UNIVERSITY HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT

Cal Poly’s total headcount enrollment increased in Fall 2013 to 19,703 students, a 5.5% increase from Fall 2012.

Undergraduate headcount enrollment increased 6.0% from Fall 2012.

Post-baccalaureate headcount, which is comprised mostly of credential students, increased 8.1% from Fall 2012.

Graduate enrollment fell for the second year in a row to 830 students in Fall 2013, a decrease of 5.1% from Fall 2012.

Notes: Post-baccalaureate category consists of credential and non-degree-seeking students. Graduate category consists of students who are pursuing master’s degrees.

AVERAGE UNDERGRADUATE LOAD

The Fall 2013 undergraduate average unit load of 14.48 is a 0.3% decrease from last year’s average of 14.52.

The Fall 2013 graduate student average unit load of 11.44 is a 0.7% decrease from last year’s average of 11.52.

In terms of full-time equivalent students (FTES), the decrease in average loads is offset by the increase in headcount enrollment. Fall 2013 FTES is 19,006.8, which is an increase of 5.2% over the Fall 2012 FTES of 18,074.0.

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Gender proportions do not change much from year to year. Of the Fall 2013 total student population, 45.3% are women. This proportion is a 0.4% increase over last Fall.

- 45.2% of Fall 2013 undergraduate students are women
- 76.9% of Fall 2013 post-baccalaureate students are women
- 42.4% of Fall 2013 graduate students are women

Of the Fall 2013 total student population, 14.9% identify themselves as Hispanic/Latino and 11.2% identify themselves as Asian American.

Note: As of Summer 2009, Cal Poly converted to the new federal standards for collecting and reporting ethnicity. Among the changes is a new option for students to identify themselves in multiple races. Because of the new “multi-racial” category, we no longer aggregate students into a “non-white” category.

The College of Engineering continues to enroll the largest number of Cal Poly majors, with 28.7% of all Fall 2013 students. The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences follows, with 19.8% of all Fall 2013 students. The College of Engineering also has the most graduate (master’s) students (358). The College of Architecture and Environmental Design has the highest average undergraduate unit load. Conversely, the College of Liberal Arts has the lowest average undergraduate unit load.