

HIGHLIGHTS

In spring 2005, 2,731 students began the admissions process by sending an application to Montclair State University's various graduate degree, certification, certificate and non-degree programs. These students were not necessarily first time to MSU, but they were first time to these programs. This number reflects complete and incomplete applications. A somewhat smaller number, 1,589, completed the application process. The number of completed applications is up from last spring's number of 1,465. Those with completed applications make up the applicant base from which the numbers and percents in the accompanying tables were drawn.

The number of completed applications for degree-seeking students was 45 percent (up from last year's 36.7 percent); almost 39 percent applied as non-degree students; close to 13 percent applied for certification programs; and another 4 percent applied to one of the certificate programs.

This spring the University accepted over 83 percent of all applicants, slightly more than last year. Of those accepted, over 72 percent (959) of the students enrolled in classes this spring.

The average verbal and math Graduate Record Exam (GRE) test scores for enrolled masters-seeking graduate students were 417 and 478, respectively. The average score for the Miller Analogies Test was 143 and for the GMAT it was 494.

The average undergraduate GPA for enrolled masters-seeking graduate students was 3.10.

Seventy-seven percent of first-time enrolled graduate students were female. This spring, almost 13 percent did not supply any information for their race/ethnicity. For those who provided this information, 70 percent were white; 13 percent were African American; 11 percent were Hispanic; 4 percent were Asian; and almost 2 percent were non-resident aliens.

Over 96 percent of our new graduate students are from New Jersey. Almost eighty percent of the first-time enrolled graduate students came from the following five counties in New Jersey: Essex, 25 percent; Bergen, 23 percent; Passaic, 14 percent; Morris, over 9 percent; and Hudson, almost 8 percent. Over 3 percent of the first-time students come from outside New Jersey.