

On a rolling basis beginning (date): September 1 By (date): \_\_\_\_\_ 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: Requested to reply by May 1, but not required.

Deadline for housing deposit (MMDD): \_\_\_\_\_ Amount of housing deposit: \$200.00 Refundable if student does not enroll? \_\_\_\_ Yes, in full \_X\_ Yes, in part \_\_\_\_ No

C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after admission? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, maximum period of postponement: 1 year

**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?  $\Box$  Yes  $\boxtimes$  No

C20. Common Application: Question removed from CDS. (Initiated during 2006-2007 cycle)

#### **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?

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 2015 entering class:	
Number of early decision applications received by you Number of applicants admitted under early decision p	
Please provide significant details about your early dec	ision 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

**D9.** List application priority, closing, notification, and candidate reply dates for transfer students. If applications are reviewed on a continuous or rolling basis, place a check mark in the "Rolling admission" column.

Priority Date Closing Date Notification Date Reply D	ate Rolling
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#### **G. ANNUAL EXPENSES**

#### G0. Please provide the URL of your institution's net price calculator: <u>www.unco.edu/ofa/netpricecalc/</u>

# Provide 2016-2017 academic year costs of attendance for the following categories that are applicable to your institution.

Check here if your institution's 2016-2017 academic year costs of attendance are not available at this time and provide an approximate date (i.e., month/day) when your institution's final 2016-2017 academic year costs of attendance will be available: July 1, 2016

#### G1. Undergraduate full-time tuition, required fees, room and board

List the typical tuition, required fees, and room and board for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 2016-2017 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 INSTITUTION		
Tuition:		
PUBLIC INSTITUTION	\$6,372	\$6,372
Tuition:		
In-district:		
	\$6,372	\$6,372
In-state (out-of-district):		
	\$17,958	\$17,958
Out-of-state:		
NONRESIDENT ALIEN:	\$17,958	\$17,958
Tuition:		
REQUIRED FEES:	\$2,044	\$1,794
ROOM AND BOARD:	\$10,360	\$10,360
(on-campus)		
ROOM ONLY:	\$5,000	\$5,000
(on-campus)		
BOARD ONLY:	\$5,560	\$5,560
(on-campus meal plan)		

Comprehensive tuition and room and board fee (if your college cannot provide separate tuition and room and board fees): \_\_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

G2. Number of credits per term a student can take for the stated full-time tuition	_15_minim	um _15_maximum		
G3. Do tuition and fees vary by year of study (e.g., sophomore, junior, senior)?	Yes	🖂 No		
G4. Do tuition and fees vary by undergraduate instructional program?	Yes	No No		
If yes, what percentage of full-time undergraduates pay more than the tuition and fees reported in G1?				

# **G5.** Provide the estimated expenses for a typical full-time undergraduate student:

	Residents	Commuters (living at home)	Commuters (not living at home)
Books and supplies:	\$1,350	\$1,350	\$1,350
Room only:			
Board only:			
Room and board total (if your college cannot provide separate room and board figures for commuters not living at home):			\$4,392
Transportation:	\$648	\$1,296	\$1,296
Other expenses:	\$1,808	\$1,808	\$1,808

## **G6.** Undergraduate per-credit-hour charges (tuition only):

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS:	
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	\$253.00
In-district:	
	\$253.00
In-state (out-of-district):	
	\$713.25
Out-of-state:	
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	\$713.25

# H. FINANCIAL AID

#### Please refer to the following financial aid definitions when completing Section H.

Awarded aid: The dollar amounts offered to financial aid applicants.

**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 program (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 scholarships and grants**: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

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 non-institutional 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.

**External scholarships and grants:** Scholarships and grants received from outside (private) sources that students bring 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.

## 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 2014-2015 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2014-2015 academic year's CDS Question B1 cohort.) Include aid awarded to international students (i.e., those not qualifying for federal aid). Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should <u>be reported in the need-based aid column</u>. (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 **items H1**, **H2**, **H2A**, and **H6** below:  $\Box$  2015-2016 estimated or  $\boxtimes$  2014-2015 final

Which needs-analysis methodology does your institution use in awarding institutional aid? (Formerly H3) \_X\_ Federal methodology (FM)

\_\_\_\_ Institutional methodology (IM)

\_\_\_\_ Both FM and IM

	Need-based (Include non-need-based aid use to meet need.)	Non-need-based (Exclude non-need-based aid use to meet need.)
Scholarships/Grants		
Federal	\$13,673,993	\$218,530
State (i.e., all states, not only the state in which your institution is located)	\$5,134,558	\$39,295

<b>Tuition Waivers</b> Note: Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them. Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.		
Athletic Awards	\$1,847,918	\$2,571,587

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.

	should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.	First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
a)	Number of degree-seeking undergraduate students (CDS Item B1 if reporting on Fall 2015 cohort)	1953	7613	712
b)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> who applied for need-based financial aid	1862	6931	601
c)	Number of students in line $\mathbf{b}$ who were determined to have financial need	1341	5431	506
d)	Number of students in line $\mathbf{c}$ who were awarded any financial aid	1313	5293	376
e)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any need-based scholarship or grant aid	1175	4445	220
f)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any need-based self- help aid	1053	4373	315
g)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	759	2601	107
h)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> whose need was fully met ( <u>exclude PLUS</u> loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	19	147	23
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)	49.44%	46.21%	26.84%
j)	The average financial aid package of those in line <b>d.</b> Exclude any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	\$7619	\$7207	\$2494
k)	Average need-based scholarship or grant award of those in line e	\$4276	\$3412	\$921
1)	Average need-based self-help award ( <u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , and private alternative loans) of those in line <b>f</b>	\$3319	\$4271	\$3050
m)	Average need-based loan ( <u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , <u>and private alternative loans</u> ) of those in line <b>f</b> who were awarded a need-based loan	\$3142	\$3976	\$3043

H2A. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants: List the number of degreeseeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional 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 Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
n)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> 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)	321	954	53
0)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based scholarship and grant aid awarded to students in line <b>n</b>	\$515	\$331	\$20
p)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> who were awarded an institutional non- need-based athletic scholarship or grant	48	268	31
q)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based athletic	\$173	\$275	\$179

scholarships and grants awarded to students in line <b>p</b>		

Note: These are the graduates and loan types to include and exclude in order to fill out CDS H4 and H5. Include:

- \* 2015 undergraduate class: all students who started at your institution as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015.
- \* only loans made to students who borrowed while enrolled at your institution.
- \* co-signed loans.

#### Exclude:

- \* students who transferred in.
- \* money borrowed at other institutions.
- \* parent loans
- \* students who did not graduate or who graduated with another degree or certificate (but no bachelor's degree.

H4. Provide the number of students in the 2015 undergraduate class who started at your institution as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015. Exclude students who transferred into your institution. 616

H5. Number and percent of students in class (defined in H4 above) borrowing from federal, non-federal, and any loan sources, and the average (or mean) amount borrowed

	Number in the class (defined in H4 above) who borrowed	Percent of the class (defined above) who borrowed (nearest 1%)	Average per-undergraduate- borrower cumulative principal borrowed, of those in the first column (nearest \$1)
<ul> <li>Any loan program: Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized, institutional, state, private loans that your institution is aware of, etc. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans.</li> </ul>	822	62%	\$27,947
<ul> <li>b) Federal loan programs: Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans.</li> </ul>	812	61%	\$26,476
c) Institutional loan programs.	0	0%	\$0
d) State loan programs.	0	0%	\$0
e) Private alternative loans made by a bank or lender.	99	7%	\$14,891

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 and grant aid for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:

- $\boxtimes$ 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: 37

Average dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$ 2703

Total dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$ 99,994

H7. Check off all financial aid forms nonresident alien first-year financial aid applicants must submit:

Institution's own financial aid form

## **Types of Aid Available**

Please check off all types of aid available to undergraduates at your institution:

H12. Loans

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FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM (DIRECT LOAN)
Direct Subsidized Stafford Loans
Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans
Direct PLUS Loans
Federal Perkins Loans
Federal Nursing Loans
State Loans
College/university loans from institutional funds
Other (specify):

H13. Scholarships and Grants

NEED-BASED:

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	Full-time	Part-time	Total
a.) Total number of instructional faculty	476	236	712
b.) Total number who are members of	60	25	85
minority groups			
c.) Total number who are women	242	158	400
d.) Total number who are men	234	78	312
e.) Total number who are nonresident aliens	11	3	14
(international)			
f.) Total number with doctorate, or other			
terminal degree			

terminal degree g.) Total number whose highest degree is a m4ster TJbuETiot @htstmieh1223f Q q 000 rg 481.2 654.24 0.48 0.48 re f Q q 010.484(m46m TJ ET Q q BT /F1 10.0

## J. Disciplinary areas of DEGREES CONFERRED

#### Degrees conferred between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015

For each of the following discipline areas, provide the percentage of diplomas/certificates, associate, and bachelor's degrees awarded. To determine the percentage, use majors, not headcount (e.g., students with one degree but a double major will be represented twice). Calculate the percentage from your institution's IPEDS Completions by using the sum of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> majors for each CIP code as the numerator and the sum of the Grand Total by 1st Majors and the Grand Total by 2<sup>nd</sup> major as the denominator. If you prefer, you can compute the percentages using 1<sup>st</sup> majors only.

Category

Diploma/ Associate Certificates

Transportation and materials		49
moving		
Visual and performing arts	8.2%	50
Health professions and related	14.5%	51
programs		
Business/marketing	9.7%	52
History	2.3%	54

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,

**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.

**Doctor's degree-research/scholarship**: A Ph.D. or other doctor's degree that requires advanced work beyond the master's level, including the preparation and defense of a dissertation based on original research, or the planning and execution of an original project demonstrating substantial artistic or scholarly achievement. Some examples of this type of degree may include Ed.D., D.M.A., D.B.A., D.Sc., D.A., or D.M, and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

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**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-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 GPA's 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 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 Tests of General Educational Development (GED), or another state-specified examination.

Hispanic or Latino: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central 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,

**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.

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\*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 generally one or two full-time equivalent academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree. Some of these degrees, such as those in Theology (M.Div., M.H.L./Rav) that were formerly classified as "first-professional", may require more than two full-time equivalent academic years of work.

Minority affiliation (as admission factor): Special considerET Q q BT /F1c2c BT /F1Q(h)-24(r)-24(o)(to)22(rn)-24(s)7(i)-8(de

**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 weighter (a) d(x)/(x)/(y) d(x)/(y) d(x)/(y)

**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:

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: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

**\*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.