FALL 2014 NEW ENTERING CLASS

This month’s newsletter highlights the new entry class for fall 2014. Purdue welcomes 6,373 new freshmen beginners to West Lafayette this fall.

For questions, comments and suggestions please contact: enrollmentmanagement@purdue.edu.

ACADEMIC PROFILE SETS RECORD FOR 8TH YEAR

Purdue noted an increase in the academic profile of the new entry class for the 8th year in a row. Fall 2014 students set records for average SAT and ACT scores, as well as the highest high school GPA.

The average SAT score increased from last year, for all three sections. The SAT critical reading section was up 5, while the math section went up by 8 points, and the writing section increased by 3 points. The combined average SAT score of 1789 is the highest in Purdue’s history and has increased a total 105 points since fall 2007. The average ACT composite score hit a record high of 27.5, an increase of 0.3 points from fall 2013 and an increase of 2.0 points since fall 2007.

The average high school GPA of the incoming class increased to a record 3.72, a 0.02 increase from fall 2013, and an increase of 0.25 since fall 2007.

In addition, a higher number of incoming freshmen brought in transfer credit, as a result of taking AP exams or taking other college level courses while in high school.

There were 1,574 students from the fall 2014 class of new beginners who earned credit, up 199 students from fall 2013 (1,323).

INCREASED APPLICATIONS

Purdue had an increase in applications through the adoption of the Common Application for the fall 2014 admissions.

There was a 32.6% increase in domestic non-resident applications (6,371 more than fall 2013).

Applications from international students increased by 22.9% (2,630 more than fall 2013). The Indiana resident applications decreased by 2.9% (250 fewer than fall 2013).

Along with the increase in applications, Purdue admitted 23,506 students for the fall 2014 term.
INCREASED SELECTIVITY

Receiving 22% more applications than last year allowed Purdue to become more selective for admitting students.

The fall 2014 selectivity rate is 59.2%, a 1.2 percentage point difference in selectivity as compared to last year.

In the last four years, since fall 2011, Purdue has become more selective, with a 9.1 percentage point difference in selectivity rates.

NEW BEGINNER ENROLLMENT BY STATE

The new beginner class of fall 2014 represents all states except Alaska, Mississippi, and Wyoming. Students from Illinois (494), California (268), and Ohio (129) make up the top three nonresident enrollment.

FALL 2014 NEW BEGINNER STEM ENROLLMENT

The new beginner class enrolled in STEM majors consists of 56.3% of the total class, in which 29.1% are female students. STEM new beginner enrollment has increased from fall 2013 by 213 students.

Chart 1. Enrollment in academic STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) disciplines by Purdue academic college. STEM defined as majors from the ICE list at www.ice.gov/sevis/stemlist.htm or from Purdue colleges of Engineering, Science & Technology.
FALL 2014 ENTERING CLASS DEMOGRAPHICS

Overall demographics for the fall 2014 new entry class are similar to fall 2013.

Indiana residents make up 51.8%, while domestic non-residents make up 30.4%, and international students account for 17.8% of the class.

Indiana resident enrollment has decreased by 3.2 percentage points from fall 2013, domestic non-resident has increased by 0.9 percentage points, and international enrollment has increased by 2.2 percentage points.

Women make up slightly less of the incoming class at 42.3% compared to 43.6% from fall 2013. Total minority students are up to 16.9%, the highest since fall 2007.

First-generation students make up 16% of this year’s class, while 20.7% of the domestic class is Pell-eligible students.

APPLICATIONS / ADMITS / ENROLLED BY COLLEGE

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Engineering continues to make up the largest percent of the new incoming class applications, admits, and enrolls.

Science has the next largest set of applicants followed by Management and Exploratory Studies.

The largest increase in applications was in Engineering, with 4,476 more applications than in fall 2013.