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## A

### Academic Failure

The number of students with a cumulative GPA less than a 2.0. At least a 2.0 is required to earn a degree from the university.

### Academic Failure Rate

The percent

Admissions: Applied, Admitted, Enrolled

Different definitions of applied have been used in reports at the university. Some reports include all applications regardless of the application status. The federal government excludes incomplete applications that have no admissions decision but requires institutions to include all other applications in the count of applicants (including withdrawn applications). The official definition is: "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has been notified of one of the following actions: admission, non admission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn by applicant or institution." Non degree seeking and returning former students are excluded.

Applicants who have been admitted to the University in a degree program. Students who are provisionally admitted are typically included in this count.

Students who have been admitted and are enrolled in classes as of the official state census date that normally occurs a few weeks after the start of classes.

Registered

In some reports, registrations are used instead of enrolled. Identification of students registered for classes may not always be done on the official census date, so registrations are not the same as students defined as enrolled; the latter is used for those enrolled in classes as of the official state census date.

Advanced Graduate

A graduate student who has been formally admitted to a recognized Doctoral or Post Master's degree program who has accumulated semester hours his or her degree program or has a degree.

Age (Student)

A student's age is calculated at the beginning

withdraw their application. Students who cancel prior to admission are included in internal



Concentration

Academic focus within a specific major.

Continuing



## F

Faculty

Faculty are positions assigned the principal responsibility of teaching, research, and public service activities or for administrative responsibility for functions directly related to the academic mission. This category includes Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Instructor, including those with titles preceded by the term "visiting," "adjunct," "clinical," or any other designation. Also includes non instructional staff such as Counselor/Advisors and Librarians. Classification Codes 9178, 9186 and 9199. Pay Plan 22.

Fall cohort

The group of students entering in the fall term

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**Undergraduate:** A student enrolled for 12 or more semester credits, or 12 or more quarter credits, or 24 or more contact hours a week each term. **Graduate:** A student enrolled for 9 or more semester credits, or 9 or more quarter credits, or a student involved in thesis or dissertation preparation that is considered full time by the institution. **Doctor's degree** Professional practice as defined by the institution.

### Fund

A cash account which receives monies from designated sources such as the following: **General Revenue Fund** state revenues Educational Enhancement Fund lottery receipts Trust Funds receipts from designated sources such as student fees, federal sources, etc.

### Fundable Student Credit Hours (FSCH)

Student credit hours which the university receives funding from the state as measured from the three final Student Data Course Files submissions to the Board of Governors

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## G

### Gender

F Female





## J

### Jump Start

Student summer program that includes six credits and allows students to begin their academic career at FAU before the fall term. These students did not meet all of the normal admission requirements and are required to participate in the program.

### Junior Graduation



Marital Status

A student is defined as Married (Yes) or Not Married (No)

Military Status

The student is defined as Active Duty, an Eligible dependent of a parent/guardian in the military, or veteran. Veterans are classified before or after 9/11/2001 because of the updated GI Bill; veterans

## P

### Part time Student

A graduate student enrolled for less than 9 semester credit hours in a term, or an undergraduate student



Race/Ethnicity

Categories used to describe groups to which individuals belong or with which they identify. A person may be counted in only one group. In official reporting, only U.S. citizens and permanent residents (resident aliens) are grouped by race/ethnicity. The groups used to categorize all students are:

American Indian or Alaskan 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 attachment.

Asian

A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian Subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Black or African American

A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.





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Student Group

Indicates which group a student is associated with. FTIC (First Time in College)  
Community College Transfer (two-year colleges)  
Other Undergraduate Transfer (four-year universities)  
Graduate  
Professional  
Other

Subsidized Loans

Subsidized Federal Direct Loans are awarded to undergraduate students demonstrating financial need. Students are not responsible for interest accrued on Subsidized Direct Loans while in school.

SUS

State University System of Florida

T

Tenure

A condition attained by a faculty member through highly competent teaching, research, or scholarly activities which assures the faculty member security of employment and immunity from reprisal or threats due to intellectual positions or beliefs. Tenure guarantees annual reappointment for the faculty member until voluntary resignation, retirement, removal for adequate cause, or layoff. Tenure shall be held as ranked faculty in an academic department/unit and shall not extend to administrative appointments.

Tenure Track Faculty

Non tenured faculty who are in a position which allows them the possibility of attaining tenure.

Term

Indicates either Fall, Spring, or Summer.

Terminal Degree

The highest earned degree in a discipline. In most cases, this is a doctorate (Ed.D, Ph.D., D.A., ENGR). In the fine arts, the M.F.A. or Master of Fine Arts degree, is considered the highest appropriate degree. The J.D in law is considered a terminal degree.

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Transfer Student

A student entering the institution known to have previously attended another postsecondary institution and earned 12 or more credit hours after high school graduation. A student who was dual enrolled at a college or university while still enrolled in high school is counted

