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FALL 2006 ON-CAMPUS ENROLLMENT SUMMARY

On-campus headcount enrollment increased to 16,970 in Fall 2006, up 424 students (2.6%) from 16,546 in Fall 2005. Degrees were sought by 15,653 undergraduate and 1,030 graduate students. Another 287 non-degree seeking students were enrolled in regular credit courses. There were 16,029 full-time and 941 part-time students. There were 456 more full-time and 32 fewer part-time students than Fall 2005. Full-time degree seeking undergraduate enrollment increased by 379 (2.6%). Out-of-state students accounted for 29.5% of on-campus enrollment, up slightly from 29.4% in Fall 2005. The entering freshman class had 3,748 students, down from 3,798 in Fall 2005. Past freshman performance suggests that roughly 91% of them will return in Fall 2007 and about 80% will graduate within six years. Undergraduate transfers increased from 639 in Fall 2005 to 702 in Fall 2006. The number of enrolled students returning grew with 10,786 full-time undergraduates returning in Fall 2006, 370 students more than Fall 2005.

Applications for admission to the entering freshman class increased 8.4% to 17,765 in Fall 2006 from 16,388 in Fall 2005. The University accepted 11,137 (62.7%) of these freshman applicants, up from 11,094 (67.7%) in Fall 2005. The yield rate (the percentage of accepted students who enrolled) decreased slightly from 34.2% in Fall 2005 to 33.7% in Fall 2006. The yield rate for Virginia applicants did not change from 39.4% in Fall 2005 to 39.4% in Fall 2006. The out-of-state yield decreased from 28.0% in Fall 2005 to 26.1% in Fall 2006. The percentage of minority entering class students in Fall 2006 was 13.0%, up from 10.6% in Fall 2005. The number of African-American entering class students increased from 152 in Fall 2005 to 184 in Fall 2006. In-state African-American entering class students increased from 123 to 160. There were three more African-American students in the entering class than Asian/Pacific Islanders making them the largest minority group since Fall 1998.

The SAT test for Fall 2006 freshmen replaced the verbal test with critical reading and added a new writing test. Mean scores for the new SAT test for entering class students in Fall 2006 were 565 critical reading, 575 math, and 1,140 composite. The 2006 composite is 20 points below the composite for Fall 2005. The highest mean SAT score since recentering began in 1995 was 1,186 in Fall 1995. The 2006 national average SAT composite score was 1,021, while the average for Virginia was 1,025.

The percentage of on-campus males continued to decline, while the headcount increased. Degree seeking undergraduate males increased from 6,020 (39.4%) in Fall 2005 to 6,115 (39.1%) in Fall 2006. Entering male freshmen decreased from 1,376 (36.2%) in Fall 2005 to 1,314 (35.1%) in Fall 2006.

On-campus graduate enrollment (degree and non-degree seeking) increased 4.6% from 1,086 in Fall 2005 to 1,136 in Fall 2006. Full-time graduate enrollment increased from 688 in Fall 2005 to 770 in Fall 2006. Graduate students represent 6.7% of on-campus enrollment.

Ten-year summary tables follow on the next page. More detailed enrollment tables are published in the 2006-07 James Madison University *Statistical Summary*. The *Statistical Summary* is available online at <http://www.jmu.edu/instresrch>. Copies of the *Statistical Summary* are also placed on reserve in the Carrier Library.

TABLE 1
Fall On-Campus Headcount, 1997-2006

Fall	Degree Seeking			Total
	Undergraduate	Graduate	Non-degree Seeking	
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
2005	15,282	959	305	15,546
2006	15,653	1,030	287	16,970

TABLE 2
Fall Entering Class Acceptances and SAT Scores, 1997-2006

Fall	Applied	Accepted	Enrolled	Percent Accepted	Percent Enrolled	Mean SAT Composite
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
2005	16,388	11,094	3,798	67.7	34.2	1,160
2006	17,765	11,137	3,748	62.7	33.7	1,140

TABLE 3
Fall On-Campus Headcount by Gender and Academic Level, 1997-2006

Year	Degree Seeking						Total	
	Undergraduate		Graduate		Non-degree Seeking		Male/Pct	Female/Pct
	Male/Pct	Female/Pct	Male/Pct	Female/Pct	Male/Pct	Female/Pct		
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)
2005	6,020 (39.4)	9,262 (60.6)	304 (31.7)	655 (68.3)	98 (32.1)	207 (67.9)	6,422 (38.8)	10,124 (61.2)
2006	6,115 (39.1)	9,538 (60.9)	335 (32.5)	695 (67.5)	85 (29.6)	202 (70.4)	6,535 (38.5)	10,435 (61.5)