Meet Your Incoming Fall 2016 Freshman Class
(First Day of Classes, 08/22/2016)

Applied, Admitted and Enrolled*
Applications................................. 18,302
Admitted ........................................ 7,447
Enrolled (unofficial/pre-census) ...... 1,936*
  Academic Success Program ........... 182
  Honors College ............................. 428
*includes part-time students

High School Academic Profile*
Average Weighted GPA.......................... 3.78
Average Unweighted GPA......................... 3.29
Average ACT Composite.......................... 22.5
Average SAT Combined ............................ 1018
Percent in Top Tenth of High School Graduating Class .........13%
Percent in Top Quarter of High School Graduating Class ...37%
Percent in Top Half of High School Graduating Class ..........76%
* Includes only SAT and ACT scores used for making admission decisions, in accordance with a new methodology employed by General Administration and the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data

Learning Communities
Eat, Pray, Love, London.......................... 40
Outdoor Adventure............................... 26
Ripple Effect..................................... 26
Taking Care of Busine$$ .......................... 19
The Mountains Speak............................. 60
Virus Hunters..................................... 48
WHEE Teach..................................... 31

Demographics
54% Female
46% Male

Citizenship
US Citizens........................................ 99.3%
In-State .......................................... 92.4%
Out-of-State..................................... 7.6%
Resident Aliens and Permanent Residents...... 0.3%
International Citizens .......................... 0.4%

Ethnicity*
American Indian or Alaska Native ............ 0.9%
Asian.............................................. 1.2%
Black or African American....................... 6.3%
Hispanics of Any Race........................... 7.1%
Multiracial ....................................... 4.0%
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander ....... 0.2%
Non-Resident Aliens............................... 0.4%
White ................................................ 78.9%
Unknown or did not disclose ..................... 1.0%
*per IPEDS definitions of race/ethnicity

Geography
Foreign Countries Represented
Canada, China, Germany, India, Jamaica, Korea
Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Virgin Islands

Home States
North Carolina...1788
Georgia ............... 34
South Carolina ......... 34
Florida ................ 15
Virginia .............. 12
Tennessee ............ 9
Illinois ..............  5
New Jersey ...........  5
Pennsylvania ........  4
Texas ..................  4
Maryland ..............  3
New York .............  3
Ohio ....................  3
North Carolina .................. 2
Georgia ................. 2
South Carolina .......  2
Florida ................. 2
Virginia ................ 1
Tennessee ............. 1
Illinois ............... 1
New Jersey ........... 1
Pennsylvania ......... 1
Texas ................. 1
Maryland ............. 1
New York ............ 1
Ohio .................. 1

Office of Institutional Planning & Effectiveness
Year in Review and Fun Facts for 1998
(the year most new freshmen were born)

President and Vice President
Bill Clinton (42nd) and Al Gore
5th year in office

Cost of Living
Median Household Income................. $38,383
Average home price....................... $175,600
Average cost per gallon of milk........... $2.70
Average cost per loaf of bread............ $1.26
Average cost per gallon of gas........... $1.06
Cost of first-class stamp................ $0.32

Popular TV Shows
ER
Friends
Frasier
Veronica’s Closet
Jesse

Popular Movies
Saving Private Ryan
Armageddon
There’s Something About Mary
A Bug’s Life
The Waterboy

Popular Music
Shania Twain
Backstreet Boys
Garth Brooks
Lauryn Hill
Creed

Popular Toy
Furby

Nobel Prize Winners

Peace ................................................. John Hume and David Trimble
“for their efforts to find a peaceful solution to the conflict in Northern
Ireland.”

Chemistry .................................................. Walter Kohn
“for his development of the density-functional theory.”

Physics ............ Robert B. Laughlin, Horst L. Stormer, and Daniel C. Tsui
“for the discovery of a new form of quantum fluid with fractionally
charged excitations.”

Medicine ............ Robert F. Furchgott, Louis J. Ignarro and Ferid Murad
“for their discoveries concerning nitric oxide as a signaling molecule in
the cardiovascular system.”

Literature ............................................. Jose Saramago
“who with parables sustained by imagination, compassion and irony
continually enables us once again to apprehend an elusory reality.”

Economics .............................................. Amartya Sen
“for his contributions to welfare economics.”

Grammy Award Winners
Album of the Year ...Lauryn Hill The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill
Song of the Year.................................Celine Dion My Heart Will Go On
Best New Artist ....................................... Lauryn Hill
Best Country Album .............. Dixie Chicks Wide Open Spaces
Best Rap Album ............................. Jay-Z Hard Knock Life
Best R&B Album ...... Lauryn Hill The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill
Best Rock Album ......................... Sheryl Crow The Globe Sessions

Academy Award Winners
Best Picture .......................................... Titanic
Best Actor .................. Jack Nicholson As Good as it Gets
Best Actress .................. Helen Hunt As Good as it Gets
Best Supporting Actor ....Robin Williams Good Will Hunting
Best Supporting Actress....Juliette Binoche The English Patient

Notable Events
U.S. announces first budget surplus in 30 years
The search engine Google is founded
U.S. Supreme Court rules the line-item veto unconstitutional
An estimated 76 million viewers watch the last episode of Seinfeld
Apple Computer introduces the iMac all-in-one PC
Europeans agree on a single currency (the Euro) and establish the European Central Bank
President Clinton impeached for lying under oath and obstructing justice in the wake of the Monica Lewinsky scandal
U.S. Department of Justice brings anti-trust case against Microsoft for bundling Internet Explorer with its operating system
The Russian ruble loses 70% of its value against the US dollar and several of the country’s largest banks collapse