

Profile of New Freshmen Fall 2010 and Fall 2011

This report contains demographic and academic information for new freshmen who entered the University in Fall 2010 and Fall 2011. Information is included on:

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

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

Fall 2011

The freshmen class of Fall 2011 includes 500 students who entered the University in Summer 2011 or Fall 2011. Demographically, more than sixty-five percent (327) of the new freshmen are female, and seventy-three percent (365) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up twenty-nine percent (29.2%) of the group, an increase of nearly 3%.

For students with known addresses, 478 (95.6%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 44 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 80.3% of the class (although the percentage of students from Harris declined six percent while the percentage of students from Fort Bend increased almost five percent). Ninety-four percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, nearly sixty-four percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1096 for the SAT and 24 for the ACT examination. Approximately 25 percent of students declared a major in Biology, while 14 percent declared Nursing and 9 percent were undecided.

Fall 2010

The freshmen class of Fall 2010 includes 516 students who entered the University in Summer 2010 or Fall 2010. Demographically, more than sixty-five percent (339) of the new freshmen are female, and 68 percent (352) are from racial or ethnic minority groups. There were small declines from Fall 2009 to Fall 2010 in the percentages of African-American and Asian students; this is most likely due to the increase in the number of students reporting two or more races using the new federal race and ethnicity identification. Students with a Baptist religious affiliation make up twenty-six percent (26.4%) of the group.

For students with known addresses, 496 (97.6%) have Texas as their state of permanent address, representing 35 counties. Students from Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria county make up 82.0% of the class. Ninety-four percent of the class are U.S. citizens.

Among students who reported a high school class ranking, more than sixty-two percent were in the top quartile of their high school graduating classes. The class had a mean score of 1083 for the SAT and 23 for the ACT examination. Approximately 22 percent of students declared a major in Biology, while 16 percent declared Nursing and 11 percent were undecided.

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 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Male	177	34.3	173	34.6
Female	339	65.7	327	65.4
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

Age Range	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
<18	41	7.9	29	5.8
18-19	466	90.3	461	92.2
20-21	3	0.6	5	1.0
22-24	1	0.2	2	0.4
25+	5	1.0	3	0.6
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

Minority Status	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Minority	352	68.2	365	73.0
Non-Minority	164	31.8	135	27.0
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

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Citizenship Status	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
U.S. Citizen	485	94.4	468	94.2
Resident Alien	16	3.1	19	3.8
Non-Resident Alien	13	2.5	10	2.0
Total	514	100.0	497	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group*	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	94	18.2	100	20.0
American Indian or Alaskan Native	.	.	1	0.2
Asian	59	11.4	61	12.2
Hispanic	160	31.0	147	29.4
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2	0.4	4	0.8
White	148	28.7	122	24.4
Two or More Races	37	7.2	52	10.4
Ethnicity Unknown	16	3.1	13	2.6
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

Racial/Ethnic Group - Non-Resident Aliens Partitioned*	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
African American/Black	90	17.4	98	19.6
American Indian or Alaskan Native	.	.	1	0.2
Asian	57	11.0	59	11.8
Hispanic	156	30.2	144	28.8
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2	0.4	4	0.8
White	145	28.1	121	24.2
Two or More Races	37	7.2	50	10.0
Ethnicity Unknown	16	3.1	13	2.6
Non-Resident Alien	13	2.5	10	2.0
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

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Country of Citizenship	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Bolivia	.	.	1	0.2
Canada	2	0.4	.	.
China	1	0.2	4	0.8
India	2	0.4	.	.
Liberia	1	0.2	.	.
Mexico	2	0.4	1	0.2
Nigeria	2	0.4	2	0.4
United Kingdom	1	0.2	1	0.2
United States	485	94.0	468	93.6
Unknown	19	3.7	21	4.2
Unknown Nation	.	.	1	0.2
Venezuela	1	0.2	.	.
Vietnam	.	.	1	0.2
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

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State of Permanent Address	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Arizona	.	.	2	0.4
California	3	0.6	6	1.2
Colorado	.	.	1	0.2
Illinois	.	.	1	0.2
Kansas	1	0.2	.	.
Kentucky	.	.	1	0.2
Louisiana	1	0.2	.	.
Michigan	1	0.2	1	0.2
Minnesota	1	0.2	.	.
Nevada	1	0.2	.	.
New Jersey	1	0.2	.	.
New Mexico	.	.	1	0.2
Oklahoma	.	.	1	0.2
South Carolina	.	.	1	0.2
Tennessee	1	0.2	.	.
Texas	496	96.1	478	95.6
US Territories/Military Addr	.	.	1	0.2
Unknown	8	1.6	5	1.0
Virginia	1	0.2	.	.
Washington	.	.	1	0.2
Wisconsin	1	0.2	.	.
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

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County of Permanent Address (Texas)	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Bandera	.	.	1	0.2
Bastrop	1	0.2	1	0.2
Bell	1	0.2	2	0.4
Bexar	2	0.4	2	0.4
Brazoria	19	3.8	16	3.3
Brown	.	.	1	0.2
Burleson	.	.	2	0.4
Calhoun	2	0.4	.	.
Cameron	1	0.2	3	0.6
Chambers	2	0.4	.	.
Collin	3	0.6	1	0.2
Colorado	1	0.2	2	0.4
Dallas	15	3.0	12	2.5
Denton	1	0.2	.	.
Ector	.	.	1	0.2
El Paso	2	0.4	1	0.2
Ellis	3	0.6	.	.
Fayette	.	.	1	0.2
Fort Bend	111	22.4	130	27.2
Galveston	11	2.2	13	2.7
Gregg	1	0.2	.	.
Guadalupe	2	0.4	.	.
Hale	.	.	1	0.2
Hardin	.	.	1	0.2
Harris	277	55.8	238	49.8
Harrison	.	.	1	0.2
Hays	1	0.2	.	.
Henderson	.	.	1	0.2
Hidalgo	2	0.4	1	0.2
Hopkins	.	.	1	0.2
Jefferson	4	0.8	5	1.0
Johnson	2	0.4	.	.
Kaufman	.	.	2	0.4
Kendall	1	0.2	2	0.4

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County of Permanent Address (Texas)	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
LaVaca	.	.	1	0.2
Liberty	3	0.6	.	.
Matagorda	.	.	1	0.2
McLennan	1	0.2	.	.
Montgomery	11	2.2	9	1.9
Nacogdoches	.	.	1	0.2
Nueces	1	0.2	.	.
Parker	.	.	1	0.2
Parmer	.	.	1	0.2
Polk	.	.	1	0.2
Refugio	1	0.2	.	.
Rusk	.	.	1	0.2
San Patricio	1	0.2	2	0.4
Shelby	.	.	1	0.2
Tarrant	5	1.0	3	0.6
Travis	4	0.8	5	1.0
Trinity	.	.	1	0.2
Unknown	.	.	2	0.4
Van Zandt	1	0.2	.	.
Victoria	1	0.2	2	0.4
Walker	.	.	1	0.2
Washington	1	0.2	.	.
Wharton	1	0.2	1	0.2
Willacy	.	.	1	0.2
Williamson	.	.	1	0.2
Total	496	100.0	478	100.0

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Religious Affiliation	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Assembly of God	.	.	2	0.4
Baptist	136	26.4	146	29.2
Buddhist	4	0.8	3	0.6
Catholic	85	16.5	91	18.2
Christian Church	48	9.3	29	5.8
Church of Christ	12	2.3	11	2.2
Church of God	3	0.6	4	0.8
Disciples of Christ (Christian	1	0.2	1	0.2
Eastern Orthodox	.	.	1	0.2
Episcopalian	2	0.4	.	.
Evangelical Free Church	.	.	1	0.2
Hindu	5	1.0	7	1.4
Jehovah's Witness	.	.	1	0.2
Lutheran	1	0.2	1	0.2
Methodist	23	4.5	15	3.0
Moslem (Islam, Muslim)	14	2.7	16	3.2
No Preference	27	5.2	30	6.0
Non-denominational	42	8.1	29	5.8
Other	46	8.9	49	9.8
Pentecostal	22	4.3	16	3.2
Presbyterian	10	1.9	1	0.2
Reformed	1	0.2	.	.
Seventh Day Adventist	1	0.2	.	.
Undeclared	33	6.4	46	9.2
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

Interquartile Range	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
25th Percentile	980	980
75th Percentile	1180	1200

	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
Mean	1083	1096

SAT Distribution	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
< 900	8	2.0	2	0.5
900-990	125	31.3	110	28.1
1000-1090	105	26.3	107	27.4
1100-1190	68	17.0	66	16.9
1200-1290	55	13.8	71	18.2
1300+	38	9.5	35	9.0
Total	399	100.0	391	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2010			Fall 2011		
	Verbal	Math	Total	Verbal	Math	Total
Male	520	550	1080	520	550	1080
Female	520	530	1040	520	540	1050

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 Composite Scores

Interquartile Range	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
25th Percentile	21	22
75th Percentile	26	27

	Fall 2010	Fall 2011
Mean	23	24

ACT Distribution	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
< 20	23	20.5	14	13.1
20-21	19	17.0	9	8.4
22-24	27	24.1	36	33.6
25-27	27	24.1	28	26.2
28-29	10	8.9	13	12.1
30+	6	5.4	7	6.5
Total	112	100.0	107	100.0

Median Scores by Gender	Fall 2010			Fall 2011		
	Engl	Math	Comp	Engl	Math	Comp
Male	22	24	22	21	24	25
Female	22	22	23	22	24	23

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 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Full-Time	513	99.4	496	99.2
Part-Time	3	0.6	4	0.8
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

Average Credit Hour Load*	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	Average	#	Average
College of Arts and Humanities	16	14.6	7	14.4
School of Business	63	14.2	74	14.6
School of Nursing and Allied Health	78	14.8	72	14.6
Smith College of General Studies	298	14.5	301	14.7
The Honors College	25	16.2	26	15.4
No College Designated	36	14.4	20	14.6
Total	516	14.6	500	14.7

High School Class Quartile**	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
First Quartile	240	62.5	242	63.7
Second Quartile	93	24.2	89	23.4
Third Quartile	37	9.6	38	10.0
Fourth Quartile	14	3.6	11	2.9
Total	384	100.0	380	100.0

Program of Study	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Bachelor of Arts	143	27.7	121	24.2
Bachelor of Business Administration	65	12.6	78	15.6
Bachelor of Fine Arts	5	1.0	3	0.6
Bachelor of Music	12	2.3	4	0.8
Bachelor of Science	291	56.4	294	58.8
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

* Education and many Science and Mathematics students are included under Smith College due to the way double majors are coded in Banner.

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

First Major	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Accounting	16	3.1	19	3.8
All-Level Special Education	3	0.6	1	0.2
Art	2	0.4	4	0.8
Art - Fine Arts	5	1.0	3	0.6
Biblical Languages	2	0.4	4	0.8
Biology	112	21.7	123	24.6
Chemistry	9	1.7	14	2.8
Christianity	9	1.7	8	1.6
Communication and Rhetorical S	.	.	1	0.2
Composite Science 4-8	.	.	1	0.2
Composite Science 8-12	1	0.2	.	.
Composite Social Studies 8-12	1	0.2	.	.
Economics	5	1.0	5	1.0
English	7	1.4	8	1.6
English Language Arts 4-8	1	0.2	.	.
English/Language Arts 8-12	3	0.6	1	0.2
Finance	6	1.2	6	1.2
Government	10	1.9	9	1.8
History	3	0.6	2	0.4
History - Teacher Certificatio	3	0.6	1	0.2
Interdisciplinary Studies	7	1.4	7	1.4
International Business	7	1.4	16	3.2
Journalism and Mass Communicat	11	2.1	5	1.0
Kinesiology (Education)	2	0.4	2	0.4
Kinesiology Athletic Training	6	1.2	15	3.0
Kinesiology-Wellness Mgmt	6	1.2	7	1.4
Life Science	1	0.2	1	0.2
Management	19	3.7	23	4.6
Marketing	12	2.3	11	2.2
Mass Communication	.	.	1	0.2
Math Studies 4-8	.	.	1	0.2
Math Studies 8-12	2	0.4	1	0.2
Mathematics	7	1.4	9	1.8
Molecular Biology/Biochemistry	30	5.8	28	5.6

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First Major	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Multidisciplinary Studies	11	2.1	6	1.2
Music	11	2.1	4	0.8
Music-Performance	1	0.2	.	.
Music/Teacher Certification-BM	3	0.6	.	.
Nursing	80	15.5	72	14.4
Philosophy	2	0.4	2	0.4
Physical Science	2	0.4	.	.
Physics	3	0.6	4	0.8
Psychology	32	6.2	30	6.0
Sociology	3	0.6	2	0.4
Spanish	2	0.4	.	.
Spanish - Teacher Certificatio	1	0.2	.	.
Undeclared	56	10.9	43	8.6
Writing	1	0.2	.	.
Total	516	100.0	500	100.0

First & Second Major*	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Accounting	16	3.1	19	3.8
All-Level Special Education	3	0.6	1	0.2
Art	2	0.4	4	0.8
Art - Fine Arts	5	1.0	3	0.6
Biblical Languages	2	0.4	4	0.8
Biology	112	21.6	123	24.6
Chemistry	9	1.7	14	2.8
Christianity	9	1.7	8	1.6
Communication and Rhetorical S	.	.	1	0.2
Composite Science 4-8	.	.	1	0.2
Composite Science 8-12	1	0.2	.	.
Composite Social Studies 8-12	1	0.2	.	.
Economics	5	1.0	5	1.0
English	8	1.5	8	1.6
English Language Arts 4-8	1	0.2	.	.
English/Language Arts 8-12	3	0.6	1	0.2
Finance	6	1.2	6	1.2
Government	10	1.9	9	1.8
History	4	0.8	2	0.4
History - Teacher Certificatio	3	0.6	1	0.2
Interdisciplinary Studies	7	1.3	7	1.4
International Business	7	1.3	16	3.2
Journalism and Mass Communicat	11	2.1	5	1.0
Kinesiology (Education)	2	0.4	2	0.4
Kinesiology Athletic Training	6	1.2	15	3.0
Kinesiology-Wellness Mgmt	6	1.2	7	1.4
Life Science	1	0.2	1	0.2
Management	19	3.7	23	4.6
Marketing	12	2.3	11	2.2
Mass Communication	.	.	1	0.2
Math Studies 4-8	.	.	1	0.2
Math Studies 8-12	2	0.4	1	0.2
Mathematics	7	1.3	9	1.8
Molecular Biology/Biochemistry	31	6.0	28	5.6

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First & Second Major*	Fall 2010		Fall 2011	
	#	%	#	%
Multidisciplinary Studies	11	2.1	6	1.2
Music	11	2.1	4	0.8
Music-Performance	1	0.2	.	.
Music/Teacher Certification-BM	3	0.6	.	.
Nursing	80	15.4	72	14.4
Philosophy	2	0.4	2	0.4
Physical Science	2	0.4	.	.
Physics	3	0.6	4	0.8
Psychology	32	6.2	30	6.0
Sociology	3	0.6	2	0.4
Spanish	2	0.4	1	0.2
Spanish - Teacher Certificatio	1	0.2	.	.
Undeclared	56	10.8	43	8.6
Writing	1	0.2	.	.
Total	519	100.0	501	100.0

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