



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SYSTEM

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# First-Time Freshman Characteristics Fall 2022



## 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 over 95,000 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 over 24,000 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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**Fall 2022 First-Time Freshman Characteristics**

**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>	2	0.0	4	0.1	.	.	6	0.0
<b>Asian</b>	1,792	22.5	906	21.3	9	3.7	2,707	21.7
<b>Black or African American</b>	444	5.6	351	8.3	34	13.9	829	6.7
<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	1,066	13.4	1,772	41.8	44	18.0	2,882	23.2
<b>Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander</b>	2	0.0	1	0.0	.	.	3	0.0
<b>White</b>	2,924	36.7	741	17.5	132	53.9	3,797	30.5
<b>Two or more races</b>	265	3.3	115	2.7	7	2.9	387	3.1
<b>Race and ethnicity unknown</b>	128	1.6	72	1.7	5	2.0	205	1.6
<b>U.S. Nonresident (Nonresident alien)</b>	1,334	16.8	282	6.6	14	5.7	1,630	13.1
<b>Gender</b>								
<b>Male</b>	4,078	51.3	1,924	45.3	97	39.6	6,099	49.0
<b>Female</b>	3,879	48.7	2,320	54.7	148	60.4	6,347	51.0
<b>Residency**</b>								
<b>Resident</b>	5,636	70.8	3,747	88.3	207	84.5	9,590	77.1
<b>Non-Resident/Unknown</b>	987	12.4	215	5.1	24	9.8	1,226	9.9
<b>International</b>	1,334	16.8	282	6.6	14	5.7	1,630	13.1
<b>Total</b>	7,957	100.0	4,244	100.0	245	100.0	12,446	100.0

\*US Department of Education racial/ethnic reporting categories. In response to Executive Orders for more inclusive terminology, "Nonresident alien" was changed to "U.S. Nonresident" in 2022.

\*\*International based on citizen type. Illinois Resident and Non-Illinois Resident derived based on 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>	7,946	99.9	4,179	98.5	243	99.2	12,368	99.4
<b>Part-Time</b>	11	0.1	65	1.5	2	0.8	78	0.6
<b>First Generation</b>								
<b>Yes</b>	1,815	22.8	1,978	46.6	96	39.2	3,889	31.2
<b>No</b>	6,142	77.2	2,266	53.4	149	60.8	8,557	68.8
<b>Age Range</b>								
<b>Under 18</b>	489	6.1	215	5.1	9	3.7	713	5.7
<b>18</b>	6,893	86.6	3,686	86.9	199	81.2	10,778	86.6
<b>19</b>	513	6.4	274	6.5	24	9.8	811	6.5
<b>20</b>	43	0.5	38	0.9	3	1.2	84	0.7
<b>21</b>	14	0.2	11	0.3	2	0.8	27	0.2
<b>22</b>	3	0.0	6	0.1	3	1.2	12	0.1
<b>23</b>	1	0.0	4	0.1	.	.	5	0.0
<b>24</b>	1	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.8	4	0.0
<b>25 and over</b>	.	.	9	0.2	3	1.2	12	0.1
<b>Total</b>	7,957	100.0	4,244	100.0	245	100.0	12,446	100.0

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**ACT Composite Score Distribution**

ACT Distribution	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
14	.	.	1	0.4	.	.	1	0.1
15	.	.	1	0.4	1	2.2	2	0.1
16	.	.	1	0.4	1	2.2	2	0.1
17	1	0.1	2	0.8	.	.	3	0.2
18	.	.	3	1.1	3	6.7	6	0.3
19	.	.	5	1.9	4	8.9	9	0.5
20	3	0.2	5	1.9	4	8.9	12	0.6
21	5	0.3	15	5.7	2	4.4	22	1.2
22	9	0.6	7	2.7	5	11.1	21	1.1
23	6	0.4	13	4.9	1	2.2	20	1.1
24	16	1.0	29	11.0	5	11.1	50	2.7
25	39	2.5	14	5.3	4	8.9	57	3.1
26	46	2.9	25	9.5	1	2.2	72	3.9
27	58	3.7	22	8.4	4	8.9	84	4.5
28	89	5.7	20	7.6	4	8.9	113	6.0
29	141	9.0	24	9.1	3	6.7	168	9.0
30	151	9.7	14	5.3	1	2.2	166	8.9
31	161	10.3	5	1.9	1	2.2	167	8.9
32	180	11.5	12	4.6	1	2.2	193	10.3
33	170	10.9	15	5.7	.	.	185	9.9
34	236	15.1	10	3.8	.	.	246	13.2
35	197	12.6	14	5.3	.	.	211	11.3
36	52	3.3	6	2.3	.	.	58	3.1
<b>Total</b>	1,560	100.0	263	100.0	45	100.0	1,868	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	.	.	4	0.3	7	5.9	11	0.2
801 - 900	2	0.1	17	1.4	6	5.1	25	0.5
901 - 1000	4	0.1	61	5.0	20	16.9	85	1.8
1001 - 1050	21	0.6	86	7.0	14	11.9	121	2.5
1051 - 1100	30	0.9	104	8.5	15	12.7	149	3.1
1101 - 1150	44	1.3	143	11.7	14	11.9	201	4.2
1151 - 1200	101	2.9	157	12.8	15	12.7	273	5.7
1201 - 1250	179	5.1	144	11.8	8	6.8	331	6.9
1251 - 1300	276	7.9	157	12.8	9	7.6	442	9.2
1301 - 1350	358	10.3	120	9.8	5	4.2	483	10.0
1351 - 1400	448	12.9	78	6.4	2	1.7	528	10.9
1401 - 1450	542	15.6	60	4.9	.	.	602	12.5
1451 - 1500	630	18.1	48	3.9	3	2.5	681	14.1
1501 - 1550	610	17.5	33	2.7	.	.	643	13.3
1551 - 1600	240	6.9	12	1.0	.	.	252	5.2
<b>Total</b>	3,485	100.0	1,224	100.0	118	100.0	4,827	100.0

Note: The first administration of the redesigned SAT was in March 2016. The test scores above includes only the redesigned SAT exam.

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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>	1,560	31.3	29.0	32.0	34.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	3,485	1,410.7	1,340.0	1,430.0	1,500.0
<b>Chicago</b>	<b>ACT Composite</b>	263	27.2	24.0	27.0	30.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	1,224	1,221.6	1,120.0	1,220.0	1,320.0
<b>Springfield</b>	<b>ACT Composite</b>	45	23.6	20.0	24.0	27.0
	<b>SAT Total</b>	118	1,097.1	1,000.0	1,100.0	1,200.0

Note: ACT test scores do not include converted SAT scores. SAT test scores include only the redesigned exam administered since March 2016.

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**Program by Two-Digit CIP**

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
<b>01 - Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences</b>	278	3.5	.	.	.	.	278	2.2
<b>03 - Natural Resources and Conservation</b>	50	0.6	.	.	4	1.6	54	0.4
<b>04 - Architecture and Related Services</b>	115	1.4	76	1.8	.	.	191	1.5
<b>05 - Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies</b>	20	0.3	19	0.4	.	.	39	0.3
<b>09 - Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs</b>	170	2.1	24	0.6	3	1.2	197	1.6
<b>11 - Computer and Information Science and Support Services</b>	549	6.9	415	9.8	40	16.3	1,004	8.1
<b>13 - Education</b>	180	2.3	133	3.1	1	0.4	314	2.5
<b>14 - Engineering</b>	1,777	22.3	379	8.9	.	.	2,156	17.3
<b>16 - Foreign Languages, Literature, and Linguistics</b>	33	0.4	2	0.0	.	.	35	0.3
<b>19 - Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences</b>	24	0.3	16	0.4	.	.	40	0.3
<b>22 - Legal Professions and Studies</b>	.	.	.	.	6	2.4	6	0.0
<b>23 - English Language and Literature/Letters</b>	75	0.9	29	0.7	5	2.0	109	0.9
<b>24 - Liberal Arts and Science, General Studies and Humanities</b>	1,274	16.0	1,657	39.0	39	15.9	2,970	23.9
<b>26 - Biological and Biomedical Sciences</b>	585	7.4	361	8.5	21	8.6	967	7.8
<b>27 - Mathematics and Statistics</b>	263	3.3	11	0.3	6	2.4	280	2.2
<b>30 - Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies</b>	202	2.5	30	0.7	2	0.8	234	1.9
<b>31 - Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies</b>	125	1.6	67	1.6	11	4.5	203	1.6
<b>38 - Philosophy and Religious Studies</b>	24	0.3	6	0.1	.	.	30	0.2
<b>40 - Physical Science</b>	292	3.7	80	1.9	5	2.0	377	3.0
<b>42 - Psychology</b>	375	4.7	256	6.0	21	8.6	652	5.2
<b>43 - Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting</b>	.	.	157	3.7	10	4.1	167	1.3
<b>44 - Public Administration and Social Services Prof.</b>	58	0.7	8	0.2	4	1.6	70	0.6
<b>45 - Social Science</b>	438	5.5	102	2.4	8	3.3	548	4.4
<b>50 - Visual and Performing Arts</b>	167	2.1	50	1.2	4	1.6	221	1.8
<b>51 - Health Professions and Related Programs</b>	220	2.8	48	1.1	12	4.9	280	2.2
<b>52 - Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Services</b>	612	7.7	307	7.2	37	15.1	956	7.7
<b>54 - History</b>	51	0.6	11	0.3	6	2.4	68	0.5
<b>Total</b>	7,957	100.0	4,244	100.0	245	100.0	12,446	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>	434	5.5
<b>Applied Health Sciences</b>	345	4.3
<b>College of Media</b>	122	1.5
<b>Division of General Studies</b>	1,151	14.5
<b>Education</b>	156	2.0
<b>Fine &amp; Applied Arts</b>	359	4.5
<b>Gies College of Business</b>	568	7.1
<b>Grainger Engineering</b>	2,044	25.7
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Sciences</b>	2,626	33.0
<b>School of Information Sciences</b>	94	1.2
<b>School of Social Work</b>	58	0.7
<b>Total</b>	7,957	100.0

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Chicago Admissions College

	N	%
Applied Health Sciences	201	4.7
Architecture, Design, & the Arts	223	5.3
Business Administration	624	14.7
Education	114	2.7
Engineering	880	20.7
Liberal Arts & Sciences	2,118	49.9
School of Public Health	41	1.0
Urban Planning & Public Affairs	43	1.0
Total	4,244	100.0

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**Springfield Admissions College**

	N	%
<b>Business and Management</b>	38	15.5
<b>Health, Science, &amp; Technology</b>	114	46.5
<b>Liberal Arts &amp; Social Sciences</b>	29	11.8
<b>Provost &amp; VC Acad Affairs</b>	43	17.6
<b>Public Affairs &amp; Education</b>	21	8.6
<b>Total</b>	245	100.0

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

Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	140640	Lane Tech High Sch	Chicago	154
2	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	121
3	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	96
4	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	93
5	140905	Jones College Prep	Chicago	82
6	144430	New Trier Township High Sch	Winnetka	81
7	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	78
8	142483	Lyons Township HS N Campus	La Grange	72
9	140187	Metea Valley High School	Aurora	69
10	143347	William Fremd High Sch	Palatine	69
11	143062	Prospect High Sch	Mt Prospect	65
12	141382	Walter Payton Coll Prep Sch	Chicago	62
13	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	62
14	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	61
15	144214	Vernon Hills High Sch	Vernon Hills	61
16	141805	York Comm High Sch	Elmhurst	59
17	141860	Evanston Township High Sch	Evanston	59
18	142300	Hinsdale Township HS Central	Hinsdale	58
19	140205	Barrington Comm Hs	Barrington	55
20	141342	Northside College Prep Hs	Chicago	55
21	143215	Glenbrook North High Sch	Northbrook	55
22	143106	Naperville North High Sch	Naperville	50
23	140097	John Hersey High School	Arlington Heights	47
24	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	47
25	140177	Illinois Math and Science Acad	Aurora	46

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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	107
2	140677	Benito Juarez High Sch	Chicago	89
3	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	72
4	140034	Noble-Mansueto High School	Chicago	68
5	141385	William H Taft High Sch	Chicago	64
6	140991	Noble-ITW David Speer Acad	Chicago	61
7	141345	Von Steuben Metro Science Ctr	Chicago	58
8	141016	Curie Metropolitan HS	Chicago	48
9	140187	Metea Valley High School	Aurora	46
10	141315	Thomas Kelly High Sch	Chicago	46
11	140658	Noble-UIC College Prep	Chicago	44
12	140899	John Hancock High Sch	Chicago	44
13	141083	Noble-Muchin College Prep	Chicago	44
14	140842	George Washington High Sch	Chicago	42
15	140905	Jones College Prep	Chicago	40
16	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	39
17	140940	Back of the Yards College Prep	Chicago	38
18	141307	Stephen T Mather High Sch	Chicago	38
19	141410	J S Morton High Sch East	Cicero	38
20	140693	Noble-Chicago Bulls Prep	Chicago	36
21	141239	Noble-Pritzker College Prep	Chicago	36
22	140897	John F Kennedy High Sch	Chicago	34
23	141001	George Westinghouse Coll Prep	Chicago	34
24	143926	Niles Township West Hs	Skokie	33
25	140877	Hubbard High Sch	Chicago	32

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Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	140612	Glenwood High Sch	Chatham	13
2	143685	Rochester High Sch	Rochester	8
3	143960	Lanphier High Sch	Springfield	7
4	143965	Sacred Heart Griffin Hs	Springfield	7
5	143975	Springfield High Sch	Springfield	7
6	140140	Athens Community High School	Athens	5
7	140536	Dundee-Crown High Sch	Carpentersville	4
8	142350	Jacksonville High Sch	Jacksonville	4
9	142950	Minooka Comm High Sch	Minooka	4
10	143065	Mount Pulaski High Sch	Mount Pulaski	4
11	144322	Waukegan High Sch	Waukegan	4
12	141770	Elgin High Sch	Elgin	3
13	142307	Homewood Flossmoor Cmty Hs	Flossmoor	3
14	142655	Lockport Township High Sch	Lockport	3
15	144319	Cristo Rey St Martin Coll Prep	Waukegan	3
16	144400	Williamsville High Sch	Williamsville	3
17	140160	Auburn High Sch	Auburn	2
18	140510	Carbondale Cmty High Sch	Carbondale	2
19	141945	Grant Comm High Sch	Fox Lake	2
20	142301	Hoffman Estates High Sch	Hoffman Estates	2
21	142735	Midwest Central High Sch	Manito	2
22	143097	Mundelein High Sch	Mundelein	2
23	143205	University High Sch	Normal	2
24	143330	Oswego Comm High Sch	Oswego	2
25	143955	Springfield Southeast Hs	Springfield	2

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**Urbana-Champaign Top 25 Majors**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	Business Undeclared	567
2	Biology	458
3	Psychology	375
4	Computer Science	283
5	Computer Engineering	249
6	Electrical Engineering	219
7	Mechanical Engineering	207
8	Civil Engineering	205
9	Political Science	178
10	Engineering Undeclared	173
11	Aerospace Engineering	162
12	Economics	159
13	Mathematics	155
14	Physics	136
15	Bioengineering	119
16	Chemical Engineering	117
17	Architectural Studies	115
18	Chemistry	114
19	Agr & Consumer Economics	112
20	Interdisciplinary Health Sci	112
21	Biochemistry	109
22	Animal Sciences	106
23	Kinesiology	97
24	Information Sciences	94
25	Systems Engineering and Design	94

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**Chicago Top 25 Majors**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	LAS - PreHealth/PreScience	423
2	Computer Science	357
3	Bus Admin-Undeclared	298
4	Biological Sciences	266
5	Criminology, Law, and Justice	157
6	Psychology	143
7	Applied Psychology	113
8	Engineering-Undeclared	106
9	AHS-Undeclared	100
10	Urban Education	98
11	Biochemistry	95
12	Finance	94
13	Computer Engineering	91
14	Mechanical Engineering	79
15	Architecture	76
16	Accounting	71
17	Biomedical Engineering	69
18	Kinesiology	67
19	Civil Engineering	63
20	Marketing	57
21	Graphic/Industrial Desgn-Found	56
22	Chemistry	51
23	Liberal Arts - PreNeuroscience	51
24	Management	48
25	Political Science	47

Note: Based on declared majors only



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<b>Rank</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Frequency</b>
1	Computer Science	37
2	Business Administration	34
3	Psychology	21
4	Biology	17
5	Exercise Science	11
6	Criminology and Criminal Just	10
7	Political Science	8
8	History	6
9	Legal Studies	6
10	Mathematical Sciences	6
11	Chemistry	5
12	English	5
13	Medical Laboratory Sciences	5
14	Pre-Nursing	5
15	Biochemistry	4
16	Environmental Studies	4
17	Accountancy	3
18	Communication	3
19	Pre-Education	3
20	Social Work	3
21	Visual Arts	3
22	Global Studies	2
23	Information Systems Security	2
24	Medical Laboratory Science	2
25	Elementary Education	1