In the Spring of 2009, Montclair State University yielded 1,352 applicants for its graduate degree, certification, certificate, and non-certificate programs. These students were not necessarily first-time students at MSU, but they were first-time students. This figure (1,352) refers to completed and incomplete applications. Nine hundred thirty eight (70%) actually completed the applications process. Those with completed applications make up the applicant base from which the numbers and percents in the accompanying tables were drawn.

The percentage of completed applications for degree seeking students was 41%; 44% applied as non-degree students; 10.5% applied for certification programs, and another 4.6% applied for certificate programs.

This Spring, the University accepted 81% of its applicants. Of those accepted, 72% (550 students) enrolled in classes for the semester.

The Average verbal and math Graduate Record Exam (GRE) test scores for enrolled degree-seeking graduate students were 440 and 527, respectively. The average score for the GMAT was 478. The average undergraduate GPA for enrolled degree-seeking undergraduate students was 3.2.

Seventy-six percent of first-time enrolled graduate students were female. This Spring, 9.6% did not supply information about their race/ethnicity. Of the enrolled students who supplied this information, 64.7% were white; 10.2% were African-American, 4.9% were Hispanic; 3.5% were Asian/Pacific Islander, and 9.7% were non-resident aliens.

Seventy percent of the first-time enrolled graduate students came from four counties: Essex, 24.9%; Bergen, 21.6%; Passaic, 12.4%, and Morris, 19.9%. Four percent of these students came from outside of NJ (other states or countries).