University of Illinois at Springfield

Performance Metrics

TUITION AND FEES AND FINANCIAL AID UPDATES BY:
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Peer Group

University of Illinois at Springfield
Auburn University - Montgomery
Clark University*
College of Charleston
Georgia College and State University
Iona College*
Lake Superior State University
Marist College*
Northern Michigan University
Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania
State University of New York at Brockport
Trinity University (San Antonio, TX)*
Union College (Schenectady, NY)*
University of South Dakota
University of Wisconsin - Green Bay

* Private Institution
Tuition and Financial Aid
Full-time first-time undergraduate tuition and fees at the University of Illinois at Springfield are similar to the peer median.
The percent of undergraduate students at the University of Illinois at Springfield who receive financial aid is below the peer median.
University of Illinois at Springfield has a higher percent of Pell grant recipients than its peer median.
Percent Full-Time Undergraduates Awarded Any Need-Based Scholarship/Grant Aid Where Need Was Fully Met: AY 2012 – AY 2016
(excludes PLUS loans, unsubsidized, and private alternative loans)

Compared to its peer median, a lower percentage of need-based aid recipients at the University of Illinois at Springfield have their need fully met.

Note: Excludes Iona College and University of South Dakota due to lack of available data.
University of Illinois at Springfield students who receive need-based aid have a comparable percentage of financial need met to their peer median.

Note: Excludes Auburn University at Montgomery, Iona College, Marist College, and University of South Dakota due to lack of available data.
Average Per Undergraduate-Borrower Cumulative Principal Borowed
AY 2012 – AY 2016
(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 average debt of University of Illinois at Springfield students is lower than the peer median.

Note: Excludes Auburn University at Montgomery, Iona College, and University of South Dakota due to lack of available data.
More than one-half of undergraduates at the University of Illinois at Springfield pay less than $3,000 per semester for tuition and mandatory fees.
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Performance Metrics Analysis

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Areas Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

• UIS is attracting an economically diverse student body
• Average debt of UIS students is lower than students at its peer institutions
• UIS financial assistance has kept pace with increased educational costs
• UIS has increased scholarship awards
Accomplishments

• UIS continues to increase the enrollment of students from under-represented groups many of whom are first generation and economically disadvantaged

• Strategic packaging of financial aid continues to enhance affordability and accessibility

• UIS tuition remains highly competitive compared to private and public university peers

• UIS offers a student financial literacy training program for undergraduate and graduate students
Areas Needing Improvement

• Staffing in the Office of Financial Assistance

• Need-based scholarships
Strategy to improve

Staffing in the Office of Financial Assistance

• Actions:
  – Attract and hire qualified individuals for staff positions
Strategy to improve
Need-based Scholarships

• Actions:
  – Continue strategically awarding need-based financial aid to meet the needs of qualified students
  – Scholarships are the top priority for the university’s “Reaching Stellar” fund-raising campaign
Areas we are watching

• Tuition and fees compared to other public universities in Illinois and peer private institutions
• Student debt and fees compared to other public universities in Illinois
• Federal and state legislation related to financial aid