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Profile of New Graduate School Students Fall 2015 and Fall 2016

This report contains descriptive information for new students enrolled in programs in the Graduate School in Fall 2015 and Fall 2016. If a student is in two different programs (BBA/MBA, MBA/MSIS, JD/MTax, MDiv/MM, etc.), the student is counted in each program in the appropriate academic unit (i.e., program count). Military programs are excluded from this report.

The following topics are included in this report:

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|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Gender | Citizenship Status | Classification |
| Age | Country of Citizenship | Full-Time/Part-Time Status |
| Minority Status | Religious Affiliation | Average Credit Load |
| Racial/Ethnic Group | Entrance Test Scores | Dual Programs |

Fall 2016

The 547 new graduate students include 407 master's candidates and 137 doctoral candidates. Fifty-three percent of the new graduates are males, and thirty-three percent are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Twenty-one percent are affiliated with the Baptist denomination.

Eighty-six percent of these students are United States citizens, while 79 (14.4%) are resident or nonresident aliens, representing 26 foreign countries. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Verbal percentile range for the middle fifty percent of new graduate students is 54 – 85 with a mean of 67. For the Quantitative portion of the GRE, this range is 40 – 78 with a mean of 59.

Fall 2015

The 553 new graduate students include 387 master's candidates and 155 doctoral candidates. Fifty-one percent of the new graduates are males, and thirty-one percent are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Nineteen percent are affiliated with the Baptist denomination.

Eighty-nine percent of these students are United States citizens, while 62 (11.2%) are resident or nonresident aliens, representing 22 foreign countries. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Verbal percentile range for the middle fifty percent of new graduate students is 59 – 87 with a mean of 71. For the Quantitative portion of the GRE, this range is 44 – 74 with a mean of 58.

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Demographic Information

| Gender | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Male | 289 | 52.8 | 281 | 50.8 |
| Female | 258 | 47.2 | 272 | 49.2 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

| Age | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| <23 | 162 | 29.6 | 150 | 27.1 |
| 23-25 | 164 | 30.0 | 157 | 28.4 |
| 26-29 | 90 | 16.5 | 87 | 15.7 |
| 30-39 | 97 | 17.7 | 117 | 21.2 |
| 40+ | 34 | 6.2 | 42 | 7.6 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

| Minority Status | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|-----------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Non-Minority | 365 | 66.7 | 381 | 68.9 |
| Minority | 182 | 33.3 | 172 | 31.1 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

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| Racial/Ethnic Group * | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| African American/Black | 37 | 6.8 | 45 | 8.1 |
| Alaskan Native/American Indian | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.2 |
| Asian | 73 | 13.3 | 57 | 10.3 |
| Hispanic | 49 | 9.0 | 48 | 8.7 |
| Pacific Islander | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| White | 359 | 65.6 | 366 | 66.2 |
| Multiracial | 22 | 4.0 | 20 | 3.6 |
| Not Specified/Unknown | 6 | 1.1 | 15 | 2.7 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

| Racial/Ethnic Group - Multiracials Assigned to Specific Races * | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--|-----------|------|-----------|------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| African American/Black | 39 | 7.1 | 49 | 8.9 |
| Alaskan Native/American Indian | 8 | 1.5 | 16 | 2.9 |
| Asian | 83 | 15.2 | 63 | 11.4 |
| Hispanic | 49 | 9.0 | 48 | 8.7 |
| Pacific Islander | 4 | 0.7 | 4 | 0.7 |
| White | 392 | 71.7 | 402 | 72.7 |

* In this report, two race/ethnic group tables are presented. When providing information on their race and ethnicity, students were asked two questions. The first question asked the student: Are you Hispanic/Latino? The second question allowed students to select among five race categories, with multiple responses allowed. In the first table, students are counted in only one race/ethnic group category. If the student indicated “yes” to the first question, the student was categorized as Hispanic (only) regardless of any race code(s) they may have selected. If the student marked more than one race (and “no” to Hispanic/Latino in the first question), he/she was reported in the category of Multiracial. The second table counts a student in every race/ethnic group category he/she selected. The percentages in this table are based on the headcount of students.

| Citizenship Status | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| U.S. Citizen | 468 | 85.6 | 491 | 88.8 |
| Resident Alien | 12 | 2.2 | 6 | 1.1 |
| Nonresident Alien | 67 | 12.2 | 56 | 10.1 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

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| Country of Citizenship | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Australia | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Bangladesh | 2 | 0.4 | 2 | 0.4 |
| Brazil | 2 | 0.4 | 1 | 0.2 |
| Bulgaria | -- | -- | 2 | 0.4 |
| Canada | 3 | 0.5 | -- | -- |
| China, People's Republic of | 29 | 5.3 | 23 | 4.2 |
| Colombia | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Czech Republic | -- | -- | 2 | 0.4 |
| France | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Germany | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Ghana | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Hong Kong | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Iceland | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| India | 9 | 1.6 | 6 | 1.1 |
| Indonesia | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Iran | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Jamaica | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Japan | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Kazakhstan | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Kenya | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.2 |
| Korea, Republic of | 4 | 0.7 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Liberia | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Malaysia | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Mali | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Mexico | 1 | 0.2 | 4 | 0.7 |
| Myanmar | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Nepal | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Nigeria | 2 | 0.4 | 2 | 0.4 |
| Philippines | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Slovakia | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Spain | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Sri Lanka | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.2 |
| St. Lucia | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Taiwan | -- | -- | 2 | 0.4 |

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| Country of Citizenship | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Turkey | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| United Kingdom | 3 | 0.5 | 4 | 0.7 |
| United States | 468 | 85.6 | 469 | 84.8 |
| Venezuela | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Vietnam | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Unknown | 3 | 0.5 | 22 | 4.0 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

**Profile of New Graduate School Students, Fall 2015 and Fall 2016
Demographic Information**

| Religious Affiliation | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|-----------|------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| African Methodist Episcopal | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Anglican - Church of England | 3 | 0.5 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Assembly of God | 1 | 0.2 | 2 | 0.4 |
| Atheist | 9 | 1.6 | 11 | 2.0 |
| Baptist | 117 | 21.4 | 104 | 18.8 |
| Buddhist | 2 | 0.4 | 6 | 1.1 |
| Catholic | 83 | 15.2 | 91 | 16.5 |
| Christian (No Affiliation) | 108 | 19.7 | 92 | 16.6 |
| Christian Scientist | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| Church of Christ | 10 | 1.8 | 12 | 2.2 |
| Church of the Nazarene | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Disciples of Christ(Christian) | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Eastern Orthodox | 1 | 0.2 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Episcopalian | 4 | 0.7 | 6 | 1.1 |
| Evangelical Free Church | 2 | 0.4 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Four Square Gospel | -- | -- | 1 | 0.2 |
| Hindu | 9 | 1.6 | 8 | 1.4 |
| Independent Bible Church | 2 | 0.4 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Independent Christian Church | 2 | 0.4 | 4 | 0.7 |
| Interdenominational | -- | -- | 2 | 0.4 |
| Islam | 6 | 1.1 | 3 | 0.5 |
| Jewish | 3 | 0.5 | 6 | 1.1 |
| Latter Day Saints (Mormon) | 8 | 1.5 | 9 | 1.6 |
| Lutheran | 14 | 2.6 | 20 | 3.6 |
| Mennonite | 2 | 0.4 | -- | -- |
| Methodist | 26 | 4.8 | 29 | 5.2 |
| Non-Denominational | 47 | 8.6 | 54 | 9.8 |
| Pentecostal | 7 | 1.3 | 2 | 0.4 |
| Presbyterian | 19 | 3.5 | 15 | 2.7 |
| Protestant | 5 | 0.9 | 9 | 1.6 |
| Seventh Day Adventist | 1 | 0.2 | 1 | 0.2 |
| Unitarian | 1 | 0.2 | -- | -- |
| No Religion | 38 | 6.9 | 33 | 6.0 |
| Other than Listed | 9 | 1.6 | 7 | 1.3 |

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Demographic Information

| Religious Affiliation | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Not Specified | 5 | 0.9 | 12 | 2.2 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

**Profile of New Graduate School Students, Fall 2015 and Fall 2016
GRE Percentiles**

| Verbal Percentiles - Interquartile Range | Fall 2016 | Fall 2015 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| 25th Percentile | 54 | 59 |
| 75th Percentile | 85 | 87 |

| Quantitative Percentiles - Interquartile Range | Fall 2016 | Fall 2015 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| 25th Percentile | 40 | 44 |
| 75th Percentile | 78 | 74 |

| Verbal Percentiles Distribution | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| < 20% | 11 | 3.4 | 5 | 1.4 |
| 20 - 39% | 23 | 7.0 | 19 | 5.3 |
| 40 - 59% | 86 | 26.2 | 77 | 21.6 |
| 60 - 79% | 97 | 29.6 | 118 | 33.1 |
| 80 - 89% | 39 | 11.9 | 65 | 18.2 |
| 90%+ | 72 | 22.0 | 73 | 20.4 |
| All | 328 | 100.0 | 357 | 100.0 |

| Quantitative Percentiles Distribution | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| < 20% | 16 | 4.9 | 8 | 2.2 |
| 20 - 39% | 51 | 15.5 | 56 | 15.7 |
| 40 - 59% | 99 | 30.2 | 126 | 35.3 |
| 60 - 79% | 86 | 26.2 | 94 | 26.3 |
| 80 - 89% | 44 | 13.4 | 42 | 11.8 |
| 90%+ | 32 | 9.8 | 31 | 8.7 |
| All | 328 | 100.0 | 357 | 100.0 |

| Mean Percentiles by Gender | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
| | Verbal | Quant. | Verbal | Quant. |
| Male | 69 | 65 | 72 | 65 |
| Female | 66 | 52 | 69 | 51 |
| All | 67 | 59 | 71 | 58 |

Note: Scores are only reported for programs that require the GRE for admission.

A student's highest verbal percentile and highest quantitative percentile are presented in these tables.

**Profile of New Graduate School Students, Fall 2015 and Fall 2016
Academic Information**

| Classification | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Master's Candidate | 407 | 74.4 | 387 | 70.0 |
| Doctoral Candidate | 137 | 25.0 | 155 | 28.0 |
| Graduate Other | 3 | 0.5 | 9 | 1.6 |
| Non-Degree GR | -- | -- | 2 | 0.4 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

| Full-Time/Part-Time Status | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Full-Time | 455 | 83.2 | 467 | 84.4 |
| Part-Time | 92 | 16.8 | 86 | 15.6 |
| All | 547 | 100.0 | 553 | 100.0 |

| Average Credit Hour Load* | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|---------|
| | N | Average | N | Average |
| Arts & Sciences | 128 | 8.9 | 156 | 9.0 |
| Business | 181 | 10.3 | 160 | 10.3 |
| Education | 65 | 8.9 | 77 | 9.6 |
| Engineering & Computer Science | 42 | 8.8 | 25 | 8.2 |
| Graduate School | . | . | 2 | 4.5 |
| Health & Human Sciences | 73 | 10.7 | 60 | 10.1 |
| Music | 30 | 7.4 | 30 | 8.0 |
| Nursing | 28 | 9.4 | 14 | 9.2 |
| Social Work | . | . | 7 | 6.0 |
| All | 547 | 9.5 | 531 | 9.5 |

*Average hours do not include the military students enrolled in the MHA/MBA program.

| Dual Program Students | Fall 2016 | | Fall 2015 | |
|------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| | N | % | N | % |
| Undergraduate/Graduate | 90 | 72.0 | 90 | 70.3 |
| Graduate/Graduate | 14 | 11.2 | 16 | 12.5 |
| Law/Graduate | 9 | 7.2 | 7 | 5.5 |
| Seminary/Graduate | 12 | 9.6 | 15 | 11.7 |
| All | 125 | 100.0 | 128 | 100.0 |