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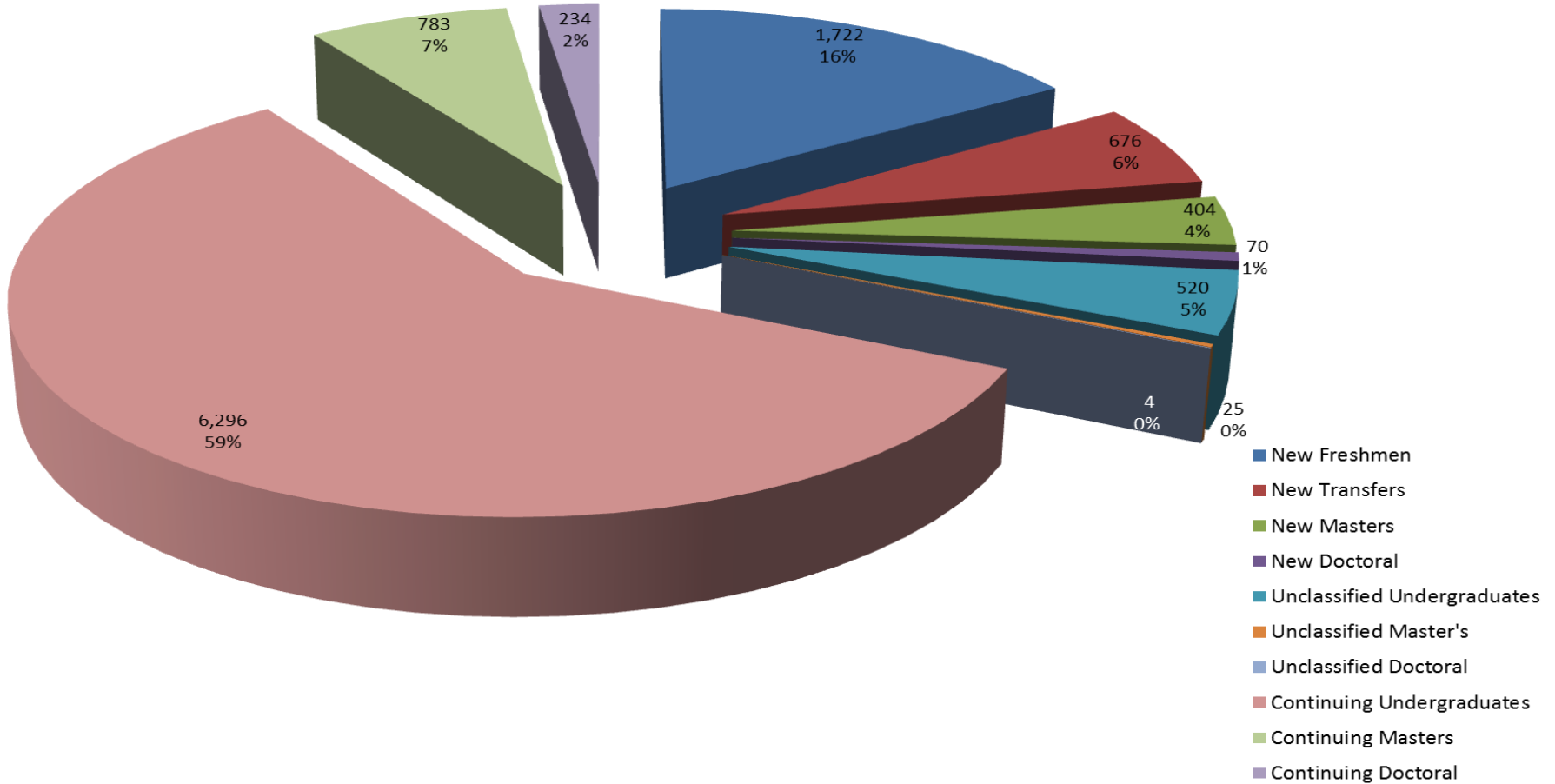


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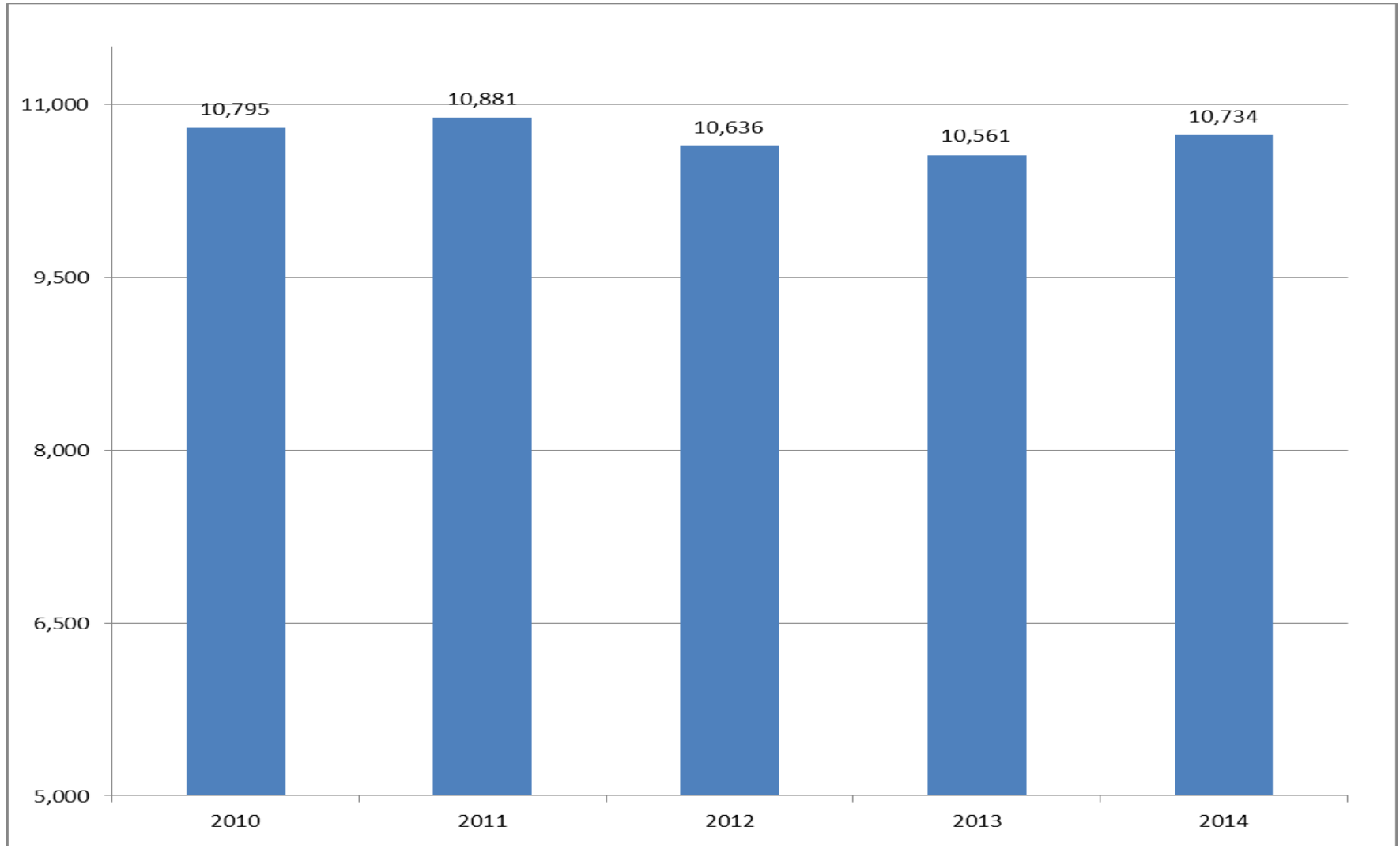
# Census Enrollment

Total student population: 10,734





## Enrollment 2010-2014

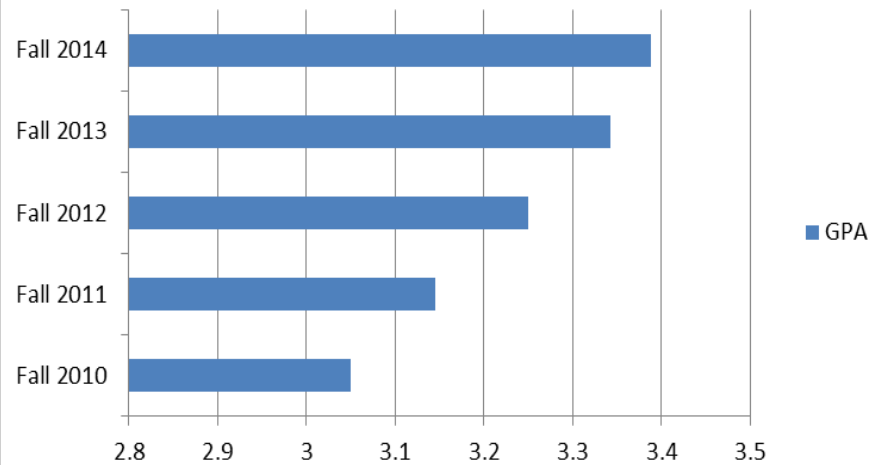




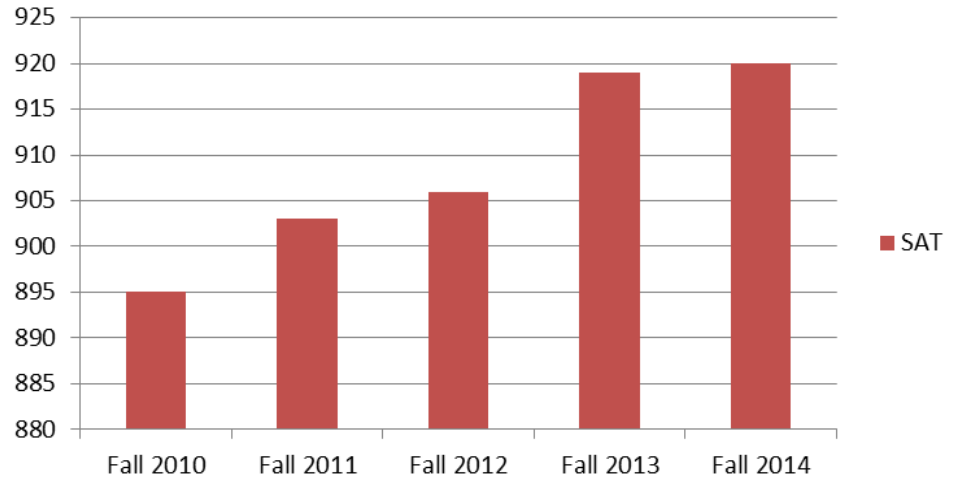
# Final Statistics on Entering Freshman Class

As of September 3, 2014 (census date)

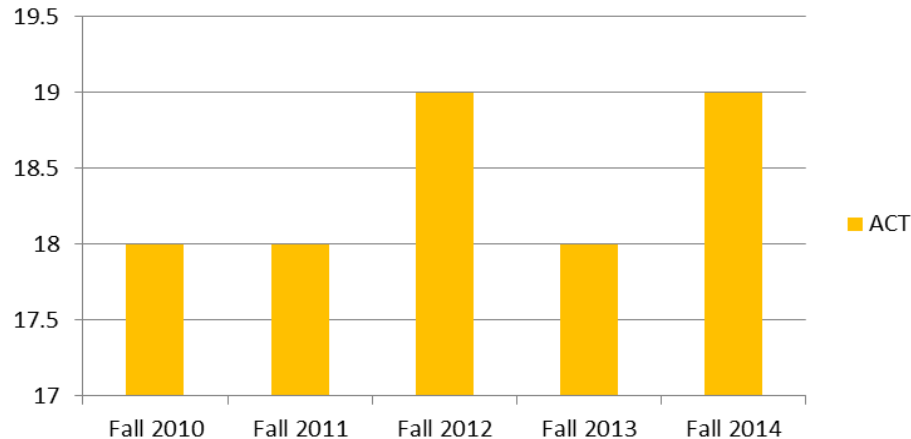
### GPA



### SAT



### ACT





# Fall 2014 Enrollment



- Meaningful gains that occurred in several areas:
  - » The academic profile for entering freshman increased over previous years;
  - » Exceeded the projected new transfer enrollment by 159;
  - » Increased undergraduate retention over previous years (79%); and
  - » The use of a defined purge schedule inspired students, faculty and staff to complete paperwork more timely and collaboratively.



## Student Success - Academics

- **What the F.U.S.S.? (UNC-GA policy changes)**  
(Fostering Undergraduate Student Success 400.1.5)
  - **Satisfactory Academic Progress**
  - **Course Repeats/ Withdrawals/Exclusions**
- **University Academic Policy Changes**
  - **Plus/Minus Grading**
  - **Grade Changes (after the fact)**
- **How We all Make this Work**



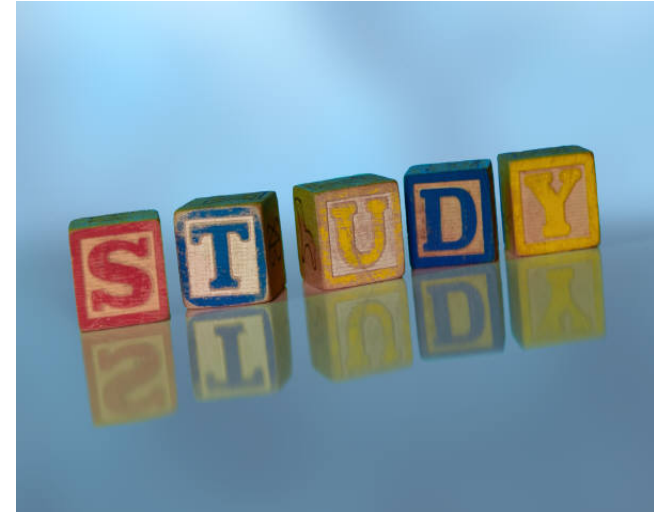
## F.U.S.S. 400.1.5

- **Student Success Policies**
  - **Satisfactory Academic Progress and Good Academic Standing**
    - ✓ Semester and Cumulative GPA of 2.0 (at all times);
    - ✓ 67% attempted to earned credit hours;
    - ✓ Academic Warning and/or Academic Probation ;
    - ✓ University SAP will now match Financial Aid.
  
  - **Course Withdrawal (max. of 16 hours without extenuating circumstances)**
    - ✓ Students expected to complete all courses enrolled at close of adjustment period



## F.U.S.S. 400.1.5

- Student Success Policies (continued)
  - Course Repeats
    - ✓ All attempts included on transcript;  
(see grade exclusion & replacement)
    - ✓ Count all attempts in calculation of SAP;
    - ✓ Counts toward Financial Aid calculation;
  - Grade Exclusion or Replacement
    - ✓ Limited to 16 semester credit hours







## Plus/Minus Grading

- Beginning Fall 2014, the University adopted plus/minus (+/-) grading. Below is the value (grade point) assigned to each grade in computing grade point averages:

A	4.0
A-	3.7
B+	3.3
B	3.0
B-	2.7
C+	2.3
C	2.0
C-	1.7
D+	1.3
D	1.0
F	0.0



## Plus/Minus Grading

- The grading scale must be included in the syllabus given to each student;
- While instructors have discretion on what scale to adopt, similar courses should have the same scale, i.e. English 100 should have the same scale regardless of the section a student takes;
- Courses designated as requiring a C or B to pass will still need a C or B, a C- or B- will not satisfy this requirement;
- Dean's listing remains a 3.0 and completing at least 12 hours per semester;
- Grades prior to Fall 2014 will not be changed, grades received Fall 2014 forward will reflect plus/minus for the semester and cumulative GPA;
- All courses will move to plus/minus unless it is covered by S/U grading.



## Grade Changes:

- Amended to define assignment of grades and the process for grade changes:
  - ✓ Instructor of record assigns grades
  - ✓ Grade changes initiated by instructor of record
  - ✓ Grade changes approved by chair and dean
  - ✓ Registrar verifies grade change with instructor and school/college dean



## How We All Assist in Making This Work

- **Mandating Blackboard as the University Grade Book**
  - **Students have easier access to their grades in real time**
  
- **Actively Using the Early Warning System (StarFish)**
  - **This will only be as good as the input it receives, can be used not only for grade warnings and praises but wellness checks through notation of missed classes and attendance**





# Questions

