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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chancellor Sonny Perdue

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DATE: 11-9-2022

SUBJECT: *Fall 2022 Semester Enrollment Report*

The headcount enrollment for the 26 institutions of the University System of Georgia in Fall 2022 was 334,459, representing a decrease of 1.8 percent (6,179 students) from the Fall 2021 enrollment of 340,638. The Fall full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment decreased from 291,365 in Fall 2021 to 287,524 in Fall 2022, a decrease of 1.3 percent (3,841 FTE). Fall headcount and FTE enrollment decreased for the second consecutive year; however, headcount enrollment continues to be higher than three years prior in Fall 2019. The share of students enrolled full-time increased from 66.5 percent in 2021 to 67.4 percent in 2022.

The attached copy of the *Semester Enrollment Report* (SER) presents basic information on USG credit enrollment. The following points describe salient changes over the Fall term last year:

- Headcount enrollment grew by 1.2 percent in research universities. Enrollment declined by 3.7 percent in comprehensive universities, 5.7 percent in state universities, and 2.4 percent at state colleges. Enrollment increased at 8 institutions, decreased at 17 institutions, and remained unchanged at one institution.
  - The largest enrollment growth, in terms of number, was at Georgia Institute of Technology (1,437), University of Georgia (489), and Kennesaw State University (285).
  - The largest enrollment growth, in terms of percent, was at Georgia Institute of Technology (3.3 percent), Augusta University (2.2 percent), and Gordon State College (1.4 percent).
  - The largest enrollment declines by number were at Georgia Southern University (1,585), Valdosta State University (1,348), and Clayton State University (963).
  - The institutions with the largest enrollment decrease by percentage were Clayton State University (14.1 percent), Savannah State University (12.8 percent), and Valdosta State University (11.6 percent).
- FTE enrollment increased by 1.4 percent at research universities but decreased by 3.6 at comprehensive universities, 4.5 percent at state universities, and 0.6 percent at state colleges.

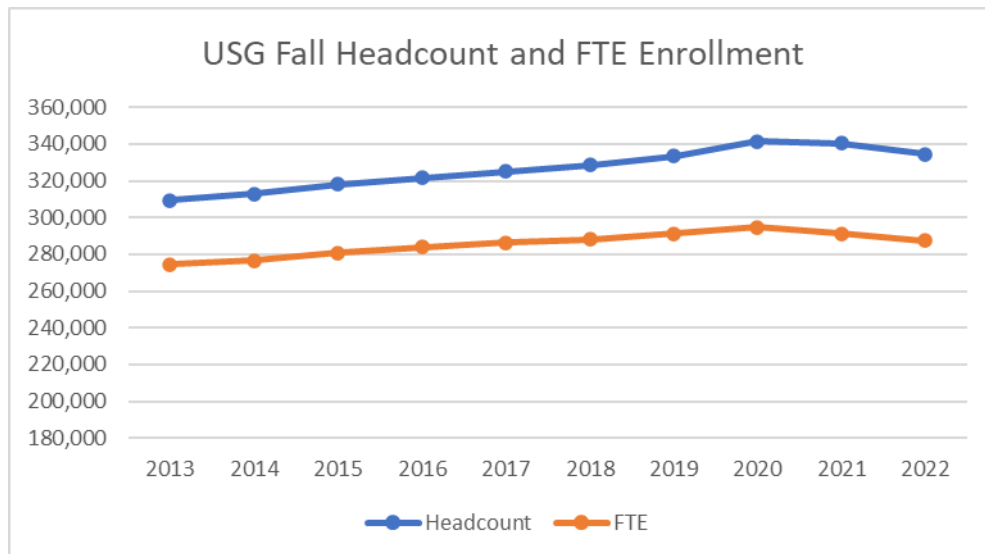
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- Undergraduate enrollment decreased by 6,477 (2.4 percent) from 268,966 in Fall 2021 to 262,489 in Fall 2022.
- Beginning freshman enrollment system-wide decreased by 2,310 students (4.4 percent) from 52,611 in Fall 2021 to 50,301 in Fall 2022. This is the second consecutive year that Fall beginning freshmen has declined; the Fall 2021 to Fall 2022 decrease is larger than the Fall 2020 to Fall 2021 decrease of 1,566 students (2.9 percent).
  - Beginning freshman enrollment at research universities increased by 3.2 percent (554 students).
  - Beginning freshman enrollment decreased by 20.1 percent (3,430 students) for comprehensive universities, a marked change from the 29.6 percent increase observed two years ago from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020 and a larger decrease than the 2.0 percent decline from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021.
  - State university beginning freshman enrollment decreased by 1.6 percent (172 students).
  - State college beginning freshman enrollment increased by 10.3 percent (738 students). This is a notable change from the decrease observed from the 6.7 percent decline from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021.
- New undergraduate transfer students increased by 0.8 percent from 14,292 in Fall 2021 to 14,405 in Fall 2022.
- Dual enrollment decreased by 2,130 students from 14,258 in Fall 2021 to 12,128 in Fall 2022, a decrease of 14.9 percent. This is a notable change from the 3.7 percent increase from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021. Decreases occurred in fall 2022 at the comprehensive universities (825 students), state universities (772 students), and state colleges (596 students).
- Graduate enrollment for Fall 2022 increased by 0.2 percent (113 students). This is a markedly smaller increase than the 7.9 percent increase from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021. Graduate enrollment growth has been primarily driven by increases at Georgia Institute of Technology over the past several years; however, graduate enrollment at that institutions only increased by 483 students from Fall 2021 to Fall 2022 compared to an increase of 3,188 students from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021. Graduate student enrollment declined at 11 of the 17 institutions which offer graduate education.
- New graduate and professional students decreased 6.3 percent from 18,786 in Fall 2021 to 17,604 in Fall 2022. This is a notable change from the 3.6 percent increase from Fall 2020 to Fall 2021.
- Enrollment changes by race/ethnicity relative to Fall 2021 are as follows:
  - Hispanic student enrollment increased 2.7 percent (952 students) and now comprises 11.0 percent of the total student population.
  - Asian student enrollment increased 7.5 percent (2,990 students) and constitutes 12.9 percent of enrollment system wide.
  - African American student enrollment decreased by 3.7 percent (3,250 students) and makes up 25.2 percent of enrollment system wide.
  - White student enrollment decreased by 4.6 percent (7,231 students) and represents 44.8 percent of the system-wide population.

- In-state enrollment (267,506 students) for Fall 2022 constitutes 80.0 percent of total enrollment, down slightly from 80.8 percent in Fall 2021. In-state enrollment decreased 7,767 students.
- Enrollment of out-of-state students decreased from 43,017 in Fall 2021 to 42,789. The share of out-of-state students out of total enrollment, however, grew from 12.6 percent to 12.8 percent. The share of out-of-state students with any tuition waived decreased from 34.1 percent to 33.0 percent.
- Enrollment of international students increased by 1,816 (8.1 percent), and the largest increase is at Georgia Institute of Technology (849 students). The share of international students out of total enrollment increased from 6.6 percent to 7.2 percent. The share of international students with any tuition waived increased slightly from 35.7 percent to 36.3 percent.
- Female enrollment decreased by 5,308 students (2.7 percent) from Fall 2021. Of all students enrolled, 56.3 percent are female in Fall 2022. Male enrollment declined by 0.6 percent (871 students).
- The number of nontraditional-aged undergraduate students in the system decreased by 4.1 percent from 22,434 in Fall 2021 to 21,509 in Fall 2022. This is the eleventh consecutive year in which there has been a decline for this population. The average age of undergraduate students in Fall 2022 is 21.8, which is the same as Fall 2021. Similarly, the average age for graduate students is 31.2 in both fall terms.
- The number of non-citizens who are residents of the United States decreased by 1.5 percent (154 students). The number of non-citizens who are non-residents increased 8.4 percent from 19,976 in Fall 2021 to 21,657 in Fall 2022.

The trends in headcount and FTE enrollment over the last ten years are shown in the graph below.



I am pleased to answer any questions about the report.

Attachment

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