

#### TUITION AND FEES AND FINANCIAL AID UPDATES BY: UNIVERSITY OFFICE FOR PLANNING AND BUDGETING DECEMBER 6, 2016

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# **PEER GROUPS**

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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

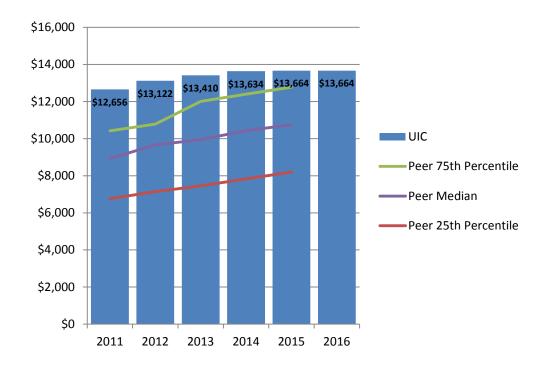


# **TUITION AND FINANCIAL AID**



#### FULL-TIME, FIRST-TIME UNDERGRADUATE IN-STATE TUITION AND FEES PER ACADEMIC YEAR, 2011 – 2016

Full-time, first-time undergraduate tuition and fees at UIC are 2<sup>nd</sup> highest among its peer group.

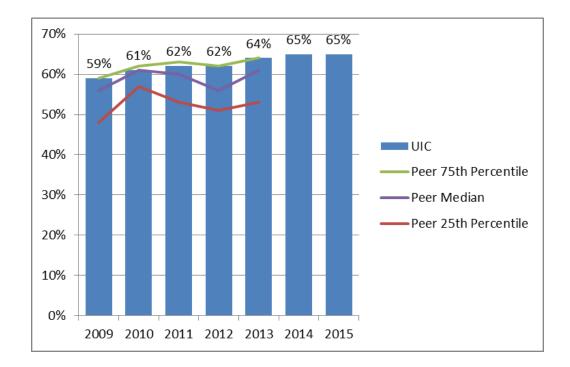


Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).



#### PERCENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS RECEIVING FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL INSTITUTIONAL OR OTHER SOURCES OF NEED OR MERIT GRANT AID\*: AY 2009 – AY 2015

## The percent of undergraduate students at UIC receiving financial aid is at the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of its peer median.



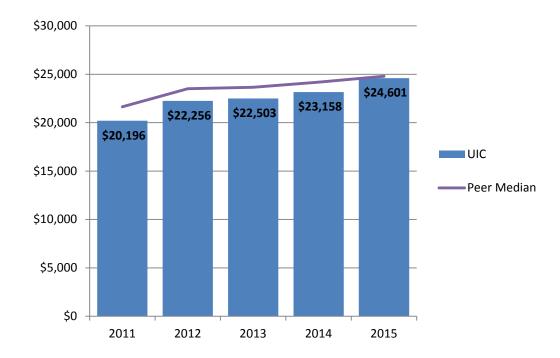
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\* Excludes PLUS loans, unsubsidized, and private alternative loans.



#### AVERAGE PER UNDERGRADUATE-BORROWER CUMULATIVE PRINCIPAL BORROWED AY 2011 – AY 2015

## UIC students borrow slightly less on average than students at peer institutions.

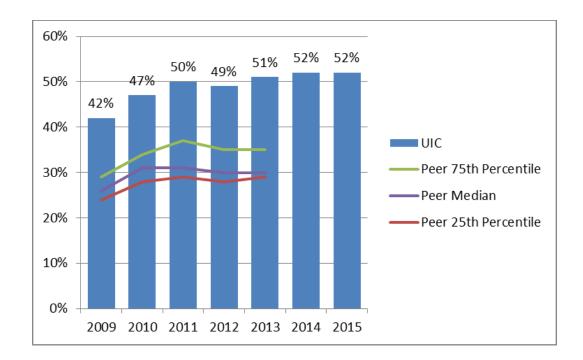


Source: Common Data Set (CDS)



#### PERCENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS RECEIVING PELL GRANTS AY 2009 – AY 2015

#### UIC has the highest percent of Pell grant recipients of its peer group.

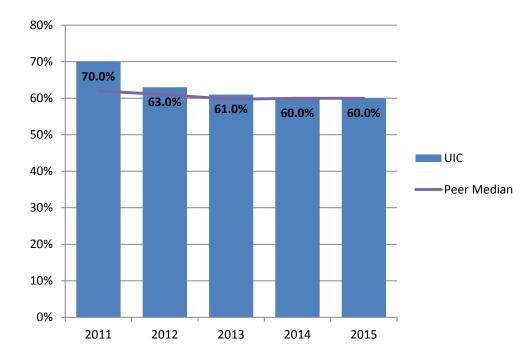


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#### PERCENT NEED MET OF FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATES AWARDED ANY NEED-BASED AID\* AY 2011 – AY 2015

The average percentage of need met for UIC undergraduates receiving needbased aid is 60%; the same as the peer median in 2015.



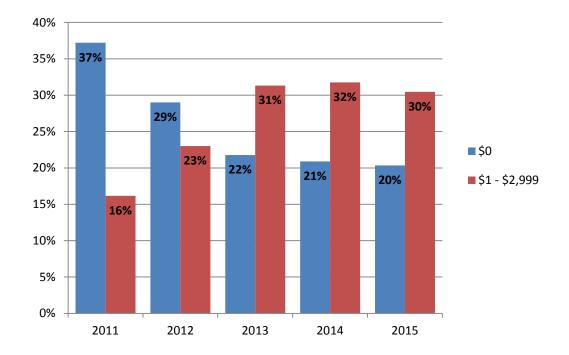
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\* Excludes any aid awarded in excess of need as well as any that were awarded to replace EFC: PLUS, unsubsidized and private alternative loans.



#### PERCENT FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATES PAYING LESS THAN \$3,000 PER SEMESTER FALL 2011 – FALL 2015

#### Half 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.



#### **Total Enrollment**

- Set total enrollment record of 29,120 in Fall 2016
- Largest student population in the Chicago area
- Undergraduate enrollment (17,959) increased by 2.2% in Fall 2016

#### **New Undergraduates**

- Total of 5,265 and an increase of 4% in Fall 2016
- Increase of 25% in new undergraduate transfers, with a decrease of 5% in firsttime full-time freshmen

#### **First-Generation Students**

 Increase in undergraduates who are first-generation students (one-third overall and 39% of Fall 2016 entering freshmen)



#### **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**

- Contracted with Shorelight Education, a revenue generating partnership, to bring qualified undergraduate students to begin in January 2017
- First cohort of mid-year starting freshmen is projected to be 40 students from a variety of countries including India, Vietnam, China, Brazil, United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia



#### **Pell Recipients**

 52% of undergraduate students were Pell recipients in Fall 2015 and the preliminary figure for Fall 2016 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



#### **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**

- \$24,601 is the average per-undergraduate student debt burden for the 2014-15 graduating class (national average for public and private nonprofit colleges is \$28,950)
- 50% of undergraduate students pay less than \$3,000 per semester for tuition and fees
  - Of those, 20% 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	3.2%
Illinois Universities	9.4%

National Public Average, 4 year
7.3%



## **AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT**

#### **Student Success Initiative Programs:**

- Academic Advising
  - 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**

### **Institutional Financial Aid Policy**

- Optimize institutionally funded financial aid by linking awards to student outcomes
- Streamline scholarship award process
- Evaluate financial aid policies and recommend cost saving changes that have minimal impact on access and diversity

### **MAP Funding**

Impact of State reimbursement of MAP grants for FY2017

