

Enrollment Summary 2022

Division of Enrollment Management

College Acronyms and Abbreviations

BUS Driehaus College of Business

CDM Jarvis College of Computing and Digital Media

CMN College of Communication

COE College of Education

CSH College of Science and Health

KGSB Kellstadt Graduate School of Business

LAS College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

LAW College of Law*

Music School of Music

SCPS School of Continuing and Professional Studies

Theatre The Theatre School

*College of Law figures represented in this book are based on Institutional Research and Market Analytics' September census date and may not match figures reported by the College of Law.

University Colleagues,

I am delighted to present DePaul University's 2022 Enrollment Summary Book. This annual report, a collaborative effort by IRMA, UMC and Enrollment Management, describes the university's current enrollment status, student profile, and trajectory over the past few years.

As you peruse the pages before you, my hope is that you see the slow but steady emergence of a thriving future. Even amidst the uncertainties, challenges and obstacles, we have persevered in pursuing our vision with innovation, strategy, care, courage, and collective commitment.

Despite the market pressures that our private higher education sector has faced, we have welcomed academically talented, diverse and record-breaking freshman classes for six consecutive years, with Fall 2022 attracting the largest class in our university's history. We have steadied our course in new transfer students, despite declines in community college enrollment, and maintained first-year retention rates this fall. Furthermore, we have realized meaningful improvements in both LSAT and GPA for the College of Law. In addition, we have grown our new international graduate enrollment by triple digits.

These achievements are a testament to our collective will to innovate on behalf of our students and mission. While the following pages will show you where we are, it is important to know that the story of our future is still being written. It is up to all of us—with courage and resilience—to imagine and create it together.

Thank you for your dedication to our students, the communities you nurture, and your resilience and creativity. The path towards our hopeful future lies ahead.

Sincerely,



Soumitra Ghosh
Vice President, Enrollment Management

University Enrollment

This year, DePaul celebrates its 125th anniversary with 20,917 total students enrolling this fall. Undergraduate enrollment accounts for 68% of total enrollment, compared with 65% in 2018. Graduate enrollment accounts for 32% of university enrollment, and law enrollment accounts for 4% of university enrollment.

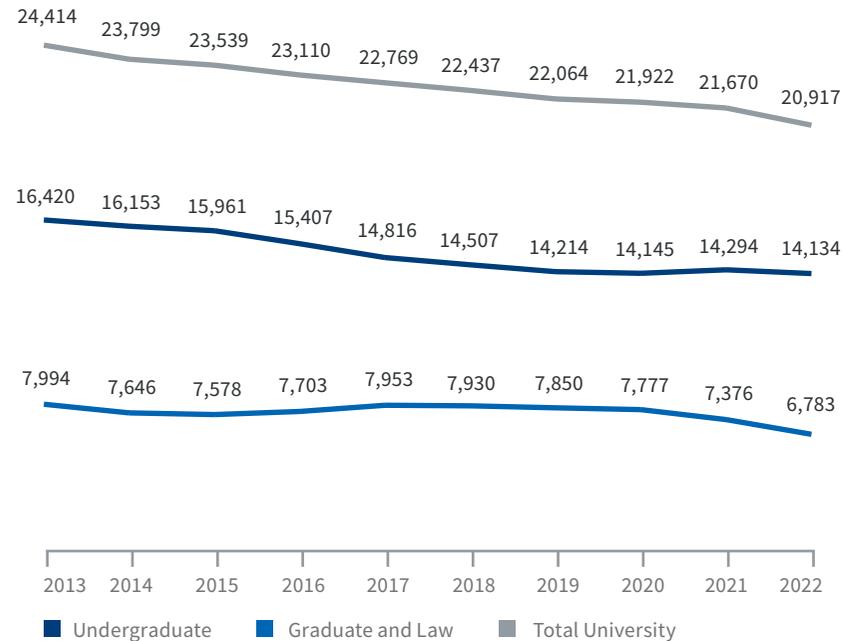
Fall 2022 Enrollment

 **14,134**
undergraduate students

 **6,180**
graduate students

 **603**
law students

University Enrollment Fall 2013-2022



University Enrollment by College 20,917 enrollment total

College	Enrollment
Computing and Digital Media	5,586
Business	5,105
Science and Health	3,202
Liberal Arts and Social Sciences	2,452
Education	1,493
Communication	1,111
Law	603
Continuing and Professional Studies	519
Theatre	472
Music	374

Credit Hours

 **79%**
of credit hours are generated by undergraduate students

 **21%**
of credit hours are generated by graduate and law students

 **85%**
of all students enrolled in fall 2022 are full-time*

 **30%**
of total credit hours are from new students

 **270,591**
total credit hours in fall 2022

 **30%**
of total credit hours are taken online





Undergraduate Enrollment

DePaul enrolled 14,134 undergraduates this fall, compared with 14,284 in 2021. Undergraduate enrollment decreased 160 students overall from last fall, but increased in BUS, CDM and MUS.

Full-time and Part-time Undergraduate Enrollment



12,885

Full-time



1,249

Part-time

Undergraduate Enrollment by College

College	Students Enrolled
CDM	
2020	3,309
2021	3,534
2022	3,673
BUS	
2020	3,508
2021	3,491
2022	3,484
CSH	
2020	2,373
2021	2,358
2022	2,332
LAS	
2020	2,041
2021	2,022
2022	1,955
CMN	
2020	1,219
2021	1,105
2022	997

College	Students Enrolled
COE	
2020	506
2021	578
2022	533
SCPS	
2020	562
2021	524
2022	485
Theatre	
2020	391
2021	429
2022	439
Music	
2020	236
2021	253
2022	236
Total Undergraduate Enrollment	
2020	14,145
2021	14,294
2022	14,134



Freshman Enrollment

DePaul has seen six consecutive years of growth in the freshman class, and welcomed 2,968 new freshmen this fall. As the largest freshman class in DePaul's history, enrollment increased in CDM, BUS, CSH, LAS, and CMN with an overall increase of 130 students over last fall. CDM enrolled the largest proportion of freshmen at 28%.

High School Academic Profile



3.82

average high school GPA



1188

average SAT composite*



383

freshmen enrolled in the University Honors Program**



145

freshmen enrolled in the Pathways Program in Health Sciences



1,623

freshmen enrolled through the test-optional program



1,123

high schools contributed freshmen

* SAT average includes scores for students who applied through the test-optional program and submitted scores post-admission for research purposes. The COVID-19 pandemic impacted the availability of standardized tests for students, resulting in many institutions adopting a test-optional or test-blind policy. DePaul has been test-optional since 2012.

** There are five other college- and discipline-specific honors programs at DePaul. This information presented here does not include those programs.

Freshman Enrollment by College

College	Students Enrolled
CDM	
2020	697
2021	770
2022	817
BUS	
2020	606
2021	642
2022	699
CSH	
2020	568
2021	539
2022	579
LAS	
2020	480
2021	456
2022	490
CMN	
2020	159
2021	160
2022	164

College	Students Enrolled
Theatre	
2020	110
2021	109
2022	96
COE	
2020	96
2021	95
2022	72
Music	
2020	58
2021	67
2022	51
Most Popular Majors for New Freshmen	
Major	Students Enrolled
Film and television	364
Computer science	174
Psychology	173
Accounting	135
Finance	121

Freshman Diversity



61%

of freshmen come from Chicagoland (Chicago or suburbs)

36%

of new freshmen are from out of state. Top feeder states: California, Michigan and Minnesota

84%

of new freshmen come from a public high school



35%

of freshmen are first-generation (neither parent has a Bachelor's degree)

37%

of first-generation students are male

45%

of first-generation freshmen come from suburban Chicago



47%

of new freshmen are students of color

40%

of all new freshmen are male

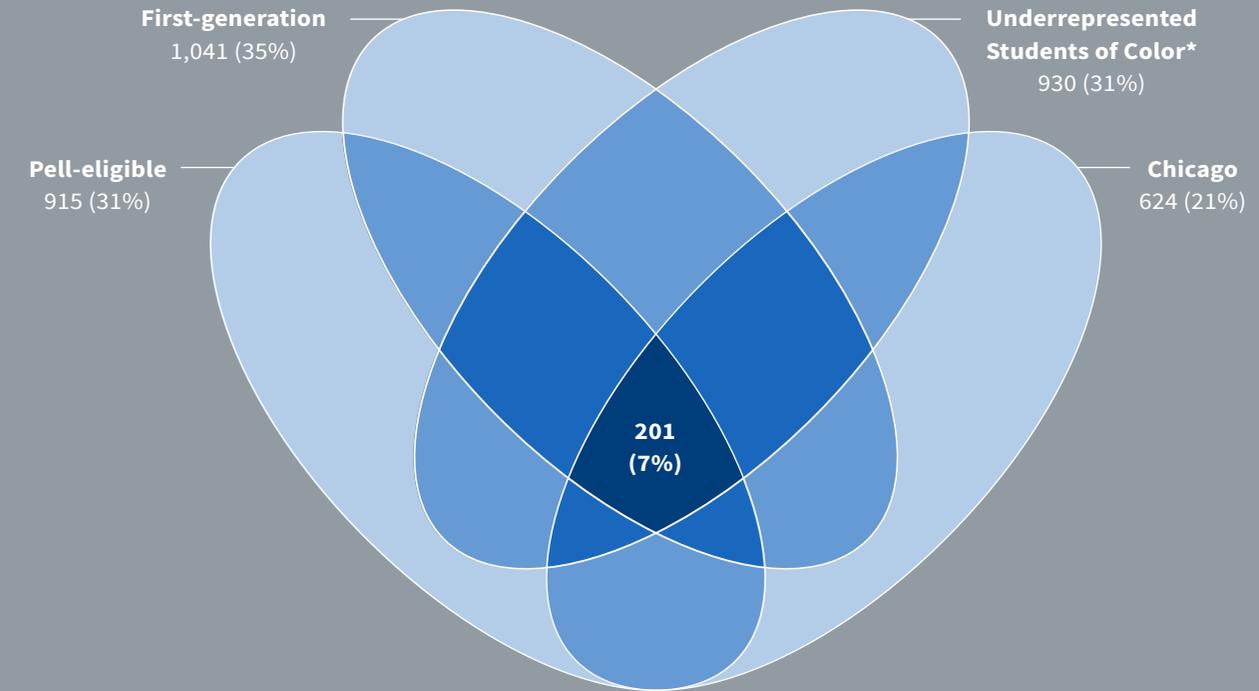
60%

of new freshmen are enrolled in CDM, BUS and CSH

85 new freshmen are international students (on F1/J1 visas). The countries most represented include: India, China, Vietnam, Brazil and Mexico.

Fall 2022 Enrolled Freshmen

One goal of DePaul's mission is to serve the needs of students traditionally underrepresented in higher education. To that end, we pay close attention to students who meet certain criteria that support our mission. This fall our new freshman class has 35% first-generation students, 31% underrepresented students of color, 31% Pell-eligible, and 21% from the city of Chicago.



■ Meets 1 criterion
 ■ Meets 2 criteria
 ■ Meets 3 criteria
 ■ Meets 4 criteria

*Underrepresented Students of Color = American Indian/Alaskan native, African American, Hispanic/Latinx and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

60%

or 1,774 students meet 1+ criteria

26%

or 758 students meet only 1 criterion

17%

or 496 students meet only 2 criteria

11%

or 319 students meet only 3 criteria

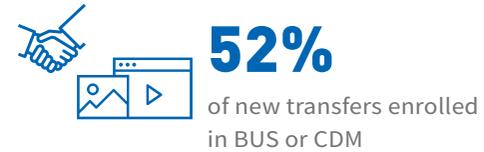
7%

or 201 students meet all 4 criteria

Transfer Enrollment

DePaul welcomed 1,044 new transfer students this fall compared with 1,155 in 2021, a decrease of 10% (or 111 students). BUS remains the largest transfer college, enrolling 30% of all new transfer students.

Fall Transfer Enrollment



Top 5 Community College Feeder Schools

College	Students Enrolled
Harper College	107
College of DuPage	105
Oakton Community College	84
College of Lake County	55
Wilbur Wright College	50

The top 5 community college feeder schools sent 38% of new transfer students this fall.

Transfer Enrollment by Term (for fiscal year 2021-22)



Transfer Enrollment by College

College	Students Enrolled
BUS	
2020	347
2021	342
2022	313
CDM	
2020	232
2021	252
2022	234
CSH	
2020	160
2021	159
2022	147
LAS	
2020	140
2021	154
2022	124
SCPS	
2020	99
2021	98
2022	104

College	Students Enrolled
CMN	
2020	94
2021	97
2022	73
COE	
2020	35
2021	32
2022	27
Theatre	
2020	11
2021	12
2022	14
Music	
2020	9
2021	9
2022	8
Most Popular Majors for New Transfers	
Major	Students Enrolled
Business administration	82
Psychology	68
Film and television	67

Transfer Diversity



60%

of new transfers are from an Illinois community college

27%

are from out-of-state institutions

7%

are from Illinois private four-year institutions



75%

of new transfers are under the age of 24

15%

of new transfers are 24 to 29 years of age

10%

of new transfers are 30 years of age or older



54%

of new transfers are students of color

50%

of new transfers are male

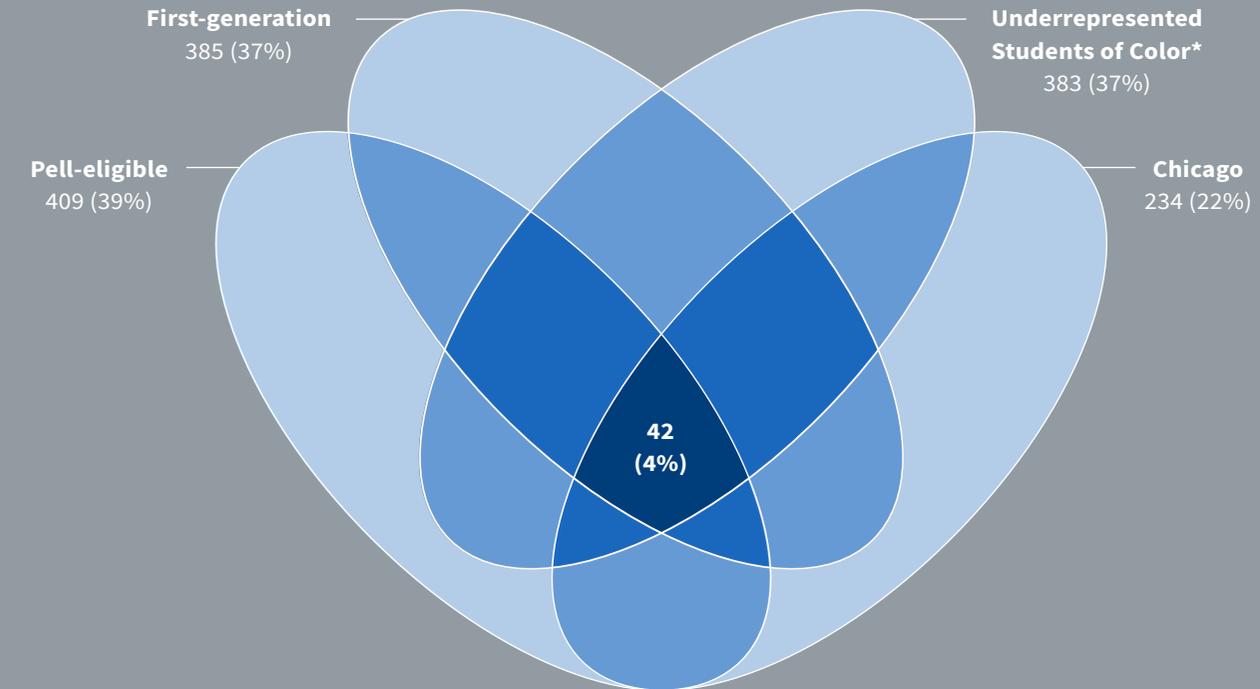
37%

of new transfers are first-generation students

14% of new transfers are from out of state. Top feeder states are California, Indiana and Texas.

Fall 2022 Enrolled Transfers

One of goal of DePaul's mission is to serve the needs of students traditionally unrepresented in higher education. To that end, we pay close attention to students who meet certain criteria that support our mission. This year, our new transfer student cohort has 39% of students who are Pell-eligible, 37% first-generation, 37% underrepresented students of color, and 22% from the city of Chicago.



■ Meets 1 criterion
 ■ Meets 2 criteria
 ■ Meets 3 criteria
 ■ Meets 4 criteria

*Underepresented Students of Color = American Indian/Alaskan native, African American, Hispanic/Latinx and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

70%

or 736 students meet 1+ criteria

27%

or 280 students meet only 1 criterion

27%

or 279 students meet only 2 criteria

13%

or 135 students meet only 3 criteria

4%

or 42 students meet all 4 criteria

Freshman Admission Trends



31,785

freshman applicants for fall 2022



18,350

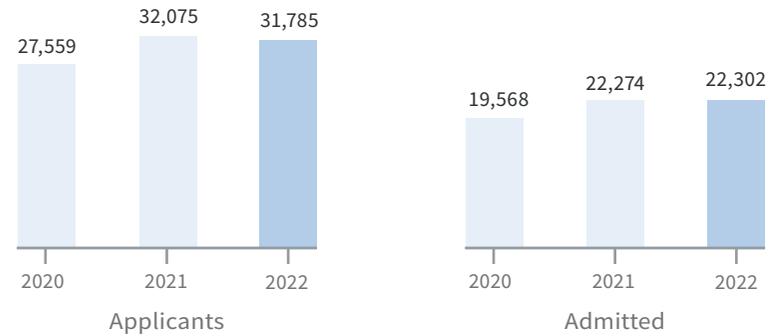
freshmen applied through the test-optional program



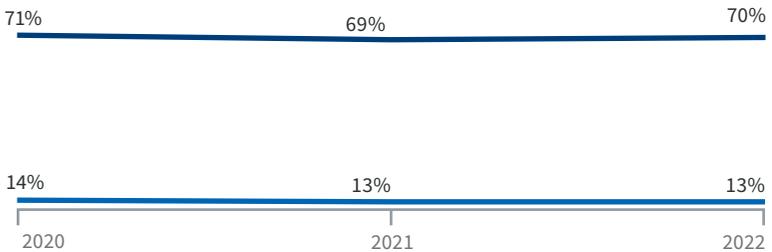
91%

of new freshmen filed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Freshman Applicants, Admission and Enrollment Yield



Freshman Admission and Yield Rates



■ Admission Rates ■ Yield Rates (% enrolled)

This fall, students from over 5,600 high schools applied for freshman admission.

Transfer Admission Trends



4,179

transfer applicants for fall 2022



45%

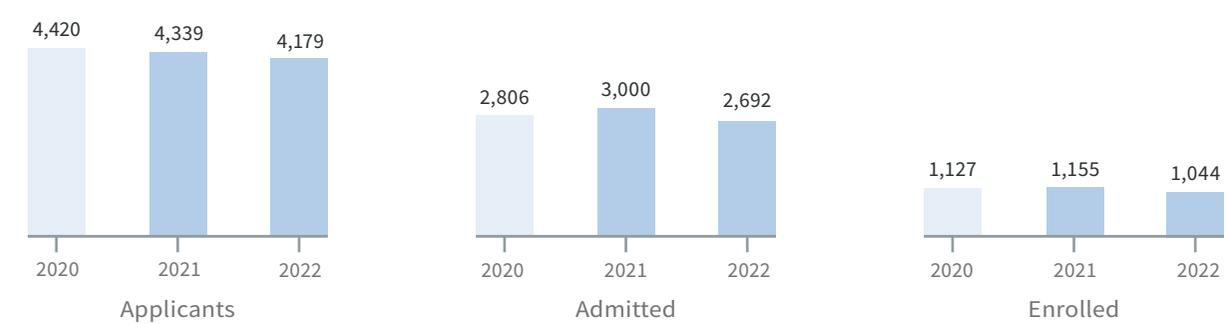
of new transfers apply to BUS & CDM



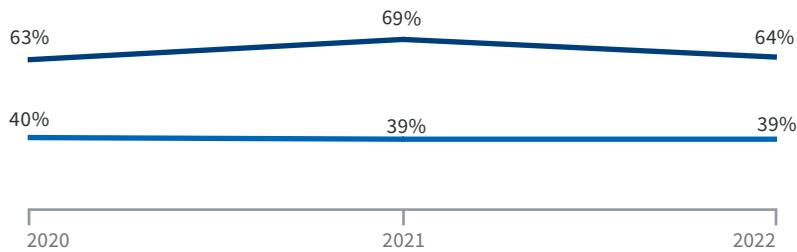
68%

of new transfer students came from a two-year institution

Transfer Applicants, Admission and Enrollment Yield



Transfer Admission and Yield Rates



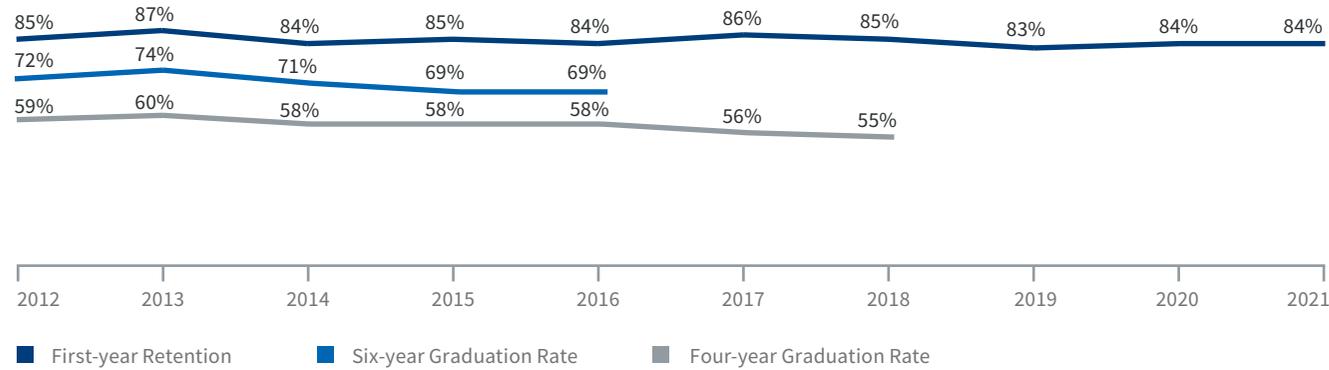
■ Admission Rates ■ Yield Rates (% enrolled)

41% of new transfer students enrolled at DePaul as sophomore students.

Freshman Retention and Graduation Rates

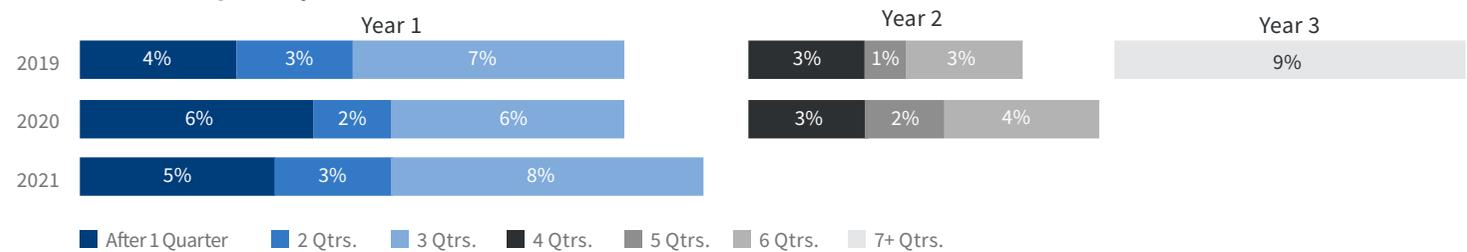
In fall 2022, 84% of the fall 2021 full-time freshman cohort returned for their sophomore year, compared with 84% of the prior year's freshman class. DePaul's first-year retention rate continues to exceed the national average for private universities. This year, the four-year graduation rate for the 2018 freshman class declined slightly to 55% from prior years.

Freshman Retention and Graduation Rates by Freshman Cohort Year



Looking at freshmen from the three most recent cohorts who are not currently enrolled, the largest proportion of students leave after their third quarter (spring quarter in their first year), and do not return for the start of their second year.

Freshman Cohort Quarterly Attrition*



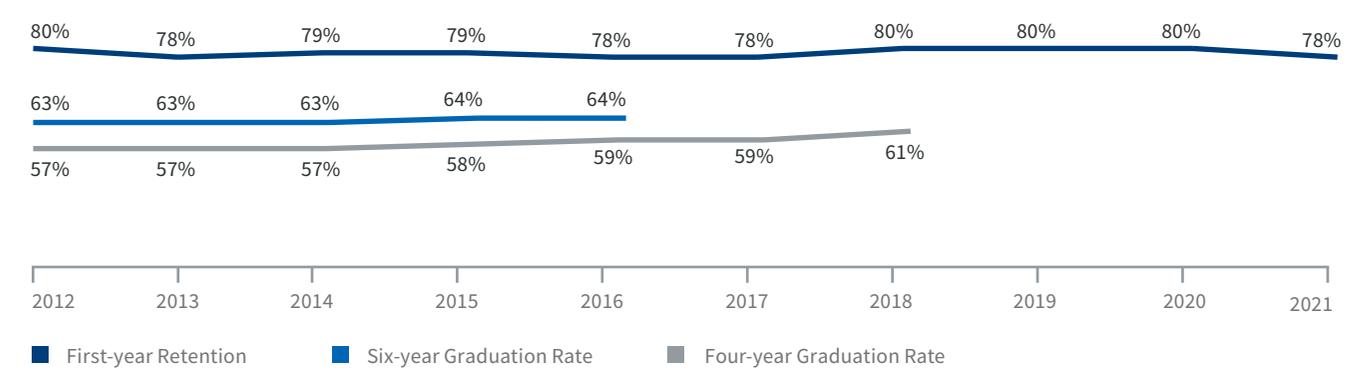
*Our methodology only includes fall, winter and spring quarters.

Note: Freshman-cohort figures in these two graphs may not match due to reporting methodology differences.

Transfer Retention and Graduation Rates

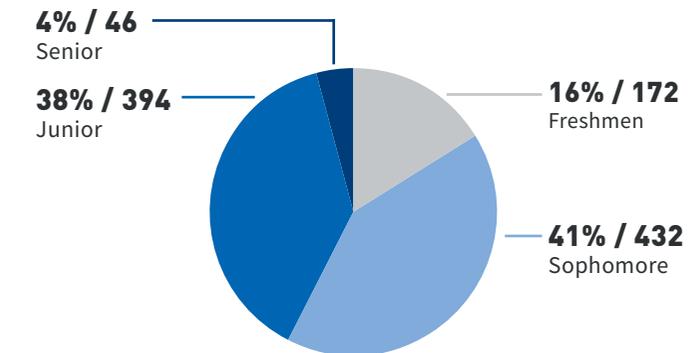
The first-year transfer retention rate captures the percentage of new transfer students from all terms of the prior year who return for the fall term. Because the methods for calculating freshman and transfer retention rates are different, the rates should not be directly compared. The transfer retention and graduation rates have been relatively stable over recent years.

Transfer Retention and Graduation Rates by Transfer Cohort Year



New Transfer Students by Entry Class Level

1,044 new transfer students

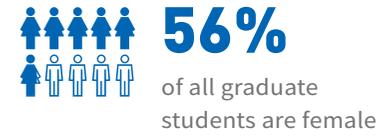
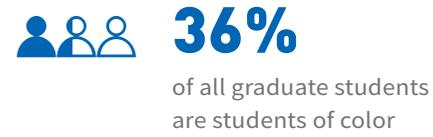
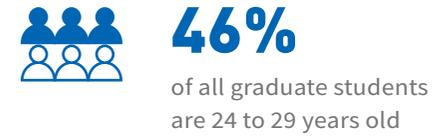


New transfer students starting DePaul with junior-level standing have the highest retention rates.

Graduate and Law Enrollment

Graduate Enrollment

In fall 2022, 6,180 graduate students enrolled (excluding Law), compared with 6,704 in 2021. Graduate enrollment in CSH and Theatre increased in 2022. The majority of graduate students are master's degree students—89%—followed by 9% doctoral students, and 2% of students who are in certificate programs or non-degree-seeking.



This fall, 663 graduate students, or 11%, are Double Demons.

Law Enrollment

This fall, 603 students enrolled in the College of Law, compared with 672 in 2021. Most law students enrolled in the JD program—74%, along with 14% in the evening program, 10% in the LLS program and 1% in the LLM program.



36% of students enrolled in the College of Law are from out-of-state or international locations.

Graduate and Law Enrollment by College

College	Students Enrolled
CDM	
2020	1,984
2021	1,931
2022	1,913
KGSB	
2020	2,233
2021	1,954
2022	1,621
COE	
2020	1,013
2021	1,030
2022	960
CSH	
2020	875
2021	851
2022	870
Law	
2020	671
2021	672
2022	603

College	Students Enrolled
LAS	
2020	653
2021	589
2022	497
Music	
2020	114
2021	150
2022	138
CMN	
2020	150
2021	138
2022	114
SCPS	
2020	62
2021	35
2022	34
Theatre	
2020	22
2021	26
2022	33



New Graduate Enrollment

New Master's Enrollment

Fall enrollment accounts for nearly two-thirds of new master's enrollment throughout the fiscal year. Over the course of the 2021-22 fiscal year, a total of 2,698 new master's students enrolled, and 61% enrolled in the fall.

 **1,659**
new master's students
in fall 2022

 **91**
new master's students
are enrolled in combined
degree programs

 **32%**
of new master's students
are students of color

New Master's Enrollment by Term (for fiscal year 2021-22)

280
Summer

1,622
Fall

475
Winter

304
Spring

New Master's Enrollment by College

College	Students Enrolled
CDM	
2020	396
2021	479
2022	556
KGSB	
2020	646
2021	474
2022	480
CSH	
2020	145
2021	156
2022	203
COE	
2020	218
2021	194
2022	167
LAS	
2020	223
2021	167
2022	152

College	Students Enrolled
CMN	
2020	62
2021	59
2022	43
Music	
2020	34
2021	69
2022	38
Theatre	
2020	1
2021	16
2022	14
SCPS	
2020	7
2021	8
2022	10
Total Master's Enrollment	
2020	1,732
2021	1,622
2022	1,659



New Doctoral Enrollment



32

new doctoral students enrolled in COE

21

new students enrolled in the nursing doctorate program

12

new doctoral students enrolled in KGSB

4

new doctoral students enrolled in CDM

4

new doctoral students enrolled in LAS

New Law Enrollment



176

new first-year JD students

20

new law students enrolled in the MLS program

4

new law students enrolled in LLM programs

Diversity

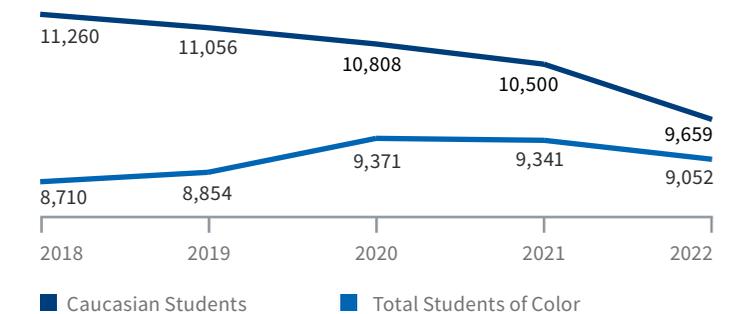
DePaul enrolled 9,052 students of color in 2022, compared with 9,341 in 2021. Students of color account for 43% of total enrollment; 47% of undergraduate enrollment, 36% of graduate enrollment and 34% of law enrollment.

University Enrollment by Race and Ethnicity

Race and Ethnicity	Students Enrolled
Hispanic/Latinx	
2020	3,974
2021	4,107
2022	4,107
Asian	
2020	2,331
2021	2,355
2022	2,288
African American	
2020	2,172
2021	1,998
2022	1,845
Multiracial/Non-Hispanic	
2020	830
2021	834
2022	778

Race and Ethnicity	Students Enrolled
American Indian/Alaskan Native	
2020	34
2021	25
2022	19
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	
2020	30
2021	22
2022	15

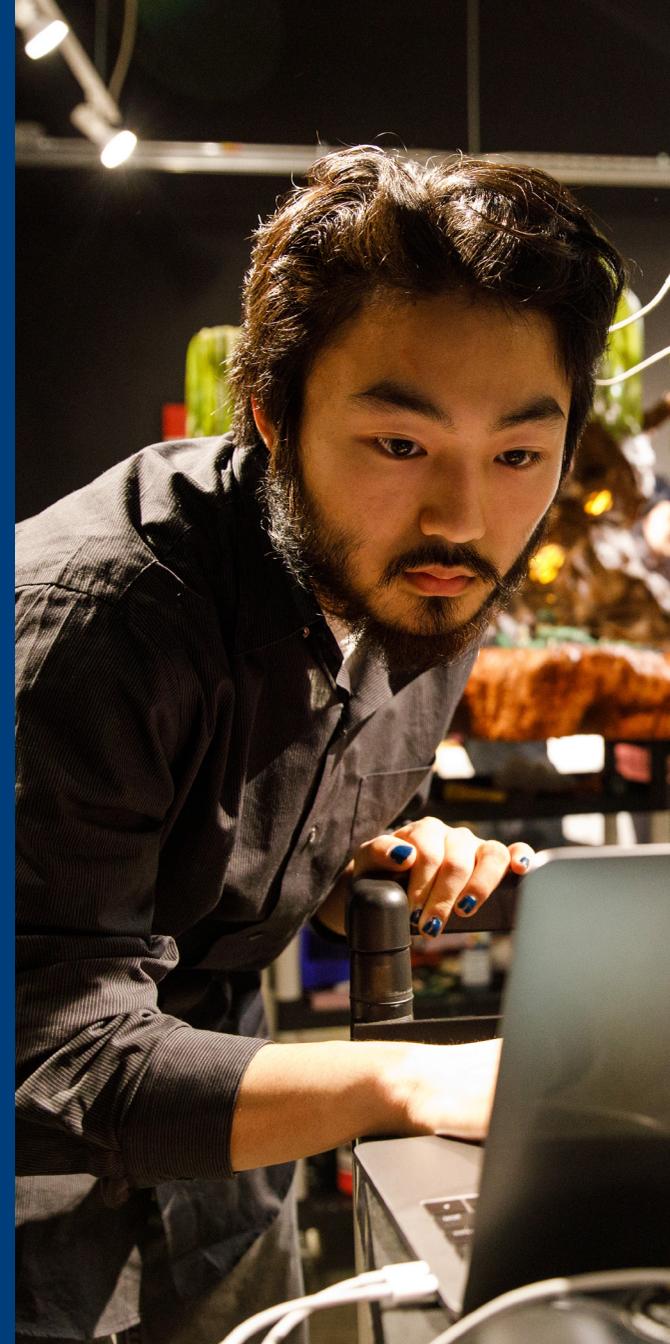
Total Students of Color and Caucasian Students



New Students by Race/Ethnicity

	Freshmen	Transfers	Master's	Doctoral	Law
Hispanic/Latinx	727	269	212	9	89
Asian	350	145	123	7	45
African American	202	112	158	16	49
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	2	0	0	2
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Multiracial/Non-Hispanic	129	39	35	3	18
Caucasian	1,430	434	586	25	364
International (Students on F1 and J1 Visas)	85	22	477	4	17
Other/Unreported Background	44	21	70	19	18

Includes international students on visas other than F1 and J1, as well as those who did not report a race or ethnicity



International Students

In total, 1,544 students have international student status (on F1 and J1 visas), compared with 1,140 in 2021. This fall, 26% of international students are undergraduates and 74% are graduate and law students. International students represent 7% of total university enrollment.



408

international undergraduate students



75%

of international undergraduate students are enrolled in BUS & CDM



1,136

international graduate and law students

Top Countries of Origin

Students Enrolled

India	727
China	128
Pakistan	66
Saudi Arabia	53
Taiwan	34

This fall, 25% of international students are new students, including 85 new freshmen, 22 new transfers, 14 new non-degree, and 498 new graduate and law students.



125th Anniversary



During the 2022-2023 academic year, DePaul's 125th anniversary is commemorating more than a century of engaging, diverse and global learning, service to the community, outstanding athletes, groundbreaking leaders and a strong commitment to the university's Vincentian mission.

While DePaul has grown into one of the largest and most diverse Catholic universities in the world, its unshakable devotion to students remains unchanged. As the community honors and reflects on the university's past, we will also work together to design a future for DePaul that re-writes the need and importance of a faith-based institution for the nation.

Click [here](#) to view our interactive timeline and travel through DePaul's 125-year history.

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