## HIGHLIGHTS

In spring 2004, 436 students applied for admission to Montclair State University as first-time full-time freshmen, up from last year's 419, an increase of 4.1%. Thirty-one percent, or 134 of these applicants, were accepted into the University. Admitted students, or those who sent in a deposit, numbered 88 or 65.7 percent of those accepted. Fifty-nine percent, or 79 of those accepted, enrolled in classes. An additional 45 first-time part-time freshmen applied; 14 were accepted; 13 were admitted and 11 part-time freshmen enrolled. All told, 90 new freshmen began Montclair State University this spring, a 20 percent decrease from the previous spring's number of 113.

Usually, <u>accepted</u> students have slightly lower average Combined SAT (CSAT) scores and average class rank than <u>enrolled</u> first-time full-time freshmen. In spring 2004, CSAT scores were 1,078 for accepted first-time full-time freshmen, regardless of admission type, and 1,093 for those who enrolled. The average class rank was 69 for both groups.

Over fifty-nine percent of enrolled first-time, full-time freshmen were female. Of those who reported their race/ethnicity information, 51.6 percent were White, 17.8 percent were Hispanic, 6.5 percent were Asian, 4.8 percent were African American and 3.2 percent were Native American. Additionally, 16.1 were percent international students.

The average age of first-time, full-time freshmen who enrolled at Montclair State University in spring 2004 was 21 years.

Eighty-seven percent of our first-time, full-time freshmen resided in New Jersey. Almost sixty percent of all first-time, full-time enrolled freshmen came from three counties: Essex (23 percent); Bergen (20.5 percent) and Passaic (16.7 percent). Almost 13 percent were from out of state.

In spring 2004, 1,388 first-time, full- and part-time transfer students applied to MSU. Slightly more than 58 percent of those applying were accepted. Of the 807 who were accepted, almost 76 percent (610) were admitted and 65.8 percent (531) enrolled in classes.

Almost 62% percent of enrolled first-time, full- and part-time transfer students were female. Of those who reported their race/ethnicity information, 52 percent were White; 15.2 percent were Hispanic; 14.5 percent were African American; 8.6 percent were Asian; and 1.4 percent were Native American. Additionally, 8.1 percent were non-resident aliens.

Fifty-eight percent of newly enrolled transfer students transferred from New Jersey public community colleges. Sixty-five percent of the New Jersey community college students came from three community colleges in particular: Bergen Community College (30.2%), County College of Morris (17.8%) and Essex County College (16.6%).

All told, a total of 757 new undergraduate students started MSU in spring 2004. First-time full-time transfers made up 59.3 percent of all new students, followed by readmits, 17.4 percent; part-time transfer students, 10.8 percent; full-time freshmen students, 10.4 percent; part-time freshmen, 1.4 percent; and second BA students, 0.5 percent.