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ENROLLMENT SUMMARY

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Executive Summary

Enrollment – Fall 2012

- Total enrollment is 11,214. This is a decrease of 445 students (3.8%) from the previous fall semester and this is the lowest enrollment since fall 2007.
- Total undergraduate enrollment is 9,731. This is a decrease of 272 students (2.7%) from the previous fall semester and this is the lowest undergraduate enrollment since fall 2008. Full-time undergraduate enrollment is 8,590.
- The School of Natural and Social Sciences undergraduate enrollment increased by 93 students and had the highest percentage increased (3.5%) among the four schools this fall; the school has increased its undergraduate enrollment for five consecutive fall semesters. Since fall 2007, the school grew its undergraduate population by 676 students or 33 percent. The School of Professions increased its undergraduate enrollment by 7 students (0.2%) this fall. The School of Arts and Humanities undergraduate enrollment decreased by 143 students (6.6%) and the School of Education decreased by 143 students (14.2%) this fall.
- Total degrees granted for 2011-12 is 2,742; this is an increase of 1.5 percent from last year, the highest since 1976. The 1,906 bachelor degrees were the highest, since 2,110 degrees were awarded in 1992. The 836 Masters and post-Masters certificates awarded this year, fourth highest since 1974.
- Total graduate enrollment is 1,483. This is a decrease of 173 students (10.4%) from fall 2011. This is the lowest since the college enrolled 1,467 graduate students in fall 1985.
- Total enrollment in the residence halls is 2,529. This is an increase of 43 students (1.7%) from fall 2011. Since fall 2000, enrollment in the residence halls increased by 56.1 percent.

Demographics – Fall 2012

- Ninety-eight (97.2) percent of our total enrollment is from New York State. Fifty-seven (56.9) percent is from Erie County; about nine (9.1) percent is from Niagara County; fourteen (14.1) percent is from the Metro NYC area, and seventeen (17.1) percent is from other New York State Counties.
- Twenty-nine (28.6) percent of the college's undergraduate enrollments are minority students with 26.5 percent being underrepresented minorities. This is the highest minority percentage to date. Graduate minority student enrollment is 260 (17.5%), an increase of 4.2 percent from fall 2011. Graduate underrepresented minority student enrollment is 191 (15.5%), an increase of 4 percentage points from fall 2011.
- Women represent fifty-eight (58.3) percent of the total student population. Fifty-seven (56.7) percent of our undergraduates and seventy (69.5) percent of graduate student population are women.

New Students – Fall 2012

- New freshman enrollment is 1,355. This is a decrease of 72 students (5.1%) from fall 2011 and 11.4% from fall 2009.
- New transfer enrollment is 1,283, a decrease of 103 students (7.4%) from fall 2011. This the lowest transfer class since fall 2008.
- New graduate enrollment is 390. This is a decrease of 9 students (2.3%) from fall 2011.

Academic Profile, First-time Full-time – Fall 2012

- The mean high school average for all first-time, full-time students increased to 85.5 from 85.0. The mean SAT Composite (verbal and math) score for all first-time, full-time students is 968. This is an increase of 5 points from fall 2011.
- The mean high school average for honors students is 93.7. The mean SAT score for honors students is 1201, an increase of 32 points from fall 2011.
- The mean high school average for general freshmen increased to 86.2 from 85.4. The mean SAT Composite score increased 16 points to 996..
- The mean high school average for EOP students increased from 81.5 to 82.1. The mean SAT score is 843, an increase of 9 points from fall 2011.

FTE – Fall 2012

- Total FTE is estimated at 9,621. This is a decrease of 127 FTE (1.3%) from fall 2011.
- Total undergraduate FTE is estimated at 8,818. This is a decrease of 76 FTE (0.8%) from fall 2011.
- Total graduate FTE is estimated 804, down 50 FTE from previous fall.

School of Arts and Humanities – Fall 2012

- Total enrollment is 2,169, a decrease of 172 students (7.3%) from fall 2011. The school enrollment represents 19.3 percent of the total college enrollment and 20.9 percent of the undergraduate population, a decrease of 0.9% from fall 2011.

School of Education – Fall 2012

- Total enrollment is 1,399, a decrease of 192 students (12.1%) from fall 2011. It represents 11.5 percent of the total college enrollment and 8.9 percent of the undergraduate population. The School of Education's graduate enrollment of 537 represents 36.2 percent of the graduate population and is the largest of the four graduate schools. The School's graduate enrollment decreased 55 students (9.3%) from fall 2011. Since fall 2006, the School's graduate population declined by 33.9 percent.

School of Natural and Social Sciences – Fall 2012

- Total enrollment is 3,001, an increase of 4.0 percent from fall 2011. The school represents 26.8 percent of the total college enrollment and 28.0 percent of the total undergraduate population. The School of Natural and Social Sciences continues to grow as the other school showed a decrease in their total enrollment. Since fall 2006, total enrollment for the school increased by 31.6 percent.

School of the Professions – Fall 2012

- Total enrollment is 3,591, a decrease of 0.5 percent from fall 2011. The school is the largest among the four schools in total enrollment and represents 32.0 percent of the total college's enrollment. It is also the largest of the four schools and represents 33.4 percent of the total undergraduate enrollment. Since fall 2006, the School of the Professions increased its undergraduate enrollment by 16.1 percent.

First-Time, full-time, One-Year Retention Rate at Buffalo State (Fall 2011 Cohort)

- The first-time, full-time retention rate is 74.4 percent, a decrease of 1.6 percent from last fall retention rate. First-year retention rate decreased for three of the four schools with the School of Education being the exception. The School of Education first-year retention improved by 10.4 percentage points to 81.8 percent.
- First-year retention rate for residential students decreased from 76.0 to 73.5 percent. First-year retention rate for commuter students remained steady at 75.4 percent.
- First-year retention rate for female students (76.2%) is higher than the first-year rate for male students (71.7%). Male students first-year rate decreased by 2.3 percentage points and female students were 1.2 percentage points lower this fall.