

Executive Summary

Enrollment – Fall 2025

- Total census enrollment is 6,095, a decrease of 43 students (0.7%) from the previous fall semester.
- Total undergraduate enrollment is 5,196. This is a decrease of 9 students (.02%) from fall 2024. Full-time undergraduate enrollment is 4,671, a decrease of 26 students (0.6%).
- Total degrees granted for 2024-25 is 1,653; an increase of 4.9 percent from last year. There were 1,082 bachelor's degrees and 571 Masters and Advanced Certificates granted.
- Total graduate enrollment is 899, a decrease of 34 students (3.6%) from fall 2024.
- Total enrollment in the residence halls is 1,962. This is an increase of 69 students (3.6%) from fall 2024. Since fall 2020, residence hall occupancy has increased by 18.6 percent.

Demographics – Fall 2025

- Ninety-five (94.8) percent of our total enrollment is from New York State. Fifty-four (53.6) percent is from Erie County; seven (6.7) percent is from Niagara County; fifteen (14.9) percent is from the Metro NYC area, and nineteen (19.2) percent is from other New York State Counties.
- Fifty-five (54.9) percent of the college's undergraduate enrollments are minority students. Forty-nine (48.8) percent of total undergraduates are classified as underrepresented minorities. Graduate minority student enrollment is 227 (25.3%). Graduate underrepresented minority student enrollment decreased to twenty-one (20.9) percent from twenty-four (24.2) percent the previous fall.
- Women represent fifty-eight (57.9) percent of the total student population. Fifty-five (55.3) percent of our undergraduates and seventy-three (73.4) percent of graduate student population are women. This is a decrease of 1.9 percentage point for our graduate student population from the previous fall.

New Students – Fall 2025

- New freshman enrollment is 1,293. This is an increase of 46 students (3.7%) from fall 2024.
- New transfer enrollment is 400, a decrease of 71 students (15.1%) from fall 2024.
- New graduate enrollment is 263, a decrease of 116 students (30.6%) from fall 2024.

Academic Profile, First-time Full-time – Fall 2025

- The mean high school average for all first-time, full-time students decreased slightly from 85.0 to 84.5 compared to last fall. The mean SAT Composite (verbal and math) score for all first-time, full-time students decreased 61 points from 1118 from 1057. Since Fall 2021, SUNY has directed campuses to be test-optional due to the COVID-19 pandemic. For fall 2025, only 13.2% 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 94.1. The mean SAT score for honors students decreased 23 points to 1183.
- The mean high school average for general freshmen decreased slightly from 85.7 to 85.0 when compared to the previous fall. The mean SAT Composite score decreased 60 points to 1065.
- The mean high school average for EOP students remained steady at 79.5. The mean SAT score decreased 44 points to 936.
- The mean high school average for ACE students increased from 84.9 to 85.9. The mean SAT score decreased by 61 points to 1001.
- The mean high school average for Roar 2 Success students decreased by 1 point from 79.4 to 78.4. The mean SAT score decreased 46 points to 987.

FTE – Fall 2025

- Total FTE is estimated at 5,339. This is a decrease of 44 FTE (4.8%) from fall 2024.
- Total undergraduate FTE is estimated at 4,777. This is a decrease of 43 FTE (0.9%) from fall 2024.
- Total graduate FTE is estimated 562, down 8 FTE (1.4%) from the previous fall.

School of Arts and Sciences – Fall 2025

- Total enrollment is 2,335, a decrease of 53 students (2.2%) from fall 2024. The school enrollment represents thirty-eight (38.3) percent of the total college enrollment and forty-one (41.0) percent of the undergraduate population and twenty-three (22.9) percent of the graduate student population.

School of Education and Applied Professions – Fall 2025

- Total enrollment is 3,424 an increase of 73 students (2.2%) from fall 2024. It represents fifty-six (56.2) percent of the total college enrollment and fifty-one (51.2) percent of the undergraduate population. The School of Education and Applied Professions' graduate enrollment of 724 represents eighty-one (80.5) percent of the graduate population.

First-Time, full-time, One-Year Retention Rate at Buffalo State (fall 2024 Cohort)

- The first-time, full-time retention rate is sixty-six (65.5) percent, eight (7.8) percentage points higher than last fall. First-year retention rate increased to sixty-eight (67.9) percent from sixty-three (63.1) for the School of Arts & Sciences, an increase of nearly five (4.8) percentage points from fall 2023. First-year retention increased for the School of Education and Applied Professions to sixty-six (66.4) from fifty-eight (58.3), an increase of 8.1 percentage point from fall 2013.
- First-year retention rate for residential students increased twelve (12.2) percentage points from fifty-three (52.9) percent to sixty-five (65.1) percent. First-year retention rate for commuter students decreased from sixty-seven (67.0) percent to sixty-six (66.3) percent.
- First-year retention rate for Muriel A. Howard Honors program (MAH) students decreased from eighty-four (84.0) percent to seventy-eight (78.1) percent when compared to the fall 2023 cohort. Muriel A. Howard Honors program (MAH) has the highest retention rate among all cohorts for fall 2024.
- First-year retention rate for Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) students increased from sixty (59.8) percent to sixty-five (65.3) percent when compared to the fall 2023 cohort.
- First-year retention rate for female students (64.9%) is slightly lower than the first-year rate for male students (66.2%). Male student first-year rate increased by 8.8 percentage points from fall 2023. The university achieved gender parity in retention rates for the first time since fall 2005, with male first-time students being retained at similar or higher rate than female students. This achievement reflects the university's commitment to gender equality.
- First-year retention rate for SAY YES students decreased to fifty-eight (58.1) percent from sixty-three (63.2) percent, a decrease of five (5.1) percentage points.