



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SYSTEM

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# First-Time Freshman Characteristics Fall 2013



## Introduction

The University of Illinois System is among the preeminent public university systems in the nation and strives constantly to sustain and enhance its quality in teaching, research, public service, healthcare, and economic development. The system is made up of three distinctive institutions located in Urbana-Champaign, Chicago, and Springfield. Combined they bring resources, capabilities, and drive that are greater than the sum of their parts – altogether extraordinary.

The System enrolls almost 84,000 students at its three institutions as well as online. The programs at the University are the most comprehensive in the State ranging from general undergraduate education to post-doctoral studies. The System produces just under 22,000 degrees annually and is the State's largest provider of science, engineering, and health related degrees at all levels; undergraduate, graduate, and professional.

Presented here are first-time freshmen characteristics at each institution and in total for the University of Illinois System. Data is presented according to state and federal reporting guidelines and definitions.

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**Race/Ethnicity, Gender, and Residency**

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Race/Ethnicity*</b>								
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native</b>	5	0.1	3	0.1	.	.	8	0.1
<b>Asian</b>	1,245	17.0	788	25.4	11	3.5	2,044	19.0
<b>Black or African American</b>	433	5.9	267	8.6	82	25.9	782	7.3
<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	744	10.2	879	28.3	32	10.1	1,655	15.4
<b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	7	0.1	4	0.1	1	0.3	12	0.1
<b>White</b>	3,471	47.4	955	30.8	170	53.8	4,596	42.8
<b>Two or more races</b>	215	2.9	78	2.5	10	3.2	303	2.8
<b>Race and ethnicity unknown</b>	38	0.5	64	2.1	3	0.9	105	1.0
<b>Nonresident alien</b>	1,171	16.0	66	2.1	7	2.2	1,244	11.6
<b>Gender</b>								
<b>Male</b>	4,123	56.3	1,544	49.7	113	35.8	5,780	53.8
<b>Female</b>	3,206	43.7	1,560	50.3	203	64.2	4,969	46.2
<b>Residency**</b>								
<b>Resident</b>	5,330	72.7	2,928	94.3	301	95.3	8,559	79.6
<b>Non-Resident/Unknown</b>	828	11.3	110	3.5	8	2.5	946	8.8
<b>International</b>	1,171	16.0	66	2.1	7	2.2	1,244	11.6
<b>Total</b>	7,329	100.0	3,104	100.0	316	100.0	10,749	100.0

\*US Department of Education racial/ethnic reporting categories were revised in Fall 2010. Prior to that Pacific Islander were included in the Asian category.

\*\*International based on citizen type. Illinois and non-Illinois derived by address at time of application/admission. Prior to Fall16, UIS is based on residency for tuition purposes.

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**Full/Part-Time, First Generation, and Age Range**

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>Full/Part Status</b>								
<b>Full-Time</b>	7,321	99.9	3,079	99.2	312	98.7	10,712	99.7
<b>Part-Time</b>	8	0.1	25	0.8	4	1.3	37	0.3
<b>First Generation</b>								
<b>Yes</b>	1,579	21.5	1,415	45.6	131	41.5	3,125	29.1
<b>No</b>	5,750	78.5	1,689	54.4	185	58.5	7,624	70.9
<b>Age Range</b>								
<b>Under 18</b>	391	5.3	158	5.1	10	3.2	559	5.2
<b>18</b>	6,148	83.9	2,689	86.6	272	86.1	9,109	84.7
<b>19</b>	700	9.6	220	7.1	27	8.5	947	8.8
<b>20</b>	64	0.9	25	0.8	3	0.9	92	0.9
<b>21</b>	14	0.2	4	0.1	.	.	18	0.2
<b>22</b>	6	0.1	1	0.0	.	.	7	0.1
<b>23</b>	5	0.1	2	0.1	2	0.6	9	0.1
<b>24</b>	.	.	2	0.1	.	.	2	0.0
<b>25 and over</b>	1	0.0	3	0.1	2	0.6	6	0.1
<b>Total</b>	7,329	100.0	3,104	100.0	316	100.0	10,749	100.0

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**ACT Composite Score Distribution**

ACT Distribution	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
14	.	.	.	.	2	0.7	2	0.0
15	2	0.0	2	0.1	.	.	4	0.0
16	8	0.1	.	.	4	1.3	12	0.1
17	16	0.3	7	0.2	11	3.6	34	0.4
18	23	0.4	45	1.5	16	5.2	84	0.9
19	48	0.8	108	3.6	25	8.2	181	2.0
20	71	1.2	242	8.1	21	6.9	334	3.7
21	89	1.5	210	7.0	33	10.8	332	3.7
22	118	2.1	365	12.2	32	10.5	515	5.7
23	168	2.9	337	11.3	22	7.2	527	5.8
24	247	4.3	306	10.3	29	9.5	582	6.4
25	371	6.4	329	11.0	18	5.9	718	7.9
26	446	7.7	237	7.9	14	4.6	697	7.7
27	467	8.1	203	6.8	19	6.2	689	7.6
28	569	9.9	176	5.9	15	4.9	760	8.4
29	566	9.8	125	4.2	14	4.6	705	7.8
30	604	10.5	122	4.1	10	3.3	736	8.1
31	541	9.4	55	1.8	9	2.9	605	6.7
32	480	8.3	48	1.6	6	2.0	534	5.9
33	417	7.2	30	1.0	6	2.0	453	5.0
34	307	5.3	19	0.6	.	.	326	3.6
35	169	2.9	14	0.5	.	.	183	2.0
36	29	0.5	2	0.1	.	.	31	0.3
<b>Total</b>	5,756	100.0	2,982	100.0	306	100.0	9,044	100.0

Note: Includes only those students who took the ACT and does not include converted SAT scores.

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**SAT Total Score Distribution**

SAT Ranges	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
701 - 800	2	0.1	2	1.0	1	12.5	5	0.2
801 - 900	4	0.2	7	3.6	1	12.5	12	0.5
901 - 1000	17	0.8	39	20.3	1	12.5	57	2.5
1001 - 1050	9	0.4	24	12.5	1	12.5	34	1.5
1051 - 1100	22	1.1	32	16.7	1	12.5	55	2.4
1101 - 1150	43	2.1	29	15.1	.	.	72	3.2
1151 - 1200	76	3.7	18	9.4	1	12.5	95	4.2
1201 - 1250	153	7.5	14	7.3	.	.	167	7.4
1251 - 1300	301	14.7	8	4.2	.	.	309	13.7
1301 - 1350	450	22.0	5	2.6	1	12.5	456	20.3
1351 - 1400	413	20.2	4	2.1	.	.	417	18.5
1401 - 1450	290	14.2	2	1.0	1	12.5	293	13.0
1451 - 1500	150	7.3	3	1.6	.	.	153	6.8
1501 - 1550	85	4.1	1	0.5	.	.	86	3.8
1551 - 1600	34	1.7	4	2.1	.	.	38	1.7
<b>Total</b>	2,049	100.0	192	100.0	8	100.0	2,249	100.0

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**Test Score Statistics**

		<b>N</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>25th Percentile</b>	<b>50th Percentile (Median)</b>	<b>75th Percentile</b>
<b>Urbana-Champaign</b>	<b>ACT Composite</b>	5,756	28.6	26.0	29.0	31.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	2,049	1,344.4	1,290.0	1,350.0	1,410.0
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>ACT Composite</b>	2,982	24.4	22.0	24.0	27.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	192	1,109.0	1,005.0	1,080.0	1,190.0
<b>Springfield</b>	<b>ACT Composite</b>	306	23.5	20.0	23.0	27.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	8	1,075.0	895.0	1,060.0	1,240.0

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**Program by Two-Digit CIP**

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>00 - Undeclared/Unclassified</b>	1,795	24.5	957	30.8	52	16.5	2,804	26.1
<b>01 - Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences</b>	357	4.9	.	.	.	.	357	3.3
<b>03 - Natural Resources and Conservation</b>	47	0.6	.	.	2	0.6	49	0.5
<b>04 - Architecture and Related Services</b>	97	1.3	84	2.7	.	.	181	1.7
<b>05 - Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies</b>	48	0.7	2	0.1	.	.	50	0.5
<b>09 - Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs</b>	185	2.5	.	.	8	2.5	193	1.8
<b>11 - Computer and Information Science and Support Services</b>	200	2.7	84	2.7	26	8.2	310	2.9
<b>13 - Education</b>	204	2.8	8	0.3	.	.	212	2.0
<b>14 - Engineering</b>	1,664	22.7	259	8.3	.	.	1,923	17.9
<b>15 - Engineering Technologies and Related Fields</b>	.	.	1	0.0	.	.	1	0.0
<b>16 - Foreign Languages, Literature, and Linguistics</b>	31	0.4	12	0.4	.	.	43	0.4
<b>19 - Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences</b>	43	0.6	.	.	.	.	43	0.4
<b>22 - Legal Professions and Studies</b>	.	.	.	.	8	2.5	8	0.1
<b>23 - English Language and Literature/Letters</b>	54	0.7	39	1.3	11	3.5	104	1.0
<b>24 - Liberal Arts and Science, General Studies and Humanities</b>	1	0.0	.	.	4	1.3	5	0.0
<b>26 - Biological and Biomedical Sciences</b>	558	7.6	634	20.4	46	14.6	1,238	11.5
<b>27 - Mathematics and Statistics</b>	187	2.6	28	0.9	10	3.2	225	2.1
<b>30 - Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies</b>	84	1.1	10	0.3	2	0.6	96	0.9
<b>31 - Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies</b>	97	1.3	105	3.4	.	.	202	1.9
<b>38 - Philosophy and Religious Studies</b>	6	0.1	4	0.1	.	.	10	0.1
<b>40 - Physical Science</b>	242	3.3	165	5.3	10	3.2	417	3.9
<b>42 - Psychology</b>	249	3.4	203	6.5	34	10.8	486	4.5
<b>43 - Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting</b>	.	.	.	.	24	7.6	24	0.2
<b>44 - Public Administration and Social Services Prof.</b>	25	0.3	.	.	6	1.9	31	0.3
<b>45 - Social Science</b>	248	3.4	124	4.0	16	5.1	388	3.6
<b>50 - Visual and Performing Arts</b>	99	1.4	31	1.0	1	0.3	131	1.2
<b>51 - Health Professions and Related Programs</b>	103	1.4	.	.	11	3.5	114	1.1
<b>52 - Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Services</b>	664	9.1	338	10.9	37	11.7	1,039	9.7
<b>54 - History</b>	41	0.6	16	0.5	8	2.5	65	0.6
<b>Total</b>	7,329	100.0	3,104	100.0	316	100.0	10,749	100.0

\*CIP stands for Classification of Instructional Programs, a federal coding system to describe and aggregate college majors. Degree-seeking students with undeclared majors are reported in CIP 00 through Fall 2013. Fall 2014 forward, they are reported in CIP 24.



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**Urbana-Champaign Admissions College**

	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Agr, Consumer, &amp; Env Sciences</b>	495	6.8
<b>Applied Health Sciences</b>	200	2.7
<b>College of Media</b>	161	2.2
<b>Division of General Studies</b>	1,562	21.3
<b>Education</b>	147	2.0
<b>Engineering</b>	1,608	21.9
<b>Fine &amp; Applied Arts</b>	318	4.3
<b>Gies College of Business</b>	600	8.2
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences</b>	2,213	30.2
<b>School of Social Work</b>	25	0.3
<b>Total</b>	7,329	100.0

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**Chicago Admissions College**

	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Applied Health Sciences</b>	105	3.4
<b>Architecture, Design, &amp; the Arts</b>	183	5.9
<b>Business Administration</b>	341	11.0
<b>Education</b>	64	2.1
<b>Engineering</b>	371	12.0
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences</b>	2,040	65.7
<b>Total</b>	3,104	100.0

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**Springfield Admissions College**

	<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Business and Management</b>	39	12.3
<b>Education and Human Services</b>	6	1.9
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences</b>	171	54.1
<b>Provost &amp; VC Acad Affairs</b>	52	16.5
<b>Public Affairs &amp; Administratn</b>	48	15.2
<b>Total</b>	316	100.0

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**Urbana-Champaign Top 25 Illinois Sending High Schools**

Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	154
2	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	87
3	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	76
4	144430	New Trier Township High Sch	Winnetka	74
5	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	71
6	140205	Barrington Comm Hs	Barrington	68
7	143106	Naperville North High Sch	Naperville	68
8	143105	Naperville Central High Sch	Naperville	67
9	140640	Lane Tech High Sch	Chicago	63
10	141570	Deerfield High Sch	Deerfield	63
11	143215	Glenbrook North High Sch	Northbrook	63
12	143347	William Fremd High Sch	Palatine	61
13	143377	Maine Township HS South	Park Ridge	59
14	143245	Oak Park and River Forest Hs	Oak Park	56
15	140447	Buffalo Grove High Sch	Buffalo Grove	52
16	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	51
17	142300	Hinsdale Township HS Central	Hinsdale	51
18	140177	Illinois Math and Science Acad	Aurora	50
19	142175	Warren Township High Sch	Gurnee	50
20	141342	Northside College Prep Hs	Chicago	48
21	142620	Libertyville High Sch	Libertyville	47
22	141170	St Ignatius College Prep	Chicago	46
23	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	45
24	143927	Niles North High Sch	Skokie	45
25	141805	York Comm High Sch	Elmhurst	44

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**Chicago Top 25 Illinois Sending High Schools**

Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	140640	Lane Tech High Sch	Chicago	154
2	141016	Curie Metropolitan HS	Chicago	65
3	143926	Niles Township West Hs	Skokie	61
4	141595	Maine Township HS East	Park Ridge	51
5	140930	Lake View High Sch	Chicago	50
6	143927	Niles North High Sch	Skokie	49
7	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	41
8	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	40
9	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	38
10	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	35
11	141410	J S Morton High Sch East	Cicero	33
12	140905	Jones College Prep	Chicago	32
13	141315	Thomas Kelly High Sch	Chicago	32
14	141385	William H Taft High Sch	Chicago	32
15	141307	Stephen T Mather High Sch	Chicago	29
16	141345	Von Steuben Metro Science Ctr	Chicago	29
17	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	29
18	140534	Glenbard North High Sch	Carol Stream	28
19	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	28
20	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	27
21	141009	Noble-Noble St College Prep	Chicago	26
22	143357	Amos Alonzo Stagg High Sch	Palos Hills	26
23	141778	Elk Grove High Sch	Elk Grove Village	25
24	140187	Metea Valley High School	Aurora	24
25	141342	Northside College Prep Hs	Chicago	24

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Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	141347	Noble-Gary Comer Coll Prep	Chicago	16
2	140612	Glenwood High Sch	Chatham	10
3	141083	Noble-Muchin College Prep	Chicago	5
4	143955	Springfield Southeast Hs	Springfield	5
5	143965	Sacred Heart Griffin Hs	Springfield	5
6	143975	Springfield High Sch	Springfield	5
7	140536	Dundee-Crown High Sch	Carpentersville	4
8	140655	Amundsen High Sch	Chicago	4
9	141301	Michele Clark Acad Prep HS	Chicago	4
10	142605	Lewistown Comm Hs	Lewistown	4
11	143960	Lanphier High Sch	Springfield	4
12	144515	Zion Benton Township Hs	Zion	4
13	140160	Auburn High Sch	Auburn	3
14	140529	Illini West High Sch	Carthage	3
15	140693	Noble-Chicago Bulls Prep	Chicago	3
16	140825	King College Prep	Chicago	3
17	141562	Douglas MacArthur High Sch	Decatur	3
18	141805	York Comm High Sch	Elmhurst	3
19	142350	Jacksonville High Sch	Jacksonville	3
20	143490	Pittsfield High Sch	Pittsfield	3
21	143515	Pleasant Plains High Sch	Pleasant Plains	3
22	143660	Riverton High Sch	Riverton	3
23	144350	Comm High Sch 94	West Chicago	3
24	144400	Williamsville High Sch	Williamsville	3
25	140135	Astoria High School	Astoria	2

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**Urbana-Champaign Top 25 Majors**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	Biology	469
2	Psychology	249
3	Electrical Engineering	237
4	Computer Engineering	209
5	Chemical Engineering	206
6	Mechanical Engineering	205
7	Computer Science	200
8	Civil Engineering	169
9	Mathematics	164
10	Pre-Early Chld/Elem Ed/Spec Ed	147
11	Aerospace Engineering	126
12	Animal Sciences	124
13	Economics	121
14	Agr & Consumer Economics	117
15	Chemistry	115
16	Physics	106
17	Engineering Undeclared	100
18	General Engineering	86
19	LAS - Undeclared	86
20	Architectural Studies	84
21	Materials Science & Engr	78
22	Political Science	76
23	Art Foundation	75
24	Math & Computer Science	75
25	Kinesiology	74

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**Chicago Top 25 Majors**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	Biological Sciences	483
2	Psychology	203
3	Biochemistry	151
4	Chemistry	135
5	Accounting	125
6	Architecture	84
7	Computer Science	82
8	Management	79
9	Kinesiology	67
10	Education - Undeclared	64
11	Mechanical Engineering	63
12	Bioengineering	58
13	Finance	55
14	Marketing	53
15	Political Science	48
16	Computer Engineering	39
17	English	39
18	Graphic/Industrial Desgn-Found	39
19	Kinesiology - Undeclared	38
20	Sociology	32
21	Chemical Engineering	31
22	Art-Foundation	29
23	Economics	29
24	Engineering-Undeclared	29
25	Mathematics	27



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<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	Biology	46
2	Psychology	34
3	Computer Science	25
4	Criminal Justice	24
5	Business Administration	21
6	Accountancy	16
7	Political Science	12
8	Clinical Laboratory Science	11
9	English	11
10	Chemistry	10
11	Mathematical Sciences	10
12	Communication	8
13	History	8
14	Legal Studies	8
15	Social Work	6
16	Liberal Studies	4
17	Sociology/Anthropology	3
18	Environmental Studies	2
19	Global Studies	2
20	Economics	1
21	Management Information Systems	1
22	Visual Arts	1