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FALL 2004 ON-CAMPUS ENROLLMENT SUMMARY

On-campus headcount enrollment increased to 15,809 in Fall 2004, up 40 students (0.3%) from 15,769 in Fall 2003. Enrollment in Fall 2004 included 14,895 full-time and 914 part-time students, of which 14,676 were undergraduates, 867 were graduate students, and 266 were non-degree seeking students enrolled in regular credit courses. There were 90 more full-time and 50 fewer part-time students than Fall 2003. Full-time undergraduate enrollment decreased by 53 (-0.4%). Out-of-state students accounted for 28.8% of on-campus enrollment in Fall 2004, down from 29.7% in Fall 2003. There were 3,285 entering class students, down from 3,388 in Fall 2003. Based on historical patterns, we can expect 91% of the entering class students to return in Fall 2005. We can also expect 80% of these new students to graduate within six years. Undergraduate transfers decreased from 607 in Fall 2003 to 602 in Fall 2004. The number of enrolled students returning grew with 10,368 full-time undergraduates returning in Fall 2004, 53 students more than Fall 2003.

Applications for admission to the entering freshman class declined 0.3% to 15,013 in Fall 2004 from 15,056 in Fall 2003. Overall, the University accepted 9,472 (63.1%) of its applicants for the entering class, up from 9,404 (62.5%) in Fall 2003. The yield rate (the percentage of those offered admission who accepted the offer and enrolled) decreased from 36.0% in Fall 2003 to 34.7% in Fall 2004. The yield rate for Virginia applicants decreased from 41.4% in Fall 2003 to 40.6% in Fall 2004. The out-of-state yield decreased from 29.1% in Fall 2003 to 26.5% in Fall 2004. The percentage of minority entering class students in Fall 2004 was 9.1%, down from 9.9% in Fall 2003. The number of African-American entering class students in Fall 2004 was 61, down from 64 in Fall 2003. In-state African-American entering class students increased from 49 to 55. Asian/Pacific Islanders continued as the largest minority with 153 entering class students, down from 180 in Fall 2003.

Mean SAT scores for entering class students in Fall 2004 were 579 verbal, 583 math, and 1,162 composite. The 2004 composite is five points below the composite of 1,167 for Fall 2003. The highest mean SAT score since recentering began in 1995 was 1,186 in Fall 1995. The 2004 national average SAT composite score was 1,026, while the average for Virginia was 1,024.

On-campus males continue to decline in both headcount and proportion. The number of undergraduate males decreased from 5,889 (40.1%) in Fall 2003 to 5,805 (39.6%) in Fall 2004. Entering male freshmen decreased from 1,220 (36.0%) in Fall 2003 to 1,170 (35.6%) in Fall 2004.

On-campus graduate enrollment increased 23.5% from 702 in Fall 2003 to 867 in Fall 2004. Full-time graduate enrollment increased from 438 in Fall 2003 to 614 in Fall 2004. Much of the graduate student growth is attributed to the five-year bachelor's/master's program in Education. Graduate students represent 5.5% of on-campus enrollment.

Ten-year summary tables appear on the next page. More detailed enrollment tables will be published in the 2004-05 James Madison University *Statistical Summary*. Copies of the *Statistical Summary* are placed on reserve in Carrier Library. Also, the *Statistical Summary* is available online at <http://www.jmu.edu/instresrch>.

TABLE 1
Fall On-Campus Headcount
1995-2004

Fall	Undergraduate	Graduate	Non-degree Seeking	Total
1995	10,503	859	565	11,927
1996	11,643	759	561	12,963
1997	12,551	743	420	13,714
1998	13,225	723	466	14,414
1999	13,668	680	466	14,814
2000	13,824	609	528	14,961
2001	14,069	651	432	15,152
2002	14,402	684	526	15,612
2003	14,683	702	384	15,769
2004	14,676	867	266	15,809

TABLE 2
Fall Entering Class Acceptances and SAT Scores
1995-2004

Fall	Applied	Accepted	Enrolled	Percent Accepted	Percent Enrolled	Mean SAT Composite (Recentered)
1995	12,314	6,989	2,539	56.8	36.3	1,186
1996	13,322	8,434	3,258	63.3	38.6	1,172
1997	14,005	7,688	3,062	54.9	39.8	1,174
1998	13,157	7,818	2,973	59.4	38.0	1,175
1999	12,980	8,494	3,039	65.4	35.8	1,170
2000	13,573	8,712	3,226	64.2	37.0	1,171
2001	14,114	9,080	3,249	64.3	35.8	1,163
2002	15,639	9,048	3,283	57.9	36.3	1,165
2003	15,056	9,404	3,388	62.5	36.0	1,167
2004	15,013	9,472	3,285	63.1	34.7	1,162

TABLE 3
Fall On-Campus Headcount by Gender and Academic Level
1995-2004

Year	Undergraduates		Graduates		Non-degree Seeking		Total	
	Male/Pct	Female/Pct	Male/Pct	Female/Pct	Male/Pct	Female/Pct	Male/Pct	Female/Pct
1995	4,800 (45.7)	5,703 (54.3)	304 (35.4)	555 (64.6)	234 (41.4)	331 (58.6)	5,338 (44.8)	6,589 (55.2)
1996	5,250 (45.1)	6,393 (54.9)	261 (34.4)	498 (65.6)	243 (43.3)	318 (56.7)	5,754 (44.4)	7,209 (55.6)
1997	5,586 (44.5)	6,965 (55.5)	283 (38.1)	460 (61.9)	176 (41.9)	244 (58.1)	6,045 (44.1)	7,669 (55.9)
1998	5,759 (43.6)	7,466 (56.4)	254 (35.1)	469 (64.9)	203 (43.6)	263 (56.4)	6,216 (43.1)	8,198 (56.9)
1999	5,837 (42.7)	7,831 (57.3)	232 (34.1)	448 (65.9)	177 (38.0)	289 (62.0)	6,246 (42.2)	8,568 (57.8)
2000	5,807 (42.0)	8,017 (58.0)	211 (34.6)	398 (65.4)	200 (37.9)	328 (62.1)	6,218 (41.6)	8,743 (58.4)
2001	5,829 (41.4)	8,240 (58.6)	227 (34.9)	424 (65.1)	159 (36.8)	273 (63.2)	6,215 (41.0)	8,937 (59.0)
2002	5,930 (41.2)	8,472 (58.8)	221 (32.3)	463 (67.7)	145 (27.6)	381 (72.4)	6,296 (40.3)	9,316 (59.7)
2003	5,889 (40.1)	8,794 (59.9)	221 (31.5)	481 (68.5)	122 (31.8)	262 (68.2)	6,232 (39.5)	9,537 (60.5)
2004	5,805 (39.6)	8,871 (60.4)	278 (32.1)	589 (67.9)	104 (39.1)	162 (60.9)	6,187 (39.1)	9,622 (60.9)