### A. GENERAL INFORMATION

**A1. Address Information** 

Name of College or University	University of West Georgia
Mailing Address, City/State/Zip/Country	Same as below
Street Address (if different), City/State/Zip/Country	1601 Maple Street, Carrollton, GA 30118
Main Phone Number	678-839-5000
WWW Home Page Address	www.westga.edu
Admissions Phone Number	678-839-4000
Admissions Toll-free Number	N/A
Admissions Office Mailing Address, City/State/Zip/Country	Same as above
Admissions Fax Number	678-839-4747
Admissions E-mail Address	admiss@westga.edu
If there is a separate URL for your school's online application,	
http://www.gacollege411.org/applications/USG_Common_Ap	p_Short/apply.html?application_id=3427
If you have a mailing address other than the above to which ap <b>A2. Source of institutional control</b> (check one only)	plications should be sent, please provide
Public	
Private (nonprofit)	
☐ Proprietary	
A3. Classify your undergraduate institution:  Coeducational college Men's college Women's college	
A4. Academic year calendar	
$\boxtimes$ Semester $\square$ 4-1-4	
Quarter Continuous	
☐ Trimester ☐ Differs by program (descr	ibe):
Other (describe):	
A5. Degrees offered by your institution	
	ficate
☐ Diploma ☐ Master's	
Associate Post-master's certific	cate
☐ Transfer ☐ Doctoral degree rese	
☐ Terminal ☐ Doctoral degree – pro	
☐ Bachelor's ☐ Doctoral degree ot	her

### **B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE**

**B1. Institutional Enrollment—Men and Women Provide** numbers of students for each of the following categories as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 2011. Note: Report students formerly designated as "first professional" in the graduate cells.

	<b>FULL-TIME</b>		PART	-TIME	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	
Undergraduates					
Degree-seeking, first-time freshmen	779	1,152	24	36	
Other first-year, degree- seeking	543	671	155	187	
All other degree-seeking	1,995	3,125	456	906	
Total degree-seeking	3,317	4,948	635	1,129	
All other undergraduates enrolled in credit courses					
Total undergraduates	3,317	4,948	635	1,129	
Graduate					
Degree-seeking, first-time	28	89	55	170	
All other degree-seeking	141	274	217	643	
All other graduates enrolled in credit courses					
Total graduate	169	363	272	813	

<sup>13</sup> undergraduate students (10 women and 3 men) who are auditing some classes are not reflected in the grand total.

Total all undergraduates: 10,029
Total all graduate: 1,617
GRAND TOTAL ALL STUDENTS: 11,646

**B2.** Enrollment by Racial/Ethnic Category. Provide numbers of undergraduate students for each of the following categories as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 2011. Include international students only in the category "Nonresident aliens." Complete the "Total Undergraduates" column only if you cannot provide data for the first two columns. Report as your institution reports to IPEDS: persons who are Hispanic should be reported only on the Hispanic line, not under any race, and persons who are non-Hispanic multi-racial should be reported only under "Two or more races."

	Degree-seeking First-time First year	Degree-seeking Undergraduates (include first-time first-year)	Total Undergraduates (both degree- and non- degree-seeking)
Nonresident aliens	37	128	128
Hispanic	104	395	395
Black or African American, non- Hispanic	705	2,956	2,956
White, non-Hispanic	1,037	5,568	5,568
American Indian or Alaska Native, non- Hispanic	4	25	25
Asian, non-Hispanic	23	116	116
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	2	14	14
Two or more races, non-Hispanic	70	282	282
Race and/or ethnicity unknown	9	545	545
Total	1,991	10,029	10,029

#### **Persistence**

B3. Number of degrees awarded by your institution from July 1, 2010, to June 30, 2011.

Certificate/diploma	
Associate degrees	
Bachelor's degrees	1,467
Post-bachelor's certificates	10
Master's degrees	466
Post-master's certificates	140
Doctoral degrees – research/scholarship	13
Doctoral degrees – professional practice	
Doctoral degrees – other	

Total 2,096

#### **Graduation Rates**

The items in this section correspond to data elements collected by the IPEDS Web-based Data Collection System's Graduation Rate Survey (GRS). For complete instructions and definitions of data elements, see the IPEDS GRS instructions and glossary on the 2011 Web-based survey.

#### For Bachelor's or Equivalent Programs

Please provide data for the Fall 2005 cohort if available. If Fall 2005 cohort data are not available, provide data for the Fall 2004 cohort.

#### Fall 2004 Cohort

Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall\_2004. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding Fall 2004.

- **B4.** Initial 2004 cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: 1,701
- **B5.** Of the initial 2004 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, or service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions:
- **B6.** Final 2004cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: 1,701 (Subtract question B5 from question B4)
- **B7.** Of the initial 2004 cohort, how many completed the
- **B8**. Of the initial 2004 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2008 and by August 31, 2009): 276

program in four years or less (by August 31, 2008): 198

- **B9.** Of the initial 2004 cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2009 and by August 31, 2010): 113
- **B10**. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9): **587**
- **B11.** Six-year graduation rate for 2004 cohort (question B10 divided by question B6): 34.51%

#### Fall 2005 Cohort

Report for the cohort of full-time first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall 2005. Include in the cohort those who entered your institution during the summer term preceding Fall 2005.

- **B4.** Initial 2005 cohort of first-time, full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students; total all students: 1,653
- **B5.** Of the initial 2005 cohort, how many did not persist and did not graduate for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, or service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government, or official church missions; total allowable exclusions:
- **B6.** Final 2005 cohort, after adjusting for allowable exclusions: 1,653

  (Subtract question B5 from question B4)
- **B7.** Of the initial 2005 cohort, how many completed the program in four years or less (by August 31, 2009): 207
- **B8**. Of the initial 2005 cohort, how many completed the program in more than four years but in five years or less (after August 31, 2009 and by August 31, 2010): 285
- **B9.** Of the initial 2005 cohort, how many completed the program in more than five years but in six years or less (after August 31, 2010 and by August 31, 2011): 140
- **B10**. Total graduating within six years (sum of questions B7, B8, and B9): **632**
- **B11.** Six-year graduation rate for **2005** cohort (question B10 divided by question B6): \_38.23%

#### **B12-B21** for Two-Year Institutions ONLY

#### **Retention Rates**

Report for the cohort of all full-time, first-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered in Fall 2010 (or the preceding summer term). The initial cohort may be adjusted for students who departed for the following reasons: death, permanent disability, or service in the armed forces, foreign aid service of the federal government or official church missions. No other adjustments to the initial cohort should be made.

**B22.** For the cohort of all full-time bachelor's (or equivalent) degree-seeking undergraduate students who entered your institution as freshmen in Fall 2010 (or the preceding summer term), what percentage was enrolled at your institution as of the date your institution calculates its official enrollment in Fall 2011? 72.84 %

#### C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

### **Applications**

**C1. First-time, first-year (freshman) students:** Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in Fall 2011. Include early decision, early action, and students who began studies during summer in this cohort. Applicants should include only those students who fulfilled the requirements for consideration for admission (i.e., who completed actionable applications) and who have been notified of one of the following actions: admission, non-admission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution). Admitted applicants should include wait-listed students who were subsequently offered admission.

Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	2,585
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	4,049
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) who applied	6,634
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	1,429
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	2,208
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) who were admitted	3,637
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	779
Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	24
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	1,152
Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) women who enrolled	36

contingent on space availability)  Do you have a policy of placing students on a waiting list?   Yes  If yes, please answer the questions below for Fall 2011 admissions:	No
Number of qualified applicants offered a place on waiting list Number accepting a place on the waiting list Number of wait-listed students admitted	
Is your waiting list ranked?	
If yes, do you release that information to students?	
Do you release that information to school counselors?	
Admission Requirements  C3. High school completion requirement Check the appropriate box to identify your high school completion re High school diploma is required and GED is accepted High school diploma is required and GED is not accepted High school diploma or equivalent is not required	equirement for degree-seeking entering students:
C4. Does your institution require or recommend a general college-pro	eparatory program for degree-seeking students?
<ul><li>☐ Require</li><li>☐ Recommend</li><li>☐ Neither require nor recommend</li></ul>	

**C5. Distribution of high school units required and/or recommended.** Specify the distribution of academic high school course units required and/or recommended of all or most degree-seeking students using Carnegie units (one unit equals one year of study or its equivalent). If you use a different system for calculating units, please convert.

	Units Required	<b>Units Recommended</b>
Total academic units	17	
English	4	
Mathematics	4	
Science	4	
Of these, units that must be lab	2	
Foreign language	2	
Social studies	1	
History	2	
Academic electives		
Computer Science		
Visual/Performing Arts		
Other (specify)		

#### **Basis for Selection**

•	ion policy, under which virtually all secondary school graduates or students with GED mitted without regard to academic record, test scores, or other qualifications? If so, check
Open admission policy as de	1 6 ==

C7. Relative importance of each of the following academic and nonacademic factors in your first-time, first-year, degree-seeking (freshman) admission decisions.

	Very Important	Important	Considered	Not Considered
Academic		_		
Rigor of secondary school record				
Class rank				$\boxtimes$
Academic GPA				
Standardized test scores				
Application Essay				$\boxtimes$
Recommendation				
Nonacademic				
Interview				$\boxtimes$
Extracurricular activities				
Talent/ability				
Character/personal qualities				
First generation				
Alumni/ae relation				
Geographical residence				
State residency				
Religious affiliation/commitment				
Racial/ethnic status				
Volunteer work				
Work experience				$\boxtimes$
Level of applicant's interest				$\boxtimes$

### **SAT and ACT Policies**

C8.	Entrance exams					
A. 1	Does your institution make use of SAT, degree-seeking applicants? Xes	ACT, or S	AT Subject Test	scores in <b>admiss</b>	<b>sion</b> decisions for f	ïrst-time, first-year
	es, place check marks in the appropriat Il 2013.	e boxes bel	ow to reflect you	r institution's po	licies for use in add	mission for
		Require	ADMISSION Recommend	Require for	Consider If	Not Used
	SAT or ACT ACT only SAT only SAT and SAT Subject Tests or ACT SAT Subject Tests			Some	Submitted	
Fall	If your institution will make use of the Al 2013, please indicate which ONE of the phissions process):					
	ACT with Writing component required ACT with Writing component recomn ACT with or without Writing component	nended.	ed			
C. I	Please indicate how your institution wil	l use the SA	AT or ACT essay	component; che	ck all that apply.	
				SAT essay	ACT essay	
	For admission					
	For placement					
	For advising					
	In place of an app					
	As a validity check		plication essay			
	No college policy					
	Not using essay co	omponent				
D. 1	In addition, does your institution use ap	plicants' tes	st scores for acad	emic advising?	_X_ yes no	
E.	Latest date by which SAT or ACT sco Latest date by which SAT Subject Tes					
F.	If necessary, use this space to clarify y not required of some students):				ded for some stude	nts, or if tests are
G.	Please indicate which tests your instit SAT  ACT  SAT Subject Tests  AP  CLEP  Institutional Exam  State Exam (specify):  Internation			g., state tests):		

#### Freshman Profile

Provide percentages for **ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, full-time and part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) students** enrolled in Fall 2011, including students who began studies during summer, international students/nonresident aliens, and students admitted under special arrangements.

C9. Percent and number of first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in Fall 2011 who submitted national standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. Include information for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted test scores. Do not include partial test scores (e.g., mathematics scores but not critical reading for a category of students) or combine other standardized test results (such as TOEFL) in this item. Do not convert SAT scores to ACT scores and vice versa.

The 25th percentile is the score that 25 percent scored at or below; the 75th percentile score is the one that 25 percent scored at or above.

Percent submitting SAT scores	67	Number submitting SAT scores	1,331
Percent submitting ACT scores	38	Number submitting ACT scores	757

	25th Percentile	75th Percentile	Number of Students	Mean
SAT Critical Reading	<mark>450</mark>	<mark>540</mark>	<mark>1,331</mark>	<mark>499</mark>
SAT Math	<mark>440</mark>	<mark>530</mark>	1,331	<mark>492</mark>
SAT Writing	<mark>430</mark>	<mark>520</mark>	1,324	<mark>474</mark>
SAT Essay				
ACT Composite	<mark>19</mark>	<mark>22</mark>	<mark>757</mark>	<mark>21</mark>
ACT Math	<mark>18</mark>	<mark>22</mark>	<mark>757</mark>	<mark>20</mark>
ACT English	18	<mark>22</mark>	<mark>757</mark>	21
ACT Writing				

Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

	SAT Critical Reading	# of Students Critical Reading	SAT Math	# of Students Math	SAT Writing	# of Students Writing
700-800	.4	5	.2	3	.1	1
600-699	8.5	113	7.2	96	4.3	57
500-599	35.8	476	34.9	464	30.3	402
400-499	54.1	721	56.8	756	55.5	735
300-399	1.2	16	.9	12	9.7	128
200-299		0		0	.1	1
	100%	1,331	100%	1,331	100%	1,324

	ACT Composite	# of Students Composite	ACT English	# of Students English	ACT Math	# of Students Math
30-36	.4	3	1.7	13	.4	3
24-29	14.4	109	14.8	112	15.6	118
18-23	74.5	564	66.3	502	60.4	457
12-17	10.7	81	16.9	128	23.7	179
6-11		0	.3	2		0
Below 6		0		0		0
	100%	757	100%	757	100%	757

			s who had high school class rank with m whom you collected high school ran	
Percent in top tenth of high Percent in top quarter of hi				
Percent in top half of high Percent in bottom half of h			$half + bottom \ half = 100\%$ .	
	First-year (freshman) students who		n school class rank:	
	ch of the following ranges (using		nan) students who had high school gr eport information only for those stude	
	Percent who had GPA of 3.75	and higher	9.6%	
	Percent who had GPA between		11.8%	
	Percent who had GPA between			
	Percent who had GPA between			
	Percent who had between 2.50		33.1%	
	Percent who had GPA between Percent who had GPA between		12.6% .3%	
	Percent who had GPA below 1		0%	
	1 010010 WING 1110 011 1 0010 W		100%	
Admission Policies C13. Application fee				
Does your institution have	an application fee?	⊠ Yes	□ No	
Amount of application fee:		\$30		
Can it be waived for applic	ants with financial need?	⊠ Yes	□ No	
If you have an application fee Same fee: _X Free: Reduced:	and an on-line application opti	on, please indi	cate policy for students who apply on	ı-line
Can on-line application fee be	e waived for applicants with fina	ancial need? N	О	
C14. Application closing date				
Does your institution have Application closing date (f Priority date:		⊠ Yes	□ No	
C15. Are first-time, first-year	students accepted for terms oth	ner than the fa	ll? ⊠ Yes □ No	
C16. Notification to applicant	s of admission decision sent (fill	in one only)		
On a rolling basis beginnin By (date): Other:	g (date):June 1			

C17. Reply policy for admitted applicants (fill in one only)
Must reply by (date):
No set date:X
Must reply by May 1 or within weeks if notified thereafter  Other:
Deadline for housing deposit (MMDD):''Rolling'' Amount of housing deposit:\$150
Refundable if student does not enroll?
Yes, in full
Yes, in part _X_ No
C18. Deferred admission: Does your institution allow students to postpone enrollment after admission?
Yes No If yes, maximum period of postponement: _1 year
<b>C19. Early admission of high school students:</b> Does your institution allow high school students to enroll as full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) students one year or more before high school graduation? ⊠ Yes □ No
C20. Common Application: Question removed from CDS. (Initiated during 2006-2007 cycle)
Early Decision and Early Action Plans
<b>C21. Early decision:</b> Does your institution offer an early decision plan (an admission plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date and that asks students to commit to attending if accepted) for first-time, first-year (freshman) applicants for fall enrollment? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "yes," please complete the following:
First or only early decision plan closing date  First or only early decision plan notification date
Other early decision plan closing date  Other early decision plan notification date
For the Fall 2011 entering class:
Number of early decision applications received by your institution  Number of applicants admitted under early decision plan
Please provide significant details about your early decision plan:
<b>C22. Early action:</b> Do you have a nonbinding early action plan whereby students are notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification date but do not have to commit to attending your college?
☐ Yes         No
If "yes," please complete the following:
Early action closing date  Early action notification date
Is your early action plan a "restrictive" plan under which you limit students from applying to other early plans?

		<b>D.</b> 7	TRANSFER AD	MISSIC	N		
Fall Applicants							
D1. Does your institu (If no, please skip If yes, may transf other colleges/un	p to Section fer students	E) earn advanced s	standing credit by t	ransferrin	ng credits ea	arned from course	work completed at
<b>D2.</b> Provide the numb	oer of studer	nts who applied	, were admitted, an	d enrolled	d as degree	-seeking transfer s	tudents in Fall
		Applicants	Admitted App	licants	Enrolled	Applicants	
	Men	580	340			234	
	Women	1,040	664		4	405	
	Total	1,620	1,004			539	
<ul> <li>Application for Ada</li> <li>D3. Indicate terms for</li> <li>D4. Must a transfer ap</li></ul>	r which tran  Fa  pplicant hav  minimum r	e a minimum number of credi	Winter Sumber of credits co	easure?		t apply as an enter	
		of All	of All		imenaea Some	Some	Not required
High school transcript	t	-	-			X	
College transcript(s)		X					
Essay or personal state	ement						X
Interview							X
Standardized test scor	es					X	
Statement of good sta		X					
from prior institution(	(s)						
D6. If a minimum high (on a 4.0 scale):  D7. If a minimum coll (on a 4.0 scale):			•		•	ify	

**D8**. List any other application requirements specific to transfer applicants:

<u>Transfer applicants that have earned less than 30 semester hours/ 45 quarter hours then the following items must also be included/and freshman requirements for admission fulfilled:</u>

- Official high school transcript
- SAT/ACT scores

**D9.** List application priority, closing, notification, and candidate reply dates for transfer students. If applications are reviewed on a continuous or rolling basis, place a check mark in the "Rolling admission" column.

	<b>Priority Date</b>	Closing Date	Notification Date	Reply Date	Rolling Admission
Fall					X
Winter					
Spring					X
Summer					X

<b>D10.</b> Does an open admission policy, if reported, apply to transfer students? Yes N
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**D11**. Describe additional requirements for transfer admission, if applicable:

Transfer applicants who have more than 30 semester hours/ 45 quarter hours of transferable credit must have:

- <u>Cumulative college GPA of 2.00 calculated on all attempted college credit courses that are transferable to UWG, at</u> all colleges attended (this includes failed courses and repeated courses)
- Completion of any required remedial college coursework
- Completion of any required College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) deficiency
- Eligible to return to the last college attended

#### **Transfer Credit Policies**

Miami, FL., http://www.jsilny.com/.

Transfer Credit Policies
<b>D12.</b> Report the lowest grade earned for any course that may be transferred for credit:"D"
<b>D13.</b> Maximum number of credits or courses that may be transferred from a two-year institution:  Number90 Unit type _SEMESTER HOURS
<b>D14</b> . Maximum number of credits or courses that may be transferred from a four-year institution:  Number90 Unit type _SEMESTER HOURS
<b>D15.</b> Minimum number of credits that transfers must complete at your institution to earn an associate degree:
<b>D16.</b> Minimum number of credits that transfers must complete at your institution to earn a bachelor's degree:30
<b>D17.</b> Describe other transfer credit policies:
* International student applicants may be required to submit TOEFL scores. Students who attend high school or college
outside of the United States must submit required transcripts for foreign credential evaluation. UWG accepts evaluations
from any current member of NACES, http://www.naces.org/, but we recommend using the Josef Silny Evaluation Service in

\*Requirements subject to change based on Board of Regents and University directives.\*

Admission to the University does not guarantee admission to a specific college or department. Each college or department may have additional admission requirements which must be met before a student can begin taking upper division classes in their degree program. It is the student's responsibility to contact the appropriate academic department for additional admission requirements upon acceptance to the University granted by the Office of Admissions.

### E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES

<b>E1. Special study options:</b> Identify those programs available at your institution. Refer to the glossar	ry for definitions.			
E2. Has been removed from the CDS.				
E3. Areas in which all or most students are required to complete some course work prior to gr	aduation:			
<ul> <li>Arts/fine arts</li> <li>Computer literacy</li> <li>English (including composition)</li> <li>Foreign languages</li> <li>History</li> <li>Other (describe):</li> <li>Humanities</li> <li>Mathematics</li> <li>Philosophy</li> <li>Sciences (biological or physical)</li> <li>Social science</li> </ul>				
Library Collections:				
E4. Books, serial backfiles, electronic documents and government documents (titles) that are accessible through the library's catalog				
E5. Current serials subscriptions (paper, microform, electronic):	65,301			
E6. Microforms (units): Reduction due to converting microforms to electronic database	197,300			
E7. Audiovisual material (unit):	11,634			

### F. STUDENT LIFE

F1. Percentages of first-time, first-year (freshman) degree-seeking students and degree-seeking undergraduates enrolled in Fall 2011 who fit the following categories:

enrolled in <b>Fall 2011</b> who fit the following	ng categories:		
		First-time, first-year (freshman) students	Undergraduates
Percent who are from out of state (exclude international/nonresident aliens from	n the numerator and denomin	2%	3%
Percent of men who join fraternities	ii the numerator and denomin	13%	4%
Percent of women who join sororities		12%	3%
Percent who live in college-owned, -operated	, or -affiliated housing	72%	28%
Percent who live off campus or commute		28%	72%
Percent of students age 25 and older		3%	16%
Average age of full-time students		18	21
Average age of all students (full- and part-time	ne)	19	22
<b>F2. Activities offered</b> Identify those programs	s available at your institution	ı.	
	∐ Literary magazine	Radio station	
	Marching band	Student government	
Concert band	Model UN	Student newspaper	
Dance	Music ensembles	Student-run film society	
Drama/theater	Musical theater	Symphony orchestra	
☐ International Student Organization	○ Opera	☐ Television station	
☐ Jazz band	Pep band	Yearbook	
Z Juzz build	Z T op build	rearbook	
<b>F3. ROTC</b> (program offered in cooperation w	rith Reserve Officers' Traini	ng Corps)	
Army ROTC is offered:			
On campus At cooperating institution (name)	١٠		
At cooperating institution (name	)·		<del></del>
Naval ROTC is offered:			
On campus			
At cooperating institution (name)	):		
	·		<del></del>
Air Force ROTC is offered:			
On campus			
At cooperating institution (name)	): Student may participate th	nrough Atlanta Regional Council	for
Higher Education's Cross Registration		nough i manua regional council	.01
	C		
<b>F4. Housing:</b> Check all types of college-owner institution.	ed, -operated, or -affiliated h	ousing available for undergraduat	es at your
Coed dorms	Special housing for	r disabled students	
Men's dorms		r international students	
Women's dorms	Fraternity/sorority		
Apartments for married students	Cooperative housing	ាច	
Apartments for single students	Theme housing	6	
_ 1	Wellness housing		
Other housing options (specify):			

#### G. ANNUAL EXPENSES

G0. Please provide the URL of your institution's net price calculator: <a href="http://www.westga.edu/~its/npcalc.htm">http://www.westga.edu/~its/npcalc.htm</a>

Provide 2012-2013 academic year costs of attendance for the following categories that are applicable to your institution.

Check here if your institution's 2012-2013 academic year costs of attendance are not available at this time and provide an approximate date (i.e., month/day) when your institution's final 2012-2013 academic year costs of attendance will be available: \_\_05/15

#### G1. Undergraduate full-time tuition, required fees, room and board

List the typical tuition, required fees, and room and board for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 2012-2013 academic year (30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours for institutions that derive annual tuition by multiplying credit hour cost by number of credits). A full academic year refers to the period of time generally extending from September to June; usually equated to two semesters, two trimesters, three quarters, or the period covered by a four-one-four plan. Room and board is defined as double occupancy and 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan. **Required fees** include only charges that all full-time students must pay that are *not* included in tuition (e.g., registration, health, or activity fees.) Do *not* include optional fees (e.g., parking, laboratory use).

	FIRST-YEAR	UNDERGRADUATES
PRIVATE INSTITUTION Tuition:		
PUBLIC INSTITUTION Tuition: In-district:	4,734	4,734
In-state (out-of-district):	4,734	4,734
Out-of-state:	16,710	16,710
NONRESIDENT ALIEN: Tuition:	16,710	16,710
REQUIRED FEES:	1,858	1,858
ROOM AND BOARD: (on-campus)	7,168	7,168
ROOM ONLY: (on-campus)	3,900	3,900
BOARD ONLY: (on-campus meal plan)	3,268	3,268

Comprehensive tuition and room and board fee (if your college cannot provide separa fees):	te tuition and	room and board	
Other:		······································	
G2. Number of credits per term a student can take for the stated full-time tuition	_12_minim	um _18_maxim	un
G3. Do tuition and fees vary by year of study (e.g., sophomore, junior, senior)?	Yes	No No	
G4. Do tuition and fees vary by undergraduate instructional program?	Yes	⊠ No	
If yes, what percentage of full-time undergraduates pay more than the tuition and fees	reported in (	G1?	

### G5. Provide the estimated expenses for a typical full-time undergraduate student:

	Residents	Commuters (living at home)	Commuters (not living at home)
Books and supplies:	1,000	1,000	1,000
Room only:			
Board only:			
Room and board total (if your college cannot provide separate room and board figures for commuters not living at home):			8,148
Transportation:	1,428	1,428	1,428
Other expenses:	1,530	1,530	1,530

### **G6.** Undergraduate per-credit-hour charges (tuition only):

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS:	
PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS	157.80
In-district:	137.80
In-state (out-of-district):	157.80
Out-of-state:	557
NONRESIDENT ALIENS:	557

#### H. FINANCIAL AID

Please refer to the following financial aid definitions when completing Section H.

Awarded aid: The dollar amounts offered to financial aid applicants.

**Financial aid applicant:** Any applicant who submits **any one of** the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

**Indebtedness:** Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan program (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

**Institutional scholarships and grants**: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

**Need-based aid:** College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and non-institutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

**Need-based scholarship or grant aid:** Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

**Need-based self-help aid:** Loans and jobs from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must demonstrate financial need to qualify.

**Non-need-based scholarship or grant aid:** Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit-based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

#### Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

Non-need institutional grants

Non-need tuition waivers

Non-need athletic awards

Non-need federal grants

Non-need state grants

Non-need outside grants

Non-need student loans

Non-need parent loans

Non-need work

**Non-need-based self-help aid:** Loans and jobs from institutional, state, or other sources for which a student need not demonstrate financial need to qualify.

**External scholarships and grants:** Scholarships and grants received from outside (private) sources that students bring with them (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

Work study and employment: Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.

### Aid Awarded to Enrolled Undergraduates

H1. Enter total dollar amounts awarded to enrolled full-time and less than full-time degree-seeking undergraduates (using the same cohort reported in CDS Question B1, "total degree-seeking" undergraduates) in the following categories. (Note: If the data being reported are final figures for the 2010-2011 academic year (see the next item below), use the 2010-2011 academic year's CDS Question B1 cohort.) Include aid awarded to international students (i.e., those not qualifying for federal aid). Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be reported in the need-based aid column. (For a suggested order of precedence in assigning categories of aid to cover need, see the entry for "non-need-based scholarship or grant aid" on the last page of the definitions section.)

Indicate the academic year for which data are reported for <b>items H1</b> , <b>H2</b> , <b>H2A</b> , and <b>H6</b> below:  ☐ 2011-2012 estimated or ☐ 2010-2011 final
Which needs-analysis methodology does your institution use in awarding institutional aid? (Formerly H3) _X_ Federal methodology (FM) Institutional methodology (IM) Both FM and IM

	Need-based (Include non-need-based aid use to meet need.)	Non-need-based (Exclude non-need-based aid use to meet need.)
	\$	\$
Scholarships/Grants	10.01=00.4	
Federal	19,317,984	
State (i.e., all states, not only the state in which your institution is located)	7,696,514	3,416,933
Institutional: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants, awarded by the college, excluding athletic aid and tuition waivers (which are reported below).	296,529	176,182
Scholarships/grants from external sources (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit) not awarded by the college	322,977	85,988
Total Scholarships/Grants	27,634,004	3,679,103
Self-Help		
Student loans from all sources (excluding parent loans)	18,796,097	18,545,022
Federal Work-Study	287,261	
State and other (e.g., institutional) work- study/employment (Note: Excludes Federal Work-Study captured above.)		
Total Self-Help	91,083,358	18,545,022
Parent Loans		3,330,470
Tuition Waivers  Note: Reporting is optional. Report tuition waivers in this row if you choose to report them.  Do not report tuition waivers elsewhere.		
Athletic Awards	500,701	487,607

**H2.** Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Aid: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who applied for and were awarded financial aid from any source. Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid. Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1. Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

		First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
a)	Number of degree-seeking undergraduate students (CDS Item B1 if reporting on Fall 2011 cohort)	1,931	8,265	1,764
b)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> who applied for need-based financial aid	1,596	7,042	1,210
c)	Number of students in line <b>b</b> who were determined to have financial need	1,331	6,064	1,095
d)	Number of students in line <b>c</b> who were awarded any financial aid	1,331	5,956	1,023
e)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any need-based scholarship or grant aid	1,314	5,900	960
f)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any need-based self-help aid	1,200	5,443	928
g)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> who were awarded any non-need-based scholarship or grant aid	69	204	39
h)	Number of students in line <b>d</b> whose need was fully met ( <u>exclude PLUS</u> loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	380	683	142
i)	On average, the percentage of need that was met of students who were awarded any need-based aid. Exclude any aid that was awarded in excess of need as well as any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	55%	52%	42%
j)	The average financial aid package of those in line <b>d.</b> Exclude any resources that were awarded to replace EFC (PLUS loans, unsubsidized loans, and private alternative loans)	\$9,027	\$5,900	\$7,603
k)	Average need-based scholarship or grant award of those in line e	\$6,260	\$5,597	\$4,731
1)	Average need-based self-help award ( <u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , and <u>private alternative loans</u> ) of those in line <b>f</b>	\$3,778	\$4,423	\$4,296
m)	Average need-based loan ( <u>excluding PLUS loans</u> , <u>unsubsidized loans</u> , <u>and private alternative loans</u> ) of those in line <b>f</b> who were awarded a need-based loan	\$3,356	\$4,136	\$4,131

**H2A.** Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid. Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1. Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

		First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
n)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid (exclude those who were awarded athletic awards and tuition benefits)	69	348	55
o)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based scholarship and grant aid awarded to students in line <b>n</b>	\$2,045	\$1,551	\$920
p)	Number of students in line <b>a</b> who were awarded an institutional non-need-based athletic scholarship or grant	53	240	2
q)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based athletic scholarships and grants awarded to students in line <b>p</b>	\$5,435	\$4,522	\$3,416

**Note:** These are the graduates and loan types to include and exclude in order to fill out CDS H4, H4a, H5 and H5a.

#### Include:

- \* 2011 undergraduate class who graduated between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011 who started at your institution as first-time students and received a bachelor's degree between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011.
- \* only loans made to students who borrowed while enrolled at your institution.
- co-signed loans.

#### Exclude:

- \* those who transferred in.
- \* money borrowed at other institutions.
- H4. Provide the percentage of the class (defined above) who borrowed at any time through any loan programs (institutional, state, Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized, private loans that were certified by your institution, etc.; exclude parent loans). Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans.

  63%

H4a. Provide the percentage of the class (defined above) who borrowed at any time through federal loan programs--Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans. NOTE: exclude all institutional, state, private alternative loans and parent loans. 63%

H5. Report the average per-undergraduate-borrower cumulative principal borrowed of those in line H4. \$20,712

H5a. Report the average per-undergraduate-borrower cumulative principal borrowed, of those in H4a, through federal loan programs--Federal Perkins, Federal Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized. Include both Federal Direct Student Loans and Federal Family Education Loans. These are listed in line H4a. NOTE: exclude all institutional, state, private alternative loans and exclude parent loans. \$20,712

**Aid to Undergraduate Degree-seeking Nonresident Aliens** (Note: Report numbers and dollar amounts for the same academic year checked in item H1.)

H6.	Indicate your institution's policy regarding institutional scholarship and grant aid for undergraduate degree-seeking
	nonresident aliens:
	Institutional need-based scholarship or grant aid is available
	Institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid is available
	Institutional scholarship and grant aid is not available
	If institutional financial aid is available for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens, provide the number of undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens who were awarded need-based or non-need-based aid:
	Average dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens: \$
	Total dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:  \$
Н7.	Check off all financial aid forms nonresident alien first-year financial aid applicants must submit:
	Institution's own financial aid form
	CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE
	International Student's Financial Aid Application
П	International Student's Certification of Finances
Ħ	Other:

### **Process for First-Year/Freshman Students**

<b>H8.</b> Check off all financial aid forms domestic first-year (freshman) financial aid applicants must submit:
☐ FAFSA ☐ Institution's own financial aid form ☐ CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE ☐ State aid form ☐ Noncustodial PROFILE ☐ Business/Farm Supplement ☐ Other: ☐ Other: ☐ Other
<b>H9.</b> Indicate filing dates for first-year (freshman) students:
Priority date for filing required financial aid forms: <u>04/01</u> Deadline for filing required financial aid forms: <u>07/01</u> No deadline for filing required forms (applications processed on a rolling basis): <u>05/15</u>
H10. Indicate notification dates for first-year (freshman) students (answer a or b):
a.) Students notified on or about (date): <u>05/15</u>
b.) Students notified on a rolling basis: <u>YES</u> If yes, starting date: <u>05/15</u>
H11. Indicate reply dates:
Students must reply by (date): or within weeks of notification.
Types of Aid Available
Please check off all types of aid available to undergraduates at your institution:
H12. Loans
FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM (DIRECT LOAN)  Direct Subsidized Stafford Loans  Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loans  Direct PLUS Loans
Federal Perkins Loans Federal Nursing Loans State Loans College/university loans from institutional funds Other (specify):
H13. Scholarships and Grants
NEED-BASED:  Federal Pell  SEOG  State scholarships/grants  Private scholarships  College/university scholarship or grant aid from institutional funds  United Negro College Fund  Federal Nursing Scholarship  Other (specify):

H14. Check off criteria used in awarding institutional aid. Check all that apply.

Non-need	Need-based		Non-need	Need-based	
X	X	Academics	X		Leadership
X		Alumni affiliation	X	X	Minority status
X		Art	X		Music/drama
X		Athletics			Religious affiliation
		Job skills	X	X	State/district residency
		ROTC			

<b>H15</b> . If your institution has recently implemented any major financial aid policy, program, or initiative to make your institution more affordable to incoming students such as replacing loans with grants, or waiving costs for families below a certain income level please provide details below:				

#### I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE

I-1. Please report the number of instructional faculty members in each category for Fall 2011. Include faculty who are on your institution's payroll on the census date your institution uses for IPEDS/AAUP.

The following definition of full-time instructional faculty is used by the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) in its annual Faculty Compensation Survey (the part time definitions are not used by AAUP). Instructional Faculty is defined as those members of the instructional-research staff whose major regular assignment is instruction, including those with released time for research. Use the chart below to determine inclusions and exclusions:

	Full-time	Part-time
(a) instructional faculty in preclinical and clinical medicine, faculty who are not paid	Exclude	Include only if they
(e.g., those who donate their services or are in the military), or research-only faculty,		teach one or more
post-doctoral fellows, or pre-doctoral fellows		non-clinical credit
		courses
(b) administrative officers with titles such as dean of students, librarian, registrar,	Exclude	Include if they teach
coach, and the like, even though they may devote part of their time to classroom		one or more non-
instruction and may have faculty status		clinical credit courses
(C) other administrators/staff who teach one or more non-clinical credit courses even	Exclude	Include
though they do not have faculty status		
(d) undergraduate or graduate students who assist in the instruction of courses, but	Exclude	Exclude
have titles such as teaching assistant, teaching fellow, and the like		
(e) faculty on sabbatical or leave with pay	Include	Exclude
(f) faculty on leave without pay	Exclude	Exclude
(g) replacement faculty for faculty on sabbatical leave or leave with pay	Exclude	Include

- Full-time instructional faculty: faculty employed on a full-time basis for instruction (including those with released time for research)
- Part-time instructional faculty: Adjuncts and other instructors being paid solely for part-time classroom instruction.
   Also includes full-time faculty teaching less than two semesters, three quarters, two trimesters, or two four-month sessions. Employees who are not considered full-time instruction faculty but who teach one or more non-clinical credit courses may be counted as part-time faculty.
- *Minority faculty*: includes faculty who designate themselves as Black, non-Hispanic; American Indian or Alaska Native; Asian, Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander, or Hispanic.
- Doctorate: includes such degrees as Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Education, Doctor of Juridical Science, and
  Doctor of Public Health in any field such as arts, sciences, education, engineering, business, and public
  administration. Also includes terminal degrees formerly designated as "first professional," including dentistry (DDS
  or DMD), medicine (MD), optometry (OD), osteopathic medicine (DO), pharmacy (DPharm or BPharm), podiatric
  medicine (DPM), veterinary medicine (DVM), chiropractic (DC or DCM), or law (JD).
- *Terminal master's degree*: a master's degree that is considered the highest degree in a field: example, M. Arch (in architecture) and MFA (master of fine arts in art or theater).

	Full-time	Part-time	Total
a.) Total number of instructional faculty	434	166	600
b.) Total number who are members of minority groups	80	15	95
c.) Total number who are women	220	113	333
d.) Total number who are men	214	53	267
e.) Total number who are nonresident aliens (international)	47	0	47
f.) Total number with doctorate, or other terminal degree	332	44	376
g.) Total number whose highest degree is a master's but not a terminal master's	101	117	218
h.) Total number whose highest degree is a bachelor's	1	5	6
i.) Total number whose highest degree is unknown or other	0	0	0
(Note: Items <b>f</b> , <b>g</b> , <b>h</b> , and <b>i</b> must sum up to item <b>a</b> .)			
j.) Total number in stand-alone graduate/professional programs in which faculty teach	23	5	28
virtually only graduate-level students			

#### I-2. Student to Faculty Ratio

Report the Fall 2011 ratio of full-time equivalent students (full-time plus 1/3 part time) to full-time equivalent instructional faculty (full time plus 1/3 part time). In the ratio calculations, exclude both faculty and students in stand-alone graduate or professional programs such as medicine, law, veterinary, dentistry, social work, business, or public health in which faculty teach virtually only graduate level students. Do not count undergraduate or graduate student teaching assistants as faculty.

Fall 2011 Student to Faculty ratio:  $\underline{19 \text{ to } 1}$  (based on  $\underline{8,853 \text{ students}}$  and  $\underline{465 \text{ faculty}}$ ). (based on  $\underline{8,265}$  ug full-time + (1,764 ug part-time /3) =  $\underline{8,853}$  ug fte . 411 full-time + (161 part-time /3) =  $\underline{465 \text{ faculty fte}}$ ). 8,853 ug student fte divided by  $\underline{465 \text{ faculty fte}} = \underline{19}$ 

#### I-3. Undergraduate Class Size

In the table below, please use the following definitions to report information about the size of classes and class sections offered in the Fall 2011 term.

Class Sections: A class section is an organized course offered for credit, identified by discipline and number, meeting at a stated time or times in a classroom or similar setting, and not a subsection such as a laboratory or discussion session. Undergraduate class sections are defined as any sections in which at least one degree-seeking undergraduate student is enrolled for credit. Exclude distance learning classes and noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Exclude students in independent study, co-operative programs, internships, foreign language taped tutor sessions, practicums, and all students in one-on-one classes. Each class section should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of course catalog cross-listings.

Class Subsections: A class subsection includes any subsection of a course, such as laboratory, recitation, and discussion subsections that are supplementary in nature and are scheduled to meet separately from the lecture portion of the course. Undergraduate subsections are defined as any subsections of courses in which degree-seeking undergraduate students enrolled for credit. As above, exclude noncredit classes and individual instruction such as dissertation or thesis research, music instruction, or one-to-one readings. Each class subsection should be counted only once and should not be duplicated because of cross-listings.

Using the above definitions, please report for each of the following class-size intervals the number of *class sections* and *class subsections* offered in Fall 2011. For example, a lecture class with 800 students who met at another time in 40 separate labs with 20 students should be counted once in the "100+" column in the class section column and 40 times under the "20-29" column of the class subsections table.

Number of Class Sections with Undergraduates Enrolled Undergraduate Class Size (provide numbers)

	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total
CLASS SECTIONS	103	278	405	185	87	103	29	1,477
	2-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	100+	Total
CLASS SUB-	99	87	80	17	2	2	0	287

Note: Section I-3 was re-calculated due to class section coding error. 10/29/2013

### J. Disciplinary areas of DEGREES CONFERRED

#### Degrees conferred between July 1, 2010 and June 30, 2011

For each of the following discipline areas, provide the percentage of diplomas/certificates, associate, and bachelor's degrees awarded. To determine the percentage, use majors, not headcount (e.g., students with one degree but a double major will be represented twice). Calculate the percentage from your institution's IPEDS Completions by using the sum of 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> majors for each CIP code as the numerator and the sum of the Grand Total by 1st Majors and the Grand Total by 2<sup>nd</sup> major as the denominator. If you prefer, you can compute the percentages using 1<sup>st</sup> majors only.

Category	Diploma/ Certificates	Associate	Bachelor's	CIP 2010 Categories to
				Include
Agriculture				1
Natural resources and conservation			.5	3
Architecture				4
Area, ethnic, and gender studies				5
Communication/journalism			3	9
Communication technologies				10
Computer and information sciences			1.5	11
Personal and culinary services				12
Education			19	13
Engineering				14
Engineering technologies				15
Foreign languages, literatures, and linguistics			1	16
Family and consumer sciences				19
Law/legal studies				22
English			2	23
Liberal arts/general studies				24
Library science				25
Biological/life sciences			5	26
Mathematics and statistics			1	27
Military science and military technologies				28 and 29
Interdisciplinary studies	30			30
Parks and recreation			2	31
Philosophy and religious studies			1	38
Theology and religious vocations				39
Physical sciences			3	40
Science technologies				41
Psychology			6	42
Homeland Security, law enforcement, firefighting,				43
and protective services				43
Public administration and social services				44
Social sciences	50		12	45
Construction trades				46
Mechanic and repair technologies				47
Precision production				48
Transportation and materials moving				49
Visual and performing arts			3	50
Health professions and related programs		_	14	51
Business/marketing			24	52
History	20		2	54
Other				
TOTAL	100%	100%	100%	

#### **Common Data Set Definitions**

- ♦ All definitions related to the financial aid section appear at the end of the Definitions document.
- Items preceded by an asterisk (\*) represent definitions agreed to among publishers which do not appear on the CDS document but may be present on individual publishers' surveys.
- \*Academic advisement: Plan under which each student is assigned to a faculty member or a trained adviser, who, through regular meetings, helps the student plan and implement immediate and long-term academic and vocational goals.

**Accelerated program:** Completion of a college program of study in fewer than the usual number of years, most often by attending summer sessions and carrying extra courses during the regular academic term.

**Admitted student:** Applicant who is offered admission to a degree-granting program at your institution.

\*Adult student services: Admission assistance, support, orientation, and other services expressly for adults who have started college for the first time, or who are reentering after a lapse of a few years.

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

**Applicant (first-time, first year):** An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution).

**Application fee:** That amount of money that an institution charges for processing a student's application for acceptance. This amount is *not* creditable toward tuition and required fees, nor is it refundable if the student is not admitted to the institution.

Asian or Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Subcontinent, or Pacific Islands. This includes people from China, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, American Samoa, India, and Vietnam.

**Associate degree:** An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

Bachelor's degree: An award (baccalaureate or equivalent degree, as determined by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education) that normally requires at least four years but *not* more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work. This includes ALL bachelor's degrees conferred in a five-year cooperative (work-study plan) program. (A cooperative plan provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government; thus, it allows students to combine actual work experience with their college studies.) Also, it includes bachelor's degrees in which the normal four years of work are completed in three years.

**Black, non-Hispanic:** A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa (except those of Hispanic origin).

**Board (charges):** Assume average cost for 19 meals per week or the maximum meal plan.

**Books and supplies (costs):** Average cost of books and supplies. Do not include unusual costs for special groups of students (e.g., engineering or art majors), unless they constitute the majority of students at your institution.

**Calendar system:** The method by which an institution structures most of its courses for the academic year.

Campus Ministry: Religious student organizations (denominational or nondenominational) devoted to fostering religious life on college campuses. May also refer to Campus Crusade for Christ, an interdenominational Christian organization.

\*Career and placement services: A range of services, including (often) the following: coordination of visits of employers to campus; aptitude and vocational testing; interest inventories, personal counseling; help in resume writing, interviewing, launching the job search; listings for those students desiring employment and those seeking permanent positions; establishment of a permanent reference folder; career resource materials.

**Carnegie units:** One year of study or the equivalent in a secondary school subject.

Certificate: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

**Class rank:** The relative numerical position of a student in his or her graduating class, calculated by the high

school on the basis of grade-point average, whether weighted or unweighted.

**College-preparatory program:** Courses in academic subjects (English, history and social studies, foreign languages, mathematics, science, and the arts) that stress preparation for college or university study.

**Common Application:** The standard application form distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals for a large number of private colleges who are members of the Common Application Group.

\*Community service program: Referral center for students wishing to perform volunteer work in the community or participate in volunteer activities coordinated by academic departments.

**Commuter:** A student who lives off campus in housing that is not owned by, operated by, or affiliated with the college. This category includes students who commute from home and students who have moved to the area to attend college.

**Contact hour:** A unit of measure that represents an hour of scheduled instruction given to students. Also referred to as clock hour.

Continuous basis (for program enrollment): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that enroll students at any time during the academic year. For example, a cosmetology school or a word processing school might allow students to enroll and begin studies at various times, with no requirement that classes begin on a certain date.

**Cooperative education program:** A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

**Cooperative housing:** College-owned, -operated, or - affiliated housing in which students share room and board expenses and participate in household chores to reduce living expenses.

\*Counseling service: Activities designed to assist students in making plans and decisions related to their education, career, or personal development.

**Credit:** Recognition of attendance or performance in an instructional activity (course or program) that can be applied by a recipient toward the requirements for a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Credit course:** A course that, if successfully completed, can be applied toward the number of courses required for achieving a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Credit hour:** A unit of measure representing an hour (50 minutes) of instruction over a 15-week period in a semester or trimester system or a 10-week period in a quarter system. It is applied toward the total number of hours needed for completing the requirements of a degree, diploma, certificate, or other formal award.

**Cross-registration:** A system whereby students enrolled at one institution may take courses at another institution without having to apply to the second institution.

**Deferred admission:** The practice of permitting admitted students to postpone enrollment, usually for a period of one academic term or one year.

**Degree:** An award conferred by a college, university, or other postsecondary education institution as official recognition for the successful completion of a program of studies.

**Degree-seeking students:** Students enrolled in courses for credit who are recognized by the institution as seeking a degree or formal award. At the undergraduate level, this is intended to include students enrolled in vocational or occupational programs.

Differs by program (calendar system): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that have occupational/vocational programs of varying length. These schools may enroll students at specific times depending on the program desired. For example, a school might offer a two-month program in January, March, May, September, and November; and a three-month program in January, April, and October.

Diploma: See Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma.

**Distance learning:** An option for earning course credit at off-campus locations via cable television, internet, satellite classes, videotapes, correspondence courses, or other means.

**Doctor's degree-research/scholarship**: A Ph.D. or other doctor's degree that requires advanced work beyond the master's level, including the preparation and defense of a dissertation based on original research, or the planning and execution of an original project demonstrating substantial artistic or scholarly achievement. Some examples of this type of degree may include Ed.D., D.M.A., D.B.A., D.Sc., D.A., or D.M, and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

**Doctor's degree-professional practice**: A doctor's degree that is conferred upon completion of a program providing the knowledge and skills for the recognition, credential, or license required for professional practice.

The degree is awarded after a period of study such that the total time to the degree, including both pre-professional and professional preparation, equals at least six full-time equivalent academic years. Some of these degrees were formerly classified as "first-professional" and may include: Chiropractic (D.C. or D.C.M.); Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.); Law (L.L.B. or J.D.); Medicine (M.D.); Optometry (O.D.); Osteopathic Medicine (D.O); Pharmacy (Pharm.D.); Podiatry (D.P.M., Pod.D., D.P.); or, Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.), and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

**Doctor's degree-other**: A doctor's degree that does not meet the definition of a doctor's degree - research/scholarship or a doctor's degree - professional practice.

**Double major:** Program in which students may complete two undergraduate programs of study simultaneously.

**Dual enrollment:** A program through which high school students may enroll in college courses while still enrolled in high school. Students are not required to apply for admission to the college in order to participate.

Early action plan: An admission plan that allows students to apply and be notified of an admission decision well in advance of the regular notification dates. If admitted, the candidate is not committed to enroll; the student may reply to the offer under the college's regular reply policy.

**Early admission:** A policy under which students who have not completed high school are admitted and enroll full time in college, usually after completion of their junior year.

Early decision plan: A plan that permits students to apply and be notified of an admission decision (and financial aid offer if applicable) well in advance of the regular notification date. Applicants agree to accept an offer of admission and, if admitted, to withdraw their applications from other colleges. There are three possible decisions for early decision applicants: admitted, denied, or not admitted but forwarded for consideration with the regular applicant pool, without prejudice.

**English as a Second Language (ESL):** A course of study designed specifically for students whose native language is not English.

**Exchange student program-domestic:** Any arrangement between a student and a college that permits study for a semester or more at another college **in the United States** without extending the amount of time required for a degree. **See also Study abroad**.

**External degree program:** A program of study in which students earn credits toward a degree through independent study, college courses, proficiency examinations, and personal experience. External degree programs require minimal or no classroom attendance.

#### Extracurricular activities (as admission factor):

Special consideration in the admissions process given for participation in both school and nonschool-related activities of interest to the college, such as clubs, hobbies, student government, athletics, performing arts, etc.

**First-time student:** A student attending any institution for the first time at the level enrolled. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended a postsecondary institution for the first time at the same level in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credit earned before graduation from high school).

**First-time, first-year (freshman) student:** A student attending any institution for the first time at the undergraduate level. Includes students enrolled in the fall term who attended college for the first time in the prior summer term. Also includes students who entered with advanced standing (college credits earned before graduation from high school).

**First-year student:** A student who has completed less than the equivalent of 1 full year of undergraduate work; that is, less than 30 semester hours (in a 120-hour degree program) or less than 900 contact hours.

Freshman: A first-year undergraduate student.

\*Freshman/new student orientation: Orientation addressing the academic, social, emotional, and intellectual issues involved in beginning college. May be a few hours or a few days in length; at some colleges, there is a fee.

**Full-time student (undergraduate):** A student enrolled for 12 or more semester credits, 12 or more quarter credits, or 24 or more contact hours a week each term.

**Geographical residence (as admission factor):** Special consideration in the admission process given to students from a particular region, state, or country of residence.

Grade-point average (academic high school GPA): The sum of grade points a student has earned in secondary school divided by the number of courses taken. The most common system of assigning numbers to grades counts four points for an A, three points for a B, two points for a C, one point for a D, and no points for an E or F. Unweighted GPA's assign the same weight to each course. Weighting gives students additional points for their grades in advanced or honors courses.

**Graduate student:** A student who holds a bachelor's or equivalent, and is taking courses at the post-baccalaureate level.

\*Health services: Free or low cost on-campus primary and preventive health care available to students.

**High school diploma or recognized equivalent:** A document certifying the successful completion of a prescribed secondary school program of studies, or the attainment of satisfactory scores on the Tests of General Educational Development (GED), or another statespecified examination.

**Hispanic:** A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

**Honors program:** Any special program for very able students offering the opportunity for educational enrichment, independent study, acceleration, or some combination of these.

**Independent study:** Academic work chosen or designed by the student with the approval of the department concerned, under an instructor's supervision, and usually undertaken outside of the regular classroom structure.

**In-state tuition:** The tuition charged by institutions to those students who meet the state's or institution's residency requirements.

#### International student: See Nonresident alien.

**International student group:** Student groups that facilitate cultural dialogue, support a diverse campus, assist international students in acclimation and creating a social network.

**Internship:** Any short-term, supervised work experience usually related to a student's major field, for which the student earns academic credit. The work can be full- or part-time, on- or off-campus, paid or unpaid.

\*Learning center: Center offering assistance through tutors, workshops, computer programs, or audiovisual equipment in reading, writing, math, and skills such as taking notes, managing time, taking tests.

\*Legal services: Free or low cost legal advice for a range of issues (personal and other).

**Liberal arts/career combination:** Program in which a student earns undergraduate degrees in two separate fields, one in a liberal arts major and the other in a professional or specialized major, whether on campus or through cross-registration.

**Master's degree**: An award that requires the successful completion of a program of study of generally one or two

full-time equivalent academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree. Some of these degrees, such as those in Theology (M.Div., M.H.L./Rav) that were formerly classified as "first-professional", may require more than two full-time equivalent academic years of work.

**Minority affiliation (as admission factor):** Special consideration in the admission process for members of designated racial/ethnic minority groups.

\*Minority student center: Center with programs, activities, and/or services intended to enhance the college experience of students of color.

Model United Nations: A simulation activity focusing on conflict resolution, globalization, and diplomacy. Assuming roles as foreign ambassadors and "delegates," students conduct research, engage in debate, draft resolutions, and may participate in a national Model UN conference.

**Nonresident alien:** A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who is in this country on a visa or temporary basis and does not have the right to remain indefinitely.

\*On-campus day care: Licensed day care for students' children (usually age 3 and up); usually for a fee.

**Open admission:** Admission policy under which virtually all secondary school graduates or students with GED equivalency diplomas are admitted without regard to academic record, test scores, or other qualifications.

Other expenses (costs): Include average costs for clothing, laundry, entertainment, medical (if not a required fee), and furnishings.

**Out-of-state tuition:** The tuition charged by institutions to those students who do not meet the institution's or state's residency requirements.

**Part-time student (undergraduate):** A student enrolled for fewer than 12 credits per semester or quarter, or fewer than 24 contact hours a week each term.

\*Personal counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore personal, educational, or vocational issues.

**Post-baccalaureate certificate:** An award that requires completion of an organized program of study requiring 18 credit hours beyond the bachelor's; designed for persons who have completed a baccalaureate degree but do not meet the requirements of academic degrees carrying the title of master.

**Post-master's certificate:** An award that requires completion of an organized program of study of 24 credit

hours beyond the master's degree but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctoral level.

**Postsecondary award, certificate, or:** Includes the following three IPEDS definitions for postsecondary awards, certificates, and diplomas of varying durations and credit/contact hour requirements—

Less Than 1 Academic Year: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in less than 1 academic year (2 semesters or 3 quarters) or in less than 900 contact hours by a student enrolled full-time.

At Least 1 But Less Than 2 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 1 but less than 2 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 30 but less than 60 credit hours, or in at least 900 but less than 1,800 contact hours.

At Least 2 But Less Than 4 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 2 but less than 4 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 60 but less than 120 credit hours, or in at least 1,800 but less than 3,600 contact hours.

**Private institution:** An educational institution controlled by a private individual(s) or by a nongovernmental agency, usually supported primarily by other than public funds, and operated by other than publicly elected or appointed officials.

**Private for-profit institution:** A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk.

**Private nonprofit institution:** A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives no compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk. These include both independent nonprofit schools and those affiliated with a religious organization.

**Proprietary institution:** See **Private for-profit institution.** 

**Public institution:** An educational institution whose programs and activities are operated by publicly elected or appointed school officials, and which is supported primarily by public funds.

**Quarter calendar system:** A calendar system in which the academic year consists of three sessions called quarters of about 12 weeks each. The range may be from 10 to 15 weeks. There may be an additional quarter in the summer.

**Race/ethnicity:** Category used to describe groups to which individuals belong, identify with, or belong in the eyes of the community. The categories do not denote scientific definitions of anthropological origins. A person may be counted in only one group.

**Race/ethnicity unknown:** Category used to classify students or employees whose race/ethnicity is not known and whom institutions are unable to place in one of the specified racial/ethnic categories.

**Religious affiliation/commitment (as admission factor):** Special consideration given in the admission process for affiliation with a certain church or faith/religion, commitment to a religious vocation, or observance of certain religious tenets/lifestyle.

\*Religious counseling: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore religious problems or issues.

\*Remedial services: Instructional courses designed for students deficient in the general competencies necessary for a regular postsecondary curriculum and educational setting.

**Required fees:** Fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a large proportion of all students that the student who does NOT pay is the exception. Do not include application fees or optional fees such as lab fees or parking fees.

Resident alien or other eligible non-citizen: A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who has been admitted as a legal immigrant for the purpose of obtaining permanent resident alien status (and who holds either an alien registration card [Form I-551 or I-151], a Temporary Resident Card [Form I-688], or an Arrival-Departure Record [Form I-94] with a notation that conveys legal immigrant status, such as Section 207 Refugee, Section 208 Asylee, Conditional Entrant Parolee or Cuban-Haitian).

**Room and board (charges)—on campus:** Assume double occupancy in institutional housing and 19 meals per week (or maximum meal plan).

**Secondary school record (as admission factor):** 

Information maintained by the secondary school that may include such things as the student's high school transcript, class rank, GPA, and teacher and counselor recommendations.

**Semester calendar system:** A calendar system that consists of two semesters during the academic year with about 16 weeks for each semester of instruction. There may be an additional summer session.

**Student-designed major:** A program of study based on individual interests, designed with the assistance of an adviser.

**Study abroad:** Any arrangement by which a student completes part of the college program studying in another country. Can be at a campus abroad or through a cooperative agreement with some other U.S. college or an institution of another country.

\*Summer session: A summer session is shorter than a regular semester and not considered part of the academic year. It is not the third term of an institution operating on a trimester system or the fourth term of an institution operating on a quarter calendar system. The institution may have 2 or more sessions occurring in the summer months. Some schools, such as vocational and beauty schools, have year-round classes with no separate summer session.

**Talent/ability** (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students with demonstrated talent/abilities in areas of interest to the institution (e.g., sports, the arts, languages, etc.).

**Teacher certification program:** Program designed to prepare students to meet the requirements for certification as teachers in elementary, middle/junior high, and secondary schools.

**Transfer applicant:** An individual who has fulfilled the institution's requirements to be considered for admission (including payment or waiving of the application fee, if any) and who has previously attended another college or university and earned college-level credit.

**Transfer student:** A student entering the institution for the first time but known to have previously attended a postsecondary institution at the same level (e.g., undergraduate). The student may transfer with or without credit.

**Transportation (costs):** Assume two round trips to student's hometown per year for students in institutional housing or daily travel to and from your institution for commuter students.

**Trimester calendar system:** An academic year consisting of 3 terms of about 15 weeks each.

**Tuition:** Amount of money charged to students for instructional services. Tuition may be charged per term, per course, or per credit.

\*Tutoring: May range from one-on-one tutoring in specific subjects to tutoring in an area such as math, reading, or writing. Most tutors are college students; at some colleges, they are specially trained and certified.

**Unit:** a standard of measurement representing hours of academic instruction (e.g., semester credit, quarter credit, contact hour).

**Undergraduate:** A student enrolled in a four- or five-year bachelor's degree program, an associate degree program, or a vocational or technical program below the baccalaureate.

\*Veteran's counseling: Helps veterans and their dependents obtain benefits for their selected program and provides certifications to the Veteran's Administration. May also provide personal counseling on the transition from the military to a civilian life.

\*Visually impaired: Any person whose sight loss is not correctable and is sufficiently severe as to adversely affect educational performance.

Volunteer work (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students for activity done on a volunteer basis (e.g., tutoring, hospital care, working with the elderly or disabled) as a service to the community or the public in general.

**Wait list:** List of students who meet the admission requirements but will only be offered a place in the class if space becomes available.

**Weekend college:** A program that allows students to take a complete course of study and attend classes only on weekends.

White, non-Hispanic: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East (except those of Hispanic origin).

\*Women's center: Center with programs, academic activities, and/or services intended to promote an understanding of the evolving roles of women.

Work experience (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students who have been employed prior to application, whether for relevance to major, demonstration of employment-related skills, or as explanation of student's academic and extracurricular record.

#### **Financial Aid Definitions**

**External scholarships and grants:** Scholarships and grants received from outside (private) sources that students bring with them (e.g., Kiwanis, National Merit scholarships). The institution may process paperwork to receive the dollars, but it has no role in determining the recipient or the dollar amount awarded.

**Financial aid applicant:** Any applicant who submits **any one of** the institutionally required financial aid applications/forms, such as the FAFSA.

**Indebtedness:** Aggregate dollar amount borrowed through any loan program (federal, state, subsidized, unsubsidized, private, etc.; excluding parent loans) while the student was enrolled at an institution. Student loans co-signed by a parent are assumed to be the responsibility of the student and **should** be included.

**Institutional scholarships and grants**: Endowed scholarships, annual gifts and tuition funded grants for which the institution determines the recipient.

Financial need: As determined by your institution using the federal methodology and/or your institution's own standards.

**Need-based aid:** College-funded or college-administered award from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify. This includes both institutional and non-institutional student aid (grants, jobs, and loans).

**Need-based scholarship or grant aid:** Scholarships and grants from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must have financial need to qualify.

**Need-based self-help aid:** Loans and jobs from institutional, state, federal, or other sources for which a student must demonstrate financial need to qualify.

**Non-need-based scholarship or grant aid:** Scholarships and grants, gifts, or merit-based aid from institutional, state, federal, or other sources (including unrestricted funds or gifts and endowment income) awarded solely on the basis of academic achievement, merit, or any other non-need-based reason. When reporting questions H1 and H2, non-need-based aid that is used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.

#### Note: Suggested order of precedence for counting non-need money as need-based:

Non-need institutional grants

Non-need tuition waivers

Non-need athletic awards

Non-need federal grants

Non-need state grants

Non-need outside grants

Non-need student loans

Non-need parent loans

Non-need work

**Non-need-based self-help aid:** Loans and jobs from institutional, state, or other sources for which a student need not demonstrate financial need to qualify.

Work study and employment: Federal and state work study aid, and any employment packaged by your institution in financial aid awards.