HIGHLIGHTS

In spring 2002, 388 students applied for admission to Montclair State University as first-time full-time freshmen, up from last spring’s 368. Fifty-one percent, or 158 of these applicants, were accepted into the University. Admitted students, or those who sent in a deposit, numbered 125 or 79.1 percent of those accepted. Sixty-five percent, or 102 of those accepted, enrolled in classes. An additional 66 first-time part-time freshmen applied; 32 were accepted; 30 were admitted and 25 part-time freshmen enrolled.

Accepted students usually have slightly higher average Combined SAT (CSAT) scores and average class rank than enrolled first-time full-time freshmen. CSAT scores are 1,072 for accepted first-time full-time freshmen, regardless of admission type, and the same, 1,072, for those who enrolled. The class ranks are 69 and 70, respectively.

Sixty-six percent of enrolled first-time, full-time freshmen are female. The racial/ethnic profile of these students is: 8.8 percent are African American; 2.9 percent Asian; 11.8 percent Hispanic; 1.0 percent Native American; 47.1 percent White; and 13.7 percent are international students. Another 14.7 percent have missing information for race/ethnicity.

Sixty-five percent of all first-time, full-time enrolled freshmen come from five counties: Bergen, 25.5 percent; 13.7 percent from Passaic County; Essex, 12.7 percent; another 5.9 percent are from Morris County; and 6.9 percent are from Union County. Seventeen percent are from out-of-state.

In spring 2002, 1,308 first-time, full- and part-time transfer students applied to MSU. Sixty-three percent of those applying were accepted. Of the 825 who were accepted, 78.2 percent, or 645, were admitted and 67.6 percent, 558, were enrolled in classes.

Fifty-three percent transferred from New Jersey public community colleges. Sixty-eight percent of the New Jersey community college students came from three community colleges in particular: Bergen Community College, County College of Morris and Essex County College.

All told, a total of 821 new students started MSU in spring 2002, 27.9 percent more than last spring’s number of 642. First-time full-time transfers made up 56.9 percent of all new students, followed by full-time freshmen students, 12.4 percent; part-time transfer students, 11.1 percent; readmits, 15.2 percent; part-time freshmen, 3.0 percent; and second BA students, 1.2 percent.