

UPDATED
Profile of New Freshmen
Fall 2006 and Fall 2007

This report contains demographic and academic information for new freshmen who entered the University in Fall 2006 and Fall 2007. Information is included on:

Gender	State of Permanent Address	Average Credit Hour Load
Age	County of Permanent Residence	High School Class Quartile
Minority Status	Religious Affiliation	Program of Study
Citizenship Status	Entrance Test scores	First and Second Majors
Racial/Ethnic Group	Full/Part-Time Status	Country of Citizenship

Please see page 2 for a note on test score (SAT and ACT) statistics.

Fall 2007

The freshmen class of Fall 2007 includes 456 students who entered the University in Summer 2007 or Fall 2007. Demographically, sixty-six percent (303) of the new freshmen are female, and 61.8 percent (282) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up thirty-four percent (34.2%) of the group.

For students with known addresses, 436 (97.5%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 40 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 81.7% of the class. Ninety percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, forty-seven percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1084 for the SAT and 22 for the ACT examination. Approximately 29 percent of students declared a major in Biology, while 15 percent declared Nursing and 13 percent Business Administration.

Fall 2006¹

The freshmen class of Fall 2006 includes 261 students who entered the University in Summer 2006 or Fall 2006. Demographically, sixty-three percent (164) of the new freshmen are female, and 57.5 percent (150) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up approximately thirty-nine percent (38.7%) of the group.

For students with known addresses, 255 (98.5%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 14 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 89.4% of the class. Ninety percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, forty-three percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1080 for the SAT and 22 for the ACT examination. Approximately 27 percent of students declared a major in Biology, while 20 percent declared Chemistry and 17 percent Nursing.

1. Fall 2006 data was pulled from data frozen on the census date in Fall 2006, and did not undergo the same data quality checks and cleansing as data from Fall 2007. This includes reconciliation of student numbers from Recruitment PLUS to Banner.

Test Score Calculations

For students with both an SAT and ACT score, only one score is counted. The ACT score is converted into the equivalent SAT score and compared to the actual SAT score, and only the higher is retained. Additionally, for students with multiple SAT test scores, the highest verbal and math subscores (from any test date) are added to get the student's final SAT score. For Fall 2006, this procedure resulted in an increase of approximately 6 points on the average SAT score, from 1074 to 1080.

Prior to Fall 2007, SAT scores were reported using Recruitment PLUS. Recruitment PLUS converted all ACT scores to an equivalent SAT score, and included the converted scores in the final mean.

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Gender	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Male	97	37.2	153	33.6
Female	164	62.8	303	66.4
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Age Range	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
<18	31	11.9	37	8.1
18-19	206	78.9	393	86.2
20-21	8	3.1	12	2.6
22-24	5	1.9	4	0.9
25 +	11	4.2	10	2.2
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Minority Status	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Minority	150	57.5	282	61.8
Non-Minority	111	42.5	174	38.2
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

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Citizenship Status	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
U.S. Citizen	234	89.7	412	90.4
Resident Alien	11	4.2	25	5.5
Non-Resident Alien	14	5.4	19	4.2
Unknown	2	0.8	.	.
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	45	17.2	96	21.1
American Indian/Alaska Native	.	.	2	0.4
Asian or Pacific Islander	64	24.5	83	18.2
Hispanic or Latino	41	15.7	101	22.1
White non-Hispanic	101	38.7	161	35.3
Ethnicity Unknown	10	3.8	13	2.9
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group - Non-Resident Aliens Partitioned	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	40	15.3	92	20.2
American Indian/Alaskan Native	.	.	2	0.4
Asian or Pacific Islander	58	22.2	78	17.1
Hispanic or Latino	40	15.3	96	21.1
White non-hispanic	101	38.7	156	34.2
Ethnicity Unknown	8	3.1	13	2.9
Non-Resident Alien	14	5.4	19	4.2
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

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Country of Citizenship	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Angola	1	0.4	.	.
Cameroon	2	0.8	.	.
Ecuador	.	.	1	0.2
Hong Kong	1	0.4	.	.
India	1	0.4	.	.
Indonesia	1	0.4	1	0.2
Mexico	1	0.4	1	0.2
Nigeria	1	0.4	1	0.2
Pakistan	1	0.4	.	.
Philippines	.	.	1	0.2
Sweden	.	.	1	0.2
Trinidad and Tobago	.	.	1	0.2
United Kingdom	.	.	3	0.7
United States	234	89.7	412	90.4
Unknown	14	5.4	34	7.5
Vietnam	2	0.8	.	.
Zimbabwe	2	0.8	.	.
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

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State of Permanent Address	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Alaska	.	.	1	0.2
Arkansas	.	.	1	0.2
California	1	0.4	.	.
Colorado	.	.	1	0.2
Florida	.	.	1	0.2
Georgia	.	.	2	0.4
Idaho	.	.	1	0.2
Massachusetts	.	.	1	0.2
Maryland	.	.	1	0.2
New York	1	0.4	.	.
Pennsylvania	1	0.4	.	.
Texas	255	97.7	436	95.6
Virginia	.	.	1	0.2
Washington	1	0.4	.	.
Military - Pacific	.	.	1	0.2
Unknown	2	0.8	9	2.0
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

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County of Permanent Residence (Texas)	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Angelina	.	.	1	0.2
Austin	.	.	1	0.2
Bell	1	0.4	3	0.7
Bexar	.	.	1	0.2
Brazoria	7	2.8	12	2.8
Cameron	.	.	1	0.2
Chambers	.	.	1	0.2
Collin	.	.	2	0.5
Cooke	.	.	1	0.2
Dallas	1	0.4	5	1.1
Denton	2	0.8	7	1.6
Fort Bend	85	33.6	121	27.8
Galveston	11	4.3	11	2.5
Gregg	.	.	2	0.5
Hardin	1	0.4	3	0.7
Harris	134	53.0	223	51.1
Hays	.	.	1	0.2
Hidalgo	.	.	2	0.5
Hopkins	.	.	1	0.2
Jefferson	2	0.8	2	0.5
Kaufman	.	.	1	0.2
Kendall	.	.	1	0.2
Kerr	.	.	1	0.2
Kleberg	.	.	1	0.2
LaVaca	.	.	1	0.2
Lee	.	.	1	0.2
Liberty	.	.	1	0.2
McLennan	.	.	1	0.2
Montgomery	4	1.6	10	2.3
Nacogdoches	.	.	1	0.2
Orange	.	.	2	0.5
Parker	.	.	1	0.2
Parmer	.	.	1	0.2
Polk	.	.	2	0.5

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County of Permanent Residence (Texas)	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Smith	.	.	1	0.2
Tarrant	2	0.8	2	0.5
Travis	1	0.4	2	0.5
Victoria	.	.	1	0.2
Wharton	1	0.4	2	0.5
Williamson	1	0.4	2	0.5
Total	253	100.0	436	100.0

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Religious Affiliation	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Baptist	101	38.7	156	34.2
Buddhist	6	2.3	3	0.7
Catholic	34	13.0	74	16.2
Christian Church	7	2.7	21	4.6
Church of Christ	5	1.9	15	3.3
Church of God	3	1.1	5	1.1
Episcopalian	1	0.4	5	1.1
Evangelical Free Church	.	.	1	0.2
Hindu	7	2.7	7	1.5
Jewish	1	0.4	.	.
Lutheran	4	1.5	6	1.3
Methodist	14	5.4	14	3.1
Moslem (Islam, Muslim)	16	6.1	25	5.5
Non-denominational	9	3.4	27	5.9
Pentecostal	6	2.3	8	1.8
Presbyterian	4	1.5	5	1.1
Protestant	1	0.4	.	.
Seventh Day Adventist	2	0.8	1	0.2
Undeclared	19	7.3	7	1.5
Other	16	6.1	47	10.3
No Preference	5	1.9	29	6.4
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Interquartile Range	Fall 2006	Fall 2007
25th Quartile	960	960
75th Quartile	1,190	1,200

	Fall 2006	Fall 2007
Mean	1,080	1,084

SAT Distribution	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
< 900	31	15.0	37	10.5
900-990	34	16.5	70	19.9
1000-1090	41	19.9	90	25.6
1100-1190	49	23.8	65	18.5
1200-1290	31	15.0	58	16.5
1300+	20	9.7	32	9.1
Total	206	100.0	352	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2006			Fall 2007		
	Verbal	Math	Total	Verbal	Math	Total
Male	550	565	1,120	530	560	1,125
Female	520	520	1,050	530	520	1,050

Note:

1. Although submission of entrance test scores generally is required in the admission process, in each entering class, there were a small number of students who were admitted without entrance test scores. Therefore, the number of SAT scores plus the number of ACT scores does not equal the total class size.
2. The highest SAT is compared to the highest ACT and only the better score is retained.

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ACT Recentered Scores

Interquartile Range	Fall 2006	Fall 2007
25th Quartile	19	20
75th Quartile	24	24

	Fall 2006	Fall 2007
Mean	22	22

ACT Distribution	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
< 20	16	39.0	33	34.7
20-21	3	7.3	10	10.5
22-24	12	29.3	29	30.5
25-27	4	9.8	14	14.7
28-29	6	14.6	3	3.2
30+	.	.	6	6.3
Total	41	100.0	95	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2006			Fall 2007		
	English	Math	Comp	English	Math	Comp
Male	22	22	24	21	24	22
Female	22	22	21	21	21	22

Note:

1. Although submission of entrance test scores generally is required in the admission process, in each entering class, there were a small number of students who were admitted without entrance test scores. Therefore, the number of SAT scores plus the number of ACT scores does not equal the total class size.
2. The highest SAT is compared to the highest ACT and only the better score is retained.

Full/Part-Time Status	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Full-Time	255	97.7	449	98.5
Part-Time	6	2.3	7	1.5
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

Average Credit Hour Load	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	Average	#	Average
College of Arts & Humanities	8	11.0	15	11.2
College of Business & Economics	26	9.6	57	9.7
College of Nursing	45	9.7	68	10.4
Smith College of General Studies	182	9.8	316	10.2
Total	261	9.8	456	10.2

High School Class Quartile*	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
First Quartile	76	42.7	158	46.7
Second Quartile	50	28.1	96	28.4
Third Quartile	30	16.9	64	18.9
Fourth Quartile	22	12.4	20	5.9
Total	178	100.0	338	100.0

Program of Study	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Associate in Nursing	8	3.1	5	1.1
Bachelor of Arts	116	44.4	197	43.2
Bachelor of Business Administration	26	10.0	57	12.5
Bachelor of Music	8	3.1	15	3.3
Bachelor of Science	65	24.9	119	26.1
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	37	14.2	63	13.8
Undeclared	1	0.4	.	.
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

*High School Quartile data may not be available for each student in the class. Therefore, the sum does not reflect the total class size.

First Major	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Accounting	2	0.8	3	0.7
Art	6	2.3	4	0.9
Biblical Languages	1	0.4	.	.
Bilingual Education	.	.	1	0.2
Biology	57	21.8	94	20.6
Business	13	5.0	19	4.2
Business Administration	17	6.5	51	11.2
Chemistry	8	3.1	6	1.3
Child Development	2	0.8	7	1.5
Christianity	11	4.2	16	3.5
Church Music	1	0.4	1	0.2
Computer Info Systems Mgmt	8	3.1	1	0.2
English	2	0.8	9	2.0
Entrepreneurship	.	.	1	0.2
History	5	1.9	5	1.1
Interdisciplinary Studies	7	2.7	10	2.2
International Business	1	0.4	3	0.7
Kinesiology (Education)	.	.	5	1.1
Kinesiology(Non-Education)	3	1.1	7	1.5
Marketing	1	0.4	1	0.2
Mass Communication	.	.	9	2.0
Mass Media	4	1.5	.	.
Mathematics	3	1.1	6	1.3
Molecular Biology/Biochemistry	2	0.8	32	7.0
Multidisciplinary Studies	1	0.4	2	0.4
Music (Liberal Arts)	9	3.4	5	1.1
Music Education	.	.	2	0.4
Music-Composition	1	0.4	.	.
Music-Performance	6	2.3	9	2.0
Music-Theory	.	.	2	0.4
Music/Teacher Certification-BM	.	.	1	0.2
Nursing	45	17.2	68	14.9
Pedagogy	1	0.4	6	1.3
Pedagogy High School	2	0.8	.	.

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First Major	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Pedagogy-Grades All Level	3	1.1	.	.
Physics	.	.	1	0.2
Political Science	6	2.3	10	2.2
Pre-Engineering	1	0.4	.	.
Pre-Medicine	1	0.4	.	.
Psychology	11	4.2	25	5.5
Public Policy	.	.	1	0.2
Sociology	1	0.4	2	0.4
Spanish	.	.	1	0.2
Speech Communication	1	0.4	2	0.4
Undeclared	16	6.1	25	5.5
Writing	2	0.8	3	0.7
Total	261	100.0	456	100.0

First & Second Major*	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Accounting	3	0.7	8	1.0
Art	12	2.6	7	0.9
Biblical Languages	1	0.2	3	0.4
Bilingual Education	.	.	5	0.6
Biology	70	15.4	130	16.6
Business	23	5.1	33	4.2
Business Administration	21	4.6	57	7.3
Chemistry	51	11.2	26	3.3
Child Development	2	0.4	10	1.3
Christianity	17	3.7	26	3.3
Church Music	1	0.2	1	0.1
Computer Info Systems Mgmt	10	2.2	7	0.9
Economics	1	0.2	6	0.8
English	7	1.5	12	1.5
Entrepreneurship	1	0.2	5	0.6
Finance	7	1.5	4	0.5
French	.	.	1	0.1
General Business	1	0.2	.	.
History	5	1.1	12	1.5
Interdisciplinary Studies	9	2.0	11	1.4
International Business	2	0.4	8	1.0
Kinesiology (Education)	.	.	6	0.8
Kinesiology(Non-Education)	5	1.1	11	1.4
Management	3	0.7	3	0.4
Marketing	5	1.1	9	1.1
Mass Communication	.	.	11	1.4
Mass Media	5	1.1	.	.
Mathematics	4	0.9	7	0.9
Molecular Biology/Biochemistry	4	0.9	32	4.1
Multidisciplinary Studies	1	0.2	3	0.4
Music (Liberal Arts)	17	3.7	8	1.0
Music Education	.	.	3	0.4

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* In this table a student is counted once for each major (a duplicate count).

First & Second Major*	Fall 2006		Fall 2007	
	#	%	#	%
Music-Composition	1	0.2	.	.
Music-Performance	6	1.3	10	1.3
Music-Theory	.	.	2	0.3
Music/Teacher Certification-BM	.	.	1	0.1
Nursing	45	9.9	68	8.7
Pedagogy	2	0.4	9	1.1
Pedagogy High School	3	0.7	.	.
Pedagogy-Grades All Level	4	0.9	.	.
Physical Science	.	.	1	0.1
Physics	1	0.2	6	0.8
Political Science	10	2.2	19	2.4
Pre-Engineering	1	0.2	.	.
Pre-Medicine	1	0.2	.	.
Psychology	22	4.8	42	5.4
Public Policy	.	.	1	0.1
Sociology	2	0.4	6	0.8
Spanish	1	0.2	6	0.8
Speech Communication	7	1.5	4	0.5
Undeclared	55	12.1	136	17.4
Writing	5	1.1	7	0.9
Total	454	100.0	783	100.0

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