

## **ENROLLMENT HIGHLIGHTS**

The semester enrollment report is based on information taken from the University's student information system at the time of the semester's census date (the tenth day of classes). These figures reflect how many Montclair State University students are enrolled in courses at the end of this business day. This definition follows the New Jersey S.U.R.E. enrollment report requirements. Reports generated later in the semester using the live files will reflect students who have withdrawn from courses and the counts will, therefore, be smaller than these official counts.

Overall, 16,076 students enrolled at Montclair State University in fall 2006, an increase of less than 1 percent compared to fall 2005. Of these, 12,365 enrolled at undergraduate level, while 3,711 enrolled as graduates in various masters and doctoral programs.

### **Undergraduates**

An increase of almost 3 percent was evidenced in the enrollment of undergraduates since last fall. Almost 99 percent of the undergraduates were degree seeking and over 82 percent enrolled as full-time students. The average credit load for full-time undergraduates is 14.9 credits and for part-time students it is 6.8 credits. Freshmen and sophomores make up 26 percent and 19 percent of undergraduates, while juniors and seniors represented with 23 and 31 percent, respectively.

Over 60 percent of undergraduates are female. Among those who provided information regarding their race/ethnicity, 11 percent identify themselves as African American, 6 percent as Asian, 19 percent as Hispanic, and 61 percent as White. Almost 3 percent of the international students also enrolled as undergraduates at MSU. The average age of undergraduates enrolled in Fall 2006 is about 23 years.

Over 96 percent of the undergraduates enrolled from the state of New Jersey. Of those who enrolled from within the state, 63 percent represented from Bergen (20 percent), Essex (19 percent), Passaic (15 percent) and Morris (9 percent) counties.

The university offered 46 active degree programs at MSU in the fall semester of 2006. Almost 82 percent of the enrolled undergraduates had a declared major. The five undergraduate majors with the most students enrolled are: Family and Child Studies and Business Administration (11 percent each), Psychology (8 percent), Biology, and English (5 percent each).

Twenty-seven percent (3,345) of the undergraduates enrolled in fall 2006 are campus residents. Almost two-thirds of the undergraduates who reside on campus were freshmen (43 percent) and sophomores (22 percent).

## **Graduates**

At the graduate level, there is decrease of almost 5 percent from last fall. Sixty-seven percent are degree-seeking and most, over 78 percent, attend as part-time students. For full-time graduate students, the average credit load this semester is 10.5 hours and for part-time students it is 4.4 hours.

Seventy-three percent of graduate students are female. For those who provided information regarding their race/ethnicity, almost 10 percent are African American, 4 percent are Asian, 9 percent are Hispanic, and 74 percent are White. Additionally, over 3 percent international students enrolled at MSU in fall 2006. The average age of graduate students who enrolled in Fall 2006 is about 33 years.

Over 95 percent of the graduate students enrolled from the state of New Jersey. Among those who enrolled from New Jersey, 75 percent of the graduates were from Bergen (26 percent), Essex (25 percent), Passaic (13 percent) and Morris (11 percent) counties.

At the graduate level 39 programs leading to a masters degree and 3 programs leading to a doctoral degree were offered by MSU in fall 2006. Almost 82 percent of the graduates had a declared major. The five graduate majors that enroll the most students are: Teaching (10 percent), Business Administration (8 percent), Administration and Supervision (7 percent), Counseling (6.5 percent), and Communication Sciences and Disorders (3 percent).

*NOTE: Percentages may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.*