University of Illinois at Chicago

Performance Metrics

TUITION AND FEES AND FINANCIAL AID UPDATES BY:
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Peer Group
SUNY, University at Buffalo
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Cincinnati
University of Connecticut
University of Louisville
University of South Florida - Tampa
University of Utah
Virginia Commonwealth University

Note: All institutions are public and have a medical school and a hospital and/or a medical center.
TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID
Full-time, first-time undergraduate tuition and fees are 2\textsuperscript{nd} highest among UIC’s peer group.

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).
The percent of undergraduate students at UIC receiving financial aid is at the 75th percentile of its peer median.

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

* Excludes PLUS loans, unsubsidized, and private alternative loans.
UIC has the highest percent of Pell grant recipients of its peer group.

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).
The average percentage of need met for UIC undergraduates receiving need-based aid is 61%, slightly above the peer median in AY2015-16.

Source: Common Data Set (CDS).

* Excludes any aid awarded in excess of need as well as any that were awarded to replace EFC: PLUS, unsubsidized and private alternative loans.
The percentage of UIC undergraduates receiving need-based aid that fully meets need is 6.9%, similar to the peer mean in AY2015-16.

Source: Common Data Set (CDS).

* Excludes PLUS loans, unsubsidized, and private alternative loans.
About half (49%) of undergraduates at UIC pay less than $3,000 per semester for tuition.

Source: UI Office of Planning and Budgeting and UIC Office of Institutional Research.

Note: Includes all forms of financial aid and tuition waivers. Excludes loans and employment.
UIC students borrow slightly less on average than students at peer institutions.

Source: Common Data Set (CDS)

Note: Excludes University at Buffalo due to lack of available data. Excludes any aid awarded in excess of need as well as any that were awarded to replace EFC: PLUS, unsubsidized and private alternative loans.
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Total Enrollment
• Set total enrollment record of 30,539 in Fall 2017
• Largest student population in the Chicago area
• Undergraduate enrollment (19,448) increased by 8.3% in Fall 2017

New Undergraduates
• Total of 4,064 new freshmen, an increase of 22.9% in Fall 2017
• Total of 2,189 new transfers, an increase of 11.8% in Fall 2017

First-Generation Students
• Increase in undergraduates who are first-generation students (more than one-third overall and 43% of Fall 2017 entering freshmen)
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Transfer Students
• Participant in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI), a statewide transfer agreement among more than 100 universities and colleges in Illinois
• Agreement includes “Transferology”, a statewide tool to assist students in finding courses that transfer between institutions

International Students
• UIC Global (Shorelight): for Fall 2017 we had 319 new students (including those admitted directly to degree programs)
• First cohort of mid-year starting freshmen, we had 38 students from a variety of countries including India, Vietnam, China, Brazil, United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Pell Recipients
• 51% of undergraduate students were Pell recipients in Fall 2016 and the preliminary figure for Fall 2017 is similar

Scholarships
• Second year of the Chicago Star Scholarship program that funds 250 star scholars annually who transfer from a City Colleges of Chicago
• Star Scholars receive a $5,000 award over two years
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

New Degree Programs

New bachelor degree programs have been added in the past two years in response to changing labor markets and demand, including:

- BS in Disability and Human Development
- BA in Human Development and Learning
- BS in Integrated Health Studies
- BS in Rehabilitation Sciences
- BA in Public Policy
- BA in Integrated Design and Arts
- BA in Music Business
AREAS OF STRENGTH

Student Debt

• $23,076 is the average per-undergraduate student debt burden for the 2016-17 graduating class (national average for public and private nonprofit colleges is $30,100 for the 2015-2016 graduating class)

• 49% of undergraduate students pay less than $3,000 per semester for tuition and fees
  ▪ Of those, 18% of undergraduate students pay no tuition and fees, down from a high of 37% in 2011 and trending downward since 2011

3-Year Cohort Default Rates

• Default rates at UIC is below the state and national averages:
  ▪ UIC 2.7%
  ▪ Illinois Universities 10.0%
  ▪ National Public Average, 4 year 7.5%
AREAS OF STRENGTH

Student Success Initiative Programs:

• **Academic Advising**
  - Planning for integrated Planning and Advising System (IPAS)
  - Increasing collaboration/communication among campus advisors
  - Launched the Advising Leadership Council

• **Transition Coaching**

• **Research on Student Success**
  - Student Exit Survey
  - Study Retention and Graduation Factors
  - First-Year Seminars
  - Non-Cognitive Student Indexes
  - Early Alerts

• **Finish line/Degree Completion Program**
  - Finish in Four

• **Co-requisite Remediation**
STRATEGY FOR IMPROVEMENT

Tuition and Financial Aid
• Increase tuition revenue through broader geographic diversity and on-line degree programs
• Seek additional merit scholarship funding to enhance recruitment and prioritize development efforts
• Increase scholarships and awards via UIC SnAP, centralized scholarship application system

Recruitment and Retention
• Continue implementation of Student Success Initiative
• Implement recommendations of Progression and Success of African-American Students Task Force
AREAS TO WATCH

Higher Education Act Authorization

• Elimination of Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)
• Elimination of Loan Forgiveness program
• New yearly aggregate loan cap for Parent PLUS loan program
• Mandatory weekly or monthly disbursements of Financial Aid awards, “aid like a paycheck”
• New Federal Law and Policies