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# Profile of Undergraduate Students Fall 2007 and Fall 2008

This report contains demographic and academic information for all undergraduate students for Fall 2007 and Fall 2008:

Gender State of Permanent Address High School Class Quartile Program of Study Age County of Permanent Residence **Religious Affiliation** Enrollee Type **Minority Status** Citizenship Status Entrance Test scores Classification Racial/Ethnic Group Full/Part-Time Status Classification of Transfers Country of Citizenship Average Credit Hour Load First and Second Majors

Please see page 2 for a note on test score (SAT and ACT) statistics.

#### **Fall 2008**

The undergraduate enrollment of 2,208 includes 560 new freshmen and 252 new transfer students for Fall 2007. There are 31 students classified as Post-Baccalaureate or Non-Degree Seeking. Demographically, sixty-five percent (1,443) of the undergraduates are female, and sixty percent (1,333) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up approximately thirty-four percent (34.4%) of undergraduates.

For students with known addresses, 2,142 (97.9%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 74 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 84.6% of undergraduates. Ninety percent are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, fifty-one percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The mean score for undergraduates for the SAT is 1094 and 22 for the ACT examination.

#### **Fall 2007**

The undergraduate enrollment of 1,992 includes 456 new freshmen and 273 new transfer students for Fall 2007. There are 31 students classified as Post-Baccalaureate or Non-Degree Seeking. Demographically, sixty-seven percent (1,325) of the undergraduates are female, and fifty-six percent (1,115) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up approximately thirty-five percent (34.5%) of undergraduates.

For students with known addresses, 1,935 (98.3%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 65 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 85.8% of undergraduates. Ninety percent are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, forty-seven percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The mean score for undergraduates for the SAT is 1100 and 22 for the ACT examination.

## **Test Score Calculations**

| Citizenship Status | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |       |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Citizenship Status | #         | %     | #         | %     |
| U.S. Citizen       | 1,793     | 90.0  | 1,989     | 90.1  |
| Resident Alien     | 79        | 4.0   | 97        | 4.4   |
| Non-Resident Alien | 120       | 6.0   | 122       | 5.5   |
| Total              | 1,992     | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Racial/Ethnic Group           | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |       |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Racial/Ethine Group           | #         | %     | #         | %     |
| African American/Black        | 406       | 20.4  | 484       | 21.9  |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 8         | 0.4   | 10        | 0.5   |
| Asian or Pacific Islander     | 341       | 17.1  | 356       | 16.1  |
| Hispanic or Latino            | 360       | 18.1  | 469       | 21.2  |
| White non-Hispanic            | 818       | 41.1  | 799       | 36.2  |
| Other                         | ٠         | ٠     | 14        | 0.6   |
| Ethnicity Unknown             | 59        | 3.0   | 76        | 3.4   |
| Total                         | 1,992     | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Racial/Ethnic Group - Non-Resident Aliens Partitioned | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |       |
|---|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| 1 ai tuoneu   | #         | %     | #         | %     |
| African American/Black                                | 372       | 18.7  | 451       | 20.4  |
| American Indian/Alaska Native                         | 8         | 0.4   | 10        | 0.5   |
| Asian or Pacific Islander                             | 309       | 15.5  | 317       | 14.4  |
| Hispanic or Latino                                    | 342       | 17.2  | 448       | 20.3  |
| White non-Hispanic                                    | 807       | 40.5  | 783       | 35.5  |
| Other   |           |       | 11        | 0.5   |
| Ethnicity Unknown                                     | 34        | 1.7   | 66        | 3.0   |
| Non-Resident Alien                                    | 120       | 6.0   | 122       | 5.5   |
| Total   | 1,992     | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Country of Citizenship | Fall  | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |  |
|------------------------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|--|
| Country of Citizenship | #     | %         | #     | %         |  |
| Trinidad and Tobago    | 2     | 0.1       | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| United Kingdom         | 4     | 0.2       | 6     | 0.3       |  |
| United States          | 1,793 | 90.0      | 1,989 | 90.1      |  |
| Unknown                | 95    | 4.8       | 110   | 5.0       |  |
| Venezuela              | 5     | 0.3       | 6     | 0.3       |  |
| Vietnam                | 6     | 0.3       | 13    | 0.6       |  |
| Yugoslavia             |       |           | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Zimbabwe               | 3     | 0.2       | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Total                  | 1,992 | 100.0     | 2,208 | 100.0     |  |

| State of Permanent Address   | Fall  | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |  |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|--|
| State of Permanent Address   | #     | %     | #         | %     |  |
| Alabama                      | 1     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| Alaska                       | 1     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| Arkansas                     | 2     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| California                   | 6     | 0.3   | 16        | 0.7   |  |
| Colorado                     | 1     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| Florida                      | 1     | 0.1   | 2         | 0.1   |  |
| Georgia                      | 2     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Idaho                        | 1     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Illinois                     | 2     | 0.1   | 3         | 0.1   |  |
| Kansas                       | 1     | 0.1   | •         | ٠     |  |
| Kentucky                     | 1     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Louisiana                    | •     | •     | 4         | 0.2   |  |
| Maryland                     | 2     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| Massachusetts                | 1     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Michigan                     | •     | •     | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Minnesota                    | 1     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| Mississippi                  |       |       | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Missouri                     | •     | •     | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Montana                      |       |       | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| New Jersey                   | •     |       | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| New Mexico                   | 1     | 0.1   |           |       |  |
| New York                     |       |       | 2         | 0.1   |  |
| Non-U.S. Address             | 1     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| North Dakota                 | 1     | 0.1   | 2         | 0.1   |  |
| Ohio                         | 2     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Pennsylvania                 |       | •     | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| South Carolina               | 1     | 0.1   | •         | ٠     |  |
| Texas                        | 1,935 | 97.1  | 2,142     | 97.0  |  |
| US Territories/Military Addr | 2     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Unknown                      | 24    | 1.2   | 21        | 1.0   |  |
| Virginia                     | 2     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| West Virginia                |       |       | 1         | 0.0   |  |
| Total                        | 1,992 | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |  |

| Country of Downson and Addison (Towns) | Fall  | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |  |
|--|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|--|
| County of Permanent Address (Texas)    | #     | %         | #     | %         |  |
| Rockwall                               |       | •         | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| San Patricio                           |       |           | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Smith                                  | 1     | 0.1       | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Tarrant                                | 6     | 0.3       | 15    | 0.7       |  |
| Travis                                 | 4     | 0.2       | 8     | 0.4       |  |
| Tyler                                  |       |           | 4     | 0.2       |  |
| Unknown                                | 4     | 0.2       | 8     | 0.4       |  |
| Upshur                                 |       |           | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Victoria                               | 2     | 0.1       | 3     | 0.1       |  |
| Walker                                 | 1     | 0.1       | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Washington                             | 4     | 0.2       | 5     | 0.2       |  |
| Webb                                   |       |           | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Wharton                                | 7     | 0.4       | 4     | 0.2       |  |
| Williamson                             | 4     | 0.2       | 6     | 0.3       |  |
| Wilson                                 | 2     | 0.1       | 1     | 0.0       |  |
| Total                                  | 1,935 | 100.0     | 2,142 | 100.0     |  |

| Religious Affiliation          | Fall  | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Religious Affiliation          | #     | %     | #         | %     |
| Assembly of God                | 3     | 0.2   | 11        | 0.5   |
| Baptist                        | 687   | 34.5  | 759       | 34.4  |
| Buddhist                       | 14    | 0.7   | 23        | 1.0   |
| Catholic                       | 293   | 14.7  | 339       | 15.4  |
| Christian Church               | 38    | 1.9   | 53        | 2.4   |
| Church of Christ               | 33    | 1.7   | 42        | 1.9   |
| Church of God                  | 18    | 0.9   | 20        | 0.9   |
| Disciples of Christ (Christian |       |       | 1         | 0.0   |
| Eastern Orthodox               | 1     | 0.1   | 1         | 0.0   |
| Episcopalian                   | 27    | 1.4   | 25        | 1.1   |
| Evangelical Free Church        | 2     | 0.1   | 2         | 0.1   |
| Hindu                          | 18    | 0.9   | 20        | 0.9   |
| Jehovah's Witness              |       |       | 1         | 0.0   |
| Jewish                         | 3     | 0.2   | 3         | 0.1   |
| Latter Day Saints (Mormon)     | •     |       | 1         | 0.0   |
| Lutheran                       | 28    | 1.4   | 26        | 1.2   |
| Methodist                      | 84    | 4.2   | 96        | 4.3   |
| Moslem (Islam, Muslim)         | 52    | 2.6   | 61        | 2.8   |
| No Preference                  | 49    | 2.5   | 94        | 4.3   |
| Non-denominational             | 70    | 3.5   | 114       | 5.2   |
| Other                          | 330   | 16.6  | 267       | 12.1  |
| Pentecostal                    | 22    | 1.1   | 27        | 1.2   |
| Presbyterian                   | 30    | 1.5   | 32        | 1.4   |
| Protestant                     | 3     | 0.2   | 5         | 0.2   |
| Reformed                       |       | •     | 1         | 0.0   |
| Seventh Day Adventist          | 6     | 0.3   | 8         | 0.4   |
| Undeclared                     | 181   | 9.1   | 176       | 8.0   |
| Total                          | 1,992 | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Interquartile Range | Fall 2007 | Fall 2008 |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 25th Percentile     | 980       | 980       |
| 75th Percentile     | 1210      | 1200      |

|      | Fall 2007 | Fall 2008 |
|------|-----------|-----------|
| Mean | 1100      | 1094      |

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| Interquartile Range | Fall 2007 | Fall 2008 |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 25th Percentile     | 20        | 20        |
| 75th Percentile     | 25        | 25        |

|      | Fall 2007 | Fall 2008 |
|------|-----------|-----------|
| Mean | 22        | 22        |

| ACT Distribution | Fall | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|------------------|------|-------|-----------|-------|
| ACT Distribution | #    | %     | #         | %     |
| < 20             | 60   | 35.1  | 77        | 35.0  |
| 20-21            | 18   | 10.5  | 24        | 10.9  |
| 22-24            | 50   | 29.2  | 60        | 27.3  |
| 25-27            | 24   | 14.0  | 31        | 14.1  |
| 28-29            | 11   | 6.4   | 18        | 8.2   |
| 30+              | 8    | 4.7   | 10        | 4.5   |
| Total            | 171  | 100.0 | 220       | 100.0 |

| Median Scores by Gender  | Fall 2007 |      |      | Fall 2008 |      |      |
|--------------------------|-----------|------|------|-----------|------|------|
| Wiedian Scores by Gender | Engl      | Math | Comp | Engl      | Math | Comp |
| Male                     | 21        | 23   | 22   | 21        | 23   | 22   |
| Female                   | 22        | 21   | 22   | 22        | 22   | 22   |

### Note:

<sup>1.</sup> Although submission of entrance test scores generally is required in the admission process, in each entering class there were a small number of students who were admitted without entrance test scores. Therefore, the number of SAT scores plus the number of ACT scores does not equal the total class size.

<sup>2.</sup> The highest SAT is compared to the highest ACT and only the better score is retained.

| Full/Part-Time Status | Fall  | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| rui/rart-rime Status  | #     | %     | #         | %     |
| Full-Time             | 1,794 | 90.1  | 1,897     | 85.9  |
| Part-Time             | 198   | 9.9   | 311       | 14.1  |
| Total                 | 1,992 | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Average Credit Hour Load*      | Fall  | 2007    | Fall 2008 |         |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------|-----------|---------|
| Average Credit Hour Load       | #     | Average | #         | Average |
| College of Arts and Humanities | 84    | 10.8    | 79        | 14.8    |
| College of Business/Economics  | 321   | 9.9     | 336       | 13.7    |
| College of Education/Beh Sci   | 3     | 8.7     |           |         |
| College of Nursing             | 321   | 8.9     | 403       | 12.7    |
| College of Science/Mathematics | 6     | 10.7    | 2         | 16.5    |
| No College Designated          | 18    | 5.5     | 10        | 3.5     |
| Smith College General Studies  | 1,239 | 9.8     | 1,350     | 13.6    |
| The Honors College             |       |         | 28        | 14.8    |
| Total                          | 1,992 | 9.7     | 2,208     | 13.5    |

| High School Class Quartile** | Fall                            | 2007 | Fall 2008 |      |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------|-----------|------|
| riigh School Class Quarthe   | #                               | %    | #         | %    |
| First Quartile               | 396                             | 47.2 | 522       | 50.9 |
| Second Quartile              | 245                             | 29.2 | 290       | 28.3 |
| Third Quartile               | 1378.64 0.72 18.A* BT /F2 4tile |      |           |      |

| Program of Study     | Fall 2007 |   | Fall 2008 |   |
|----------------------|-----------|---|-----------|---|
| 1 Togram of Study    | #         | % | #         | % |
| Associate in Nursing |           | • | •         |   |

| Enrollee Type                  | Fall  | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Enronce Type                   | #     | %     | #         | %     |
| New First Time Freshman (0hrs) | 456   | 22.9  | 560       | 25.4  |
| Transfer Student               | 273   | 13.7  | 252       | 11.4  |
| Post-Baccalaureate (Deg)       | 13    | 0.7   | 8         | 0.4   |
| Continuing                     | 1,232 | 61.8  | 1,379     | 62.5  |
| Non-Degree Seeking             | 18    | 0.9   | 9         | 0.4   |
| Total                          | 1,992 | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Classification     | Fall  | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Ciassification     | #     | %     | #         | %     |
| Freshman           | 611   | 30.7  | 757       | 34.3  |
| Sophomore          | 394   | 19.8  | 442       | 20.0  |
| Junior             | 413   | 20.7  | 433       | 19.6  |
| Senior             | 543   | 27.3  | 545       | 24.7  |
| Post Baccalaureate | 30    | 1.5   | 26        | 1.2   |
| Non-Degree Seeking | 1     | 0.1   | 5         | 0.2   |
| Total              | 1,992 | 100.0 | 2,208     | 100.0 |

| Classification of New Transfers | Fall | 2007  | Fall 2008 |       |
|---------------------------------|------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Classification of New Transfers | #    | %     | #         | %     |
| Freshman                        | 36   | 13.2  | 64        | 25.4  |
| Sophomore                       | 145  | 53.1  | 105       | 41.7  |
| Junior                          | 72   | 26.4  | 72        | 28.6  |
| Senior                          | 20   | 7.3   | 11        | 4.4   |
| Total                           | 273  | 100.0 | 252       | 100.0 |

| First Major                    | Fall 2007 |      | Fall 2008 |      |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|-----------|------|
|                                | #         | %    | #         | %    |
| Multidisciplinary Studies      | 52        | 2.6  | 48        | 2.2  |
| Music (Liberal Arts)           | 12        | 0.6  | 18        | 0.8  |
| Music Education                | 29        | 1.5  | 34        | 1.5  |
| Music-Composition              | 8         | 0.4  | 8         | 0.4  |
| Music-Performance              | 32        | 1.6  | 32        | 1.4  |
| Music-Theory                   | 4         | 0.2  | 4         | 0.2  |
| Music/Teacher Certification-BM | 2         | 0.1  | •         |      |
| Nursing                        | 321       | 16.1 | 405       | 18.3 |
| Pedagogy                       | 27        | 1.4  | 36        | 1.6  |

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| First & Second Major*          | Fall 2007 |       | Fall 2008 |       |
|--------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
|                                | #         | %     | #         | %     |
| Mathematical Studies           | 9         | 0.3   | 8         | 0.2   |
| Mathematics                    | 20        | 0.6   | 23        | 0.6   |
| Molecular Biology/Biochemistry | 103       | 3.0   | 126       | 3.3   |
| Multidisciplinary Studies      | 53        | 1.6   | 49        | 1.3   |
| Music (Liberal Arts)           | 29        | 0.8   | 41        | 1.1   |
| Music Education                | 30        | 0.9   | 34        | 0.9   |
| Music-Composition              | 10        | 0.3   | 8         | 0.2   |
| Music-Performance              | 34        | 1.0   | 33        | 0.9   |
| Music-Theory                   | 4         | 0.1   | 4         | 0.1   |
| Music/Teacher Certification-BM | 2         | 0.1   |           |       |
| Non-Profit Management          | 1         | 0.0   |           |       |
| Nursing                        | 321       | 9.4   | 405       | 10.7  |
| Pedagogy                       | 74        | 2.2   | 86        | 2.3   |
| Pedagogy High School           | 6         | 0.2   |           |       |
| Pedagogy-Grades All Level      | 6         | 0.2   |           |       |
| Philosophy                     |           |       | 4         | 0.1   |
| Physical Science               | 2         | 0.1   |           |       |
| Physics                        | 16        | 0.5   | 20        | 0.5   |
| Political Science              | 80        | 2.3   | 94        | 2.5   |
| Psychology                     | 209       | 6.1   | 217       | 5.7   |
| Public Policy                  | 12        | 0.4   | 17        | 0.4   |
| Sociology                      | 58        | 1.7   | 62        | 1.6   |
| Spanish                        | 52        | 1.5   | 48        | 1.3   |
| Speech Communication           | 53        | 1.6   | 45        | 1.2   |
| Undeclared                     | 266       | 7.8   | 262       | 6.9   |
| Writing                        | 24        | 0.7   | 40        | 1.1   |
| Total                          | 3,419     | 100.0 | 3,800     | 100.0 |

<sup>\*</sup> In this table a student is counted once for each major (a duplicate count).