



**FORT VALLEY
STATE UNIVERSITY**
EMPOWER *the* POSSIBLE.



FACT BOOK

2023-2024





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Mission, Vision and Core Values

VISION STATEMENT

Fort Valley State University aspires to be the University of choice for students, faculty, staff, and future employers, recognized nationally and internationally for its excellence in teaching, research, service, exemplary academic programs, and globally competitive students.

MISSION STATEMENT

Fort Valley State University, founded in 1895, is an HBCU and 1890 Land-Grant institution providing excellent academic programs that integrate quality instruction, research, extension, and student learning experiences responsive to the needs of a culturally and economically diverse student population equipped to excel in the 21st-century global community.

CORE VALUES

- **Intellectual Excellence:** FVSU is committed to the highest standards of excellence by creating stimulating learning environments that promote intellectual growth, innovation, and discovery, and life-long learning.
- **Student-Centered:** Our top priority is students and providing them with an enriching, stimulating, and supportive environment.
- **Diversity:** We respect all people, cultures, ideas, beliefs, lifestyles, and perspectives.
- **Integrity and Collegiality:** We hold everyone accountable for their actions and engaging in honest, ethical behavior.
- **Engagement:** We serve as an important strategic partner and resource by promoting educational attainment, cultural enrichment, and economic development.





Accreditation

Fort Valley State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate, baccalaureate, master's, and educational specialist degrees. Questions about the accreditation of Fort Valley State University may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org).

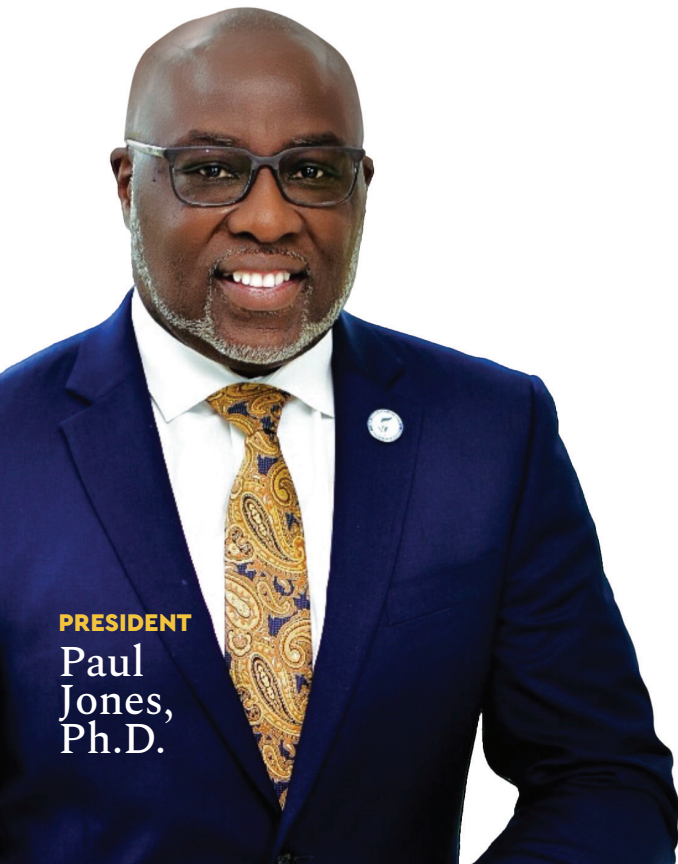
PROGRAM ACCREDITATIONS AND APPROVALS

- Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN)
- American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS)
- The Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET)
- The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA) Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities (CVTEA)
- The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP)
- The Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
- The Environmental Health Accreditation Council (EHAC)

INSTITUTIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Council on Education
- American Association of State Colleges and Universities
- American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
- Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education
- Association of Public Land-Grant Universities (APLGU)
- Georgia Association of Colleges and Employers
- National Collegiate Honors Council

Senior Leadership



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Message from the President

I present the FVSU 2023-2024 Fact Book with great pride and a commitment to transparency. Within these pages, you will find a comprehensive overview of Fort Valley State University's enrollment trends, student profiles, and graduation data—a powerful reflection of our university's ongoing growth, impact, and dedication to student success.

Our admissions data shows promising trends as we continue to attract talented new students from diverse backgrounds across Georgia and beyond. The growing number of students from a wide range of counties and states speaks to FVSU's evolving role as a premier choice for those seeking an inclusive, innovative, and enriching academic environment.

This Fact Book also provides an in-depth profile of our undergraduate and graduate student communities. Each year, our students bring a distinct mix of experiences, aspirations, and talents to campus, furthering FVSU's legacy of academic excellence and social impact. From our undergraduate scholars pursuing studies in critical areas to our dedicated graduate students advancing research and professional expertise, FVSU's student body exemplifies the values that drive our mission.

Additionally, our graduation data tells the story of student achievement at every level. Each graduate represents our

commitment to fostering educational access, opportunity, and upward social mobility. I am proud to share that Fort Valley State University has earned the distinction of being the #1 public or private institution in Georgia for social mobility and is ranked #8 among top performers in social mobility across all regional universities in the South. This achievement reflects our dedication to empowering students with transformative educational experiences that propel them toward successful futures.

I encourage you to explore this fact book in detail, as it highlights our progress and the strides, we continue to make to advance the mission of FVSU as a leading institution. I sincerely thank our students, faculty, staff, alumni, and supporters for their invaluable contributions. I would also like to thank the Office of Institutional Research, Planning, and Effectiveness for their dedication to gathering and analyzing this essential data. With shared commitment and purpose, we continue to “Empower the Possible” at Fort Valley State University.

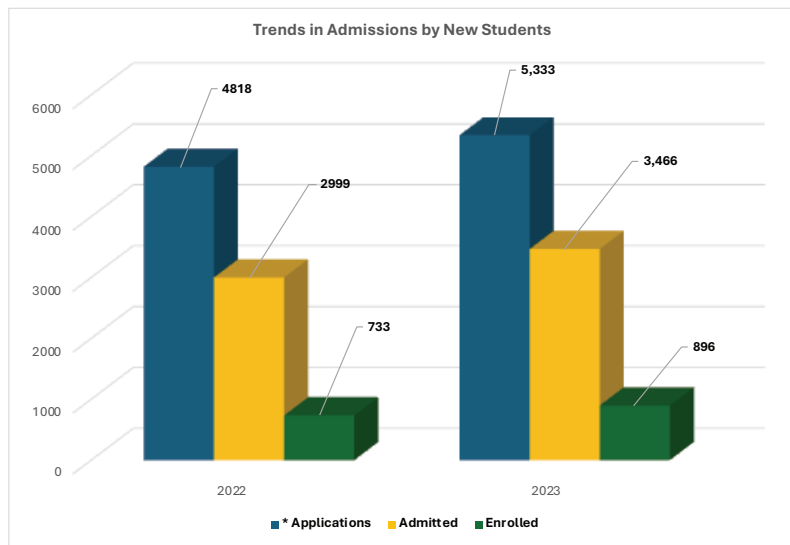
In Wildcat Spirit,

Paul Jones, Ph.D.
President

Applicant Profile

TRENDS IN ADMISSIONS BY NEW STUDENTS

YEAR	APPLICATIONS	ADMITTED	ENROLLED	YIELD
2023	5,333	3,466	896	16.8%
2022	4,818	2,999	733	15.2%

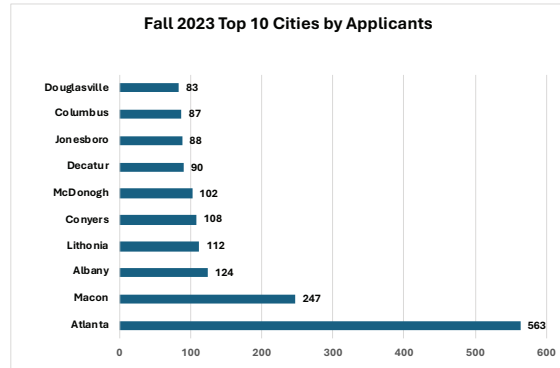


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TOP 10 CITIES

CITY	APPLICANTS	PERCENTAGE
Atlanta	563	10.5%
Macon	247	4.6%
Albany	124	2.3%
Lithonia	112	2.1%
Conyers	108	2.0%
McDonogh	102	1.9%
Decatur	90	1.6%
Jonesboro	88	1.6%
Columbus	87	1.6%
Douglasville	83	1.5%



Source: FVSU Banner, extracted 8-15-23.

APPLICATIONS AND ENROLLMENT BY TYPE

CLASSIFICATION	*APPLICATIONS	ADMITTED	ACCEPTANCE RATE	ENROLLED	YIELD
Dual Enrolled	15	13	87%	8	62%
First Time Freshmen	4,985	3,184	64%	708	22%
Transfer	241	160	66%	116	73%
Post-Baccalaureate	19	19	100%	8	42%
Graduate	91	89	98%	56	63%

TOP 10 GEORGIA COUNTIES BY FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN

COUNTY	APPLICANTS	PERCENTAGE
Fulton	657	13.1%
Dekalb	373	7.4%
Henry	276	5.5%
Bibb	247	4.9%
Clayton	199	3.9%
Gwinnett	169	3.3%
Houston	126	2.5%
Dougherty	124	2.4%
Rockdale	107	2.1%
Cobb	105	2.1%

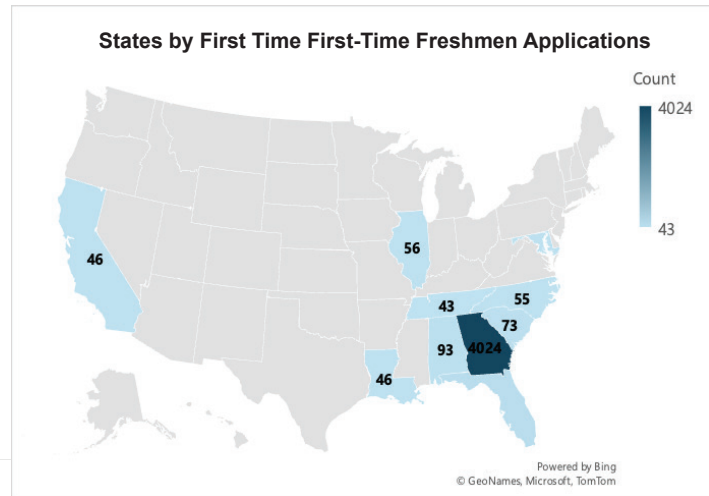
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TOP 10 STATES BY FIRST-TIME FRESHMEN APPLICATIONS

STATE	APPLICANTS	PERCENTAGE
Georgia	4,024	80.7%
Florida	148	2.9%
Alabama	93	1.8%
South Carolina	73	1.4%
Maryland	61	1.2%
Illinois	56	1.1%
North Carolina	55	1.1%
California	46	0.9%
Louisiana	46	0.9%
Tennessee	43	0.8%

States by First Time First-Time Freshmen Applications



Source: FVSU Banner, extracted 8-15-23, 10-15-23.

Enrollment Data



**FALL 2023
ENROLLMENT**
2765

+6%

Increase in enrollment from
2022 by 156 students.



**FALL 2022
ENROLLMENT**
2609

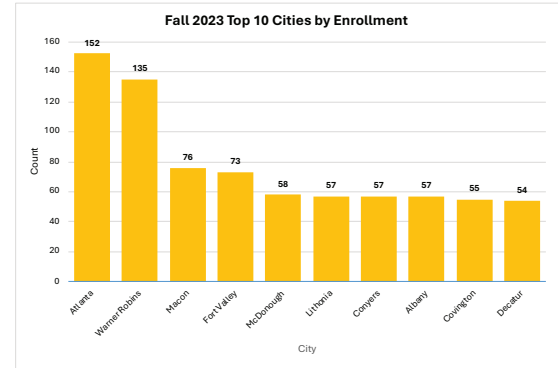
-6%

Decrease in enrollment from
2021 by 174 Students.

TOP 10 CITIES BY ENROLLMENT

CITY	STUDENTS
Atlanta	152
Warner Robins	135
Macon	76
Fort Valley	73
McDonough	58
Lithonia	57
Conyers	57
Albany	57
Covington	55
Decatur	54

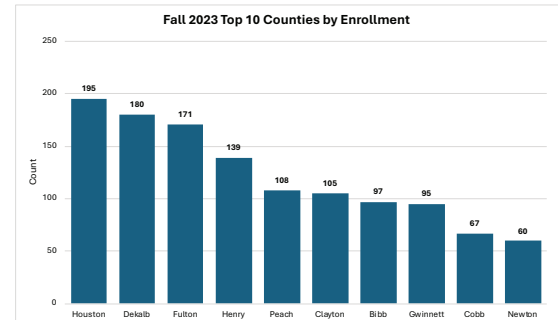
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TOP 10 COUNTIES BY ENROLLMENT

COUNTY	STUDENTS
Houston	195
DeKalb	180
Fulton	171
Henry	139
Peach	108
Clayton	105
Bibb	97
Gwinnett	95
Cobb	67
Newton	60

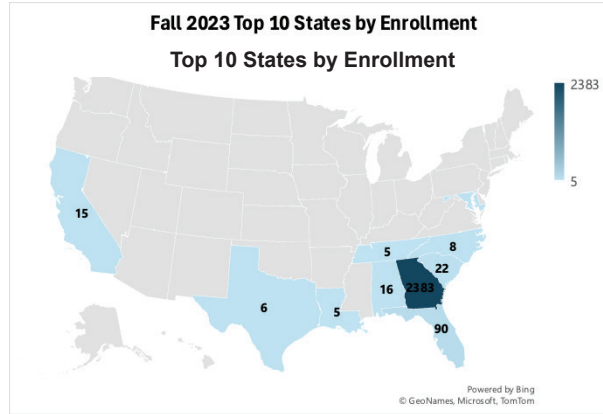
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TOP 10 STATES BY ENROLLMENT

CITY	STUDENTS
Georgia	2,383
Florida	90
South Carolina	22
Alabama	16
California	15
North Carolina	8
Maryland	8
Texas	6
Tennessee	5
Louisiana	5

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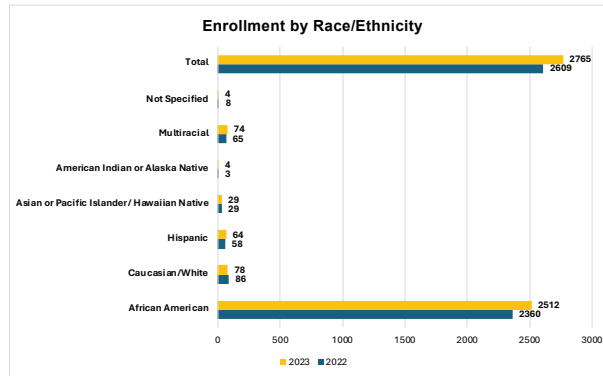


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ENROLLMENT BY RACE/ETHNICITY

RACE/ETHNICITY	2023	2022
African American	2,512	2,360
Caucasian/White	78	86
Hispanic	64	58
Asian or Pacific Islander/ Hawaiian Native	29	29
American Indian or Alaska Native	4	3
Multiracial	74	65
Not Specified	4	8
Total	2,765	2,609

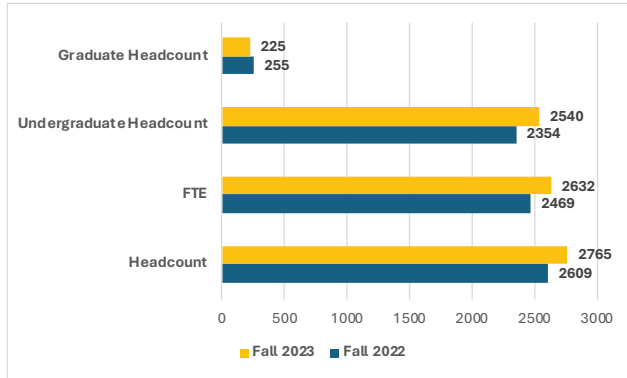
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Source University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Enrollment Reports, Fall 2022 - Fall 2023.

ENROLLMENT BY LEVEL OF DEGREE

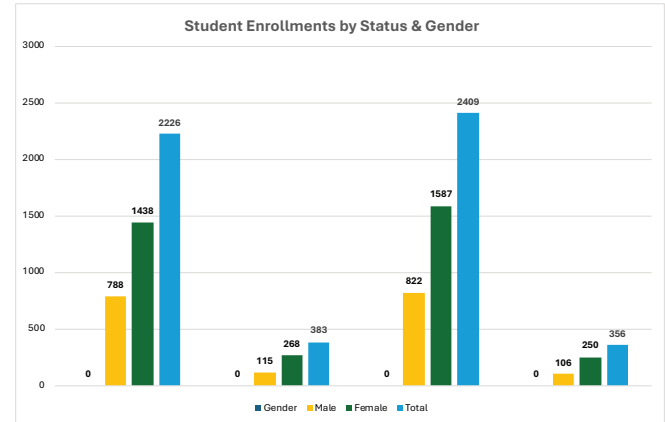
	FALL 2023	FALL 2022
Headcount	2765	2609
% Change in Headcount over prior Fall	6.00%	-6.30%
FTE	2632	2469
% Change in FTE over prior Fall	6.60%	-4.90%
Undergraduate Headcount	2540	2354
Graduate Headcount	225	255



Source: University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Enrollment Reports, 2022-23 and FVSU Banner, extracted 10-15-23.

ENROLLMENT BY STATUS & GENDER

	FALL 2023		FALL 2022	
	Full Time	Part Time	Full Time	Part Time
Male	822	106	788	115
Female	1587	250	1438	268
Total	2409	356	2226	383

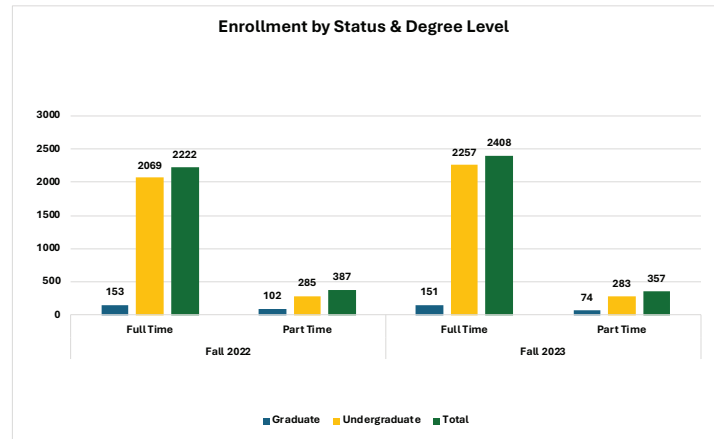


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ENROLLMENT BY STATUS & DEGREE LEVEL

Degree Level	FALL 2023			FALL 2022		
	Full Time	Part Time	Total	Full Time	Part Time	Total
Graduate	151	74	225	153	102	255
Undergraduate	2257	283	2540	2069	285	2354
Total	2408	357	2765	2222	387	2609

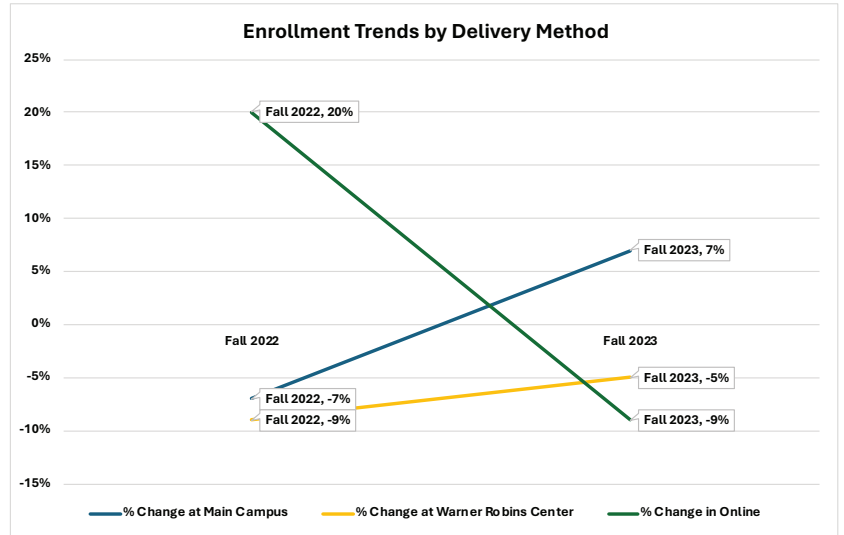


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ENROLLMENT TRENDS BY DELIVERY METHOD

CAMPUS/LOCATION	FALL 2023	FALL 2022
Main Campus	2572	2401
% Change at Main Campus	7%	-7%
Warner Robins Center	90	95
% Change at Warner Robins Center	-5%	-9%
On-Line	103	113
% Change in Online	-9%	20%
Total	2765	2609

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Undergraduate Profile



FALL 2023
ENROLLMENT

2540

+8%



FALL 2022
ENROLLMENT

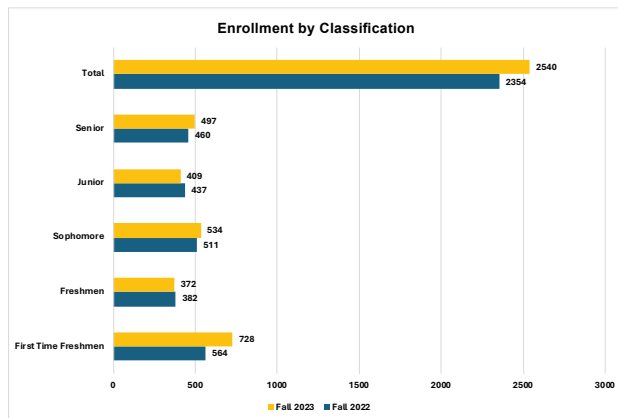
2354

-6%

Source: University System of Georgia,
Data Collection, Enrollment Reports, Fall 2022, Fall 2023

ENROLLMENT BY CLASSIFICATION

CLASSIFICATION	FALL 2023	FALL 2022
First Time Freshmen	728	564
Freshmen	372	382
Sophomore	534	511
Junior	409	437
Senior	497	460
Total	2540	2354



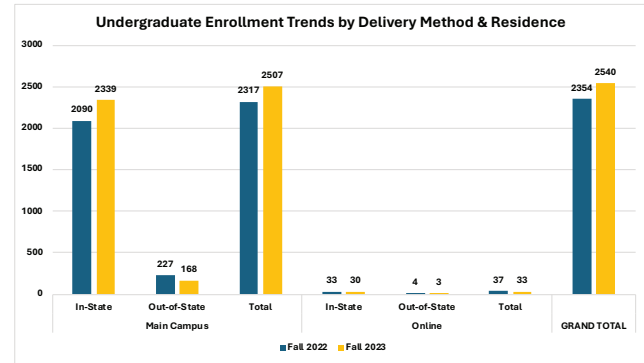
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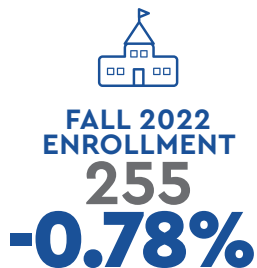
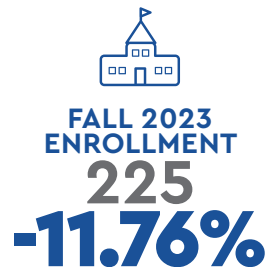
UNDERGRADUATE ENROLLMENT TRENDS BY DELIVERY METHOD & RESIDENCE

CAMPUS	RESIDENCE	FALL 2023	FALL 2022
MAIN CAMPUS	In-State	2339	2090
	Out-of-State	168	227
	Total	2507	2317
ONLINE	In-State	30	33
	Out-of-State	3	4
	Total	33	37
GRAND TOTAL		2540	2354



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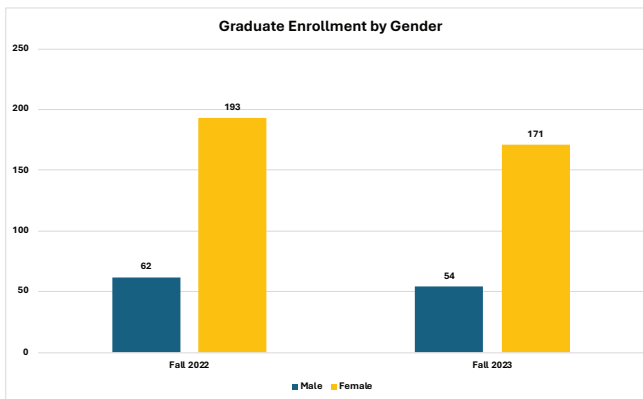
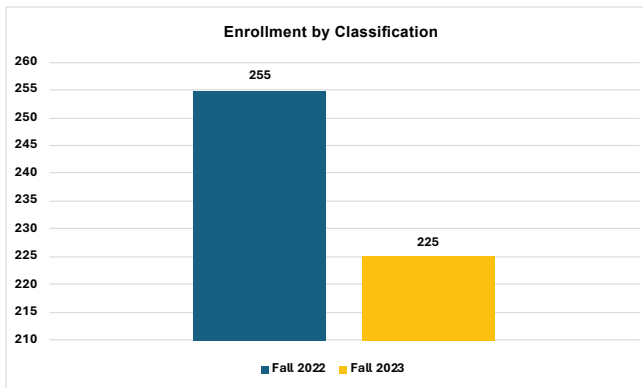
Graduate Profile



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GRADUATE ENROLLMENT BY GENDER

	FALL 2023	FALL 2022
Male	54	62
Female	171	193
Total	225	255



Source: University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Enrollment Reports, Fall 2022, Fall 2023.

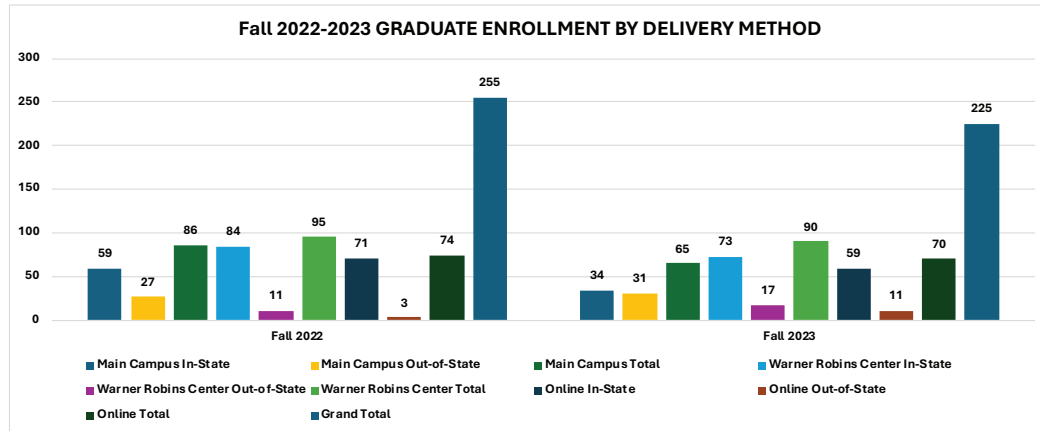




GRADUATE ENROLLMENT BY DELIVERY METHOD

CAMPUS	RESIDENCE	FALL 2022	FALL 2023
MAINCAMPUS	In-State	34	34
	Out-of-State	31	31
	Total	65	65
WARNER ROBINS CENTER	In-State	73	73
	Out-of-State	17	17
	Total	90	90
MAIN CAMPUS	In-State	59	59
	Out-of-State	11	11
	Total	70	70
GRAND TOTAL		225	225

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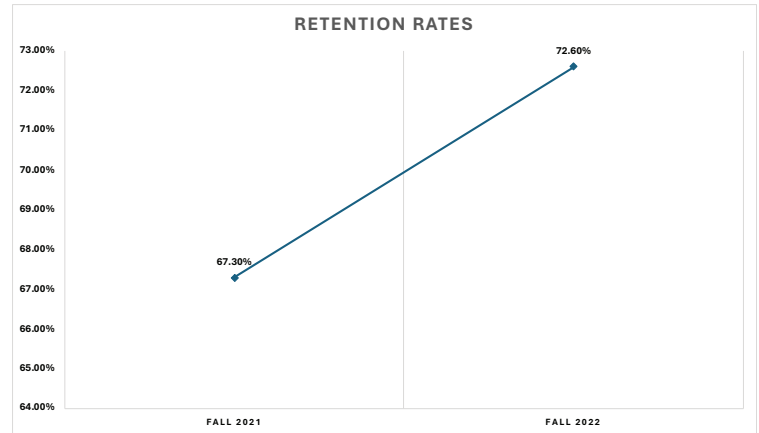


RETENTION RATES

FALL 2021
First Year Retention
67.3%

FALL 2022
First Year Retention
72.6%

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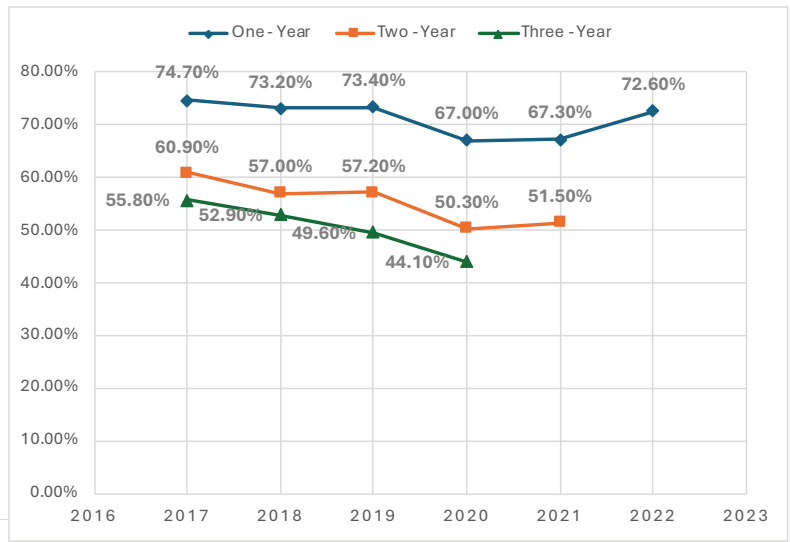




RETENTION RATE TRENDS

FALL COHORT	ONE - YEAR	TWO - YEAR	THREE - YEAR
2017	74.7%	60.9%	55.8%
2018	73.2%	57.0%	52.9%
2019	73.4%	57.2%	49.6%
2020	67.0%	50.3%	44.1%
2021	67.3%	51.5%	
2022	72.6%		

Source: University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Enrollment Reports, Fall 2022, Fall 2023



Graduation Data

COHORT BACHELOR'S DEGREE SIX YEAR
GRADUATION RATES BACHELOR DEGREE FIRST-
TIME FULL-TIME FRESHMEN



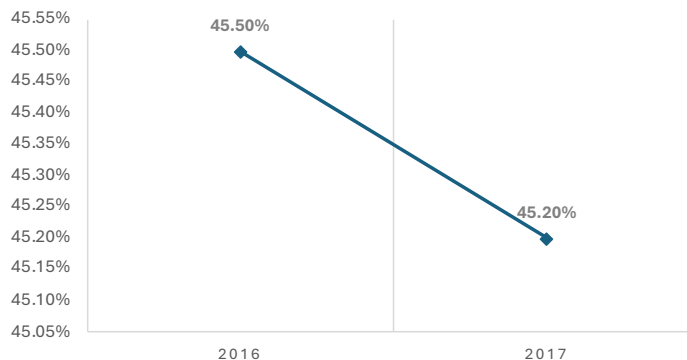
FALL 2016
SIX-YEAR
GRADUATION
45.5%
GRADUATED YEAR 2022



FALL 2017
SIX-YEAR
GRADUATION
45.2%
GRADUATED YEAR 2023

Source: University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Enrollment Reports,
Fall 2022, Fall 2023

SIX - YEAR GRADUATION RATE





COHORT BACHELOR'S DEGREE
FOUR YEAR GRADUATION RATES
BACHELOR'S DEGREE FIRST-TIME
FULL-TIME FRESHMEN



FALL 2018
FOUR-YEAR
GRADUATION

18.8%

GRADUATED YEAR 2022

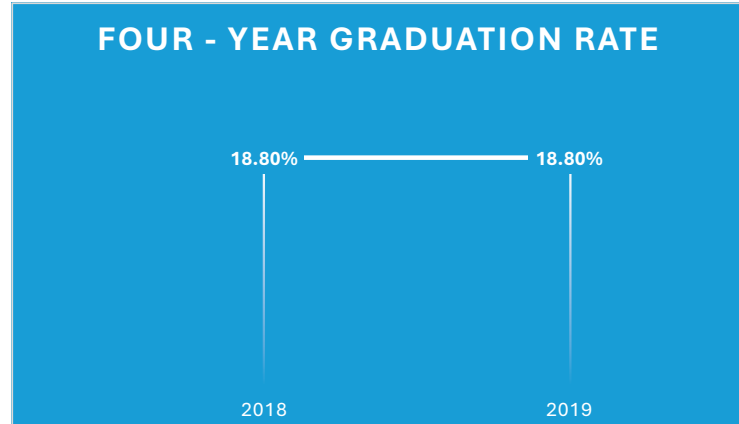


FALL 2019
FOUR-YEAR
GRADUATION

18.8%

GRADUATED YEAR 2023

FOUR - YEAR GRADUATION RATE



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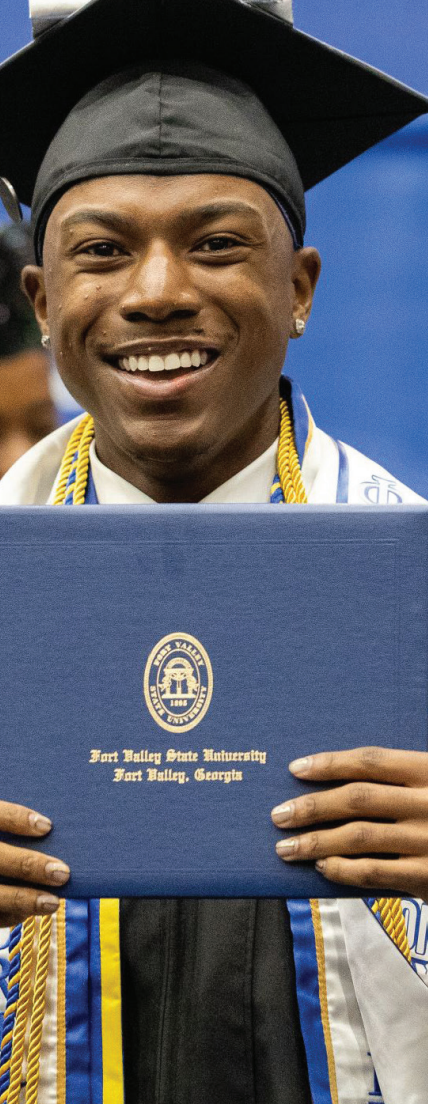
DEGREES CONFERRED BY COLLEGE

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FAMILY SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGY

DEGREE LEVEL	MAJOR	COUNT
Undergraduate	Agricultural Economics	6
Undergraduate	Agricultural Engineering Technology	4
Graduate	Animal Science, General	5
Undergraduate	Animal Sciences, General	13
Graduate	Biotechnology	5
Undergraduate	Electrical, Electronics, and Communications Engineering Technology	12
Graduate	Environmental Health	19
Undergraduate	Family and Consumer Sciences, Human Sciences, General	6
Undergraduate	Plant Science/ Horticultural Science	5
Undergraduate	Veterinary/ Animal Health Technology/Technician and Vet	21
	Total	96

Source: University System of Georgia, Data Collection, Graduation Reports, FY 2023





DEGREES CONFERRED BY COLLEGE

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE

DEGREE LEVEL	MAJOR	COUNT
Undergraduate	Accounting	7
Undergraduate	Biology/Biological Sciences, General	29
Undergraduate	Business Administration and Management, General	30
Undergraduate	Chemistry, General	7
Undergraduate	Computer and Information Sciences, General	15
Undergraduate	Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	26
Undergraduate	History, General	1
Undergraduate	Liberal Arts and Sciences/Liberal Studies	18
Undergraduate	Logistics, Materials and Supply Chain Management	7
Undergraduate	Marketing/Marketing Management, General	11
Undergraduate	Mass Communications/Media Studies	7
Undergraduate	Mathematics, General	8
Undergraduate	Organizational Leadership	7
Undergraduate	Political Science and Government, General	9
Undergraduate	Psychology, General	32
Undergraduate	Social Work	20
Undergraduate	Visual and Performing Arts, General	3
	Total	237

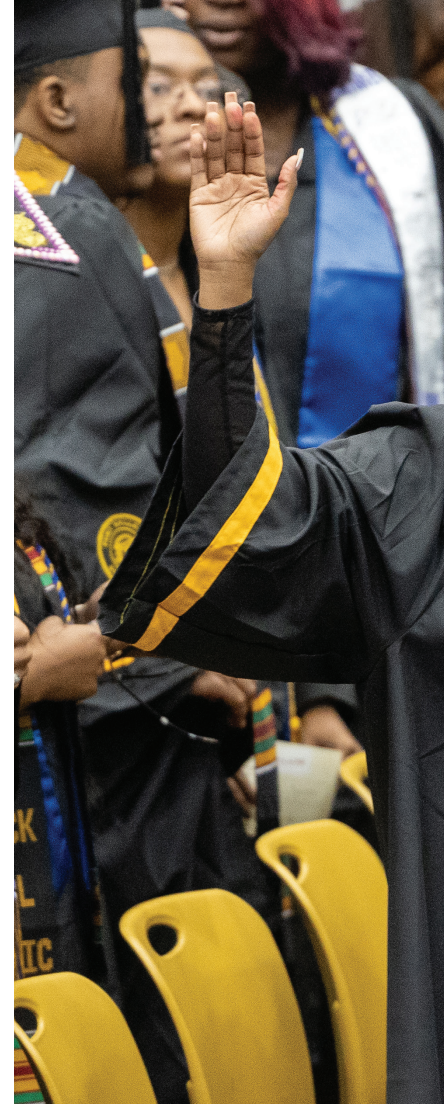
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FY 23 DEGREES CONFERRED

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

DEGREE LEVEL	MAJOR	COUNT
Graduate	Clinical Mental Health Counsel	24
Graduate	Clinical Rehab Counselling	10
Undergraduate	Elementary Educ /Special Educ	12
Graduate	Elementary Educ /Special Educ	1
Undergraduate	Health and Physical Education	2
Undergraduate	Middle Grades Education	3
Graduate	Middle Grades Education	2
Education Specialist	School Counselor Education	16
Graduate	School Counselor Education	17
	Total	87
	Grand Total (All Degrees)	420

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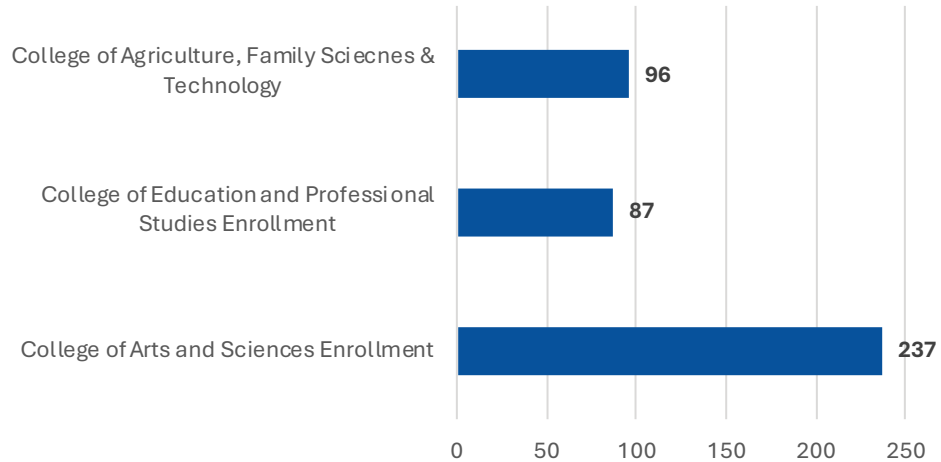


DEGREES CONFERRED BY COLLEGE

COLLEGE	FY 2023
College of Arts and Sciences Enrollment	237
College of Education and Professional Studies Enrollment	87
College of Agriculture, Family Sciences & Technology	96

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FY 2023 Degrees Conferred





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