Executive Summary

Enrollment – Fall 2023

- Total census enrollment is 6,405, a decrease of 40 students (0.6%) from the previous fall semester.

- Total undergraduate enrollment is 5,507. This is an increase of 43 students (0.8%) from fall 2022. Full-time undergraduate enrollment is 4,909 an increase of 48 students (1.0%).

- Total degrees granted for 2022-23 is 1,822; a decrease of 11.1 percent from last year. There were 1,210 Bachelor's degrees and 612 Masters and Advanced Certificates granted.

- Total graduate enrollment is 898, a decrease of 83 students (8.5%) from fall 2022.

- Total enrollment in the residence halls is 1,906. This is an increase of 223 students (13.3%) from fall 2022. Since fall 2019, residence hall occupancy has decreased by 14.5 percent.

Demographics – Fall 2023

- Ninety-five (95.2) percent of our total enrollment is from New York State. Fifty-five (54.6) percent is from Erie County; seven (6.9) percent is from Niagara County; twenty-one (21.4) percent is from the Metro NYC area, and thirteen (12.5) percent is from other New York State Counties.

- Fifty-four (53.9) percent of the college's undergraduate enrollments are minority students. Forty-seven (47.1) percent of total undergraduates are classified as underrepresented minorities. Graduate minority student enrollment is 237 (26.4%). Graduate underrepresented minority student enrollment remained steady at twenty-two (21.9) percent from twenty-one (21.4) percent the previous fall.

- Women represent fifty-nine (59.3) percent of the total student population. Fifty-seven (56.8) percent of our undergraduates and seventy-four (74.3) percent of graduate student population are women. This is an increase of 0.4 percentage points for our graduate student population from the previous fall.

New Students – Fall 2023

- New freshman enrollment is 1,486. This is an increase of 210 students (16.5%) from fall 2022.

- New transfer enrollment is 559, an increase of 124 students (28.5%) from fall 2022.

- New graduate enrollment is 363, an increase of 57 students (18.6%) from fall 2022.

Academic Profile, First-time Full-time – Fall 2023

- The mean high school average for all first-time, full-time students remained steady at 84.0 from last fall. The mean SAT Composite (verbal and math) score for all first-time, full-time students increased to 1081 from 1062. Since Fall 2021, SUNY has directed campuses to be test-optional due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For fall 2023, only 12% of the First-time, Full-time matriculated students submitted standardized test scores. This resulted in a larger than expected increase in SAT Composite scores since Fall 2021.

- The mean high school average for honors students is 95.4. The mean SAT score for honors students increased 52 points to 1212.

- The mean high school average for general freshmen remained steady at 84.5 from the previous fall. The mean SAT Composite score increased 11 points to 1084.

- The mean high school average for EOP students decreased slightly to 79.0 from 79.6 last fall. The mean SAT score increased 157 points to 1048.

FTE – Fall 2023

- Total FTE is estimated at 5,576. This is an increase of 8 FTE (0.1%) from fall 2022.

- Total undergraduate FTE is estimated at 5,049. This is an increase of 70 FTE (1.4%) from fall 2022.

- Total graduate FTE is estimated 527, down 62 FTE (10.5%) from the previous fall.

School of Arts and Sciences – Fall 2023

- Total enrollment is 2,580, an increase of 57 students (2.3%) from fall 2022. The school enrollment represents forty (40.3) percent of the total college enrollment and forty-two (42.3) percent of the undergraduate population.

School of Education – Fall 2023

- Total enrollment is 995 a decrease of 41 students (3.5%) from fall 2022. It represents sixteen (15.5) percent of the total college enrollment and ten (10.1) percent of the undergraduate population. The School of Education's graduate enrollment of 435 represents forty-eight (48.4) percent of the graduate population and is the largest of the four graduate schools.

School of the Professions – Fall 2023

- Total enrollment is 2,268, a decrease of 120 students (5.0%) from fall 2022. The school represents thirty-five (35.4) percent of the college's total enrollment and thirty-eight (37.9) percent of the total undergraduate enrollment. The school represents twenty (19.8) percent of the graduate enrollment.

First-Time, full-time, One-Year Retention Rate at Buffalo State (fall 2022 Cohort)

- The first-time, full-time retention rate is fifty-five (54.7) percent, five (5.4) percentage points higher than last fall. First-year retention rate increased to fifty-seven (57.2) percent from fifty-three (52.6) for the School of Arts & Sciences. First-year retention increased for School of Education and School of the Professions from the previous fall. The School of Education first-year retention was the highest among the three schools at 67.1% and the School of the Professions was the lowest at 52.0%.

- First-year retention rate for residential students increased from forty-five (44.5) percent to fifty-one (50.8) percent. First-year retention rate for commuter students increased from fifty-eight (58.3) percent to sixty-two (61.5) percent.

- First-year retention rate for Muriel A. Howard Honors program (MAH) students decreased from seventy-nine (79.0) percent to seventy-eight (77.6) percent when compared to the fall 2021 cohort. Muriel A. Howard Honors program (MAH) has the highest retention rate among all cohorts for fall 2022.

- First-year retention rate for Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) students increased to sixty (59.8) percent from forty (39.7) percent when compared to the fall 2021 cohort.

- First-year retention rate for female students (59.0%) is higher than the first-year rate for male students (49.8%). Male student first-year rate increased by 3.2 percentage points from fall 2022. Since fall 2018, our female retention rate has decreased 2.9 percentage points from 61.9%.

- First-year retention rate for SAY YES students decreased to fifty (50.0) percent from fifty-three (53.1) percent, a decrease of three (3.1) percentage points.