# A. GENERAL INFORMATION (rtf version update)

<b>11.</b>	Address Information		
	Name of College or	University	University of Alaska Fairbanks
	Mailing Address, Ci	ty/State/Zip	P.O. Box 757480
	Street Address (if di	fferent), City/State/Zip	Fairbanks, Alaska 99775-7480
	Main phone		(907) 474-7500
	WWW Home Page	Address	www.uaf.edu
	Admissions Phone N		(907) 474-7500
	Admissions toll-free	e number	(800) 478-1823
		Mailing Address, City/State/Zip	P.O. Box 757480
	Admissions Fax nun	• • • •	(907) 474-5379
	Admissions E-mail	Address:	fyapply@uaf.edu
	Is there a separate U	RL application site on the Internet?	
<b>A2.</b>	Source of institutiona	l control (check one only)	
X	Public		
	Private (nonprofit)		
	Proprietary		
43.	Classify your underg	raduate institution:	
	X Coeducational colleg	e	
	☐ Men's college		
	☐ Women's college		
44. A	cademic year calendar	7	
		<u></u>	
	Quarter	Continuous (describe):	
	☐ Trimester	Differs by program (describe):	
	Other		
<b>A5.</b> D	egrees offered by your in	stitution	
	X Certificate	☐ Postbachelor's certificate	
	☐ Diploma	X Master's	
	☐ Associate	☐ Post-master's certificate	
	Transfer	X Doctoral	
	X Terminal	☐ First professional	
	X Bachelor's	☐ First professional certification	te

#### **B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE**

**B1. Institutional Enrollment**—**Men and Women** Provide numbers of students reported on IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey 1998 as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 1998. **Refer to IPEDS EF-1 Part A or IPEDS EF-2 Part A (undergraduates only) survey.** 

	FULL-TIME			PART-TIME		
	Men (IPEDS col. 15)	Women (IPEDS col. 16)	IPEDS line	Men (IPEDS col. 15)	Women (IPEDS col. 16)	IPEDS line
Undergraduates						
Degree-seeking, first-time freshmen	336	321	line 1	43	63	line 15
Other first-year, degree- seeking	231	271	line 2	69	166	line 16
All other degree-seeking	945	1,031	lines 3-6	201	448	lines 17-20
Total degree-seeking	1,512	1,623		313	677	
All other undergraduates enrolled in credit courses	68	96	line 7	718	1,218	line 21
Total undergraduates	1,580	1,719	line 8	1,031	1,895	line 22
First-professional						
First-time, first-professional students	0	0	line 9	0	0	line 23
All other first-professionals	0	0	line 10	0	0	line 24
Total first-professional	0	0		0	0	
Graduate						
Degree-seeking, first-time			line 11			line 25
All other degree-seeking			line 12			line 26
All other graduates enrolled in credit courses			line 13			line 27
Total graduate	231	228		100	111	

Total all undergraduates (IPEDS sum of lines 8 and 22, cols. 15 and 16): \_6,225\_\_\_\_\_\_

Total all graduate and professional students (IPEDS sum of lines 14 and 28, cols. 15 and 16): \_670\_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL ALL STUDENTS (IPEDS line 29, sum of cols. 15 and 16): \_\_6,895\_\_\_\_\_

**B2.** Enrollment by Racial/Ethnic Category. Provide numbers of degree-seeking undergraduate students reported on IPEDS Fall Enrollment Survey 1998 as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 1998. Refer to IPEDS EF-1 Part A or IPEDS EF-2 Part A surveys based on column and line numbers in grid for totals.

	Degree-seeking first-time first year	Degree-seeking undergraduates
	IPEDS sum of lines 1 and 15	IPEDS sum of lines 1-6 and lines 15-20
Nonresident aliens IPEDS cols. 1-2		95
Black, non-Hispanic IPEDS cols. 3-4		158
American Indian or Alaskan Native IPEDS cols. 5-6		662
Asian or Pacific Islander IPEDS cols. 7-8		101
Hispanic IPEDS cols. 9-10		93
White, non-Hispanic IPEDS cols. 11-12		2810
Race/ethnicity unknown IPEDS cols. 13-14		206
Total IPEDS cols. 15-16		4125

#### **Persistence**

B3. Number of degrees awarded by your institution from July 1, 1997, to June 30, 1998.

123
146
552
167
34

#### **Graduation Rates**

The information in this section comes from the IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey (GRS). For complete instructions and definitions of data elements, see the IPEDS GRS instructions and glossary.

#### For Bachelor's or Equivalent Programs

Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in fall 1992. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding fall 1992.

**B4.** Initial 1992 cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: \_\_\_\_573\_\_\_\_\_\_(IPEDS GRS, Section II, Part A, line 10, sum of columns 15 and 16)

**B5.** Of the initial 1992 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: deceased, permanently disabled, armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions: \_\_\_\_\_\_

	(IPEDS GRS, Section II, Part C, line 45, sum of columns 15 and 16)
В6.	Final 1992 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions:573(Subtract question B5 from question B4)
B7.	Of the initial 1992 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 1996):52 (IPEDS GRS, Section II, Part A, line 19, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B8.	Of the initial 1992 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 1996 and by August 31, 1997):87
В9.	Of the initial 1992 cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 1997 and by August 31, 1998):46
B10.	. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9):185(IPEDS GRS, Section II, Part A, line 18, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B11.	Six-year graduation rate for 1992 cohort (question B10 divided by question B6):32.3%
The	<b>Two-Year Institutions:</b> information in this section comes from the IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey (IPEDS GRS-2). For complete instructions and nitions of data elements, see the IPEDS GRS-2 instructions and glossary.
B12.	Initial 1995 cohort, total of first-time, full-time degree/certificate-seeking students: (IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 10, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B13.	Of the initial 1995 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: deceased, permanently disabled, armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions); total allowable exclusions: (IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 45, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B14.	Final 1995 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions (Subtract question B13 from question B12)
B15.	Completers of programs of less than two years duration (total):(IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 11, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B16	Completers of programs of less than two years within 150 percent of normal time: (IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 11A, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B17.	Completers of programs of at least two but less than four years (total):(IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 12, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B18.	Completers of programs of at least two but less than four-years within 150 percent of normal time: (IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 12A, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B19. (IPEI	Total transfers-out (within three years) to other institutions:  DS GRS-2, Section III, line 30, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B20.	Total transfers to two-year institutions:(IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 32, sum of columns 15 and 16)
B21.	Total transfers to four-year institutions: (IPEDS GRS-2, Section III, line 33, sum of columns 15 and 16)

#### **Retention Rates**

Report for the cohort of all full-time, first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in fall 1997 (or the preceding summer term). The initial cohort may be adjusted for students who departed for the following reasons: deceased, permanently disabled, armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government or official church missions. No other adjustments to the initial cohort should be made.

B22. For the cohort of all full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered your institution as freshmen in fall 1997 (or the preceding summer term), what percentage was enrolled at your institution as of the date your institution calculates its official enrollment in fall 1998? \_\_\_66.6f%\_\_

### C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

☐ Required Recommended

☐ Neither required nor recommended

Аp	plications	
C1.	First-time, first-year (freshman) students: Provide the number and enrolled (full- or part-time) in fall 1998. Include early decisi summer in this cohort. Applicants include all students who fulfil (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application applicants should include wait-listed students who were subsequence.	on, early action, and students who began studies during lled the requirements for consideration for admission d who have been notified of one of the following actions: on withdrawn (by applicant or institution). Admitted
	Total men applied Total women applied	TOTAL: 1,406
	Total men admitted Total women admitted	TOTAL: 1,157
	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men enrolled Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men enrolled	336 43
	Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women enrolled Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women enrolled	321 63
C2.	Freshman wait-listed students (students who met admission recon space availability)  Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list? Yes If yes, please answer the questions below for fall 1998 admission	s: No:
	Number of qualified applicants placed on waiting list  Number accepting a place on the waiting list  Number of wait-listed students admitted	
Ad	mission Requirements	
С3.	High school completion requirement  Check the appropriate box to identify your high school complet  X High school diploma is required and GED is accepted  High school diploma is required and GED is not accepte  High school diploma or equivalent is not required	

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C4. Does your institution require or recommend a general college-preparatory program for degree-seeking students?

C5. Distribution of high school units required and/or recommended. Specify the distribution of academic high school course units required and/or recommended of all or most degree-seeking students using Carnegie units (one unit equals one year of study or its equivalent). If you use a different system for calculating units, please convert.

	Units required	Units recommended
Total academic units	16	
English	4	
Mathematics	3	
Science	3	
Of these, units that must be lab	1	
Foreign language		
Social studies	3	
History		
Academic electives	3	
Other (specify)	X	

Basis for Selection							
C6. Do you have an open a equivalency diplomas are admit applies:	admission policy, under whic tted without regard to acaden	-	•				
Open admission policy as	described above for all stude	entsNo					
selective adm selective adm other (explai	Open admission policy as described above for most students, but selective admission for out-of-state students selective admission to some programs other (explain)  7. Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in your first-time, first- year, degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.						
	Very important	Important	Considered	Not Considered			
Academic							
Secondary school record Class rank Recommendation(s) Standardized test scores Essay							

	Very important	Important	Considered	Not Considered		
Nonacademic Interview Extracurricular activities Talent/ability Character/personal qualities Alumni/ae relation Geographical residence State residency Religious affiliation/commitment Minority status Volunteer work Work experience						
SAT and ACT Policies						
C8. Entrance exams  A. Does your institution make use of SAT is seeking applicants? X Yes ☐ No  If yes, place check marks in the						
	Require Recom	ADMISSION mend Require for		Not used		
SAT I ACT SAT I or ACT (no preference) SAT I or ACTSAT I preferred SAT I or ACTACT preferred SAT I and SAT II SAT I and SAT II or ACT SAT II	\bigs_{\text{\text{\$\exiting{\$\text{\$\exititt{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}}	some	submitted			
In addition, does your institution	use applicants' test sco	res for placement or co	ounseling?			
Placement Counseling	XYes No					
B: Does your institution use the SAT I or I	Pl	nent only? If so, please LACEMENT ommend Require fo		boxes below:		
SAT I SAT II ACT SAT I or ACT						
C. Latest date by which SAT I or ACT scores must be received for fall-term admission						
Latest date by which SAT II score	es must be received for	fall-term admission				
D. If necessary, use this space to clarif not required of some students):	D. If necessary, use this space to clarify your test policies (e.g., if tests are recommended for some students, or if tests are not required of some students):					

#### Freshman Profile

ACT Math

Provide percentages for **ALL enrolled degree-seeking full-time and part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) students** enrolled in fall 1998, including students who began studies during summer, international students/nonresident aliens, and students admitted under special arrangements.

Percent and number of first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in fall 1998 who submitted national standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. Include information for ALL enrolled, first-time, first-year (freshman) degree-seeking students who submitted test scores. Do not include partial test scores (e.g., mathematics scores but not verbal for a category of students) or combine other standardized test results (such as TOEFL) in this item. SAT scores should be recentered scores. The 25th percentile is the score that 25 percent scored at or below; the 75th percentile score is the one that 25 percent scored at or above.					
Percent submitting S Percent submitting A			ber submitting SAT scores ber submitting ACT scores		
	25th percentile	75th percentile			
SAT I Verbal			7		
SAT I Math			7		
ACT Composite					
ACT English					

Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

	SAT I Verbal	SAT I Math
700-800		
600-699		
500-599		
400-499		
300-399		
200-299		

	ACT Composite	ACT English	ACT Math
30-36			
24-29			
18-23			
12-17			
6-11			
below 6			

C10. Percent of all degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (free each of the following ranges (report information for those strinformation).	
Percent in top half of high school graduating class  Percent in bottom half of high school graduating class	
Percent in bottom quarter of high school graduating class	
Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who	submitted high school class rank:
C11. Percentage of all enrolled, degree-seeking first-time, fi point averages within each of the following ranges (using 4.0 whom you collected high school GPA.	irst-year (freshman) students who had high school grade- oscale); report information only for those students from
Percent who had GPA of 3.0 and higher Percent who had GPA between 2.0 and 2.9 Percent who had GPA between 1.0 and 1.99 Percent who had GPA below 1.0	
C12. Average high school GPA of all degree-seeking first-time,	first-year (freshman) students who submitted GPA:
Percent of total first-time, first-year (freshman) students who	submitted high school GPA:%
Admission Policies	
C13. Application fee	
Does your institution have an application fee?  Amount of application fee_\$35.00	X Yes ? No
Can it be waived for applicants with financial need?	? Yes ? No
C14. Application closing date	
Does your institution have an application closing date?  Application closing date (fall)8-1  Priority date	X Yes ? No
C15. Are first-time, first-year students accepted for terms other	than the fall? ? Yes ? No
C16. Notification to applicants of admission decision sent (file	'l in one only)
On a rolling basis beginning (date) By (date) <b>8-15</b> Other	
C17. Reply policy for admitted applicants (fill in one only)	
Must reply by (date) No set date	
Must reply by May 1 or within weeks if notified therea	after

C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students to p  X Yes ? No	postpone enrol	lment after admissi	on?
If yes, maximum period of postponement:			
<b>C19. Early admission of high school students:</b> Does your institution all time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before high s	-		as full-time, first- ? No
C20. Common application: Will you accept the Common Application d School Principals if submitted?  If "yes," are supplemental forms required?  Is your college a member of the Common Application Group?	istributed by the Property of	ne National Associa X No ? No ? No	ation of Secondary
Early Decision and Early Action Plans			
<b>C21. Early decision:</b> Does your institution offer an early decision plan be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year (freshman) applicants	r notification d	ate and that asks stu	udents to commit to
If "yes," please complete the following:			
First or only early decision plan closing date First or only early decision plan notification date			
Other early decision plan closing date Other early decision plan notification date			
Number of early decision applications received by your institu Number of applicants admitted under early decision plan in Fa			
Please provide significant details about your early decision pl	an:		
C22. Early action: Do you have a nonbinding early action plan whereby advance of the regular notification date but do not have to commit? Yes? No  If "yes," please complete the following:			ssion decision well in
Early action notification date  Early action notification date			

### D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

Fall	Applicants							
D1.	(If no, plea If yes, may tra	ase skip to Sec ansfer students		d standing cre			s earned from cour	rse work completed at
D2.	Provide the nu	umber of stude	ents who applie	d, were admit	tted, ar	nd enrolled as degre	ee-seeking transfer	students in fall 1998.
		Applicants	Admitted	applicants	Enro	olled applicants		
	Men	11		11		11		
	Women							
	Total					470		
D3. D4.	X Fall  Must a trat  ☐ Yes ☐ N  If yes, what is	rms for which  Win  msfer applican  No the minimum	t have a minim	oring um number of dits and the u	nit of r	s completed or else		entering freshman?
			Required of all	Recommend of all	ded	Recommended of some	Required of some	Not required
High	n school transcr	ript	un	or an		or some	Some	
	ege transcript(s							
	y or personal s							
Inter	view							
	dardized test so							
	ement of good							
from	prior institutio	on(s)						
<b>D7</b> .	a 4.0 scale):	um college gra	ade point avera	ge is required	l of trar	transfer applicants		

**D9.** List application priority, closing, notification, and candidate reply dates for transfer students. If applications are reviewed on a continuous or rolling basis, place a check mark in the "Rolling admission" column.

	Priority date	Closing date	Notification date	Reply date	Rolling admission
Fall					
Winter					
Spring					
Summer					

	Summer						
D10.	Does an o	open admission p	olicy, if reported	, apply to transfer stu	idents? \( \square\) Yes	□ No	
D11.	Describe	additional require	ements for transfe	er admission, if applic	able:		
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Trans	sfer Credi	it Policies					
				that may be transferre y be transferred from			
	Number	r _ <mark>no limit</mark>	Unit ty	pe	•		
<b>D14</b> . N	/Iaximum nu	umber of credits o	r courses that ma	y be transferred from pe	a four-year ins	titution: :	
						n an associate degree:	15 semester
D16. N	Ainimum nu	mber of credits th	nat transfers must	t complete at your ins	titution to earn	a bachelor's degree:	30 semester
	ours						
D17.	Describe	other transfer cre	edit policies:				
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# E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES

E1. Special study options: Identify those programs	available at your institution. Refer to	definitions.
X Accelerated program X Cooperative (work-study) program ☐ Cross-regis tration X Distance learning X Double major X Dual enrollment ☐ English as a Second Language X Exchange student program (domestic) ☐ External degree program ☐ Other (specify):	X Honors program X Independent study X Internships ☐ Liberal arts/career combination X Student-designed major X Study abroad X Teacher certification program ☐ Weekend college	
<b>E2.</b> Core curriculum: Must students complete a co	ore curriculum prior to graduation?	X Yes  No
E3. Areas in which all or most students are requir	ed to complete some course work pric	or to graduation:
Arts/fine arts	Humanities	
Computer literacy	Mathematics	
English (including composition)	Philosophy	
Foreign languages	Sciences (biological or physical)	
History	☐ Social science	
Other (describe):		
Library Collections		
Report the number of holdings at the end of fiscal ye equivalents.	ear 1998. Refer to IPEDS Library Surv	vey, Part, D for corresponding
<b>E4.</b> Books, serial backfiles, and government docum periodicals and newspapers and exclude microtitles], column 2)		
E5. Current serials (titles): - include periodicals, new		: _ <b>6,825</b> (sum of lines 30 [paper
and microform subscriptions] and 31 [electron		
<b>E6.</b> Microforms (units): 1,093,607(lin		
E7. Audiovisual materials (units): 662,503	(line 32, column 2)	
	F. STUDENT LIFE	
F1. Percentages of first-time, first-year (freshman who fit the following categories:	n) students and all degree-seeking un	dergraduates enrolled in fall 1998
	First-time, first-year (freshman) students	Undergraduates
Percent who are from out of state (exclude inte	*	13
Percent of men who join fraternities		
Percent of women who join sororities		211
Percent who live in college-owned, -operated,	<del></del>	
Percent who live off campus or commute		
Percent of students age 25 and older		
Average age of full-time students		
Average age of all students (full and part time	<i></i>	

F2.	2. Activities offered Identify those programs available at your institution.						
	X Choral groups	☐ Marching b	oand	X Student government			
	X Concert band	X Music ensen		X Student newspaper			
	X Dance	X Musical thea	ater	X Student-run film societ	V		
	X Drama/theater	X Opera		X Symphony orchestra			
	X Jazz band	X Pep band		X Television station			
	X Literary magazine	X Radio station	n	☐ Yearbook			
F3.	ROTC (program offered in co	operation with Res	serve Office	rs' Training Corps)			
	Army ROTC is offered:						
	X On campus						
	☐ At cooperating institution	tution (name):					
		( )					
	Naval ROTC is offered						
	On campus						
	☐ At cooperating instit	ution (name):					
	Air Force ROTC is offered						
	☐ On campus						
	☐ At cooperating instit	ution (name):					
	<b>Housing:</b> Check all types of c itution.	ollege-owned, -op	erated, or -at	filiated housing available	for undergraduates at your		
	X Coed dorms		X Special h	ousing for disabled studen	ts		
	☐ Men's dorms			nousing for international st			
	☐ Women's dorms			/sorority housing			
	X Apartments for marrie	ed students		tive housing			
	X Apartments for single		•	C			
	X Other housing option						
	Housing for non-tradition		Apartments	for students with depende	ent children.		
	(limited).		•	1			

#### G. ANNUAL EXPENSES

Provide 1999-2000 academic year costs for the following categories that are applicable to your institution.

#### G1. Undergraduate full-time tuition, required fees, room and board

List the typical tuition, required fees, and room and board for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 1999-2000 academic year. A full academic year refers to the period of time generally extending from September to June; usually equated to two semesters or trimesters, three quarters, or the period covered by a four-one-four plan. Room and board is defined as double occupancy and 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan. Required fees include only charges that all full-time students must pay that are *not* included in tuition (e.g., registration, health, or activity fees.) Do *not* include optional fees (e.g., parking, laboratory use).

	FIRST-YEAR	UNDERGRADUATES
PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS:		
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS		
In-district:	40.400	42.400
In-state (out-of-district):	\$2,190	\$2,190
Out-of-state:	\$6,810	\$6,810
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:		
REQUIRED FEES:	\$460	\$460
ROOM AND BOARD:	\$4,150	\$4,150
(on-campus)		,
ROOM ONLY:	\$2,150	\$2,150
(on-campus)		,
BOARD ONLY:	\$2,000	\$2,000
(on-campus meal plan)		,

Comprehensive tuition/room/board fee (if your college cannot provide separate tuition/room/board/fees):					
Other					
G2. Number of credits per term a student can take for the stated full-time tuition	minim	nummaximum			
G3. Do tuition and fees vary by year of study (e.g., sophomore, junior, senior)?	X Yes	□ No			
G4. If tuition and fees vary by undergraduate instructional program, describe briefly:	i				
G5. Provide the estimated expenses for a typical full-time undergraduate student:					

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	Residents	Commuters	Commuters
		(living at home)	(not living at home)
Books and supplies:	\$500	\$500	\$500
Room only:			
Board only:			
Transportation:			
Other expenses:			

### ${\bf G6.\ Undergraduate\ per-credit-hour\ charges:}$

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS:	
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS In-district:	
In-state (out-of-district):	\$73 per credit
Out-of-state:	\$227 per credit
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	

#### Financial aid definitions

**Financial aid applicant:** Any applicant who submits **any one of** the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

**Indebtedness:** Aggregate dollar amount borrowed by the student.

**Institutional and external funds**: Endowment, alumni, or external monies for which the institution determines the recipient and the dollar amount awarded.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

**Need-based aid:** College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and noninstitutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

**Need-based gift aid:** Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

**Non-need-based gift aid:** Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit-based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

#### Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

Non-need institutional grants

Non-need tuition waivers

Non-need athletic awards

Non-need federal grants

Non-need state grants

Non-need outside grants

Non-need student loans

Non-need parent loans

Non-need work

**Scholarships/grants from external sources:** Monies received from outside (private) sources that the student brings with them (e.g., Kiwanis, NMSQT scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

**Self-help aid:** Need-based loans and jobs up to the level of institutionally determined need.

Work study and employment: Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.

### Common Data Set Definitions

**Note:** Items preceded by an asterisk (\*) represent definitions agreed to among publishers which do not appear on the CDS document but may be present on individual publishers' surveys.

\*Academic advisement: Plan under which each student is assigned to a faculty member or a trained adviser, who, through regular meetings, helps the student plan and implement immediate and long-term academic and vocational goals.

**Accelerated program:** Completion of a college program of study in fewer than the usual number of years, most often by attending summer sessions and carrying extra courses during the regular academic term.

Admitted student: Applicant who is offered admission to a degree-granting program at your institution.

\*Adult student services: Admission assistance, support, orientation, and other services expressly for adults who have started college for the first time, or who are re-entering after a lapse of a few years.

**American Indian or Alaska native:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

**Applicant (first-time, first year):** An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution).

**Application fee:** That amount of money that an institution charges for processing a student's application for acceptance. This amount is *not* creditable toward tuition and required fees, nor is it refundable if the student is not admitted to the institution.

**Asian or Pacific Islander:** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or Pacific Islands. This includes people from China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, American Samoa, India, and Vietnam.

Associate degree: An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

**Bachelor's degree:** An award (baccalaureate or equivalent degree, as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education) that normally requires at least four years but *not* more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work. This includes ALL bachelor's degrees conferred in a five-year cooperative (work-study plan) program. (A cooperative plan provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government; thus, it allows students to combine actual work experience with their college studies.) Also, it includes bachelor's degrees in which the normal four years of work are completed in three years.

Black, non-Hispanic: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa (except those of Hispanic origin).

**Board** (charges): Assume average cost for 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan.

**Books and supplies (costs):** Average cost of books and supplies. Do not include unusual costs for special groups of students (e.g., engineering or art majors), unless they constitute the majority of students at your institution.

Calendar system: The method by which an institution structures most of its courses for the academic year.

\*Career and placement services: A range of services, including (often) the following: coordination of visits of employers to campus; aptitude and vocational testing; interest inventories, personal counseling; help in resume writing, interviewing, launching the job search; listings for those students desiring employment and those seeking permanent positions; establishment of a permanent reference folder; career resource materials.

Carnegie units: One year of study or the equivalent in a secondary school subject.

Certificate: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

**Class rank:** The relative numerical position of a student in his or her graduating class, calculated by the high school on the basis of grade-point average, whether weighted or unweighted.

**College-preparatory program:** Courses in academic subjects (English, history and social studies, foreign languages, mathematics, science, and the arts) that stress preparation for college or university study.

**Common Application:** The standard application form distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals for a large number of private colleges who are members of the Common Application Group.

\*Community service program: Referral center for students wishing to perform volunteer work in the community or participate in volunteer activities coordinated by academic departments.

**Commuter:** A student who lives off campus in housing that is not owned by, operated by, or affiliated with the college. This category includes students who commute from home and students who have moved to the area to attend college.

Contact hour: A unit of measure that represents an hour of scheduled instruction given to students. Also referred to as clock hour.

**Continuous basis (for program enrollment):** A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that enroll students at any time during the academic year. For example, a cosmetology school or a word processing school might allow students to enroll and begin studies at various times, with no requirement that classes begin on a certain date.

**Cooperative housing:** College-owned, -operated, or -affiliated housing in which students share room and board expenses and participate in household chores to reduce living expenses.

Cooperative (work-study plan) program: A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

**Core curriculum:** A specified number of courses or credits in the humanities, social sciences, life sciences, and/or physical sciences required of all students, regardless of major, to ensure a basic set of learning experiences.

\*Counseling service: Activities designed to assist students in making plans and decisions related to their education, career, or personal development.

**Credit:** Recognition of attendance or performance in an instructional activity (course or program) that can be applied by a recipient toward the requirements for a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Credit course:** A course that, if successfully completed, can be applied toward the number of courses required for achieving a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Credit hour:** A unit of measure representing an hour (50 minutes) of instruction over a 15-week period in a semester or trimester system or a 10-week period in a quarter system. It is applied toward the total number of hours needed for completing the requirements of a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Cross-registration:** A system whereby students enrolled at one institution may take courses at another institution without having to apply to the second institution.

**Deferred admission:** The practice of permitting admitted students to postpone enrollment, usually for a period of one academic term or one year.

**Degree:** An award conferred by a college, university, or other postsecondary education institution as official recognition for the successful completion of a program of studies.

**Degree-seeking students:** Students enrolled in courses for credit who are recognized by the institution as seeking a degree or formal award. At the undergraduate level, this is intended to include students enrolled in vocational or occupational programs.

**Differs by program (calendar system):** A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that have occupational/vocational programs of varying length. These schools may enroll students at specific times depending on the

program desired. For example, a school might offer a two-month program in January, March, May, September, and November; and a three-month program in January, April, and October.

Diploma: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

**Distance learning:** An option for earning course credit at off-campus locations via cable television, internet, satellite classes, videotapes, correspondence courses, or other means.

**Doctoral degree:** The highest award a student can earn for graduate study. The doctoral degree classification includes such degrees as Doctor of Education, Doctor of Juridical Science, Doctor of Public Health, and the Doctor of Philosophy degree in any field such as agronomy, food technology, education, engineering, public administration, ophthalmology, or radiology. For the Doctor of Public Health degree, the prior degree is generally earned in the closely related field of medicine or in sanitary engineering.

**Double major:** Program in which students may complete two undergraduate programs of study simultaneously.

**Dual enrollment:** A program through which high school students may enroll in college courses while still enrolled in high school. Students are not required to apply for admission to the college in order to participate.

**Early action plan:** An admission plan that allows students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification dates. If admitted, the candidate is not committed to enroll; the student may reply to the offer under the college's regular reply policy.

**Early admission:** A policy under which students who have not completed high school are admitted and enroll full time in college, usually after completion of their junior year.

**Early decision plan:** A plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision (and financial aid offer if applicable) well in advance of the regular notification date. Applicants agree to accept an offer of admission and, if admitted, to withdraw their applications from other colleges. There are three possible decisions for early decision applicants: admitted, denied, or not admitted but forwarded for consideration with the regular applicant pool, without prejudice.

English as a Second Language (ESL): A course of study designed specifically for students whose native language is not English.

**Exchange student program-domestic:** Any arrangement between a student and a college that permits study for a semester or more at another college **in the United States** without extending the amount of time required for a degree. **See also Study abroad.** 

**External degree program:** A program of study in which students earn credits toward a degree through independent study, college courses, proficiency examinations, and personal experience. External degree programs require minimal or no classroom attendance.

**Extracurricular activities (as admission factor):** Special consideration in the admissions process given for participation in both school and nonschool-related activities of interest to the college, such as clubs, hobbies, student government, athletics, performing arts, etc.

**First professional certificate (postdegree):** An award that requires completion of an organized program of study designed for persons who have completed the first professional degree. Examples could be refresher courses or additional units of study in a specialty or subspecialty.

**First professional degree:** An award in one of the following fields: Chiropractic (DC, DCM), dentistry (DDS, DMD), medicine (MD), optometry (OD), osteopathic medicine (DO), rabbinical and Talmudic studies (MHL, Rav), Pharmacy (BPharm, PharmD), podiatry (PodD, DP, DPM), veterinary medicine (DVM), law (LLB, JD), divinity/ministry (BD, MDiv).

**First-time student:** A student attending any institution for the first time at the level enrolled. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended a postsecondary institution for the first time at the same level in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credit earned before graduation from high school).

**First-time, first-year (freshman) student:** A student attending any institution for the first time at the undergraduate level. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended college for the first time in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credits earned before graduation from high school).

**First-year student:** A student who has completed less than the equivalent of 1 full year of undergraduate work; that is, less than 30 semester hours (in a 120-hour degree program) or less than 900 contact hours.

Freshman: A first-year undergraduate student.

\*Freshman/new student orientation: Orientation addressing the academic, social, emotional, and intellectual issues involved in beginning college. May be a few hours or a few days in length; at some colleges, there is a fee.

**Full-time student (undergraduate):** A student enrolled for 12 or more semester credits, 12 or more quarter credits, or 24 or more contact hours a week each term.

**Geographical residence (as admission factor):** Special consideration in the admission process given to students from a particular region, state, or country of residence.

**Grade-point average (academic high school GPA):** The sum of grade points a student has earned in secondary school divided by the number of courses taken. The most common system of assigning numbers to grades counts four points for an A, three points for a B, two points for a C, one point for a D, and no points for an E or F. Unweighted GPA's assign the same weight to each course. Weighting gives students additional points for their grades in advanced or honors courses.

**Graduate student:** A student who holds a bachelor's or first professional degree, or equivalent, and is taking courses at the post-baccalaureate level.

\*Health services: Free or low cost on-campus primary and preventive health care available to students.

**High school diploma or recognized equivalent:** A document certifying the successful completion of a prescribed secondary school program of studies, or the attainment of satisfactory scores on the Tests of General Educational Development (GED), or another state-specified examination.

**Hispanic:** A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

**Honors program:** Any special program for very able students offering the opportunity for educational enrichment, independent study, acceleration, or some combination of these.

**Independent study:** Academic work chosen or designed by the student with the approval of the department concerned, under an instructor's supervision, and usually undertaken outside of the regular classroom structure.

**In-state tuition:** The tuition charged by institutions to those students who meet the state's or institution's residency requirements.

International student: See Nonresident alien.

**Internship:** Any short-term, supervised work experience usually related to a student's major field, for which the student earns academic credit. The work can be full- or part-time, on- or off-campus, paid or unpaid.

\*Learning center: Center offering assistance through tutors, workshops, computer programs, or audiovisual equipment in reading, writing, math, and skills such as taking notes, managing time, taking tests.

\*Legal services: Free or low cost legal advice for a range of issues (personal and other).

**Liberal arts/career combination:** Program in which a student earns undergraduate degrees in two separate fields, one in a liberal arts major and the other in a professional or specialized major, whether on campus or through cross-registration.

**Master's degree:** An award that requires the successful completion of a program of study of at least the full-time equivalent of one but not more than two academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree.

**Minority affiliation (as admission factor):** Special consideration in the admission process for members of designated racial/ethnic minority groups.

\*Minority student center: Center with programs, activities, and/or services intended to enhance the college experience of students of color.

**Nonresident alien:** A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely.

\*On-campus day care: Licensed day care for students' children (usually age 3 and up); usually for a fee.

**Open admission:** Admission policy under which virtually all secondary school graduates or students with GED equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to academic record, test scores, or other qualifications.

Other expenses (costs): Include average costs for clothing, laundry, entertainment, medical (if not a required fee), and furnishings.

**Out-of-state tuition:** The tuition charged by institutions to those students who do not meet the institution's or state's residency requirements.

**Part-time student (undergraduate):** A student enrolled for fewer than 12 credits per semester or quarter, or fewer than 24 contact hours a week each term.

\*Personal counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore personal, educational, or vocational issues.

**Post-baccalaureate certificate:** An award that requires completion of an organized program of study requiring 18 credit hours beyond the bachelor's; designed for persons who have completed a baccalaureate degree but do not meet the requirements of academic degrees carrying the title of master.

**Post-master's certificate:** An award that requires completion of an organized program of study of 24 credit hours beyond the master's degree but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctoral level.

**Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma (at least one but less than two academic years):** Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least one but less than two full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 30 but fewer than 60 credit hours, or in at least 900 but fewer than 1,800 contact hours.

**Private institution:** An educational institution controlled by a private individual(s) or by a nongovernmental agency, usually supported primarily by other than public funds, and operated by other than publicly elected or appointed officials.

**Private for-profit institution:** A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk.

**Private nonprofit institution:** A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives no compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk. These include both independent nonprofit schools and those affiliated with a religious organization.

Proprietary institution: See Private for-profit institution.

**Public institution:** An educational institution whose programs and activities are operated by publicly elected or appointed school officials, and which is supported primarily by public funds.

**Quarter calendar system:** A calendar system in which the academic year consists of three sessions called quarters of about 12 weeks each. The range may be from 10 to 15 weeks. There may be an additional quarter in the summer.

**Race/ethnicity:** Category used to describe groups to which individuals belong, identify with, or belong in the eyes of the community. The categories do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. A person may be counted in only one group.

**Race/ethnicity unknown:** Category used to classify students or employees whose race/ethnicity is not known and whom institutions are unable to place in one of the specified racial/ethnic categories.

**Religious affiliation/commitment (as admission factor):** Special consideration given in the admission process for affiliation with a certain church or faith/religion, commitment to a religious vocation, or observance of certain religious tenets/lifestyle.

\*Religious counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for student who want to religious problems or issues.

\*Remedial services: Instructional courses designed for students deficient in the general competencies necessary for a regular postsecondary curriculum and educational setting.

**Required fees:** Fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a large proportion of all students that the student who does NOT pay is the exception. Do not include application fees or optional fees such as lab fees or parking fees.

**Resident alien or other eligible noncitizen:** A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who has been admitted as a legal immigrant for the purpose of obtaining permanent resident alien status (and who holds either an alien registration card [Form I-551 or I-151], a Temporary Resident Card [Form I-688], or an Arrival-Departure Record [Form I-94] with a notation that conveys legal immigrant status, such as Section 207 Refugee, Section 208 Asylee, Conditional Entrant Parolee or Cuban-Haitian).

**Room and board (charges)—on campus:** Assume double occupancy in institutional housing and 19 meals per week (or maximum meal plan).

**Secondary school record (as admission factor):** Information maintained by the secondary school that may include such things as the student's high school transcript, class rank, GPA, and teacher and counselor recommendations.

**Semester calendar system:** A calendar system that consists of two semesters during the academic year with about 16 weeks for each semester of instruction. There may be an additional summer session.

Student-designed major: A program of study based on individual interests, designed with the assistance of an adviser.

**Study abroad:** Any arrangement by which a student completes part of the college program studying in another country. Can be at a campus abroad or through a cooperative agreement with some other U.S. college or an institution of another country.

\*Summer session: A summer session is shorter than a regular semester and not considered part of the academic year. It is not the third term of an institution operating on a trimester system or the fourth term of an institution operating on a quarter calendar system. The institution may have 2 or more sessions occurring in the summer months. Some schools, such as vocational and beauty schools, have year-round classes with no separate summer session.

**Talent/ability (as admission factor):** Special consideration given to students with demonstrated talent/abilities in areas of interest to the institution (e.g., sports, the arts, languages, etc.).

**Teacher certification program:** Program designed to prepare students to meet the requirements for certification as teachers in elementary, middle/junior high, and secondary schools.

**Transfer applicant:** An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has previously attended another college or university and earned college-level credit.

**Transfer student:** A student entering the institution for the first time but known to have previously attended a postsecondary institution at the same level (e.g., undergraduate). The student may transfer with or without credit.

**Transportation (costs):** Assume two round trips to student's hometown per year for students in institutional housing or daily travel to and from your institution for commuter students.

**Trimester calendar system:** An academic year consisting of 3 terms of about 15 weeks each.

**Tuition:** Amount of money charged to students for instructional services. Tuition may be charged per term, per course, or per credit.

\*Tutoring: May range from one-on-one tutoring in specific subjects to tutoring in an area such as math, reading, or writing. Most tutors are college students; at some colleges, they are specially trained and certified.

Unit: a standard of measurement representing hours of academic instruction (e.g., semester credit, quarter credit, contact hour).

**Undergraduate:** A student enrolled in a four- or five-year bachelor's degree program, an associate degree program, or a vocational or technical program below the baccalaureate.

\*Veteran's counseling: Helps veterans and their dependents obtain benefits for their selected program and provides certifications to the Veteran's Administration. May also provide personal counseling on the transition from the military to a civilian life.

\*Visually impaired: Any person whose sight loss is not correctable and is sufficiently severe as to adversely affect educational performance.

**Volunteer work (as admission factor):** Special consideration given to students for activity done on a volunteer basis (e.g., tutoring, hospital care, working with the elderly or disabled) as a service to the community or the public in general.

Wait list: List of students who meet the admission requirements but will only be offered a place in the class if space becomes available.

Weekend college: A program that allows students to take a complete course of study and attend classes only on weekends.

White, non-Hispanic: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East (except those of Hispanic origin).

\*Women's center: Center with programs, academic activities, and/or services intended to promote an understanding of the evolving roles of women.

**Work experience** (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students who have been employed prior to application, whether for relevance to major, demonstration of employment-related skills, or as explanation of student's academic and extracurricular record.