

# Common Data Set for Academic Year 2015 - 2016

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# **CDS Definitions**

All items are numbered according to their tab (A1, B3, etc). If a number is missing it does not pertain to CCA.

#### The Common Data Set

The Common Data Set (CDS) initiative is a collaborative effort among data providers in the higher education community and publishers as represented by the College Board, Peterson's, and U.S. News & World Report. The combined goal of this collaboration is to improve the quality and accuracy of information provided to all involved in a student's transition into higher education, as well as to reduce the reporting burden on data providers.

This goal is attained by the development of clear, standard data items and definitions in order to determine a specific cohort relevant to each item. Data items and definitions used by the U.S. Department of Education in its higher education surveys often serve as a guide in the continued development of the CDS. Common Data Set items undergo broad review by the CDS Advisory Board as well as by data providers representing secondary schools and two- and four-year colleges. Feedback from those who utilize the CDS also is considered throughout the annual review process.

Those who report data for their colleges are urged to abide by the definitions and the cohorts specified when answering CDS items. They are also urged to use the answers to CDS items when responding to the numerous survey requests they receive, by distributing photocopies of their answers, posting them on their web sites, or by other effective means.

SOURCE: http://www.commondataset.org

# A. General Information

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Are your responses to the CDS posted for reference on your institution's Web site?

Yes No
X

A0 If yes, please provide the URL of the corresponding Web page: https://www.ccaurora.edu/about-cca/fact-sheet/statistical-profile/cca-institutional-profile

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	school's online application, please	
	specify:	

#### A2 Source of institutional control (Check only one):

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A2	Public	Χ
<b>A2</b>	Private (nonprofit)	
Δ2	Proprietary	

#### A3 Classify your undergraduate institution:

A3	Coeducational college	Χ
A3	Men's college	
A3	Women's college	

#### 4 Academic year calendar:

~	Adductific year calcifical.	
Α4	Semester	Χ
A4	Quarter	
Α4	Trimester	
A4	4-1-4	
A4	Continuous	
Α4	Differs by program (describe):	
Α4	Other (describe):	

# A5 Degrees offered by your institution:

Α5	Certificate	Х
A5	Diploma	
A5	Associate	Х
Α5	Transfer Associate	Х
A5	Terminal Associate	Х
A5	Bachelor's	
Α5	Postbachelor's certificate	
A5	Master's	
A5	Post-master's certificate	
Α5	Doctoral degreere-search/scholarship	
Α5	Doctoral degree – professional practice	
A5	Doctoral degree other	

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# **B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE**

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, 2015. Note: Report students formerly designated as "first professional" in the graduate cells.

B1		FULL-TIME		PART-	-TIME
B1		Men	Women	Men	Women
B1	Undergraduates				
B1	Degree-seeking, first-time				
	freshmen	126	117	189	267
B1	Other first-year, degree-seeking	110	89	132	229
B1	All other degree-seeking	429	430	985	1,753
B1	Total degree-seeking	665	636	1,306	2,249
B1	All other undergraduates enrolled				
	in credit courses	90	94	798	1,105
B1	Total undergraduates	755	730	2,104	3,354
B1	Graduate				
B1	Degree-seeking, first-time				
B1	All other degree-seeking				
B1	All other graduates enrolled in				
	credit courses				
B1	Total graduate	0	0	0	0
B1	Total all undergraduates				6,943
B1	Total all graduate			•	0
B1	<b>GRAND TOTAL ALL STUDENTS</b>			· ·	6,943

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."

	under 1 wo of more races.			
B2		Degree-Seeking First-Time First Year	Degree-Seeking Undergraduates (include first-time first-year)	Total Undergraduates (both degree- and non-degree- seeking)
B2	Nonresident aliens	25	121	164
B2	Hispanic/Latino	101	719	1,240
B2	Black or African American, non-Hispanic	112	981	1,189
B2	White, non-Hispanic	137	1,173	1,950
B2	American Indian or Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	6	21	31
B2	Asian, non-Hispanic	20	190	313
B2	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, non-			
	Hispanic	2	8	18
<b>B2</b>	Two or more races, non-Hispanic	30	171	287
B2	Race and/or ethnicity unknown	23	0	266
B2	TOTAL	456	3,384	5,458

#### **Persistence**

Number of degrees awarded from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015

DJ	Number of degrees awarded no	111 July 1, 2017
B3	Certificate/diploma	827
<b>B</b> 3	Associate degrees	477
B3	Bachelor's degrees	
<b>B</b> 3	Postbachelor's certificates	
B3	Master's degrees	
B3	Post-Master's certificates	
B3	Doctoral degrees –	
	research/scholarship	
B3	Doctoral degrees – professional	
	practice	
B3	Doctoral degrees – other	

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#### **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 2015 Web-based survey.

#### For Two-Year Institutions

Please provide data for the 2012 cohort if available. If 2012 cohort data are not available, provide data for the 2011 cohort.

#### 2012 Cohort

B12	Initial 2012 cohort, total of first-time, full-time degree/certificate-seeking students:	327
	Of the initial 2012 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:	
	Final 2012 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions (Subtract question B13 from question B12):	327
B15	Completers of programs of less than two years duration (total):	
B16	Completers of programs of less than two years within 150 percent of normal time:	38
B17	Completers of programs of at least two but less than four years (total):	
B18	Completers of programs of at least two but less than four-years within 150 percent of normal time:	45
B19	Total transfers-out (within three years) to other institutions:	27
B20	Total transfers to two-year institutions:	
B21	Total transfers to four-year 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 2014 (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.

<b>B22</b>	For the cohort of all full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate	
	students who entered your institution as freshmen in Fall 2014 (or the preceding	
	summer term), what percentage was enrolled at your institution as of the date your	
	institution calculates its official enrollment in Fall 2015?	
		56%

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

#### **Applications**

C1 First-time, first-year, (freshmen) students: Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in Fall 2015. 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

	withdrawn (by applicant of institution). Admitted applicants shou	ilu iliciuue wait-i
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	867
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	1143
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	867
C1	Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	1143
C1	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	126
C1	Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	189
C1	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	117
C1	Total part-time, first-time, first-vear (freshman) women who enrolled	267

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

		Yes	No
C2	Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list?		X

#### **Admission Requirements**

3 High school completion requirement

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C3	High school diploma is required and GED is	
	accepted	
C3	High school diploma is required and GED is not	
	accepted	
C3	High school diploma or equivalent is not required	Χ

#### C4 Does your institution require or recommend a general college-preparatory program for degreeseeking students?

C4	Require	
C4	Recommend	
C4	Neither require nor recommend	Χ

#### **Basis for Selection**

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:

C6	Open admission policy as described above for all students	Х
C6	Open admission policy as described above for most students, but	
C6	selective admission for out-of-state students	
C6	selective admission to some programs	
C6	other (explain)	
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Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in first-time, firstyear, degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.

	Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
Academic			11	
Rigor of secondary school record				Х
Class rank				Х
Academic GPA				Х
Standardized test scores				Х
Application Essay				X
Recommendation(s)				X
Nonacademic				
Interview				X
Extracurricular activities				Х

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C7	Talent/ability	X
C7	Character/personal qualities	X
C7	First generation	X
<b>C7</b>	Alumni/ae relation	X
<b>C7</b>	Geographical residence	X
<b>C7</b>	State residency	X
<b>C7</b>	Religious	V
	affiliation/commitment	X
<b>C7</b>	Racial/ethnic status	X
<b>C7</b>	Volunteer work	X
<b>C7</b>	Work experience	Х

C7 Level of applicant's interest

#### **SAT and ACT Policies**

C8 Entrance exams

				Yes	No
C8A	A Does your institution make use of SAT, ACT, or SAT Subject Test				
	scores in admission decisions for	X			
	seeking applicants?				
C8D		Yes	No		

# **Admission Policies**

C13	Application Fee		
C13		Yes	No
	Does your institution have an application fee?		Х
C13	Amount of application fee:		
C13		Yes	No
C13	Can it be waived for applicants with financial need?		Х

C13	lf١	vou	have	an	ap	plication	fee	and	an	on-line	ap	plication	or	otion.

C13	Same fee:	

C13 Free:
C13 Reduced:

C13	Yes	No
C13 Can on-line application fee be		
waived for applicants with		
financial need?		

C14 Application closing date

C14		Yes	No
C14	Does your institution have an		<b>V</b>
	application closing date?		^
C14	Application closing date (fall):		
C14	Priority date:		

C15		Yes	No
C15	Are first-time, first-year students accepted for terms other than	Χ	

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

CIO	Notification to applicants of admission decision			
C16	On a rolling basis beginning	V		
	(date):	^		
C16	By (date):			
C16	Other:			

# C17 Reply policy for admitted applicants (fill in one only)

C17	Must reply by (date):	
C17	No set date:	Χ
C17	Must reply by May 1 or within	
	weeks if notified	
	thereafter	

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# C18 Deferred admission

C18		Yes	No
	Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after admission?	Х	

C18 If yes, maximum period of postponement:

C19 Early admission of high school students

C19		Yes	No
C19	Does your institution allow high school students to enroll as full-time,		
	first-time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before		X
	high school graduation?		~

**C20** Common Application

Question removed from CDS.

(Initiated during 2006-2007 cycle)

# **Early Decision and Early Action Plans**

# C21 Early Decision

C21		Yes	No
C21	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		Χ
	asks students to commit to attending if accepted) for first-time, first-		
	year (freshman) applicants for fall enrollment?		

C22 Early action

C22		Yes	No
	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?		х

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# D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

**Fall Applicants** 

D1		Yes	No
	Does your institution enroll transfer students? (If no,	×	
	please skip to Section E)	^	
D1	If yes, may transfer students earn advanced standing		
	credit by transferring credits earned from course work	X	
	completed at other colleges/universities?		

D2 Provide the number of students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled as degree-seeking transfer students in Fall 2015.

D2		Applicants	Admitted Applicants	Enrolled Applicants
D2	Men	615	615	132
D2	Women	883	883	229
D2	Total	1.498	1.498	361

# **Application for Admission**

D3 Indicate terms for which transfers may enroll:

D3	Fall	X
D3	Winter	
D3	Spring	X
D3	Summer	X

D4		Yes	No
	Must a transfer applicant have a minimum number of		
	credits completed or else must apply as an entering freshman?		Х
D4	If yes, what is the minimum number of credits and the unit of measure?		•

15 Indicate all items required of transfer students to apply for admission:

Dο	indicate all items required of transfer students to apply for admission.					
D5		Required of All	Recommended of All	Recommended of Some	Required of Some	Not Required
D5	High school transcript					X
D5	College transcript(s)					X
D5	Essay or personal					Y
	statement					^
D5	Interview					Χ
D5	Standardized test scores					X
D5	Statement of good standing from prior institution(s)					Х

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

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D9		Priority Date	Closing Date	Notification Date	Reply Date	Rolling Admission
D9	Fall					X
D9	Winter					
D9	Spring					X
D9	Summer					X

D10		Yes	No
	Does an open admission policy, if reported, apply to transfer students?	Х	

D11 Describe additional requirements for transfer admission, if applicable: NA

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# **Transfer Credit Policies**

D12 Report the lowest grade earned for any course that may	
be transferred for credit:	C

D13		Number	Unit Type
D13	Maximum number of credits or courses that may be	45	Semester
	transferred from a two-year institution:	45	Credit Hours

D14	Number	Unit Type
D14 Maximum number of credits or courses that may be	45	Semester
transferred from a four-year institution:	45	Credit Hours

D15 Minimum number of credits that transfers must complete at your institution to earn an associate degree:

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# **E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES**

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

E1	Accelerated program	X
E1	Cooperative education program	
E1	Cross-registration	
E1	Distance learning	X
E1	Double major	
E1	Dual enrollment	X
E1	English as a Second Language (ESL)	X
E1	Exchange student program (domestic)	
E1	External degree program	
E1	Honors Program	X
E1	Independent study	X
E1	Internships	X
E1	Liberal arts/career combination	
E1	Student-designed major	
E1	Study abroad	
E1	Teacher certification program	
E1	Weekend college	
E1	Other (specify):	
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E2 This question has been removed from the Common Data Set.

E3 Areas in which all or most students are required to complete some course work prior to graduation:

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E3	Arts/fine arts	X
E3	Computer literacy	
E3	English (including composition)	X
E3	Foreign languages	
E3	History	X
E3	Humanities	X
E3	Mathematics	X
E3	Philosophy	X
E3	Sciences (biological or physical)	X
E3	Social science	X
E3	Other (describe):	
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Library Collections: The CDS Publishers will collect library data again when a new Academic Libraries Survey is in place.

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# F. STUDENT LIFE

**F1** Percentages of first-time, first-year (freshman) degree-seeking students and degree-seeking undergraduates enrolled in Fall 2015 who fit the following categories:

F1		First-time, first-year	
		(freshman)	Undergraduates
		students	
F1	Percent who are from out of state (exclude		
	international/nonresident aliens from the numerator		
	and denominator)	2%	2%
F1	Percent of men who join fraternities	N/A	N/A
F1	Percent of women who join sororities	N/A	N/A
F1	Percent who live in college-owned, -operated, or -		
	affiliated housing	N/A	N/A
F1	Percent who live off campus or commute	100%	100%
F1	Percent of students age 25 and older	35%	41%
F1	Average age of full-time students	25	26
F1	Average age of all students (full- and part-time)	25	26

F2 Activities offered Identify those programs available at your institution.

ΓZ	Activities offered identify those	progra
F2	Campus Ministries	
F2	Choral groups	
F2	Concert band	
F2	Dance	Χ
F2	Drama/theater	Χ
F2	International Student	Х
	Organization	^
F2	Jazz band	Χ
F2	Literary magazine	Χ
F2	Marching band	
F2	Model UN	Χ
F2	Music ensembles	
F2	Musical theater	Χ
F2	Opera	
F2	Pep band	
F2	Radio station	
F2	Student government	Χ
F2	Student newspaper	
F2	Student-run film society	
F2	Symphony orchestra	
F2	Television station	
F2	Yearbook	
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# **G. ANNUAL EXPENSES**

- **G0** Please provide the URL of your institution's net price calculator: https://www.ccaurora.edu/net-price-calculator/index.htm
- 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 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).

G1		First-Year	Undergraduates
G1	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS		
	Tuition:		
	In-district	\$3,142	\$3,142
G1	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS		
	In-state (out-of-district):	\$3,142	\$3,142
G1	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS		
	Out-of-state:	\$12,860	\$12,860
G1	NONRESIDENT ALIENS		
	Tuition:		
G1	REQUIRED FEES:	\$396	\$396
G1	ROOM AND BOARD:		
	(on-campus)	N/A	N/A
G1	ROOM ONLY:		
	(on-campus)	N/A	N/A
G1	BOARD ONLY:		
	(on-campus meal plan)	N/A	N/A

G2		Minimum	Maximum	
G2	Number of credits per term a student can take for the			
	stated full-time tuition	12	18	8

G3		Yes	No
G3	Do tuition and fees vary by year of study (e.g.,		V
	sophomore, junior, senior)?		X

G4		Yes	No
G4	Do tuition and fees vary by undergraduate instructional		V
	program?		^

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

G5		Residents	Commuters (living at home)	Commuters (not living at home)
G5	Books and supplies		\$1,800	\$1,800
	Room and board total (if your college cannot provide separate room and board figures for			
	commuters not living at home):		\$4,392	\$9,603
G5	Transportation		\$1,296	\$1,296
G5	Other expenses		\$4,860	\$5,013

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

Undergraduate per-credit-nour char	ges (tuition only)
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	
In-district:	\$130.50
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	
In-state (out-of-district):	\$130.50
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	
Out-of-state:	\$535.40
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	
	\$535.40
	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS In-district: PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS In-state (out-of-district): PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS Out-of-state:

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# H. FINANCIAL AID

# Aid Awarded to Enrolled Undergraduates

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 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.)

H1		2015-2016 estimated	2014-2015 final
	Indicate the academic year for which data are reported for items H1, H2, H2A, and H6 below:		Х

H3 Which needs-analysis methodology does your institution use in awarding institutional aid?

H3	Federal methodology (FM)	X
H3	Institutional methodology (IM)	
ΗЗ	Both FM and IM	

H1		Need-based \$ (Include non-need-based aid used to meet need.)	Non-need- based \$ (Exclude non-need- based aid used to meet need.)
H1	Scholarships/Grants		
H1	Federal	\$9,754,653.00	
H1	State (i.e., all states, not only the state in which your institution is located)	\$2,972,263	\$136,934
H1	Institutional: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants, awarded by the college, excluding athletic aid and tuition waivers (which are reported below).	\$9,639	\$159,565.00
H1	Scholarships/grants from external sources (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit) not awarded by the college	\$357,260	\$212,216.00
H1	Total Scholarships/Grants	\$13,093,815	\$508,715
H1	Self-Help		
H1	Student loans from all sources (excluding parent loans)	\$5,612,162	\$4,553,251
H1	Federal Work-Study	\$158,831	
H1	State and other (e.g., institutional) work-study/employment (Note:		
	Excludes Federal Work-Study captured above.)	\$286,564	
H1	Total Self-Help	\$6,057,557	\$4,553,251
H1	Other		
H1	Parent Loans	\$54,078	
H1	Tuition Waivers Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them. Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.		
H1	Athletic Awards		

**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 degreeseeking nonresident aliens:

Н6	Institutional need-based scholarship or grant aid is available	
H6	Institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid is available	
H6	Institutional scholarship or grant aid is not available	X

H6 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:

H6 Average dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degreeseeking nonresident aliens:

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H6	Total dollar amount of institutional financial aid awards	ed to undergradua	ate degree-	
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H7	International Student's Financial Aid Application			
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H7	Other (specify):			
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Н8	Institution's own financial aid form			
Н8	CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE			
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H14 Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

H14	· ·	Non-Need Based	Need-Based
H14	Academics	X	
H14	Alumni affiliation		
H14	Art		
H14	Athletics		
H14	Job skills		
H14	ROTC		
H14	Leadership		X
H14	Minority status	X	X
H14	Music/drama	X	
H14	Religious affiliation		
H14	State/district residency	X	

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# I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE

Please report the number of instructional faculty members in each category for Fall 2015. Include faculty who are on your institution's payroll on the census date your institution uses for IPEDS/AAUP.

Full-time instructional faculty: faculty employed on a full-time basis for instruction (including those with released time for research)

Part-time instructional faculty: Adjuncts and other instructors being paid solely for part-time classroom instruction. Also includes full-time faculty teaching less than two semesters, three quarters, two trimesters, or two four-month sessions. Employees who are not considered full-time instructional faculty but who teach one or more non-clinical credit courses may be counted as part-time faculty.

Minority faculty: includes faculty who designate themselves as Black, non-Hispanic; American Indian or Alaska Native; Asian. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, or Hispanic.

Doctorate: includes such degrees as Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Education, Doctor of Juridical Science, and Doctor of Public Health in any field such as arts, sciences, education, engineering, business, and public administration. Also includes terminal degrees formerly designated as "first professional," including dentistry (DDS or DMD), medicine (MD), optometry (OD), osteopathic medicine (DO), pharmacy (DPharm or BPharm), podiatric medicine (DPM), veterinary medicine (DVM), chiropractic (DC or DCM), or law (JD).

Terminal degree: the highest degree in a field: example, M. Arch (architecture) and MFA (master of fine arts).

11			Full-Time	Part-Time	Total
11	a)	Total number of instructional faculty	56	385	441
11	b)	Total number who are members of minority groups	9	73	82
11	c)	Total number who are women	30	203	233
11	d)	Total number who are men	26	182	208
11	e)	Total number who are nonresident aliens (international)	0	0	0
	f)	Total number with doctorate, or other terminal degree			
<b>I</b> 1	ĺ	·	11	35	46
	g)	Total number whose highest degree is a master's but not a terminal			
11		master's	37	186	223
		Total number whose highest degree is a bachelor's			
11	h)		4	65	69
		Total number whose highest degree is unknown or other (Note:			
11	1)	Items f, g, h, and i must sum up to item a.)	4	99	103
	i)	Total number in stand-alone graduate/ professional programs in			
11	1/	which faculty teach virtually only graduate-level students	NA	NA	NA

<sup>\*</sup> Data reported in I1 a) through i) represent faculty aT CCA as of October 10th, 2016. This differs from the IPEDS data used in calculating the student/faculty ratio reported in I2)

### I2 Student to Faculty Ratio

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Report the Fall 2015 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.

Fall 2015 Student to Faculty ratio	21	to 1	(based on	7617	students
			and	367	faculty).

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# J. DEGREES CONFERRED

# J1 Degrees conferred between July 1, 2014 and June 30, 2015

To 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 1st and 2nd majors for each CIP code as the numerator and the sum of the Grand Total by 1st Majors and the Grand Total by 2nd major as the denominator. If you prefer, you can compute the percentages using 1st majors only.

J1	Category	Diploma/Certificates	Associate	Bachelor's	CIP 2010 Categories to Include
J1	Agriculture				1
J1	Natural resources and conservation				3
J1	Architecture				4
J1	Area, ethnic, and gender studies				5
J1	Communication/journalism				9
J1	Communication technologies				10
J1	Computer and information sciences	3.9%	1.0%		11
J1	Personal and culinary services				12
J1	Education	3.4%	0.4%		13
J1	Engineering				14
J1	Engineering technologies				15
J1	Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics	2.0%			16
J1	Family and consumer sciences	0.1%	0.1%		19
J1	Law/legal studies	1.4%	0.7%		22
J1	English				23
J1	Liberal arts/general studies		29.0%		24
J1	Library science	2.0%			25
J1	Biological/life sciences				26
J1	Mathematics and statistics				27
J1	Military science and military technologies				28 & 29
J1	Interdisciplinary studies				30
J1	Parks and recreation				31
J1	Philosophy and religious studies				38
J1	Theology and religious vocations				39
J1	Physical sciences				40
J1	Science technologies	0.1%	0.5%		41
	Psychology				42
J1	Homeland Security, law enforcement, firefighting, and	6.8%	1.1%		43
	protective services				
J1	Public administration and social services				44
J1	Social sciences				45
J1	Construction trades				46
	Mechanic and repair technologies				47
J1	Precision production				48
J1	Transportation and materials moving				49
J1	Visual and performing arts	27.9%	1.9%		50
J1	Health professions and related programs	9.3%	1.2%		51
J1	Business/marketing	11.6%	2.4%		52
J1	History				54
J1	Other				
J1	TOTAL (should = 100%)	68.54%	38.37%	0.00%	

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### **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 and South America (including Central America) and maintaining tribal affiliation or community attachment.

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 tuition and required fees, nor is it refundable if the student is not admitted to the institution.

**Asian:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, 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 or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. 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.

**Campus Ministry:** Religious student organizations (denominational or nondenominational) devoted to fostering religious life on college campuses. May also refer to Campus Crusade for Christ, an interdenominational Christian organization.

\* 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 education program: A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

**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.

\* 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.

**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.

**Doctor's degree-professional practice:** A doctor's degree that is conferred upon completion of a program providing the knowledge and skills for the recognition, credential, or license required for professional practice. The degree is awarded after a period of study such that the total time to the degree, including both pre-professional and professional preparation, equals at least six full-time equivalent academic years. Some of these degrees were formerly classified as "first-professional" and may include: Chiropractic (D.C. or D.C.M.); Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.); Law (L.L.B. or J.D.); Medicine (M.D.); Optometry (O.D.); Osteopathic Medicine (D.O); Pharmacy (Pharm.D.); Podiatry (D.P.M., Pod.D., D.P.); or, Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.), and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

**Doctor's degree-other:** A doctor's degree that does not meet the definition of a doctor's degree research/scholarship or a doctor's degree - professional practice.

**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 applicant 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-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, 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 student: See Nonresident alien.

International student group: Student groups that facilitate cultural dialogue, support a diverse campus, assist international students in acclimation and creating a social network.

**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 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 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.

**Model United Nations:** A simulation activity focusing on conflict resolution, globalization, and diplomacy. Assuming roles as foreign ambassadors and "delegates," students conduct research, engage in debate, draft resolutions, and may participate in a national Model UN conference.

**Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

**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 60 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-151], 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: 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.

#### Financial Aid Definitions

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

**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.

**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 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.

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