

Arizona University System

Full-Time Equivalent Student
Enrollment Report

Year Ended June 30, 2017



A Report to the Arizona Legislature

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Independent accountants' report

Members of the Arizona State Legislature

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We have examined the Arizona university system's full-time equivalent student enrollment in the accompanying report for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the report. Each university's management is responsible for calculating and reporting the university's student enrollment in accordance with the criteria prescribed by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§15-1661 and 15-1626 as described in note 1. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the full-time equivalent student enrollment based on our examination.

We conducted our examination in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the full-time equivalent student enrollment is in accordance with the criteria prescribed by A.R.S. §§15-1661 and 15-1626 in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the full-time equivalent student enrollment amounts in this report. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the amounts, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the full-time equivalent student enrollment in the report referred to above is in accordance with the criteria prescribed by A.R.S. §§15-1661 and 15-1626 as described in note 1 in all material respects.

Jay Zsorey, CPA
Financial Audit Director

September 29, 2017



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	Universities			Total Arizona university system
	Arizona State University	Northern Arizona University	The University of Arizona	
Fall semester				
Fall semester full-time equivalent student enrollment	94,111	28,598	42,503	165,212
Less: Fall semester full-time equivalent student enrollment for students who have earned credit hours in excess of the undergraduate credit hour threshold	205	31	54	290
Adjusted fall semester full-time equivalent student enrollment	93,906	28,567	42,449	164,922
Spring semester				
Spring semester full-time equivalent student enrollment	90,873	26,447	40,791	158,111
Less: Spring semester full-time equivalent student enrollment for students who have earned credit hours in excess of the undergraduate credit hour threshold	304	57	110	471
Adjusted spring semester full-time equivalent student enrollment	90,569	26,390	40,681	157,640
Fall and spring semesters				
Average adjusted fall and spring semesters' full-time equivalent student enrollment	92,238	27,479	41,565	161,282

See accompanying notes to report.

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Notes to full-time equivalent student enrollment report

Year ended June 30, 2017

Note 1

As required by Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §15-1661, full-time equivalent student enrollment for each university comprising the Arizona university system is to be reported and audited annually. As prescribed by A.R.S. §15-1661, full-time equivalent student enrollment is calculated by adding the total number of enrolled fall and spring semester credit hours on the 45th day of instruction in 100-level and 200-level credit courses, divided by 15; in 300-level and 400-level credit courses, divided by 12; and in graduate level courses, divided by 10; and then dividing the sum of the full-time equivalent student enrollment for the fall and spring semesters by 2.

In addition, as required by A.R.S. §15-1626, full-time equivalent student enrollment is reduced for any student who has earned credit hours in excess of the undergraduate credit hour threshold of 145 hours. The undergraduate credit hour threshold is based on the actual full-time equivalent student enrollment counted on the 45th day after classes begin for the fall and spring semesters. The undergraduate credit hour threshold does not apply to:

- Degree programs that require credit hours above the credit hour threshold.
- Credits earned in the pursuit of up to two baccalaureate degrees.
- Credits earned in the pursuit of up to two state-regulated licensures and certificates.
- Credits earned in the pursuit of a teaching certification.
- Credits transferred from a private institution of higher education.
- Credits transferred from an institution of higher education in another state.
- Credits earned at another institution of higher education but that are not accepted as transfer credits at the university where the student is currently enrolled.
- Credits earned by students who enroll at a university under the jurisdiction of the Arizona Board of Regents more than 24 months after the end of the students' previous enrollment at a public institution of higher education in the State of Arizona.

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Note 2

As required by A.R.S. §15-1661, full-time equivalent student enrollment for only those students who meet the residency requirements prescribed in A.R.S. §15-1802 for each university comprising the Arizona university system is to be reported and audited annually. A summary of each university's full-time equivalent student enrollment for only those students who meet the residency requirements follows:

	Fall semester	Spring semester
Arizona State University		
Tempe/downtown Phoenix campus	42,859	40,818
West campus	4,628	4,464
East campus	3,807	3,660
Total Arizona State University	51,294	48,942
Northern Arizona University		
Total Northern Arizona University	19,216	17,712
The University of Arizona		
Main campus	23,250	22,337
Health Sciences Center	2,908	2,825
Total University of Arizona	26,158	25,162

