

Enrollment by Term and Academic Level

Enrollment is a key performance indicator for the 2023-2028 Strategic Pillar 1: Student Transformation. As a performance metric, CAU tracks the total, undergraduate, and graduate student enrollment.

Total Enrollment will be 5,000 by 2028 (80% Undergraduate/20% Graduate composition).

Undergraduate and Graduate Enrollment, Fall 2024-2026

	FALL 2024	FALL 2025	FALL 2026	Increase/Decrease over previous year	
				#	%
Total Students Enrolled:	4252	4433	4486	53	1.2%
Total Full-Time Equivalent (FTE):	4059	4240	4274	34	0.8%
Graduate Students	634	719	840	121	16.8%
Undergraduate Students	3618	3714	3646	-68	-1.8%
Undergraduate Student Enrollment					
New Students	1165	1275	1149	-126	-9.9%
Returning Students	2453	2439	2497	58	2.4%
Full-Time Students	3530	3616	3514	-102	-2.8%
Part-Time Students	88	98	132	34	34.7%
Full Time Equivalent (FTE)*	3559	3649	3558	-91	-2.5%
Male Students	825	950	979	29	3.1%
Female Students	2793	2764	2667	-97	-3.5%
University Housing***	2262	2326	2267	-59	-2.5%
Graduate Student Enrollment					
New Students	253	284	368	84	29.6%
Returning Students	381	435	472	37	8.5%
Full-Time Students	432	528	654	126	23.9%
Part-Time Students	202	191	186	-5	-2.6%
Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)*	499	592	716	124	20.9%
Male Students	195	216	221	5	2.3%
Female Students	439	503	619	116	23.1%
University Housing***	51	52	51	-1	-1.9%
New Undergraduate Student Enrollment					
First-Time Freshmen	1000	1099	988	-111	-10.1%
New Transfers	158	176	161	-15	-8.5%
Special (Non-Degree) **	7	0	0	0	0.0%
Total	1165	1275	1149	-126	-9.9%

Sources: Banner by Ellucian/OPAR

As of 10/1/2026

Notes: Fall headcounts are unduplicated and include those students that were financially enrolled as of the University Official Fall Census capture for the referenced terms; "New Students" headcounts are unduplicated and include those students enrolled for the first-time during the referenced Fall and prior Summer terms; "Special (Non-Degree)" headcounts also include those students that are cross registered.

***Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)**

Note: FTE methodology aligns with the majority of the University's external reporting requirements.

Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) for Total Enrollment = Number of full-time students + one-third of the part-time students.

FTE for Undergraduate Enrollment = Number of full-time Undergraduate Students + one-third of the part-time Undergraduate students.

FTE for Graduate Enrollment = Number of full-time Graduate Students + one-third of the part-time Graduate students.

****Special (Non-Degree)**

Note: A non-degree student does not wish to become a candidate for a degree. The student may select a specialized program or enroll in courses that will prepare him/her for a particular vocation, promotion, advancement in an occupation, or interest. The student may complete no more than 30 semester hours in this status. The University reserves the right not to accept these credits toward a degree. Should a non-degree student wish to earn a degree, application must be made through the Office of Admissions for a change of status. Credit for work already completed will be determined by the department in which the student expects to major.

***University Housing counts includes both on and off-campus housing.