



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SYSTEM

First-Time Freshman Characteristics Fall 2014



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	%
Race/Ethnicity*								
American Indian or Alaska Native	6	0.1	.	.	.	.	6	0.1
Asian	1,353	19.5	784	25.9	10	3.3	2,147	20.9
Black or African American	356	5.1	285	9.4	86	28.2	727	7.1
Hispanic/Latino	720	10.4	958	31.6	35	11.5	1,713	16.7
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5	0.1	1	0.0	.	.	6	0.1
White	3,198	46.1	845	27.9	148	48.5	4,191	40.8
Two or more races	188	2.7	75	2.5	12	3.9	275	2.7
Race and ethnicity unknown	46	0.7	15	0.5	1	0.3	62	0.6
Nonresident alien	1,065	15.4	67	2.2	13	4.3	1,145	11.1
Gender								
Male	3,834	55.3	1,429	47.2	134	43.9	5,397	52.5
Female	3,103	44.7	1,601	52.8	171	56.1	4,875	47.5
Residency**								
Resident	4,937	71.2	2,836	93.6	271	88.9	8,044	78.3
Non-Resident/Unknown	935	13.5	127	4.2	21	6.9	1,083	10.5
International	1,065	15.4	67	2.2	13	4.3	1,145	11.1
Total	6,937	100.0	3,030	100.0	305	100.0	10,272	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	%
Full/Part Status								
Full-Time	6,926	99.8	3,011	99.4	302	99.0	10,239	99.7
Part-Time	11	0.2	19	0.6	3	1.0	33	0.3
First Generation								
Yes	1,420	20.5	1,339	44.2	108	35.4	2,867	27.9
No	5,517	79.5	1,691	55.8	197	64.6	7,405	72.1
Age Range								
Under 18	421	6.1	171	5.6	13	4.3	605	5.9
18	5,834	84.1	2,615	86.3	245	80.3	8,694	84.6
19	593	8.5	211	7.0	40	13.1	844	8.2
20	62	0.9	16	0.5	4	1.3	82	0.8
21	13	0.2	5	0.2	.	.	18	0.2
22	3	0.0	4	0.1	1	0.3	8	0.1
23	2	0.0	4	0.1	.	.	6	0.1
24	1	0.0	2	0.1	.	.	3	0.0
25 and over	8	0.1	2	0.1	2	0.7	12	0.1
Total	6,937	100.0	3,030	100.0	305	100.0	10,272	100.0

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ACT Composite Score Distribution

ACT Distribution	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
15	.	.	5	0.2	.	.	5	0.1
16	.	.	3	0.1	3	1.0	6	0.1
17	6	0.1	8	0.3	10	3.4	24	0.3
18	9	0.2	61	2.1	32	10.9	102	1.2
19	33	0.6	130	4.4	26	8.9	189	2.2
20	44	0.8	196	6.7	26	8.9	266	3.1
21	78	1.4	254	8.7	13	4.4	345	4.0
22	89	1.6	288	9.9	17	5.8	394	4.6
23	151	2.8	319	10.9	28	9.6	498	5.8
24	260	4.8	313	10.7	24	8.2	597	6.9
25	324	6.0	313	10.7	20	6.8	657	7.6
26	389	7.1	232	7.9	14	4.8	635	7.3
27	461	8.5	214	7.3	29	9.9	704	8.1
28	498	9.1	173	5.9	14	4.8	685	7.9
29	484	8.9	120	4.1	19	6.5	623	7.2
30	513	9.4	97	3.3	8	2.7	618	7.1
31	500	9.2	72	2.5	2	0.7	574	6.6
32	511	9.4	50	1.7	3	1.0	564	6.5
33	458	8.4	32	1.1	4	1.4	494	5.7
34	363	6.7	26	0.9	1	0.3	390	4.5
35	220	4.0	14	0.5	.	.	234	2.7
36	52	1.0	3	0.1	.	.	55	0.6
Total	5,443	100.0	2,923	100.0	293	100.0	8,659	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	1.1	1	6.7	3	0.1
801 - 900	4	0.2	9	5.2	3	20.0	16	0.7
901 - 1000	11	0.6	29	16.7	2	13.3	42	2.0
1001 - 1050	13	0.7	21	12.1	2	13.3	36	1.7
1051 - 1100	24	1.2	35	20.1	2	13.3	61	2.8
1101 - 1150	35	1.8	19	10.9	2	13.3	56	2.6
1151 - 1200	62	3.2	14	8.0	3	20.0	79	3.7
1201 - 1250	99	5.0	16	9.2	.	.	115	5.3
1251 - 1300	180	9.2	6	3.4	.	.	186	8.6
1301 - 1350	309	15.7	6	3.4	.	.	315	14.6
1351 - 1400	429	21.8	4	2.3	.	.	433	20.1
1401 - 1450	379	19.3	4	2.3	.	.	383	17.8
1451 - 1500	248	12.6	2	1.1	.	.	250	11.6
1501 - 1550	115	5.9	6	3.4	.	.	121	5.6
1551 - 1600	56	2.9	1	0.6	.	.	57	2.6
Total	1,964	100.0	174	100.0	15	100.0	2,153	100.0

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Test Score Statistics

		N	Mean	25th Percentile	50th Percentile (Median)	75th Percentile
Urbana-Champaign	ACT Composite	5,443	29.0	26.0	29.0	32.0
	SAT Total	1,964	1,371.8	1,320.0	1,390.0	1,440.0
Chicago	ACT Composite	2,923	24.5	22.0	24.0	27.0
	SAT Total	174	1,120.7	1,010.0	1,090.0	1,210.0
Springfield	ACT Composite	293	23.3	20.0	23.0	27.0
	SAT Total	15	1,015.3	880.0	1,030.0	1,150.0

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Program by Two-Digit CIP

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
01 - Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences	303	4.4	.	.	.	.	303	2.9
03 - Natural Resources and Conservation	52	0.7	.	.	3	1.0	55	0.5
04 - Architecture and Related Services	123	1.8	82	2.7	.	.	205	2.0
05 - Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	34	0.5	3	0.1	.	.	37	0.4
09 - Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs	188	2.7	1	0.0	12	3.9	201	2.0
11 - Computer and Information Science and Support Services	257	3.7	120	4.0	34	11.1	411	4.0
13 - Education	178	2.6	20	0.7	.	.	198	1.9
14 - Engineering	1,543	22.2	228	7.5	.	.	1,771	17.2
15 - Engineering Technologies and Related Fields	.	.	1	0.0	.	.	1	0.0
16 - Foreign Languages, Literature, and Linguistics	23	0.3	4	0.1	.	.	27	0.3
19 - Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	30	0.4	.	.	.	.	30	0.3
22 - Legal Professions and Studies	.	.	.	.	7	2.3	7	0.1
23 - English Language and Literature/Letters	65	0.9	20	0.7	5	1.6	90	0.9
24 - Liberal Arts and Science, General Studies and Humanities	1,650	23.8	1,347	44.5	48	15.7	3,045	29.6
26 - Biological and Biomedical Sciences	528	7.6	437	14.4	49	16.1	1,014	9.9
27 - Mathematics and Statistics	151	2.2	15	0.5	9	3.0	175	1.7
30 - Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	75	1.1	11	0.4	1	0.3	87	0.8
31 - Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	92	1.3	104	3.4	.	.	196	1.9
38 - Philosophy and Religious Studies	7	0.1	2	0.1	.	.	9	0.1
40 - Physical Science	305	4.4	120	4.0	9	3.0	434	4.2
42 - Psychology	228	3.3	122	4.0	26	8.5	376	3.7
43 - Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting	.	.	.	.	11	3.6	11	0.1
44 - Public Administration and Social Services Prof.	30	0.4	.	.	7	2.3	37	0.4
45 - Social Science	229	3.3	63	2.1	14	4.6	306	3.0
50 - Visual and Performing Arts	65	0.9	43	1.4	3	1.0	111	1.1
51 - Health Professions and Related Programs	104	1.5	.	.	11	3.6	115	1.1
52 - Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Services	646	9.3	279	9.2	52	17.0	977	9.5
54 - History	31	0.4	8	0.3	4	1.3	43	0.4
Total	6,937	100.0	3,030	100.0	305	100.0	10,272	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

	N	%
Agr, Consumer, & Env Sciences	436	6.3
Applied Health Sciences	196	2.8
College of Media	156	2.2
Division of General Studies	1,474	21.2
Education	131	1.9
Engineering	1,566	22.6
Fine & Applied Arts	303	4.4
Gies College of Business	571	8.2
Liberal Arts & Sciences	2,074	29.9
School of Social Work	30	0.4
Total	6,937	100.0

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Chicago Admissions College

	N	%
Applied Health Sciences	104	3.4
Architecture, Design, & the Arts	193	6.4
Business Administration	330	10.9
Education	49	1.6
Engineering	340	11.2
Liberal Arts & Sciences	2,014	66.5
Total	3,030	100.0

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Springfield Admissions College

	N	%
Business and Management	59	19.3
Education and Human Services	7	2.3
Liberal Arts & Sciences	159	52.1
Provost & VC Acad Affairs	47	15.4
Public Affairs & Administratn	33	10.8
Total	305	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	111
2	140640	Lane Tech High Sch	Chicago	104
3	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	82
4	144430	New Trier Township High Sch	Winnetka	82
5	143347	William Fremd High Sch	Palatine	80
6	140205	Barrington Comm Hs	Barrington	72
7	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	70
8	142300	Hinsdale Township HS Central	Hinsdale	60
9	142483	Lyons Township HS N Campus	La Grange	58
10	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	55
11	143215	Glenbrook North High Sch	Northbrook	54
12	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	54
13	143105	Naperville Central High Sch	Naperville	52
14	140177	Illinois Math and Science Acad	Aurora	49
15	141805	York Comm High Sch	Elmhurst	49
16	140447	Buffalo Grove High Sch	Buffalo Grove	47
17	140184	Waubonsie Valley High Sch	Aurora	45
18	141570	Deerfield High Sch	Deerfield	45
19	143377	Maine Township HS South	Park Ridge	45
20	143106	Naperville North High Sch	Naperville	44
21	143245	Oak Park and River Forest Hs	Oak Park	44
22	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	41
23	141860	Evanston Township High Sch	Evanston	41
24	141342	Northside College Prep Hs	Chicago	39
25	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	39

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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	150
2	143927	Niles North High Sch	Skokie	54
3	141315	Thomas Kelly High Sch	Chicago	52
4	141595	Maine Township HS East	Park Ridge	47
5	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	46
6	143926	Niles Township West Hs	Skokie	46
7	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	40
8	141385	William H Taft High Sch	Chicago	40
9	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	36
10	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	35
11	140930	Lake View High Sch	Chicago	33
12	140677	Benito Juarez High Sch	Chicago	32
13	141345	Von Steuben Metro Science Ctr	Chicago	29
14	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	29
15	141083	Noble-Muchin College Prep	Chicago	27
16	141307	Stephen T Mather High Sch	Chicago	27
17	141410	J S Morton High Sch East	Cicero	27
18	142301	Hoffman Estates High Sch	Hoffman Estates	26
19	140658	Noble-UIC College Prep	Chicago	25
20	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	25
21	143357	Amos Alonzo Stagg High Sch	Palos Hills	25
22	143784	South Elgin High Sch	South Elgin	25
23	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	24
24	141016	Curie Metropolitan HS	Chicago	23
25	141631	Comm HS Dist 99 South Hs	Downers Grove	21

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Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	140612	Glenwood High Sch	Chatham	8
2	141347	Noble-Gary Comer Coll Prep	Chicago	8
3	140708	Perspectives Leadership Acad	Chicago	6
4	141083	Noble-Muchin College Prep	Chicago	6
5	143685	Rochester High Sch	Rochester	6
6	143965	Sacred Heart Griffin Hs	Springfield	6
7	144400	Williamsville High Sch	Williamsville	5
8	141091	UPLIFT Community HS	Chicago	4
9	141108	Noble-Rowe Clark Math & Sci	Chicago	4
10	141009	Noble-Noble St College Prep	Chicago	3
11	141073	Percy L Julian High Sch	Chicago	3
12	141315	Thomas Kelly High Sch	Chicago	3
13	141558	Eisenhower High Sch	Decatur	3
14	141595	Maine Township HS East	Park Ridge	3
15	141735	Edwardsville Senior Hs	Edwardsville	3
16	141778	Elk Grove High Sch	Elk Grove Village	3
17	142320	Huntley High Sch	Huntley	3
18	143515	Pleasant Plains High Sch	Pleasant Plains	3
19	143660	Riverton High Sch	Riverton	3
20	143796	St Charles North Hs	St Charles	3
21	143939	Thornwood High Sch	South Holland	3
22	143975	Springfield High Sch	Springfield	3
23	144322	Waukegan High Sch	Waukegan	3
24	144479	Woodstock North High School	Woodstock	3
25	140070	Antioch Community High School	Antioch	2

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Urbana-Champaign Top 25 Majors

Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Biology	465
2	Electrical Engineering	232
3	Psychology	228
4	Computer Science	226
5	Mechanical Engineering	203
6	Computer Engineering	174
7	Chemical Engineering	152
8	Physics	139
9	Aerospace Engineering	133
10	Pre-Early Chld/Elem Ed/Spec Ed	131
11	Chemistry	130
12	Economics	122
13	Mathematics	121
14	Engineering Undeclared	117
15	Civil Engineering	115
16	Agr & Consumer Economics	102
17	Architectural Studies	100
18	Animal Sciences	88
19	LAS - Undeclared	86
20	Art Foundation	82
21	Materials Science & Engr	78
22	Journalism	77
23	Actuarial Science	75
24	Political Science	75
25	Bioengineering	74

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Chicago Top 25 Majors

Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Biological Sciences	314
2	Accounting	125
3	Biochemistry	123
4	Psychology	122
5	Kinesiology - Undeclared	104
6	Chemistry	94
7	Architecture	82
8	Computer Science	78
9	Bioengineering	58
10	Education - Undeclared	49
11	Marketing	48
12	Mechanical Engineering	47
13	Management	45
14	Graphic/Industrial Desgn-Found	43
15	Computer Engineering	42
16	Finance	42
17	Information & Decision Sci	42
18	Engineering-Undeclared	33
19	Chemical Engineering	28
20	Civil Engineering	25
21	Acting	24
22	Art-Foundation	24
23	Economics	24
24	English	20
25	Political Science	20

Note: Based on declared majors only

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Springfield Top 25 Majors

Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Biology	49
2	Business Administration	31
3	Computer Science	30
4	Psychology	26
5	Accountancy	20
6	Communication	12
7	Clinical Laboratory Science	11
8	Criminal Justice	11
9	Political Science	11
10	Chemistry	9
11	Mathematical Sciences	9
12	Legal Studies	7
13	Social Work	7
14	English	5
15	History	4
16	Management Information Systems	4
17	Economics	3
18	Environmental Studies	3
19	Visual Arts	3
20	Global Studies	1
21	Liberal Studies	1
22	Management	1