

IPEDS Web - Based Data Collection System

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Introduction

Welcome to the home page of the Web-based data collection system for the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) of the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). This system enables you to provide NCES with the required statistical data for your institution. The registration and collection schedule for the 2006-07 academic year is as follows:

Registration - Registration for the entire 2006-07 collection cycle will begin August 2, 2006. All keyholders are requested to register prior to August 30. After that date, the Help Desk will be contacting CEOs to ask to have a keyholder appointed. Institutions will be given one UserID and password for the entire year (all 3 collection periods). Institutions may change keyholders at any time during the year. Please refer to the FAQs or the Registration Help for instructions.

Fall 2006 - The Fall 2006 collection includes the Institutional Characteristics and Completions components. The Fall collection opens September 6 and closes October 18, 2006.

Winter 2006-07 - The Winter 2006-07 collection includes the combined Human Resources component (Employees by Assigned Position, Salaries and Fall Staff). In addition, institutions have the opportunity to provide Enrollment data (fall and full year) and Finance data at this time. The Winter collection opens December 6, 2006 and closes January 24, 2007.

Spring 2007 - The Spring 2007 collection includes Graduation Rates and Student Financial Aid, as well as Enrollment and Finance (for those institutions that did not lock in Winter). The Spring collection period extends from March 7 through April 18, 2007.

The completion of all IPEDS surveys, in a timely and accurate manner, is **mandatory** for all institutions that participate or are applicants for participation in any Federal financial assistance program authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended. The completion of the surveys is mandated by 20 U.S.C. 1094, Section 487(a)(17).

The collection and reporting of racial/ethnic data are **mandatory** for all institutions that receive, are applicants for, or expect to be applicants for Federal financial assistance as defined in the Department of Education (ED) regulations implementing Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (34 CFR 100.13), or defined in any ED regulations implementing Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972. The collection of racial/ethnic data in vocational programs is mandated by Section 421(a)(1) of the Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act.

The Fall Staff section of the Human Resources component is also **mandated** by P.L. 88-352, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972 (29 CFR

1602, subparts O, P, and Q), in odd-numbered years (i.e., 2005-06, 2007-08, etc.), for institutions with fifteen (15) or more full-time employees.

For those institutions not required to complete this survey on the basis of the above requirements, completion is voluntary and authorized by P.L. 103-382, National Education Statistics Act of 1994, Sec. 404(a).

Institution Reporting Status -- 2006-07 Collection Year

Click here to check the reporting status of any institution.

Purpose and Uses of the Survey Data

The primary purposes of the surveys are to collect the basic data that identify and describe the universe of postsecondary education institutions; to maintain counts of the number of students enrolled by level of program; to monitor changes in the demographics of postsecondary students; and to provide policymakers with information on financial statistics from postsecondary institutions. The data can be used for peer analysis, sampling postsecondary institutions and decision-making. Information on students is used extensively by federal and state government agencies for workforce planning and by business, industry, and other groups. The data will be made available as consumer information to aid students in choosing a postsecondary institution (see College Opportunities Online Locator (IPEDS COOL) at IPEDS/COOL)

Institutional Burden

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1850-0582. The time required to complete the Fall information collection is estimated to vary from 1.9 hours to 3.9 hours per response, with an average of 3.3 hours, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. Similarly, the time required to complete the Winter information collection is estimated to vary from 3.5 hours to 10.5 hours, with an average of 8.1 hours; and the time required to complete the Spring information collection is estimated to vary from 5.0 hours to 16.5 hours, with an average of 10.8 hours. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Information Management Team, Washington, DC 20202-4652. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission, please direct them to ipedshelp@rti.org

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NOTE: Session ID cookies are required to run this application.

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