UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SYSTEM

First-Time Freshman Characteristics
Fall 2018

University Office for Planning and Budgeting

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 86,000 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 over 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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Residency, Gender, and Race/Ethnicity

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Residency*								
Resident	5,811	76.4	3,686	88.6	284	89.9	9,781	80.9
Non-Resident/Unknown	862	11.3	200	4.8	19	6.0	1,081	8.9
International	936	12.3	273	6.6	13	4.1	1,222	10.1
Gender								
Male	4,094	53.8	1,874	45.1	130	41.1	6,098	50.5
Female	3,515	46.2	2,285	54.9	186	58.9	5,986	49.5
Race/Ethnicity**								
American Indian or Alaska Native	3	0.0	2	0.0	1	0.3	6	0.0
Asian	1,584	20.8	848	20.4	10	3.2	2,442	20.2
Black or African American	474	6.2	354	8.5	81	25.6	909	7.5
Hispanic/Latino	1,089	14.3	1,660	39.9	55	17.4	2,804	23.2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	8	0.1	.	.	.	.	8	0.1
White	3,154	41.5	876	21.1	145	45.9	4,175	34.5
Two or more races	285	3.7	137	3.3	11	3.5	433	3.6
Race and ethnicity unknown	76	1.0	9	0.2	.	.	85	0.7
Nonresident alien	936	12.3	273	6.6	13	4.1	1,222	10.1
Total	7,609	100.0	4,159	100.0	316	100.0	12,084	100.0

*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.

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

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Distribution of the Two or More Race Category

	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total Two or More Races*	285	100.0	137	100.0	11	100.0	433	100.0
- American Indian or Alaska Native	24	8.4	19	13.9	1	9.1	44	10.2
- Asian	218	76.5	83	60.6	2	18.2	303	70.0
- Black or African American	57	20.0	63	46.0	8	72.7	128	29.6
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	39	13.7	14	10.2	0	0.0	53	12.2
- White	256	89.8	108	78.8	11	100.0	375	86.6
- Asian and White Only	174	61.1	56	40.9	2	18.2	232	53.6

*US Department of Education racial/ethnic reporting categories were revised in Fall 2010. Students who selected more than one race are reported under the Two or more races category. This tables provides the distribution of the underlying races for those in this category.

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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	7,600	99.9	4,109	98.8	313	99.1	12,022	99.5
Part-Time	9	0.1	50	1.2	3	0.9	62	0.5
First Generation								
Yes	1,680	22.1	1,565	37.6	92	29.1	3,337	27.6
No	5,929	77.9	2,594	62.4	224	70.9	8,747	72.4
Age Range								
Under 18	406	5.3	211	5.1	5	1.6	622	5.1
18	6,533	85.9	3,624	87.1	279	88.3	10,436	86.4
19	604	7.9	284	6.8	30	9.5	918	7.6
20	50	0.7	25	0.6	1	0.3	76	0.6
21	6	0.1	4	0.1	.	.	10	0.1
22	3	0.0	7	0.2	.	.	10	0.1
23	1	0.0	2	0.0	.	.	3	0.0
24	2	0.0	.	.	.	.	2	0.0
25 and over	4	0.1	2	0.0	1	0.3	7	0.1
Total	7,609	100.0	4,159	100.0	316	100.0	12,084	100.0

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ACT Composite Score Distribution

ACT Distribution	Urbana-Champaign		Chicago		Springfield		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
15	2	0.0	7	0.4	.	.	9	0.1
16	3	0.1	22	1.3	.	.	25	0.4
17	11	0.2	38	2.2	13	8.6	62	0.9
18	12	0.2	82	4.8	7	4.6	101	1.5
19	25	0.5	95	5.5	11	7.3	131	2.0
20	65	1.3	133	7.7	8	5.3	206	3.1
21	99	2.1	151	8.8	9	6.0	259	3.9
22	133	2.8	155	9.0	12	7.9	300	4.5
23	192	4.0	182	10.6	8	5.3	382	5.7
24	241	5.0	139	8.1	16	10.6	396	5.9
25	333	6.9	111	6.5	12	7.9	456	6.8
26	339	7.0	117	6.8	8	5.3	464	6.9
27	359	7.4	104	6.1	11	7.3	474	7.1
28	389	8.1	67	3.9	6	4.0	462	6.9
29	379	7.9	69	4.0	5	3.3	453	6.8
30	398	8.3	58	3.4	10	6.6	466	7.0
31	393	8.1	58	3.4	3	2.0	454	6.8
32	398	8.3	30	1.7	6	4.0	434	6.5
33	368	7.6	33	1.9	3	2.0	404	6.0
34	323	6.7	31	1.8	3	2.0	357	5.3
35	296	6.1	25	1.5	.	.	321	4.8
36	66	1.4	10	0.6	.	.	76	1.1
Total	4,824	100.0	1,717	100.0	151	100.0	6,692	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	%
601 - 700	1	0.0	.	.	.	.	1	0.0
701 - 800	.	.	4	0.1	3	1.3	7	0.1
801 - 900	6	0.1	89	2.8	18	7.5	113	1.4
901 - 1000	81	1.7	504	15.9	48	20.0	633	7.7
1001 - 1050	150	3.1	428	13.5	27	11.3	605	7.4
1051 - 1100	207	4.3	464	14.6	31	12.9	702	8.6
1101 - 1150	274	5.7	473	14.9	26	10.8	773	9.4
1151 - 1200	379	7.9	369	11.6	23	9.6	771	9.4
1201 - 1250	415	8.7	276	8.7	22	9.2	713	8.7
1251 - 1300	492	10.3	209	6.6	17	7.1	718	8.8
1301 - 1350	482	10.1	157	5.0	9	3.8	648	7.9
1351 - 1400	584	12.2	93	2.9	4	1.7	681	8.3
1401 - 1450	640	13.4	46	1.5	3	1.3	689	8.4
1451 - 1500	596	12.5	24	0.8	6	2.5	626	7.6
1501 - 1550	367	7.7	25	0.8	3	1.3	395	4.8
1551 - 1600	106	2.2	8	0.3	.	.	114	1.4
Total	4,780	100.0	3,169	100.0	240	100.0	8,189	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

		N	Mean	25th Percentile	50th Percentile (Median)	75th Percentile
Urbana-Champaign	**ACT Composite**	4,824	28.8	26.0	29.0	32.0
	SAT Total	4,780	1,325.0	1,220.0	1,340.0	1,450.0
Chicago	**ACT Composite**	1,717	24.2	21.0	23.0	27.0
	SAT Total	3,169	1,127.7	1,030.0	1,120.0	1,210.0
Springfield	**ACT Composite**	151	24.1	20.0	24.0	27.0
	SAT Total	240	1,107.4	980.0	1,090.0	1,210.0

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	%
01 - Agriculture, Agriculture Operations, and Related Sciences	305	4.0	.	.	.	.	305	2.5
03 - Natural Resources and Conservation	53	0.7	.	.	2	0.6	55	0.5
04 - Architecture and Related Services	91	1.2	81	1.9	.	.	172	1.4
05 - Area, Ethnic, Cultural, Gender, and Group Studies	24	0.3	15	0.4	.	.	39	0.3
09 - Communication, Journalism, and Related Programs	180	2.4	35	0.8	9	2.8	224	1.9
11 - Computer and Information Science and Support Services	265	3.5	187	4.5	31	9.8	483	4.0
13 - Education	188	2.5	95	2.3	.	.	283	2.3
14 - Engineering	1,776	23.3	290	7.0	.	.	2,066	17.1
15 - Engineering Technologies and Related Fields	.	.	2	0.0	.	.	2	0.0
16 - Foreign Languages, Literature, and Linguistics	37	0.5	4	0.1	.	.	41	0.3
19 - Family and Consumer Sciences/Human Sciences	55	0.7	14	0.3	.	.	69	0.6
22 - Legal Professions and Studies	.	.	.	.	8	2.5	8	0.1
23 - English Language and Literature/Letters	55	0.7	13	0.3	3	0.9	71	0.6
24 - Liberal Arts and Science, General Studies and Humanities	1,564	20.6	1,656	39.8	55	17.4	3,275	27.1
26 - Biological and Biomedical Sciences	560	7.4	480	11.5	47	14.9	1,087	9.0
27 - Mathematics and Statistics	269	3.5	23	0.6	3	0.9	295	2.4
30 - Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies	99	1.3	76	1.8	1	0.3	176	1.5
31 - Parks, Recreation, Leisure, and Fitness Studies	97	1.3	90	2.2	6	1.9	193	1.6
38 - Philosophy and Religious Studies	9	0.1	6	0.1	.	.	15	0.1
40 - Physical Science	202	2.7	115	2.8	9	2.8	326	2.7
42 - Psychology	318	4.2	168	4.0	23	7.3	509	4.2
43 - Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Firefighting	.	.	143	3.4	19	6.0	162	1.3
44 - Public Administration and Social Services Prof.	51	0.7	5	0.1	14	4.4	70	0.6
45 - Social Science	299	3.9	124	3.0	15	4.7	438	3.6
50 - Visual and Performing Arts	181	2.4	47	1.1	11	3.5	239	2.0
51 - Health Professions and Related Programs	169	2.2	35	0.8	3	0.9	207	1.7
52 - Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Services	715	9.4	447	10.7	55	17.4	1,217	10.1
54 - History	47	0.6	8	0.2	2	0.6	57	0.5
Total	7,609	100.0	4,159	100.0	316	100.0	12,084	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	512	6.7
Applied Health Sciences	266	3.5
College of Media	126	1.7
Division of General Studies	1,663	21.9
Education	131	1.7
Engineering	1,559	20.5
Fine & Applied Arts	341	4.5
Gies College of Business	634	8.3
Liberal Arts & Sciences	2,326	30.6
School of Social Work	51	0.7
Total	7,609	100.0

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Chicago Admissions College

	N	%
Applied Health Sciences	220	5.3
Architecture,Design,& the Arts	261	6.3
Business Administration	470	11.3
Education	75	1.8
Engineering	495	11.9
Liberal Arts & Sciences	2,593	62.3
School of Public Health	23	0.6
Urban Planning &Public Affairs	22	0.5
Total	4,159	100.0

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Springfield Admissions College

	N	%
Business and Management	56	17.7
Education and Human Services	11	3.5
Liberal Arts & Sciences	149	47.2
Provost & VC Acad Affairs	54	17.1
Public Affairs & Administratn	46	14.6
Total	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	153
2	140640	Lane Tech High Sch	Chicago	121
3	143108	Neuqua Valley High Sch	Naperville	108
4	142078	Glenbrook South High Sch	Glenview	95
5	144430	New Trier Township High Sch	Winnetka	95
6	143215	Glenbrook North High Sch	Northbrook	88
7	143347	William Fremd High Sch	Palatine	85
8	143106	Naperville North High Sch	Naperville	83
9	142483	Lyons Township HS N Campus	La Grange	82
10	143105	Naperville Central High Sch	Naperville	77
11	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	75
12	140905	Jones College Prep	Chicago	71
13	140187	Metea Valley High School	Aurora	70
14	142300	Hinsdale Township HS Central	Hinsdale	64
15	141805	York Comm High Sch	Elmhurst	62
16	143343	J B Conant High Sch	Hoffman Estates	55
17	140658	Noble-UIC College Prep	Chicago	54
18	142175	Warren Township High Sch	Gurnee	54
19	141948	Lincoln-Way East High Sch	Frankfort	52
20	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	50
21	141860	Evanston Township High Sch	Evanston	50
22	143245	Oak Park and River Forest Hs	Oak Park	50
23	140205	Barrington Comm Hs	Barrington	49
24	142275	Highland Park High Sch	Highland Park	49
25	140184	Waubonsie Valley High Sch	Aurora	47

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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	129
2	141385	William H Taft High Sch	Chicago	69
3	141345	Von Steuben Metro Science Ctr	Chicago	66
4	141016	Curie Metropolitan HS	Chicago	59
5	141100	Lincoln Park High Sch	Chicago	51
6	143926	Niles Township West Hs	Skokie	48
7	143357	Amos Alonzo Stagg High Sch	Palos Hills	46
8	141083	Noble-Muchin College Prep	Chicago	44
9	140677	Benito Juarez High Sch	Chicago	43
10	143550	Adlai E Stevenson High Sch	Lincolnshire	43
11	141307	Stephen T Mather High Sch	Chicago	42
12	140658	Noble-UIC College Prep	Chicago	41
13	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	41
14	140693	Noble-Chicago Bulls Prep	Chicago	40
15	140940	Back of the Yards College Prep	Chicago	40
16	141315	Thomas Kelly High Sch	Chicago	40
17	140303	J S Morton High Sch West	Berwyn	39
18	141239	Noble-Pritzker College Prep	Chicago	37
19	140930	Lake View High Sch	Chicago	35
20	141055	Senn High Sch	Chicago	35
21	140905	Jones College Prep	Chicago	34
22	141001	George Westinghouse Coll Prep	Chicago	34
23	141383	Whitney M Young Magnet Hs	Chicago	34
24	141042	Eric Solorio Academy High Sch	Chicago	33
25	143927	Niles North High Sch	Skokie	33

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Rank	HS Code	HS Name	HS City	Frequency
1	140612	Glenwood High Sch	Chatham	13
2	140708	Perspectives Leadership Acad	Chicago	13
3	143975	Springfield High Sch	Springfield	9
4	143955	Springfield Southeast Hs	Springfield	6
5	144322	Waukegan High Sch	Waukegan	6
6	143960	Lanphier High Sch	Springfield	5
7	144400	Williamsville High Sch	Williamsville	5
8	140060	Anna Jonesboro Community HS	Anna	4
9	142301	Hoffman Estates High Sch	Hoffman Estates	4
10	143220	North Chicago Comm Hs	North Chicago	4
11	143685	Rochester High Sch	Rochester	4
12	140027	Harry D Jacobs High School	Algonquin	3
13	140265	Belleville Township HS West	Belleville	3
14	141860	Evanston Township High Sch	Evanston	3
15	141945	Grant Comm High Sch	Fox Lake	3
16	142655	Lockport Township High Sch	Lockport	3
17	143155	New Berlin High Sch	New Berlin	3
18	143325	Carl Sandburg High Sch	Orland Park	3
19	143330	Oswego Comm High Sch	Oswego	3
20	143515	Pleasant Plains High Sch	Pleasant Plains	3
21	140040	Alton High School	Alton	2
22	140140	Athens Community High School	Athens	2
23	140380	Bradley Bourbonnais Cmty Hs	Bradley	2
24	140536	Dundee-Crown High Sch	Carpentersville	2
25	140655	Amundsen High Sch	Chicago	2

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Urbana-Champaign Top 25 Majors

Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Biology	484
2	Psychology	318
3	Pre-Engineering	225
4	Mechanical Engineering	223
5	Computer Science	210
6	Computer Engineering	184
7	Mathematics	178
8	Electrical Engineering	177
9	Chemical Engineering	152
10	Political Science	145
11	Engineering Undeclared	133
12	Civil Engineering	131
13	Aerospace Engineering	128
14	Animal Sciences	122
15	Economics	106
16	Chemistry	105
17	Agr & Consumer Economics	102
18	Architectural Studies	91
19	Community Health	87
20	Actuarial Science	81
21	LAS - Undeclared	78
22	Bioengineering	77
23	Engineering Physics	71
24	Materials Science & Engr	71
25	Kinesiology	69

Note: Based on declared majors only

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Chicago Top 25 Majors

Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Biological Sciences	364
2	Psychology	168
3	Computer Science	165
4	Criminology, Law, and Justice	143
5	Accounting	124
6	Biochemistry	116
7	Management	102
8	Kinesiology - Undeclared	86
9	AHS-Undeclared	85
10	Marketing	84
11	Architecture	79
12	Chemistry	79
13	Finance	79
14	Liberal Arts - PreNeuroscience	76
15	Math & Computer Science	76
16	Graphic/Industrial Desgn-Found	67
17	Political Science	67
18	Bioengineering	66
19	Mechanical Engineering	65
20	Urban Education	61
21	Entrepreneurship	58
22	Computer Engineering	46
23	Engineering-Undeclared	38
24	Civil Engineering	37
25	Art-Foundation	35

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Rank	Major	Frequency
1	Business Administration	42
2	Biology	38
3	Computer Science	26
4	Psychology	23
5	Criminology and Criminal Just	19
6	Political Science	13
7	Accountancy	12
8	Social Work	11
9	Biochemistry	9
10	Chemistry	9
11	Communication	9
12	Legal Studies	8
13	Visual Arts	8
14	Exercise Science	6
15	Information Systems Security	5
16	Clinical Laboratory Science	3
17	English	3
18	Mathematical Sciences	3
19	Theatre	3
20	Environmental Studies	2
21	History	2
22	Public Administration	2
23	Economics	1
24	Global Studies	1
25	Liberal Studies	1

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