University of Illinois at Springfield

Analysis of Dashboard Indicators

ENROLLMENTS, GRADUATION AND RETENTION RATES,
AND DEGREES AWARDED UPDATES:

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Areas Meeting or Exceeding Expectations

- Graduate enrollment
- Diversity of student body
- Bachelor's degrees granted to students from underrepresented groups
- Graduate STEM degrees

Accomplishments

- Established Academic Success Center
- Increase in retention of freshmen
- Number of graduate and professional degrees well above peer median
- Percent of degrees awarded to students in underrepresented groups increasing
- Increase in private need-based scholarships

Areas Needing Improvement

- Enrollment
- Freshman graduation rates
- Need-based scholarships

Strategy to improve enrollment

• Actions:

- Increase number of academic programs in high-demand areas
- Continue to implement innovative online programs
- Enhance competitive marketing strategies to increase institutional visibility
- Increase retention of freshmen and transfer students as an institutional priority

Strategy to improve freshman graduation rates

Actions:

- Focus on recruiting highly qualified freshmen
- Enhance recruitment in targeted markets
- Make retention an institutional priority

Strategy to improve need-based scholarships

• Actions:

- Increase competitiveness of need-based financial aid
- Make scholarships a top priority of the Development Office
- Educate donors about scholarships and increase number of scholarships

Areas we are watching

- Size of freshman class
- Tuition and fees compared to other public universities in Illinois
- Student debt
- Retention