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A. GENERAL INFORMATION

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http://www.uab.edu/graduate/current-students/prospective-students

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A2. Source of institutional control (check one only)
N Public	• /
Private (nonprofit)	
Proprietary	
roprictary	
A3. Classify your undergraduate in	stitution
Coeducational college	
Men's college	
☐ Women's college	
A4. Academic year calendar	
\boxtimes Semester \square 4-1-4	
Quarter Contin	uos (describe):
☐ Trimester ☐ Differs	by program (describe):
Other (describe):	
A5. Degrees offered by your institu	tion
Certificate	Nostbachelor's certificate
Diploma	Master's
Associate	Nascer's Post-master's certificate
Transfer	☐ Doctoral degree
	research/scholarship
☐ Terminal	Doctoral degree –
⊠ Bachelor's	professional practice Doctoral degree other
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B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE

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B1. 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, 2014. Note: Report students formerly designated as "first professional" in the graduate cells.

	FULL-TIME		PART	T-TIME
	Men	Women	Men	Women
Undergraduates				
Degree-seeking, first-time freshmen	733	986	14	15
Other first-year, degree- seeking	281	382	70	42
All other degree-seeking	2527	3507	1121	1705
Total degree-seeking	3541	4875	1205	1762
All other undergraduates enrolled in credit courses	36	20	95	145
Total undergraduates	3577	4895	1300	1907
Graduate				
Degree-seeking, first-time	406	569	256	587
All other degree-seeking	1120	1745	666	1408
All other graduates enrolled in credit courses	8	14	77	163
Total graduate	1534	2328	999	2158

Total all undergraduates: 11,679

Total all graduate: 7,019

GRAND TOTAL ALL STUDENTS: 18,698

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, 2014. Include international students only in the category "Nonresident aliens." Report as your institution reports to IPEDS: persons who are Hispanic/Latino should be reported only on the Hispanic/Latino line, not under any race, and persons who are non-Hispanic/Latino multi-racial should be reported only under "Two or more races."

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	Degree-seeking First-time First-year	Degree-seeking Undergraduates (include first-time first-year)
Nonresident aliens	33	204
Hispanic/Latino	43	322
Black or African American, non- Hispanic/Latino	459	2960
White, non- Hispanic/Latino	981	6741
American Indian or Alaska Native, non- Hispanic/Latino	3	25
Asian, non- Hispanic/Latino	133	590
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, non- Hispanic/Latino	1	8
Two or more races, non- Hispanic/Latino	90	419
Race and/or ethnicity unknown	5	114
Total	1,748	11,383

Persistence

B3. Number of degrees awarded by your institution from July 1, 2013, to June 30, 2014.

Certificate/diploma	21
Bachelor's degrees	2042
Postbachelor's certificates	24
Master's degrees	1597
Post-master's certificates	69
Doctoral degrees – research/scholarship	166
Doctoral degrees – professional practice	367
Doctoral degrees – other	5

Fall 2007 Cohort

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 2014 Web-based survey.

For Bachelor's or Equivalent Programs

Please provide data for the fall 2008 cohort if available. If fall 2008 cohort data are not available, provide data for the fall 2007 cohort.

Fall 2008 Cohort

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Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or	Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or	
equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who	equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who	
entered in fall 2007. Include in the cohort those who	entered in fall 2008. Include in the cohort those who	
entered your institution during the summer term	entered your institution during the summer term	

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preceding fall 2007.

- **B4.** Initial **2007** cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: **1,385**
- **B5.** Of the initial **2007** 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: **9**
- **B6.** Final **2007** cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: **1,376**

(Subtract question B5 from question B4)

- **B7.** Of the initial **2007** cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 2011): **404**
- **B8**. Of the initial **2007** cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2011 and by August 31, 2012): **229**
- **B9.** Of the initial **2007** cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2012 and by August 31, 2013): **103**
- **B10**. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9): **736**
- **B11.** Six-year graduation rate for **2007** cohort (question B10 divided by question B6): **53.5%**

B12-B21: Not applicable to UAB

preceding fall 2008.

B4. Initial **2008** cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: **1,247**

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- **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: **1**
- **B6.** Final **2008** cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: **1,246**

(Subtract question B5 from question B4)

- **B7.** Of the initial **2008** cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 2012): **406**
- **B8**. Of the initial **2008** cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2012 and by August 31, 2013): **227**
- **B9.** Of the initial **2008** cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2013 and by August 31, 2014): **58**
- **B10**. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9): **691**
- **B11.** Six-year graduation rate for **2008** cohort (question B10 divided by question B6): **55.5%**

Retention Rates

Report for the cohort of all full-time, first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall 2013 (or the preceding summer term). The initial cohort may be adjusted for students who departed for the following reasons: death, permanently disability, or 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.

B22. For the cohort of all full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered your institution as freshmen in Fall 2013 (or the preceding summer term), what percentage was enrolled at your institution as of the date your institution calculates its official enrollment in Fall 2014? **82.9%**

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

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Applications

C1. First-time, first-year (freshman) students: Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in Fall 2014. 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 who were subsequently offered admission.

Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	2,293
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	3,417
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	2,004
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	2,889
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	733 14
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	986 15

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

Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list? No.

Admission Requirements

C3. High school completion requirement

Check the appropriate box to identify your high school completion requirement for degree-seeking entering students:

- High school diploma is required and GED is accepted
- High school diploma is required and GED is not accepted
- High school diploma or equivalent is not required
- C4. Does your institution require or recommend a general college-preparatory program for degree-seeking students?

\boxtimes	Require
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Recommend

☐ Neither require nor recommend

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
Total academic units	17
English	4
Mathematics	3
Science	3
Of these, units that must be lab	2
Foreign language	1
Social studies	3
History	
Academic electives	3
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? **No.**

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

degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.					
	Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered	
Academic					
Rigor of secondary school record			\sqsubseteq		
Class rank	Ц			\boxtimes	
Academic GPA	\boxtimes	Ц		Ш	
Standardized test scores	\boxtimes	\sqcup		\sqcup	
Application Essay					
Recommendation				\boxtimes	
Nonacademic					
Interview				\boxtimes	
Extracurricular activities				\boxtimes	
Talent/ability				\boxtimes	
Character/personal qualities				\boxtimes	
First generation				\boxtimes	
Alumni/ae relation				\boxtimes	
Geographical residence				\boxtimes	
State residency				\boxtimes	
Religious affiliation/commitment				\boxtimes	
Racial/ethnic status				\boxtimes	
Volunteer work				\boxtimes	
Work experience					
Level of applicant's interest				\boxtimes	
SAT and ACT Policies					

C8.	Entrance	exams

A. Does your institution make use of SAT R	easoning Test, A	CT, or SAT Sub	ject Test scores in	admission decision	ons for first-
time, first-year, degree-seeking applicants?	\boxtimes Yes \square N	0			

If yes, place check marks in the appropriate boxes below to reflect your institution's policies for use in admission for **fall 2014**.

		ADMISSION				
	Require	Recommend	Require for some	Considered if submitted	Not used	
SAT or ACT	\boxtimes					
SAT only						
ACT only						
SAT and SAT Subject Tests						
SAT and SAT Subject Tests or ACT						
SAT Subject Tests						

B. If your institution will make use of the Adfall 2014, please indicate which ONE of the admissions process.):					
ACT with Writing component required					
ACT with writing component recom	mended				
X ACT with or without Writing componer					
C. Please indicate how your institution will u	-	or ACT essay	component; checl	k all that a	pply:
		CAT again	ACT aggar		
For admission		SAT essay	ACT essay		
For placement		+ $+$			
For advising		+ $+$			
In place of an application essay	·····	 			
As a validity check on the applica	tion essay				
No college policy as of now					
Not using essay component					
F. If necessary, use this space to clarify your required of some students: N/A G. Please indicate which tests your instituted SAT ACT SAT Subject Tests AP CLEP Institutional Exam State Exam (specify):	•			or some st	udents, or if tests are not
Freshman Profile Provide percentages for ALL enrolled degreenrolled in fall 2014, including students who students admitted under special arrangement	began stud				
C9. Percent and number of first-time, first standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. seeking students who submitted test standardized for a category of students) or constant scores to ACT scores and vice very The 25th percentile is the score that 25 percentil	Include infocores. Do nombine othersa.	ormation for AL ot include partia r standardized te	L enrolled, first-t d test scores (e.g., st results (such as	ime, first - mathemat TOEFL) i	year (freshman) degree- ics scores but not critical n this item. Do not convert
Percent submitting SAT scores	5%	Number	submitting SAT so	cores	92
Percent submitting ACT scores	93%		submitting ACT so		1628
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recent submitting ACT scores)	14umoet s	Submitting ACT St	20103	1020

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	25th percentile	75th percentile
ACT Composite	21	27
ACT English	21	29
ACT Math	19	26
ACT Writing	N/a	N/a

Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

	ACT Composite	ACT English	ACT Math
30-36	15	23	9
24-29	40	35	39
18-23	44	38	39
12-17	1	4	13
6-11	0	0	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 10th of high school graduating class	28.3%	
Percent in top quarter of high school graduating class	55.2%	
Percent in top half of high school graduating class	82.5%	Top half + bottom half = 100%.
Percent in bottom half of high school graduating class	17.5%	3 Top han + bottom han = 100%.
Percent in bottom quarter of high school graduating class	4.1%	

Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted high school class rank: 64.5%

C11. Percentage of all enrolled, degree-seeking first-time, first-year (freshman) students who had high school grade-point 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	42.6%
Percent who had GPA between 3.50 and 3.74	17.9%
Percent who had GPA between 3.25 and 3.49	13.4%
Percent who had GPA between 3.00 and 3.24	11.3%
Percent who had GPA between 2.50 and 2.99	12.4%
Percent who had GPA between 2.0 and 2.49	2.4%
Percent who had GPA between 1.0 and 1.99	0.0%
Percent who had GPA below 1.0	0.0%
	100.0%

C12. Average high school GPA of all degree-seeking first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted GPA: 3.59 Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted high school GPA: 99.8%

Admission Policies

C13. Application fee		
Does your institution have an application fee? Amount of application fee \$30.00	Yes Yes	□ No
Can it be waived for applicants with financial need?	⊠ Yes	□ No
If you have an application fee and an on-line application option Same fee: \underline{X} Free: \underline{X}	, please indicat	te policy for students who apply on-line:
Can on-line application fee be waived for applicants with finance	cial need? Yes	
C14. Application closing date		
Does your institution have an application closing date? Application closing date (fall) Priority date: June 1	Yes	⊠ No
C15. Are first-time, first-year students accepted for terms of	ther than the	fall? 🛚 Yes 🔲 No
C16. Notification to applicants of admission decision sent (fi	ll in one only)	
On a rolling basis beginning preceding fall term.		
C17. Reply policy for admitted applicants (fill in one only	y)	
Must reply by (date): No set date: X		
Must reply by May 1 or within weeks if notified then Other:	reafter	
Deadline for housing deposit (MMDD): at time of applica Amount of housing deposit: \$250.00	tion	
Refundable if student does not enroll?		
X Yes, in full if requested by June 1 Yes, in part		
No		
C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students ☐ Yes ☐ No	s to postpone e	nrollment after admission?
If yes, maximum period of postponement: 1 year		
C19. Early admission of high school students: Does your inst time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before		
C20. Common application: Removed from CDS. (Initiated du	ring 2006-200	7 cycle)
Early Decision and Early Action Plans		
C21. Early decision: Does your institution offer an early decision be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year (freshman) a	regular notific	eation date and that asks students to commit to
C22. Early action: Do you have a nonbinding early action plan advance of the regular notification date but do not have to do		

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D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

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Fall	Appl	licants
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D1. Does your institution enroll transfer students? Yes No
(If no, please skip to Section E)
If yes, may transfer students earn advanced standing credit by transferring credits earned from course work completed at
other colleges/universities? X Yes No
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D2. Provide the number of students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled as degree-seeking transfer students in fall 2014.

	Applicants	Admitted applicants	Enrolled applicants
Men	1,099	911	592
Women	1,753	1,530	857
Total	2,852	2,441	1,449

Application for Admission

D3. Indicate terms for	which transfers m	nay enroll:	
⊠ Fall	☐ Winter	Spring	Summer

D4. Must a transfer applicant have a minimum number of credits completed or else must apply as an entering freshman?

X Yes ☐ No

If yes, what is the minimum number of credits and the unit of measure? 24 semester hours of transferable college work (but see D8 below).

D5. Indicate all items required of transfer students to apply for admission:

	Required of all	Recommended of all	Recommended of some	Required of some	Not required
High school transcript				X	
College transcript(s)	X				
Essay or personal statement					X
Interview					X
Standardized test scores				X	
Statement of good standing from prior institution(s)					X

D6. If a minimum high school grade point average is required of transfer applicants, specify (on a 4.0 scale): **Not applicable**

D7. If a minimum college grade point average is required of transfer applicants, specify (on a 4.0 scale): **Transfer applicants** must have a grade point average of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale) after completing 24 semester hours (or 36 quarter hours) of college-level work in order to qualify for regular admission.

D8. List any other application requirements specific to transfer applicants: If a transfer applicant has completed fewer than 24 semester hours (or 36 quarter hours) the requirements of beginning freshmen must also be met. Applicant must request that a high school transcript be sent to UAB, and official ACT or SAT scores are required.

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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	Priority date	Closing date*	Notification date	Reply date	Rolling admission
Fall		June 1			X
Spring		November 1			X
Summer		March 15			X

- **D10.** Does an open admission policy, if reported, apply to transfer students? **Not applicable**
- D11. Describe additional requirements for transfer admission, if applicable. None.

Transfer Credit Policies

D12. -- D17.

place.

The Office of Undergraduate Admission will determine which credits will transfer from a previous university or two-year college. Generally remedial, technical, vocational, and orientation courses do not transfer, but a student may transfer up to half the credits required to complete a baccalaureate degree. Transcripts are evaluated after the student has been admitted to determine which specific courses will transfer.

E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES

Accelerated program	Honors program
Cooperative education program	Independent study
Cross-registration	☐ Internships
Distance learning	Liberal arts/career combination
Double major	Student-designed major
Dual enrollment	Study abroad
English as a Second Language	Teacher certification program
Exchange student program (domestic)	Weekend college
Exchange student program (domestic)	
External degree program Other (specify):	
External degree program Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS.	<u> </u>
External degree program Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS. E3. Areas in which all or most students are requi	red to complete some course work prior to graduation:
☐ External degree program ☐ Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS. E3. Areas in which all or most students are requi ☐ Arts/fine arts	red to complete some course work prior to graduation: Humanities
 ☐ External degree program ☐ Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS. E3. Areas in which all or most students are requi ☐ Arts/fine arts ☐ Computer literacy 	red to complete some course work prior to graduation: Humanities Mathematics
☐ External degree program ☐ Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS. E3. Areas in which all or most students are requi ☐ Arts/fine arts ☐ Computer literacy ☐ English (including composition)	red to complete some course work prior to graduation: Humanities Mathematics Philosophy
 ☐ External degree program ☐ Other (specify): E2. Has been removed from the CDS. E3. Areas in which all or most students are requi ☐ Arts/fine arts ☐ Computer literacy 	red to complete some course work prior to graduation: Humanities Mathematics

F. STUDENT LIFE

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F1. Percentages of first-time, first-year (freshman) degree-seeking students and degree-seeking undergraduates enrolled in Fall 2014 who fit the following categories:

	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	•	First-time, first-year	
Demonstration of the second of		4 1/	(freshman) students	Undergraduates
Percent who are from out of sta from the numerator and deno	*	tionai/nonresident aliens	14.2%	9.2%
Percent of men who join frater			4.5%	3.5%
Percent of women who join so			6.9%	4.4%
Percent who live in college-ow		affiliated housing	68.2%	20.5%
Percent who live off campus of	•	C	31.8%	79.5%
Percent of students age 25 and	older		0.6%	23.1%
Average age of full-time stude			18.1	21.1
Average age of all students (fu	Ill- and part-time)		18.2	23.4
F2. Activities offered Identify	those programs av	ailable at your institution	1.	
	∐ Literary magaz	ine Radio statio	n	
Choral groups	Marching band			
	Model UN	Student new	spaper	
Dance	Music ensembl			
Drama/theater	Musical theater	_ , , ,		
☐ International Student	Opera	Television s	tation	
Organization ⊠ Jazz band	Pep band	☐ Yearbook		
F3. ROTC (program offered in coo		<u>—</u>	'orns)	
Army ROTC is offered: ☑ On campus	•		• /	
Naval ROTC is offered On campus At cooperating institut	ion (name):			
Air Force ROTC is offered ☑ At cooperating institut	ion (name): Samfo	rd University		
F4. Housing: Check all types of coinstitution.	ollege-owned, -oper	rated, or -affiliated housi	ing available for undergrad	duates at your
Coed dorms	\triangleright	Special housing for dis	abled students	
☐ Men's dorms		Special housing for int		
Women's dorms		Fraternity/sorority hou		
Apartments for marri	ed students	Cooperative housing	S	
Apartments for single	e students	Theme housing		
		Wellness housing		
Other housing option	s (specity):			

G. ANNUAL EXPENSES

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G0. Please provide the URL of your institution's net price calculator: http://www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-uab

Provide 2015-16 academic year costs for the following categories that are applicable to your institution.

Check here if your institution's 2015-2016 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 2015-2016 academic year costs of attendance will be available:

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 **2015-2016** 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
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS In-district:	9,596	9,596
In-state (out-of-district):	9,596	9,596
Out-of-state:	21,956	21,956
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	21,956	21,956
REQUIRED FEES:	0	0
ROOM AND BOARD:		
(on-campus)		
ROOM ONLY:	5,900	6,316
(on-campus)		
BOARD ONLY: (on-campus meal plan)	3,950*	3,950*

^{*}Includes a \$225 Campus Dining Fee assessed during fall and spring semesters.

G2. Number of credits per term a student can take for the stated full-time tuition two semesters)	15 minimum	15 maximum (for
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
If yes, what percentage of full-time undergraduates pay more than the tuition and fee	es renorted in G19	30%

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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:	1,200	1,200	1,200
Room and board	10,809	3,965	10,809
Transportation:	2,486	2,486	2,486
Other expenses:	2,400	2,400	2,400

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

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	305*
In-district:	
In-state (out-of-district):	305*
Out-of-state:	717**
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	717**

^{*}First hour charged at a rate of \$528

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.

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.

^{**}First hour charged at a rate of \$940

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.

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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.

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 2013-2014 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2013-2014 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 column. (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.)

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Indicate the academic year for	which data are reported for items H1, H2, H2A, and H6 below:
\boxtimes 2014-2015 estimated or	2013-2014 final

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

	Need-based (Include non-need-	Non-need-based (Exclude non-need-
	based aid use to meet	based aid use to
	need.)	meet need.)
	\$	\$
Scholarships/Grants		
Federal	17,982,590	5,946
State (i.e., all states, not only the state in which your institution is located)	53,000	139,805
Institutional: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants, awarded by the college, excluding athletic aid and tuition waivers (which are reported below).	106,750	20,903,976
Scholarships/grants from external sources (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit) not awarded by the college	151,111	1,509,143
Total Scholarships/Grants	18,293,451	22,558,870
Self-Help		
Student loans from all sources (excluding parent loans)	24,026,677	27,081,480
Federal Work-Study	2,372,616	
State and other (e.g., institutional) work- study/employment (Note: Excludes Federal Work-Study captured above.)	0	0
Total Self-Help	26,399,293	27,081,480
Parent Loans	0	6,215,867
Tuition Waivers	0	3,949,535
Note: Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them. Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.		, ,
Athletic awards	0	6,813,961

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.

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		First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (inc. fresh)	Less than full-time undergrad
a)	Number of degree-seeking undergraduate students (CDS Item B1 if reporting on Fall 2014 cohort)	1,719	8,416	2,967
b)	Number of students in line a who applied for need-based financial aid	1,397	6,197	1,855
c)	Number of students in line b who were determined to have financial need	1,062	5,182	1,638
d)	Number of students in line c who were awarded any financial aid	1,042	5,072	1,481
e)	Number of students in line d who were awarded any need-based scholarship or grant aid	650	3,293	790
f)	Number of students in line d who were awarded any need-based self-help aid	724	3,918	1,163
g)	Number of students in line d who were awarded any non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	742	2,050	65
h)	Number of students in line d whose need was fully met (<u>exclude PLUS</u> <u>loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , <u>and private alternative loans</u>).	91	225	1
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)	54%	47%	27%
j)	The average financial aid package of those in line d. Exclude any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	\$10,685	\$9,148	\$4,973
k)	Average need-based scholarship or grant award of those in line e	\$5,197	\$4,658	\$2,695
1)	Average need-based self-help award (<u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , <u>and private alternative loans</u>) of those in line f	\$3,895	\$4,302	\$3,820
m)	Average need-based loan (<u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , <u>and private alternative loans</u>) of those in line f who received a need-based loan	\$3,789	\$4,141	\$3,761

H2A. Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants: List the number of degree-seeking 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 Inc. fresh.	Less than Full-time Undergrad
n)	Number of students in line a 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)	455	1,472	54
o)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based scholarship and grant aid awarded to students in line n	6,799	6,939	3,129
p)	Number of students in line a who were awarded an institutional non-need-based athletic scholarship or grant	62	302	13
q)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based athletic scholarships and grants awarded to students in line p	15,225	16,485	7,031

Note: These are the graduates and loan types to include and exclude in order to fill out CDS H4, H4a, H5 and H5a.

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- * 2014 undergraduate class who graduated between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014 who started at your institution as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014.
- * only loans made to students who borrowed while enrolled at your institution.
- co-signed loans.

Exclude:

- * those who transferred in.
- * money borrowed at other institutions.
- **H3:** Incorporated into **H1** above.
- H4. Provide the percentage of the class (defined above) who borrowed at any time through any loan programs (institutional, state, Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized, private loans that were certified by your institution, etc.; exclude parent loans). Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans. 60%

H4a. Provide the percentage of the class (defined above) who borrowed at any time through federal loan programs--Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans. NOTE: exclude all institutional, state, private alternative loans and parent loans. 58%

H5. Report the average per-undergraduate-borrower cumulative principal borrowed of those in line H4. \$30,642

H5a. Report the average per-undergraduate-borrower cumulative principal borrowed, of those in H4a, through federal loan programs--Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans. These are listed in line H4a. NOTE: exclude all institutional, state, private alternative, and parent loans. \$27,369

Aid to Undergraduate Degree-seeking Nonresident Aliens (Note: Report numbers and dollar amounts for the same academic year checked in item H1.)

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Н6.	Indicate your institution's policy regarding financial aid for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: College-administered need-based scholarship or grant aid is available College-administered non-need-based scholarship or grant aid is available College-administered scholarship or grant aid is not available						
	If college-administered financial aid is available for undergraduate international students, provide the number of undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens who received need- or non-need-based aid: 55						
	Average dollar amount awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$12,021						
	Total dollar amount of financial aid from all sources awarded to all undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens \$725,815						
H7. C	heck off all financial aid forms nonresident alien first-year financial aid applicants must submit:						
	 ☐ Institution's own financial aid form ☐ CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE ☐ International Student's Financial Aid Application 						

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International Student's Certification of Finances

Other: n/a

Process for First-Year/Freshman Students

H8. Che	eck off all financial aid forms domestic first-year (freshman) financial aid applicants must submit:
	 □ FAFSA □ Institution's own financial aid form □ CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE □ State aid form □ Noncustodial PROFILE □ Business/Farm Supplement □ Other:
H9. Ind	icate filing dates for first-year (freshman) students:
	Priority date for filing required financial aid forms: March 1 Deadline for filing required financial aid forms: n/a No deadline for filing required forms (applications processed on a rolling basis): Yes
H10. In	dicate notification dates for first-year (freshman) students:
	Students notified on a rolling basis, starting about March 15.
H11. In	dicate reply dates:
	Students must reply within four weeks of notification.
Types o	of Aid Available
Please c	heck off all types of aid available to undergraduates at your institution:
H12. Lo	pans
	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. Sc	Pholarships and Grants
	NEED-BASED: Federal Pell SEOG State scholarships/grants Private scholarships College/university scholarship or grant aid from institutional funds United Negro College Fund Federal Nursing Scholarship Other (specify):

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H14. Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

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

H15. If your institution has recently implemented any major financial aid policy, program, or initiative to make your institution more affordable to incoming students such as replacing loans with grants, or waiving costs for families below a certain income level please provide details below:

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For further financial aid information:

Mailing Address: 1720 2nd Avenue South Birmingham, AL 35294-0013 Phone: (205) 934-8223

http://www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-uab

I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE

I-1. Please report number of instructional faculty members in each category for fall 2014. Include faculty who are on your institution's payroll on the census date your institution uses for IPEDS/AAUP.

The following definition of full-time instructional faculty is used by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in its annual Faculty Compensation Survey (the part time definitions are not used by AAUP). Instructional Faculty is defined as those members of the instructional-research staff whose major regular assignment is instruction, including those with released time for research. Use the chart below to determine inclusions and exclusions:

	Full-time	Part-time
(a) instructional faculty in preclinical and clinical medicine, faculty	Exclude	Include only if
who are not paid (e.g., those who donate their services or are in the		they teach one or
military), or research-only faculty, post-doctoral fellows, or pre-		more non-clinical
doctoral fellows		credit courses
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(b) administrative officers with titles such as dean of students,	Exclude	Include if they
librarian, registrar, coach, and the like, even though they may		teach one or more
devote part of their time to classroom instruction and may have		non-clinical credit
faculty status		courses
	5 1 1	7 1 1
(c) other administrators/staff who teach one or more non-clinical	Exclude	Include
credit courses even though they do not have faculty status		
(d) undergraduate or graduate students who assist in the instruction	Exclude	Exclude
of courses, but have titles such as teaching assistant, teaching		
fellow, and the like		
(e) faculty on sabbatical or leave with pay	Include	Exclude
(c) faculty on subballear of leave with pay	merade	LACIUC
(f) faculty on leave without pay	Exclude	Exclude
(g) replacement faculty for faculty on sabbatical leave or leave with	Exclude	Include
pay		

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

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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 instruction 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 master's degree: a master's degree that is considered the highest degree in a field: example, M. Arch (in architecture) and MFA (master of fine arts in art or theater).

	Full time	Part time	Total
a) Total number of instructional faculty	866	82	948
b) Total number who are members of minority groups	197	8	205
c) Total number who are women	409	44	453
d) Total number who are men	457	38	495
e) Total number who are non-resident aliens (international)	14	0	14
f) Total number with doctorate, or other terminal degree	738	69	807
g) Total number whose highest degree is a master's but not a terminal master's	116	12	128
h) Total number whose highest degree is a bachelor's	11	1	12
i) Total number whose highest degree is unknown or other (Note: Items f , g , h , and i must add up to item a .)	1	0	1
j.)Total number in stand-alone graduate/ professional programs in which faculty teach virtually only graduate-level students	167	51	218

NOTE: Excludes faculty members in Medicine, Joint Health Sciences, and libraries.

I-2. Student to Faculty Ratio

Report the fall 2014 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 2014 Student to Faculty ratio: 18 to 1 (based on 12,608 students and 709 faculty).

I-3. Undergraduate Class Size

In the table below, please use the following definitions to report information about the size of classes and class sections offered in the Fall 2014 term.

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Class Sections: A class section is an organized course offered for credit, identified by discipline and number, meeting at a stated time or times in a classroom or similar setting, and not a subsection such as a laboratory or discussion session. Undergraduate class sections are defined as any sections in which at least one degree-seeking undergraduate student is enrolled for credit. Exclude distance learning classes and noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Exclude students in independent study, co-operative programs, internships, foreign language taped tutor sessions, practicums, and all students in one-on-one classes. Each class section should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of course catalog cross-listings.

Class Subsections: A class subsection includes any subsection of a course, such as laboratory, recitation, and discussion subsections that are supplementary in nature and are scheduled to meet separately from the lecture portion of the course. Undergraduate subsections are defined as any subsections of courses in which degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled for credit. As above, exclude noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Each class subsection should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of cross-listings.

Using the above definitions, please report for each of the following class-size intervals the number of *class sections* and *class subsections* offered in Fall 2014. For example, a lecture class with 800 students who met at another time in 40 separate labs with 20 students should be counted once in the "100+" column in the class section column and 40 times under the "20-29" column of the class subsections table.

Number of Class Sections with Undergraduates Enrolled

Undergraduate Class Size (provide numbers)

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	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total
CLASS SECTIONS	205	275	310	134	79	137	65	1205
	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total
CLASS SUB- SECTIONS	23	112	137	46	1	2	0	321

J. DISCIPLINARY AREAS OF DEGREES CONFERRED

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Degrees conferred between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014

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 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.

Category	Diplomas/ Certificates	Bachelor's	2010 CIP Categories to Include
Area, ethnic, and gender studies		0.3%	05
Communications/journalism		4.9%	09
Computer and information sciences		1.5%	11
Education		8.9%	13
Engineering		5.8%	14
Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics		1.1%	16
English		2.3%	23
Liberal Arts/general studies		1.8%	24
Biological/life sciences		7.5%	26
Mathematics and statistics		1.0%	27
Philosophy and religious studies		0.5%	38
Physical sciences		2.1%	40
Psychology		7.9%	42
Homeland Security, law enforcement, firefighting, and protective services		3.2%	43
Public administration and social services		2.3%	44
Social sciences		5.3%	45
Visual and performing arts		3.1%	50
Health professions and related programs	100.0%	20.0%	51
Business/marketing		18.6%	52
History		1.9%	54
Other			
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	

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- ♦ All definitions related to the financial aid section appear in Section H.
- 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.

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*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.

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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.

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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.

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*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).

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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.

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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.

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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 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.

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