## An Overview of Our Students



Board of Trustees Academic and Student Affairs Committee October 23, 2013

## Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system is an Equal Opportunity employer and educator.

## Outline

- Who are our students?
- Demographic diversity
- Academic diversity
- How do they finance their education?
- Predictors of headcount
- Questions and discussion


## Who are our students?

## Snapshot of 2013 demographic diversity

- $58 \%$ of students are in Greater Minnesota
- 23\% are students of color: 61,500
- $39 \%$ are 25 or older (average age is 26 )
- $55 \%$ are female
- $38 \%$ are Pell-eligible $(103,000)$
- 20\% are first generation $(54,000)$ ( $56 \%$ by the federal definition)
- 54\% are from underrepresented groups $(144,000)$
- 10,650 are veterans



## Figure 1: Educating Minnesota

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Figure 2: Total headcount continued to grow through fiscal year 2013


## Predictors of student headcount

- The number of high school graduates
- Adult population aged 24 to 34
- Minnesota's unemployment rate
- Minnesota per capita income

Figure 3: Racial Ethnic diversity


Total Credit Headcount $=272,509$ fiscal year 2013

Figure 4: Students of color comprise an increasing percentage of our students


Students of Color: $2005=33,6062013=61,575$ Increase $=83.3 \%$
Other Students: $2005=205,7372013=210,934$ Increase $=2.5 \%$

## Figure 5: Significantly more students are low income

 (eligible for Pell grants)

Pell Eligible Students: $2005=56,408 \quad 2013=103,805$ Increase $=\mathbf{8 4 . 0 \%}$ Other Students: $2005=182,9292013=168,704$ Decrease $=-7.8 \%$

Figure 6: Increasing percentage of our students are from groups underrepresented in college


Underrepresented Students: $2005=103,4512013=143,945$ Increase $=39.1 \%$ All Students: $2005=135,8862013=128,564$ Decrease $=-5.4 \%$

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Figure 7: Age diversity


Source: System Office Research, Planning and Policy


## Our students' academic diversity

- High school students, high school graduates, graduate students, adult learners, workers and professionals
- $58 \%$ of college and $34 \%$ of university students enroll on a part-time basis
- $54 \%$ of college and $34 \%$ of university first-time students take developmental courses
- $38 \%$ of college and $11 \%$ of university first-time students take developmental math courses



## Figure 8: Diversity of enrollment status



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Figure 9: Increasing percentage of students enroll on a part-time basis


Part-time Students: $2005=75,7342013=101,079$ Increase $=33.5 \%$
Full-time Students: $2005=100,582 \quad 2013=102,609$ Increase $=\mathbf{2 . 0 \%}$

Figure 10: Many of our first-time students take developmental courses in their first two years


## How our students finance their education

- $52 \%$ of our students who apply for financial aid are considered to be independent of their parents
- $62 \%$ of all students receive some form of financial aid
- $44 \%$ receive grants
- 9\% receive scholarships
- $44 \%$ take out student loans
- 3\% receive work-study awards or student employment


Figure 11: More students are eligible for and receiving financial aid


Figure 12: Our students are receiving increasing amounts of financial aid


## StarTribune

## Minnesota grads carry heavy student debt burden

Article by: JENNA ROSS, Star Tribune | Updated: June 1, 2013-6:36 PM

The average debt was $\$ 29,800$. For-profit colleges and two-year degrees were included.

Minnesota college students have long been marked as some of the nation's most indebted. Turns out it's even worse than we knew.

The most complete picture of student loan debt in the state shows that 2010 graduates who borrowed had an average load of $\$ 29,800$.

## Figure 13: Debt of MnSCU Graduates

|  | MnSCU \% <br> WITH NO DEBT | MEDIAN DEBT FOR <br> ALL GRADUATES |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Certificates/ <br> Diplomas | $47.0 \%$ | $\$ 2,712$ |
| Associate <br> Degree | $33.8 \%$ | $\$ 8,536$ |
| Baccalaureate <br> Degree | $27.5 \%$ | $\$ 18,123$ |

Compared to their counterparts at other higher education institutions, MnSCU students graduate with less or no debt.


## Possible Discussion Topics

- Implications of a more diverse student body on:
- Instructional and support programs on campus
- Resource requirements
- Achievement of persistence and completion improvement goals
- Expectations regarding the continuation of these trends in the future


## ASA Proposed Board Agenda Items for FY14

November 2013

- Amendment to Policy 3.8 Student Complaints and Grievances (1st Reading)
- Mesabi Range: Proposed Name Change
- Update on Itasca Workforce Alignment Workgroup
- Pine Technical - Mission Approval (1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Reading)

January 2014

- Amendment to Policy 3.8 Student Complaints and Grievances (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.36 Academic Programs(1st Reading)
- Meeting the Baccalaureate Needs of the Twin Cities Metro Area
- Pine Technical - Mission Approval (2nd Reading)
- Joint with Finance: 2016 Capital Budget and 2015 Revenue Fund Guidelines ( $1^{\text {st }}$ Reading)
- Joint with Diversity: Closing the Achievement Gap - Annual Update on Persistence and Completion
- E-Education Strategy

March 2014

- Joint with ASA /?: Study Session: Impact of E-Learning on the Enrollment and Retention of Underrepresented Student *Bold indicates action item

April 2014

- Amendment to Policy 3.36 Academic Programs (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.15 Advanced Placement Credit (1 $1^{\text {st }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.16 International Baccalaureate (1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.35 Credit for Prior Learning (1st Reading)
- Progress on Performance Measures to Receive 5\% of FY15 Appropriation
- Study Session: Transfer

May 2014

- Amendment to Policy 3.21 Undergraduate Course Credit Transfer (1 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.37 Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (1st Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.15 Advanced Placement Credit (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.16 International Baccalaureate (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Reading)
- Amendment to Policy 3.35 Credit for Prior Learning (2 ${ }^{\text {nd }}$ Reading)
- Annual Report on Program Inventory
- Measuring Student Success
- Placeholder: Work in Support of Charting the Future


## June 2014

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