Freshman Enrollment in the University Honors Program

This fall, 238 of DePaul’s 2,519 new freshmen (or 9 percent) enrolled in the University Honors Program.* Honors freshmen enrolled in all colleges, with the exception of SNL and Law; the top three declared majors for honors freshmen this fall were digital cinema, accountancy and biological sciences.

The largest proportion of honors freshmen enrolled in LAS (27 percent) and accounted for 14 percent of all freshmen in that college. Although the proportions of honors freshmen enrolling in Theatre and Music were small (each at 4 percent), honors freshmen also accounted for about 14 percent of all freshmen in each of these colleges.

This year’s honors freshmen came from 29 states (50 percent from Illinois) and 185 different high schools. The top three high schools sending honors freshmen were Grayslake North High School (Grayslake, Ill.), Prospect High School (Mt. Prospect, Ill.), and York Community High School (Elmhurst, Ill.).

The average high school GPA for honors freshmen was 4.01, compared with 3.51 for freshmen not in the honors program. Seventy-four percent had an ACT of 28** or above, compared with 23 percent of freshmen not in the honors program.

Source: IRMA Enrollment Files. ** Only 10 percent of ACT test takers nationally score above 28. DePaul percentages are calculated on valid n, not including missing values. For more information, contact Liz Sanders at lsander3@depaul.edu.

* There are five other college and discipline-specific honors programs at DePaul. The information presented here does not include those programs.