Executive Summary
Winter Term 2009 Student Enrollment Profile

The Enrollment Profile presents current and comparative enrollment data for the Winter Term 2009 as of the census date of Monday, January 26, 2009. You can view and print the full set of graphs and data on the web page below:

http://reg.wayne.edu/data/enrollmentW09.php

Headcount

Winter enrollment is 29,692, a decrease of 1.9% compared to last winter. Undergraduate enrollment is down by 1.2% and Graduate/Professional enrollment is down by 2.6%. This represents a significant improvement from the 4.7% decrease we experienced in enrollment for the fall. At 29,692 winter enrollment is very close to our ten-year average enrollment, which is 29,763.

Decreases in enrollment continue to be concentrated in part-time students. Part-time undergraduates decreased by 4.8% while full-time undergraduates actually increased by 1.4%, or 155 students. Five years ago 54% of our undergraduates were full-time. This term, 59% of our undergraduates are full-time. Among graduate students the decreases in part-time and full-time students were almost the same, at 2.5% and 2.6% respectively.

Credit Hours

Due to the greater decreases in part-time students, credit hours have decreased less than headcount. Credit hours show a 1.4% decrease when compared to the prior winter. However, we are still seeing credit hours generated at high levels. With 306,787 credit hours, we have the 3rd highest level of credit hours in the past ten years, more than 4% above our 10-year average of 294,422 credit hours.

Residency

Michigan residents still constitute 90% of our enrollment. 95% of our undergraduates, and 82% of our graduate/professional students are Michigan residents. 90% of our Michigan residents come from the tri-county area. For the 10% of our students who are not Michigan residents, 6.35% are internationals and 3.65% come from other U.S. states. As in the fall semester, we experienced a decrease in our international students again this winter, but this was offset by an increase in students from other states, keeping the non-resident population at 10%.

We encourage your comments or questions regarding our enrollment. Please contact our analyst, Ken Harris, (577-2073), or me (577-3550) if you have comments, questions or suggestions.

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