University of Illinois at Chicago

Performance Metrics

TUITION AND FEES AND FINANCIAL AID UPDATES BY:
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Peer Group
University at Buffalo
University of Alabama at Birmingham
University of Cincinnati
University of Connecticut
University of Kentucky
University of New Mexico
University of South Florida
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 2nd highest among UIC’s peer group. UIC’s tuition and fees were the highest of the peer group until 2015, and the gap between UIC and the peer group 75th percentile has been steadily declining.

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).
Although tuition and fees are higher at UIC compared to its peer group, average net cost is lower after adjusting for awarded grant and scholarship aid.

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).
The percent of undergraduate students at UIC receiving financial aid is at the 75th percentile of the 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% and above the peer median of 54%.

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 6.2%, similar to the peer median of 6.5%.

Source: Common Data Set (CDS).

* Excludes PLUS loans, unsubsidized, and private alternative loans.
More than half (52%) of undergraduates at UIC pay less than $3,000 per semester for tuition and fees.

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 about $4,000 less on average than students at peer institutions ($23,076 vs. $27,050).

Source: Common Data Set (CDS)

Note: Excludes University at Buffalo and University of New Mexico 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 31,683 in Fall 2018
• Largest student population in the Chicago area
• Undergraduate enrollment (20,783) increased by 6.9% in Fall 2018

New Undergraduates
• Total of 4,159 new freshmen, an increase of 2.7% in Fall 2018
• Total of 2,080 new transfers, an decrease of 4.6% in Fall 2018

First-Generation Students
• More than one-third of undergraduates are first-generation students and 38% of Fall 2018 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):
  ▪ Fall 2018, there were 355 new incoming students, up from 319 in Fall 2017
  ▪ Total UIC Global fall enrollment was 689
• Fall 2018 undergraduate enrollment included:
  ▪ 1,331 international students representing 6.4% of the total undergraduate enrollment, the highest percentage ever
  ▪ Increase of 4.8% in Fall 2017 and 3.2% in Fall 2016
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Pell Recipients

• 54% of all undergraduate students and 61% of new incoming first-year students were Pell recipients in AY2017-18, up from 52% and 59%, respectively, for AY2016-17

Scholarships

• Over $12 million in institutional and departmental scholarships were provided to undergraduates in AY2017-18

• Third 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
New Degree Programs

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

- BA in Design
- 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
• 2017-18 graduating class (peer data not available yet), the average student debt was $27,668, up from $23,067 for 2016-2017 graduating class
• 63% of the graduating class had student debt, the national average was $28,650 and 65% for the 2016-17 graduating class and Illinois average was $29,214 and 61%
• 52% of undergraduate students pay less than $3,000 per semester for tuition and fees
  ▪ Of those, 22% 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 (FY2015 Report)
• Default rates at UIC is below the state and national averages:
  ▪ UIC 2.8%
  ▪ Illinois Universities 10.2%
  ▪ National Public 4 Year Universities 7.1%
AREAS OF STRENGTH

Student Success Initiatives and Programs

• Integration of Academic Advising
  ▪ Implementing an Integrated Planning and Advising System (iAdvise)
  ▪ Predictive analytics to monitor student progress and success

• Flames Leadership Network and Transition Coaching

• Latin@s Gaining Access to Networks for Advancement in Science (L@S GANAS)

• Summer Sophomore Success Program

• Research on Student Success
  ▪ Develop a graduation on-track index
  ▪ Study retention, graduation, and achievement gap factors
  ▪ Social belonging and first-year seminars
  ▪ Non-cognitive strength factors in advising
  ▪ Early alerts

• Finish Line/Degree Completion Program

• Internal grant competition on student success

• Course reforms and co-requisite remediation

• Financial Aid reform (AY 19-20)
STRA Strategy for Improvement

Tuition and Financial Aid
• Raise tuition rates
• Fundraise for additional merit scholarship funding to enhance recruitment and prioritize development efforts
• Increase effectiveness of allocation of scholarships and awards via UIC SnAP, centralized scholarship application system

Recruitment and Retention
• Continue implementation of Student Success Initiative
• Open Center for Teaching Excellence
• Increase downstate, suburban and out-of-state recruitment
• Continue implementation of 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