Lamar University
Common Data Set
2014-2015

TABLE OF CONTENTS

Section	Page
A. GENERAL INFORMATION	1
B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE	2
C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSIONS	6
D. TRANSFER ADMISSION	13
E. ACADEMIC OFFERINGS AND POLICIES	15
F. STUDENT LIFE	16
G. ANNUAL EXPENSES	18
H. FINANCIAL AID*	20
I. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY AND CLASS SIZE	25
J. DEGREES CONFERRED	27
COMMON DATA SET GENERAL DEFINITIONS	28
COMMON DATA SET FINANCIAL AID DEFINITIONS	35

A. General Information

B. ENROLLMENT AND PERSISTENCE

B1 Institutional Enrollment - Men and Women

Provide numbers of students for each of the following categories as of the institution's official fall reporting date or as of October 15, 2014.

Note: Report students formerly designated as "first professional" in the graduate cells.

	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME

Persistence

B3 Number of degrees awarded from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

Certificate/diplo

C. FIRST-TIME, FIRST-YEAR (FRESHMAN) ADMISSION

Applications

C1 First-time, first-year, (freshmen) students:

Provide the number of degree-seeking, first-time, first-year students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled (full- or part-time) in Fall 2014.

Include early decision, early action, and students who began studies during summer in this cohort. Applicants should include only those students who fulfilled the requirements for consideration for admission (i.e., who completed actionable applications) and who have been notified of one of the following actions: admission, nonadmission, placement on waiting list, or application withdrawn (by applicant or institution). Admitted applicants should include wait-listed students who were subsequently offered admission.

Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who applied	**1895**
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who applied	**2677**
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) men who were admitted	**1570**
Total first-time, first-year (freshman) women who were admitted	**2033**
Total full-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	**630**
Total part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) men who enrolled	**34**
Total full-time, first-time, first-	

C5 Distribution of high school units required and/or recommended.

Specify the distribution of academic high school course units required and/or recommended of all or most degree-seeking students using Carnegie units (one unit equals one year of study or its equivalent).
If you use a different system for calculating units, please convert.

Freshman Profile

Provide information for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, full-time and part-time, first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in Fall 2014, including students who began studies during summer, international students/nonresident aliens, and students admitted under special arrangements.

C9 Percent and number of first-time, first-year (freshman) students enrolled in Fall 2014 who submitted national standardized (SAT/ACT) test scores. Include information for ALL enrolled, degree-seeking, first-time, first-year (freshman) students who submitted test scores.

Do not include partial test scores (e.g., mathematics scores but not critical reading for a category of students) or

C16 Notification to applicants of admission decision sent *(fill in one only)*

On a rolling basis beginning (date):	**X**

D. TRANSFER ADMISSION

Fall Applicants

D1 Does your institution enroll transfer students? (If no, please skip to Section E) **YES**

If yes, may transfer students earn advanced standing credit by transferring credits earned from course work completed at other colleges/universities? _____

D2 Provide the number of students who applied, were admitted, and enrolled as degree-seeking transfer students in Fall 2014.

	Applicants	Admitted Applicants	Enrolled Applicants
Men	720	643	270
Women	1199	1084	421
Total	**1919**	**1727**	**691**

Application for Admission

D3 Indicate terms for which transfers may enroll:

- ☒ Fall
- ☐ Winter
- ☒ Spring
- ☒ Summer

D4 Must a transfer applicant have a minimum number of credits completed or else must apply as an entering freshman? **YES**

If yes, what is the minimum number of credits and the unit of measure? **18**

D5 Indicate all items required of transfer students to apply for admission:

	Required of All	Recommended of All	Recommended of Some	Required of Some	Not Required
High school transcript				**x**	
College transcript(s)	**x**				
Essay or personal statement					**x**
Interview					**x**
Standardized test scores				**x**	
Statement of good standing from prior institution(s)	**x**				

D6 If a minimum high school grade point average is required of transfer applicants, specify (on a 4.0 scale): _____

D7 If a minimum college grade point average is required of transfer applicants, specify (on a 4.0 scale): **2.00**

D8 List any other application requirements specific to transfer applicants: _____

D9

F. STUDENT LIFE

F1 Percentages of first-time, first-year (freshman) degree-seeking students and degree-seeking undergraduates enrolled in Fall 2014 who fit the following categories:

	First-time, first-year (freshman) students	Undergraduates
Percent who are from out of state (exclude international/nonresident aliens from the numerator and denominator)	**1%**	**3%**
Percent of men who join fraternities		
Percent of women who join sororities		
Percent who live in college-owned, -operated, or -affiliated housing	**49%**	**17%**
Percent who live off campus or commute	**51%**	**83%**

F3 ROTC (program offered in cooperation with Reserve Officers' Training Corps)

On Campus	

G. ANNUAL EXPENSES

G0 Please provide the URL of your institution's net price calculator:
http://www.collegeforalltexans.com/apps/CollegeMoney/

Provide 2015-2016 academic year costs of attendance for the following categories that are applicable to your institution.

Check here if your institution's 2015-2016 academic year costs of attendance are not available at this time and provide an approximate date (i.e., month/day) when your institution's final 2015-2016 academic year costs of attendance will be available:

G1 Undergraduate full-time tuition, required fees, room and board List the typical tuition, required fees, and room and board for a full-time undergraduate student for the FULL 201ProQq0.000009319q 916282 q48*n6.4 /P 4MC238 011

H2 Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Aid: List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who applied for and were awarded financial aid from any source.
Aid that is non-need-based but that was used to meet need should be counted as need-based aid.
Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1.
Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

	First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time

H2A Number of Enrolled Students Awarded Non-need-based Scholarships and Grants:
List the number of degree-seeking full-time and less-than-full-time undergraduates who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid.
Numbers should reflect the cohort awarded the dollars reported in H1.
Note: In the chart below, students may be counted in more than one row, and full-time freshmen should also be counted as full-time undergraduates.

		First-time Full-time Freshmen	Full-time Undergrad (Incl. Fresh.)	Less Than Full-time Undergrad
n)	Number of students in line **a** who had no financial need and who were awarded institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid (exclude those who were awarded athletic awards and tuition benefits)	**174**	**1282**	**1047**
o)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based scholarship and grant aid awarded to students in line **n**	**$2,325**	**$2,613**	**$1,161**
p)	Number of students in line **a** who were awarded an institutional non-need-based athletic scholarship or grant	**30**	**237**	**2**
q)	Average dollar amount of institutional non-need-based athletic scholarships and grants awarded to students in line **p**	**$13,239**	**$16,455**	**$13,508**

H3 Incorporated into H1 above.
Note: *S26 467.35 Tm0 GhQqe ar(e re t)]TJ*

Aid to Undergraduate Degree-seeking Nonresident Aliens

(Note: Report numbers and dollar amounts for the same academic year checked in item H1.)

H6 Indicate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:

Institutional need-based scholarship or grant aid is available	**x**
Institutional non-need-based scholarship or grant aid is available	**x**
Institutional scholarship or grant aid is not available	

If institutional financial aid is available for undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens, provide the number of undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens who were awarded need-based or non-need-based aid:
30

Average dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:
$5,968

Total dollar amount of institutional financial aid awarded to undergraduate degree-seeking nonresident aliens:
$179,040

H7 Check off all financial aid forms nonresident alien first-year financial aid applicants must submit:

Institution's own financial aid form	**x**
CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE	
International Student's Financial Aid Application	
International Student's Certification of Finances	
Other (specify):	

Process for First-Year/Freshman Students

H8 Check off all financial aid forms domestic first-year (freshman) financial aid applicants must submit:

FAFSA	**x**
Institution's own financial aid form	**x**
CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE	
State aid form	
Noncustodial PROFILE	
Business/Farm Supplement	
Other (specify):	

H9 Indicate filing dates for first-year (freshman) students:

Priority date for filing required financial aid forms:	
Deadline for filing required financial aid forms:	
No deadline for filing required forms (applications processed on a rolling basis):	**x**

H10 Indicate notification dates for first-year (freshman) students (answer a or b):

a)

I2 Student to Faculty Ratio

Report the Fall 2014 ratio of full-time equivalent students (full-time plus 1/3 part time) to full-time equivalent instructional faculty (full time plus 1/3 part time).

In the ratio calculations, exclude both faculty and students in stand-alone graduate or professional programs such as medicine, law, veterinary, dentistry, social work, business, or public health in which faculty teach virtually only graduate-level students.
Do not count undergraduate or graduate student teaching assistants as faculty.

Fall 2014 Student to Faculty ratio	**21**	**to 1**	(based on	**9991**	students
			and	**476**	faculty).

Common Data Set Definitions

All definitions related to the financial aid section appear at the end of the

College-preparatory program: Courses in academic subjects (English, history and social studies, foreign languages, mathematics, science, and the arts) that stress preparation for college or university study.

Common Application: The standard application form distributed by the National Association of Secondary School Principals for a large number of private colleges who are members of the Common Application Group.

*** Community service program:** Referral center for students wishing to perform volunteer work in the community or participate in volunteer activities coordinated by academic departments.

Commuter: A student who lives off campus in housing that is not owned by, operated by, or affiliated with the college. This category includes students who commute from home and students who have moved to the area to attend college.

Contact hour: A unit of measure that represents an hour of scheduled instruction given to students. Also referred to as clock hour.

Continuous basis (for program enrollment): A calendar system classification that is used by institutions that enroll students at any time during the academic year. For example, a cosmetology school or a word processing school might allow students to enroll and begin studies at various times, with no requirement that classes begin on a certain date.

Cooperative education program: A program that provides for alternate class attendance and employment in business, industry, or government.

Cooperative housing:

-professional practice: A doctor's degree that is conferred upon completion of a program providing the knowledge and skills for the recognition, credential, or license required for professional practice. The degree is awarded after a period of study such that the total time to the degree, including both pre-professional and professional preparation, equals at least six full-time equivalent academic years. Some of these degrees were formerly classified as "first-professional" and may include: Chiropractic (D.C. or D.C.M.); Dentistry (D.D.S. or D.M.D.); Law (L.L.B. or J.D.); Medicine (M.D.); Optometry (O.D.); Osteopathic Medicine (D.O); Pharmacy (Pharm.D.); Podiatry (D.P.M., Pod.D., D.P.); or, Veterinary Medicine (D.V.M.), and others, as designated by the awarding institution.

-other: A doctor's degree that does not meet the definition of a doctor's degree - research/scholarship or a doctor's degree - professional practice.

Double major: Program in which students may complete two undergraduate programs of study simultaneously.

Dual enrollment: A program through which high school students may enroll in college courses while still

Grade-point average (academic high school GPA): The sum of grade points a student has earned in secondary school divided by the number of courses taken. The most common system of assigning numbers to grades counts four points for an A, three points for a B, two points for a C, one point for a D, and no points for an E or F. Unweighted GPA's assign the same weight to each course. Weighting gives students additional points for their grades in advanced or honors courses.

Graduate student: A student who holds a bachelor's or equivalent, and is taking courses at the post-baccalaureate level.

*** Health services:** Free or low cost on-

Out-of-state tuition: The tuition charged by institutions to those students who do not meet the institution's or state's residency requirements.

Part-time student (undergraduate): A student enrolled for fewer than 12 credits per semester or quarter, or fewer than 24 contact hours a week each term.

*** Personal counseling**: One-on-one or group counseling with trained professionals for students who want to explore personal, educational, or vocational issues.

Post-baccalaureate certificate: An award that requires completion of an organized program of study requiring 18 credit hours beyond the bachelor's; designed for persons who have completed a baccalaureate degree but do not meet the requirements of academic degrees carrying the title of master.

Post- An award that requires completion of an organized program of study of 24 credit hours beyond the master's degree but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctoral level.

Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma: Includes the following three IPEDS definitions for postsecondary awards, certificates, and diplomas of varying durations and credit/contact hour requirements—
Less Than 1 Academic Year: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in less than 1 academic year (2 semesters or 3 quarters) or in less than 900 contact hours by a student enrolled full-time.
At Least 1 But Less Than 2 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 1 but less than 2 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 30 but less than 60 credit hours, or in at least 900 but less than 1,800 contact hours.
At Least 2 But Less Than 4 Academic Years: Requires completion of an organized program of study at the postsecondary level (below the baccalaureate degree) in at least 2 but less than 4 full-time equivalent academic years, or designed for completion in at least 60 but less than 120 credit hours, or in at least 1,800 but less than 3,600 contact hours.

Private institution: An educational institution controlled by a private individual(s) or by a nongovernmental agency, usually supported primarily by other than public funds, and operated by other than publicly elected or appointed officials.

Private for-profit institution: A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk.

Private nonprofit institution: A private institution in which the individual(s) or agency in control receives no compensation, other than wages, rent, or other expenses for the assumption of risk. These include both independent nonprofit schools and those affiliated with a religious organization.

Proprietary institution: See **Private for-profit institution.**

Public institution: An educational institution whose programs and activities are operated by publicly elected or appointed school officials, and which is supported primarily by public funds.

Quarter calendar system:

Required fees: Fixed sum charged to students for items not covered by tuition and required of such a large proportion of all students that the student who does NOT pay is the exception. Do not include application fees or optional fees such as lab fees or parking fees.

Resident alien or other eligible non-citizen: A person who is not a citizen or national of the United States and who has been admitted as a legal immigrant for the purpose of obtaining permanent resident alien status (and who holds either an alien registration card [Form I-551 or I-151], a Temporary Resident Card [Form I-688], or an Arrival-Departure Record [Form I-94] with a notation that conveys legal immigrant status, such as Section 207 Refugee, Section 208 Asylee, Conditional Entrant Parolee or Cuban-

Volunteer work (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students for activity done on a volunteer basis (e.g., tutoring, hospital care, working with the elderly or disabled) as a service to the community or the public in general.

Wait list: List of students who meet the admission requirements but will only be offered a place in the class if space becomes available.

Weekend college: A program that allows students to take a complete course of study and attend classes only on weekends.

White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Center with programs, academic activities, and/or services intended to promote an understanding of the evolving roles of women.

Work experience (as admission factor): Special consideration given to students who have been employed prior to application, whether for relevance to major, demonstration of employment-related skills, or as explanation of student's academic and extracurricular record.