Fall 2013 Enrollment Summary

Intended as a quick snapshot, this research note focuses on the facts and figures documenting enrollment at James Madison University during the fall 2013 term. The information presented in this summary is derived from the official fall 2013 census data submitted to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV), trends and historical information from archived records and surveys kept in the Office of Institutional Research. Unless otherwise noted, figures include both on- and off-campus students.

More detailed census histories, enrollment tables, and other student data are published in the 2013-14 James Madison University Statistical Summary and the OIR Data Warehouse. Both resources are available online at: www.jmu.edu/instresrch. For questions related to this research note, please contact: Lou Hedrick.

Overall Enrollment
Fall 2013 enrollment at JMU rose slightly from fall 2012.

- Total enrollment grew 1.3% (254 students) from 19,927 in 2012 to 20,181 in fall 2013.
- Full-time students grew by 1.3% (234 students) to 18,626.
- Part-time students grew by 1.3% (20 students) over the last year, from 1,535 to 1,555.
- Out-of-state students saw a 1% (57) decrease falling from 5,481 in 2012 to 5,424 in fall 2013.
- In-state students increased by 2.2% (311) over fall 2012.
Undergraduate Enrollment

18,431 undergraduate (UG) students make up 91.3% of JMU’s total enrollment.

Other Undergraduate Enrollment Facts:

- 92.3% of JMU’s 2012 first-time freshmen returned this fall.
- Full-time degree-seeking undergraduates increased 1.2% (202) to 17,504.
- The number of full-time degree-seeking undergraduates returning to JMU this fall grew by 2.8% (342) for a total of 12,737.
- JMU’s part-time undergraduate population increased by 16.3% (127) to 905 students this fall.

Graduate Enrollment

Degree-seeking and non-degree-seeking graduate student enrollment decreased by 6% (111) between (1,820) fall 2012 and (1,709) fall 2013.

Other Graduate Enrollment Facts:

- Full-time enrollment saw a 3.5% increase from 1,063 in fall 2012 to 1,100 in fall 2013.
- Part-time graduate enrollment decreased by 19.6% from 757 in fall 2012 to 609 in fall 2013.
- The number of degree-seeking graduate students increased by 2% (31) from (1,512) in 2012 to (1,543).
- The proportion of graduate students to JMU’s total enrollment decreased from 9.1% in 2012 to 8.7% in 2013.
**Admissions**

A total of 4,202 or 30% of accepted first-time, first-year students enrolled at JMU this fall.

**Additional Admissions facts:**

- Total applications for first-time freshmen increased 3.3% or 752 from 22,648 in fall 2012 to 23,400 in fall 2013.
- JMU accepted 61% (14,168) of its freshman applicants.
- 37% of accepted in-state applicants chose to enroll this fall. This represents a slight increase from 36% in fall 2012.
- A total of 21% of accepted, out-of-state applicants enrolled this fall, a slight decrease when compared with 23% in 2012.

**First-time Freshmen**

JMU’s freshman class decreased 2.8% from 4,325 fall 2012 to 4,202 (2013) students.

**Other interesting freshmen facts:**

- First-time freshmen make up 21% of JMU’s total enrollment.
- The average age of first-time freshmen is 18.
- The number of males decreased by 7.1% from 1,710 in fall 2012 to 1,588 in fall 2013.
- First-time freshmen females remained almost the same from last year’s 2,615 at 2,614 in fall 2013.
- Since fall 2003, the ratio of first-time freshmen men to women has changed from 36% men and 64% women to 38% men and 62% women in fall 2013.
- 2013 freshmen average Verbal SAT scores have increased slightly when compared with 2012: 570 to 572. Average SAT Math scores have remained the same when compared with 2012 at 580 Math. Combined scores increased slightly from 1150 in 2012 to 1152 in fall 2013.
- JMU freshmen mean SAT scores exceed both Virginia and national averages.
Transfer Enrollment

A total of 621 students transferred to JMU this fall, a slight change from last year’s 626.

Additional transfer student information:

- The number of female transfer students increased by 3.6% from 308 (2012) to 319 (2013) while the number of males decreased 5%.
- The average age of an undergraduate transfer student is 22.2.

International Students

A total of 411 international students representing 68 countries attend JMU.

Additional international student data:

- JMU’s international student population grew 14% from 359 students in fall 2012 to 411 in fall 2013.
- A total of 86% of JMU’s international students are degree-seeking undergraduates; 11% are pursuing doctoral/graduate degrees; and 2% are enrolled as Continuing Education students.
- The number of women increased by 24% (38) between 2012 and 2013 while the number of men increased only 7% (14).
- The gender distribution is 52% men and 48% women.
Student Body Race & Ethnicity:

Hispanic has surpassed Asian as the largest reported race/ethnic minority group at JMU, comprising 29% of reported minorities and 4.6% of JMU’s total fall enrollment.

Note: All race ethnicity data are self-reported by students and may be changed by the student at any time.

Student Body Race/Ethnicity:

- Hispanic has surpassed Asian as the largest reported race/ethnic group at JMU, comprising 27% of reported minorities and 4.6% of JMU’s total fall enrollment.
- Students reporting Hispanic as their race/ethnicity increased by 132 or 17% since fall 2012.
- Since the new Federal reporting guidelines began in fall 2010, students choosing Black or African American as their race/ethnicity increased 6.1% between 2010 and 2013.
- Students reporting Two or More Races increased by 321 or 252% since fall 2010.

First-time Freshmen Race/Ethnicity:

- For the second year in a row, 221 first-time freshmen reported their race/ethnicity as Hispanic and make up the largest minority population.
- The number of first-time Asian students increased nearly 12% between fall 2012 and 2013 and represent the second largest minority group.
- First-time Black or African-American freshmen comprise 4% of this fall’s freshman class, and no change between fall 2012 and fall 2013.
Interesting Facts About JMU’s Student Body:

What's your name?
Top 10 First Names by Gender

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How old are you?
Youngest Degree-seeking Undergraduate 17 years old
JMU’s Oldest Student for the fall 2013 Semester 76 years old

When is your birthday?
Most Common Undergraduate Birthday
May 5th
Least Common Undergraduate Birthday
February 29th

What's your major?
Top 5 Undergraduate Majors

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Top 5 First-time Freshmen Majors

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