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City College Summary

Census Enrollment and FTES

- A total of 14,322 students were enrolled at City College, an increase of 9% (+1,143) over the previous fall 2001 semester.
- Total FTES also increased from the previous year, but at a higher rate of 23% (4,294 in fall 2002 vs. 3,485 in fall 2001).
- The number of students enrolled full-time increased by 15% (3,429 in fall 2002 vs. 2,988 in fall 2001).

Student Enrollment Status

- Of the total student population, 63% were continuing students, 25% were new to the college (first-time freshmen, 11%; first-time transfer, 14%), 10% were students who left the college for more than a year and returned, 1% were current high school students, and another 1% were unknown.
- In comparison to the previous year, first-time transfer was the only group with a small proportional increase (1%).

New Student Enrollment by College Service Area

- There were notable enrollment increases of first-time freshmen from outside of the college's service area, particularly in the areas serving Mesa College and outside of the district altogether.
- The enrollment of first-time transfers increased significantly from within the college's service area as well as the area serving Mesa College.

Changes in Demographic Characteristics

- There was a slight increase (not more than 2 percent points) in the proportion of students who were female, between the ages of 18 and 24, or had no dependents.

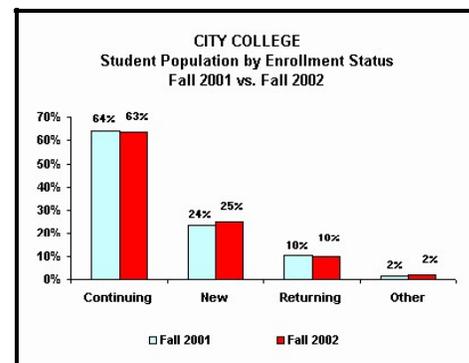
- The non-resident students accounted for 4% (605) of all students, indicating a 1% increase over the fall 2001 share of this group in the total student population.
- International students constituted 47% of the non-resident students.

Fall-to-Fall Persistence of First-time Freshmen

- Of the first-time freshmen enrolled at City College in fall 2001, 39% persisted to the current semester (fall 2002). This rate was slightly lower than the 42% rate observed in the previous year (fall 2001).
- Fall-to-fall persistence rates by educational objective indicated that first-time freshmen who intended to transfer persisted at a higher rate (47%) than those with other educational objectives.

Enrollment by Subject Area

- The top ten subject areas with the largest change in student enrollment from fall 2001 to fall 2002 were: (1) Arabic, (2) chemistry, (3) astronomy, (4) cosmetology, (5) humanities, (6) art-graphic design, (7) geology, (8) philosophy, (9) Chicano studies, and (10) French.

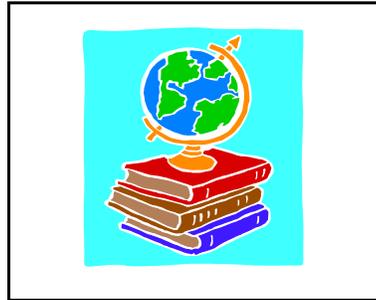


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Mesa College Summary

Census Enrollment and FTES

- This fall, a total of 22,255 students were enrolled at Mesa College, an increase of 9% (+1,840) over the previous fall 2001 semester.
- Total FTES also increased from the previous year, but at a higher rate of 18% (7,312 in fall 2002 vs. 6,214 in fall 2001).
- The number of students enrolled full-time increased by 15% (7,066 in fall 2002 vs. 6,143 in fall 2001).



Student Enrollment Status

- Of the total student population, 65% were continuing students, 25% were new to the college (first-time freshmen, 10%; first-time transfer, 15%), 10% were students who left the college for more than a year and returned, 1% were current high school students, and less than 1% were unknown.
- In comparison to the previous year, these percentages did not change.

New Student Enrollment by College Service Area

- There was a significant enrollment increase in the number of first-time freshmen from outside of the district.
- The enrollment of first-time transfers originating from the area serving Miramar College also increased.

Changes in Demographic Characteristics

- There was a slight increase (not more than 2 percent points) in the proportion of students who were Latino or between the ages of 18 and 29.

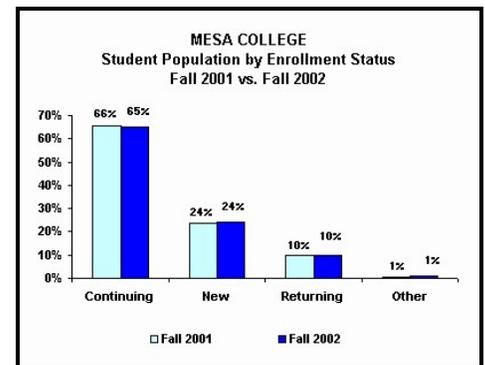
Fall-to-Fall Persistence of First-time Freshmen

- Of the first-time freshmen enrolled at Mesa College in fall 2001, 52% persisted to the current semester (fall 2002).
- Fall-to-fall persistence rates by educational objective showed that more than half of the first-time freshmen who intended to transfer (57%) or who were undecided (53%) persisted after their first year.

Enrollment by Subject Area

- The top ten subject areas at Mesa College with the largest change in student enrollment from fall 2001 to fall 2002 were: (1) Chicano studies, (2) health information technology, (3) black studies, (4) medical assisting, (5) real estate, (6) education, (7) water, (8) marketing, (9) health education, and (10) building construction technology.

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Fall 2002 Enrollment Analysis (As of Census)

Miramar College Summary

Census Enrollment and FTES

- As of census, 8,890 students were enrolled at Miramar College, a notable 18% increase (+1,332) over the previous fall 2001 semester.
- Total FTES also increased from the previous year at an identical rate of 18% (2,622 in fall 2002 vs. 2,214 in fall 2001).
- There was a 23% increase in the number of students enrolled full-time (2,161 in fall 2002 vs. 1,755 in fall 2001).

Student Enrollment Status

- Of the total student population, 63% were continuing students, 24% were new to the college (first-time freshmen, 11%; first-time transfer, 13%), 12% were students who left the college for more than a year and returned, 1% were current high school students, and less than 1% were unknown.
- In comparison to the previous year, only continuing students had a small proportional increase (2%).

New Student Enrollment by College Service Area

- There was a notable increase in the number of first-time freshmen and transfers from outside of the college's service area, especially from the areas outside of the district.
- There was also a significant decrease in the number of first-time freshmen from within the college's own service area, which could have been the result of fewer students graduating from the college's feeder high schools or more local high school graduates opting to attend colleges outside of the district.

Changes in Demographic Characteristics

- There was a small increase (not more than 1 percent point) in the proportion of

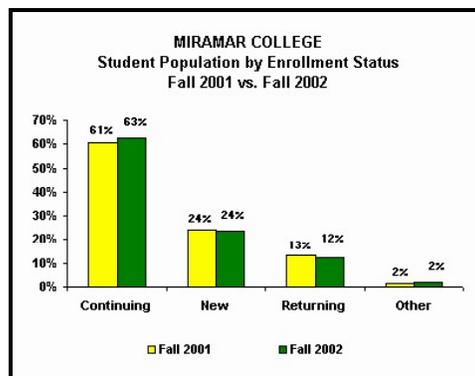
students who were married, between the ages of 25 and 29, had two dependents, or were intending to transfer without obtaining an associate degree.

Fall-to-Fall Persistence of First-time Freshman

- Of the first-time freshmen enrolled in fall 2001, nearly half of the students (48%) persisted to the current semester (fall 2002). This rate did not change from the previous year (fall 2001).
- Fall-to-fall persistence rates by educational objective showed that more than half of the first-time freshmen (56%) who intended to transfer persisted after their first year.

Enrollment by Subject Area

- The top ten subject areas with the largest change in student enrollment from fall 2001 to fall 2002 were: (1) administration of justice, (2) fine arts, (3) sociology, (4) legal assistant, (5) chemistry, (6) automotive technology, (7) anthropology, (8) biological sciences, (9) health education, and (10) history.



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ECC Summary

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Census Enrollment and FTES

- At ECC, a total of 1,064 students were enrolled this fall, a significant increase of 62% (+405) over the previous fall 2001 semester.
- Total FTES also increased from the previous year, but at a higher rate of 74% (253 in fall 2002 vs. 145 in fall 2001).
- There was a 66% increase in the number of students enrolled full-time (98 in fall 2002 vs. 59 in fall 2001).

Student Enrollment Status

- Of the total student population, 57% were continuing students, 17% were new to ECC (first-time freshmen, 9%; first-time transfer, 8%), 19% were students who left the college for more than a year and returned, 7% were current high school students, and 1% were unknown.
- The percentage of first-time (freshmen and transfer) and returning students increased from the previous year by as much as 4% points.

New Student Enrollment by College Service Area

- The enrollment of new students from the area serving City College and from areas outside of the district increased significantly.
- There was also an increase in the number of first-time transfers from the area serving Mesa College.

Changes in Demographic Characteristics

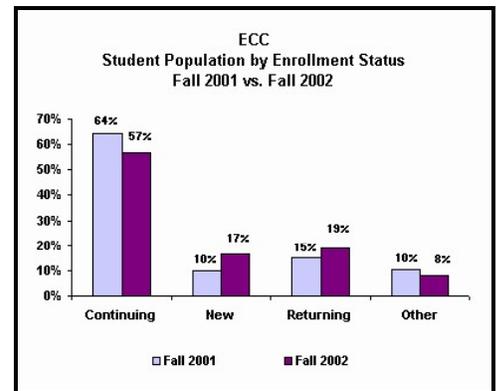
- There were notable increases in the proportion of students who were male, white, between the ages of 18 and 39, married, had no dependents, or were intending to transfer.

Fall-to-Fall Persistence of First-time Freshmen

- Of the first-time freshmen enrolled at ECC, only 15% persisted to the current semester (fall 2002). This rate was a sharp decline from the 34% rate observed in the previous year.

Enrollment by Subject Area

- The subject areas with the largest change in student enrollment from fall 2001 to fall 2002 were: (1) Spanish, (2) real estate, (3) mathematics, (4) psychology, (5) child development, and (6) English.



Note: The service areas for the three colleges are defined by their surrounding zip codes and reflect the general community served by the college.

