

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN SENATE
COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS
(Final; Information)

AD.23.08 2022-2023 Annual Report of the Senate Committee on Admissions

This report summarizes the activities of the Senate Committee on Admissions (AD) during the 2022-2023 academic year. AD met on October 6, October 24, and March 24. More detailed information is provided in the minutes of those meetings.

I. ITEMS APPROVED BY SENATE

AD.23.02, Continuation of a Test Optional Policy for Admission for Non-Illinois Applicants

On January 22, 2021, the 102nd Illinois General Assembly passed the Higher Education Fair Admissions Act (HB0226), mandating that public institutions of higher education no longer require applicants who are resident of Illinois to submit standardized college admissions test scores to the institution as a part of the admissions process. In accordance with this policy, the committee reached a consensus to support a Test Optional Policy for non-resident students and international students. The Senate approved the proposal on November 14, 2022.

II. ITEMS REMOVED BY THE COMMITTEE

AD.23.01, Fall 2022 Enrollment Update

At the October 6 meeting, Daniel Mann, Associate Provost for Enrollment Management, provided an update on Fall 2022 enrollment. The following are some highlights from the report:

- 33% increase in first-year applications due to adoption of the Common App
- Total enrollment for Fall 2022 was 56,644 (up from 56,257 in 2021). This represents a record total enrollment and 30% increase over the past decade.
- Total undergraduate enrollment for Fall 2022 was 34,943 (up from 34,559 in 2021). This was influenced by the new U of I System Transfer Guarantee program and increase in transfer student enrollment.
- New First-Year admits and enrollments for Fall 2022 were lower than last year. New first-year enrollment was intentionally reduced to ensure overall undergraduate enrollment stays within the bounds of university resources. The incoming class was our 2nd largest in history.
- Diversity decreased, while first generation students increased.
- Data suggests that our test optional policy over the last 2 years has not impacted student retention.

III. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE

AD.23.03, Update on Appeals Report

Andrew Borst, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, provided the following update on the Appeals Report:

- Original Decision and Appeal Outcomes for Fall 2022
- Of 590 students denied admission, 74 were admitted as a result of the appeal process (13%), which is the same rate as last year

AD.23.04, Update on Firewall Report

Andrew Borst provided a copy of the memo that outlines the outcome of Third Party Inquiry Logs from the Firewall Report.

AD.23.05, Update on Revised Committee on the Admissions of Student Athletes (CASA) Guidelines

Andrew Borst shared a memo which details updated guidelines for CASA. The purpose of CASA is to ensure academic oversight in the admission of student-athletes.

AD.23.06, Discussion on 2022 Accept/Decline Survey

Andrew Borst provided results from the 2022 Accept/Decline Survey. The goal of the survey is to understand why students choose to attend UIUC or attend elsewhere. Data from the survey includes the following:

- 3,222 accepts
- 1,544 declines
- Cost remains the number one reason why students decline

AD.23.07, Discussion on 2023 Admissions Cycle Update

Andrew Borst provided the following update:

- Record number of applications
- Lower admit rate
- Record number admitted for:
 - Illinois residents
 - Chicago Public School Students
 - African American/Black & Hispanic Students
 - Hardship Fee Waiver & First Generation
- Colleges with capacity are closer to their aspirational targets
- New enrollment projections are within campus capacity

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