University of Illinois at Chicago

Performance Metric Report

ADMISSIONS, STUDENT QUALIFICATIONS, AND TRANSFER ENROLLMENTS UPDATE

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PEER GROUPS

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

Aspirational Peer Group
Rutgers University
University of Arizona
University of California – Los Angeles
University of California – Irvine
University of Washington
ADMISSIONS
The percent of freshmen applicants admitted to UIC remains on par with its peer group median. UIC’s admit rate has been rising at a rate similar to peers. The peer group admit rates range from a high (less selective) of 86% to a low (more selective) of 45%.

* Percent Admitted = Percent of (total admits divided by total applicants).
Admissions yield at UIC is lower than the peer group median. UIC’s yield rate has ranged between 25% and 30% the last four years. The peer group median was 34% in fall 2015.

* Admissions Yield = Percent of (total enrolled divided by total admits).
STUDENT QUALIFICATIONS
UIC’s 25th percentile and 75th percentile scores are two to three points lower than the peer group (21 vs. 23 and 26 vs. 29). Research has shown that ACT is a poor predictor of student success nationally. A commitment to access and diversity has led UIC to consider and adopt other measures of student quality, including high school GPA, Selective Index, high school rank and non-cognitive skills.

Note: Fewer students at peer institutions submit ACT scores.
TRANSFER ENROLLMENTS
A significant number of transfer enrollments also occurs in the spring semester at UIC. In 2013 and 2014, UIC had more first-time transfer students than its peer group median. In 2015, UIC was slightly below the peer group median.

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<td>Peer Group Median</td>
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In 2015, the percentage of first-time UIC transfer students was 33%, near the peer group median with a wide variation among peers, ranging from 18% to 45%.

Transfers as % of First-Time Students

- University of Connecticut: 19%
- University of Cincinnati-Main Campus: 24%
- University of Louisville: 26%
- University of Illinois at Chicago: 33%
- Virginia Commonwealth University: 34%
- University at Buffalo: 34%
- University of Utah: 37%
- University of Alabama at Birmingham: 46%
- University of South Florida-Main Campus: 46%

Note: IPEDS data are based on fall only.
The percent of first-time transfers from underrepresented groups at UIC is higher than its peer group median and near the peer group 75th percentile.

* Includes American Indian, Black, Hispanic, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, and multi-racial students.
# AREAS MEETING OR EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS

## Yield and Diversity of Applicant Pool

**Year to Date Comparisons, 4/24/17**

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Pathways to Attract Illinois Students

• Admission Via Excellence Program provides first year applicants ranked in the top 4% of their class or with a 3.9 unweighted GPA at schools that do not rank, admission to the college of their choice

• Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG) program established agreements with 10 area community colleges during the 2016-2017 academic year for guaranteed admission to several UIC programs

• Augmented College Criteria and Evaluation for Student Success (ACCESS) program incorporates an assessment of non-cognitive factors in an interview process for admission
  ◦ In Fall 2017, the process identified 478 students, of which 387 (262 underrepresented) were admitted
Pathways to Attract Chicago Students

• Partnered with City Colleges of Chicago on STAR Scholars Program, with maximum of 250 scholarships to be awarded each year, beginning Fall 2017, 46 in pipeline
• Augmented Guaranteed Admission Transfer (GAT) Program with City College of Chicago to included STAR Scholars
UIC is a federally designated Minority Serving Institution

- Designated Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) in 2015
  - In 2016, received a $5.3 million HSI Grant to establish L@S Ganas program to improve Latino S.T.E.M. retention and graduation
- Designated Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI), 2010
  - Since 2010, awarded 3 federal grants totaling $5.6 million to support Asian American academic programs and social support services
AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

• Maintain comparable yield rate in a highly competitive market

• Increase enrollment of African American students

• Increase geographical diversity by expanding engagement throughout the Midwest, Northeast, Northwest, Southwest, and Southcentral regions

• Increase partnerships with community-based organizations to build awareness of UIC and its educational opportunities
STRATEGY TO ADDRESS AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Maintain Comparable Yield:

• Fully implement the Admission Via Excellence Top 4% Program
• Pilot expansion of the Admission Via Excellence Program, Fall 2017
• Begin STAR Scholarship Program with Fall 2017 entering class
• Expand yield events (FIRESTARTER and IGNITE) and increase participation
Increase Geographic Diversity:

• Increase out-of-state recruitment events and outreach
  o In Fall 2017, all U.S. states and territories were represented in the applicant pool

• Continue to expand the Chicago Grant to enhance out-of-state recruitment
  o In Fall 2017, there are 5% more Chicago Grant admits than the year to date comparison

• Increase international recruitment efforts through the International Accelerator Program/Shorelight Education Agreement

• Continue to hold Illinois High School and Community College recruitment events
  o Held over Illinois 827 events in the Fall 2017 cycle
STRATEGY TO ADDRESS AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

• Build enrollment capacity in high demand degree programs requiring:
  ▪ new space
  ▪ faculty and support services (advising)

• Capital improvements:
  ▪ new student housing
  ▪ critical deferred maintenance
  ▪ Upgrade classrooms, labs and other facility upgrades