

Composition of the Student Body by Racial/Ethnic Student Group

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Outline

- How has the racial and ethnic composition of the student body changed over the past five falls?
 - Percentages by Race/Ethnicity based on Headcounts
- In terms of headcounts, from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020, did we lose any racial/ethnic student groups at disproportionate rates?
 - Fall to Fall *percentage change in headcounts*
 - Student groups with notable percentage changes considering size of change and population:
 - Latinx Students (for comparison as largest racial/ethnic group on campus)
 - African American/Black Students
 - White Students
 - Native American Students

Research Question # 1

How has the racial and ethnic composition of the student body changed over the past five falls?

Fall Headcounts by Race/ Ethnicity



Note: Native American Students are not displayed on the graph because their population is less then 0.5%.

Fall Headcounts by Race/ Ethnicity

• What are the numbers behind the percentages?

	African American/ Black	Asian American/ Asian	Filipinx	Latinx	Multiracial	Pacific Islander	White
Fall 2016	1,579	2,299	1,123	5,578	891	230	2,358
Fall 2017	1,529	2,248	1,148	5,760	920	220	2,307
Fall 2018	1,436	2,331	1,164	5,860	948	213	2,281
Fall 2019	1,412	2,328	1,095	5,774	884	224	2,012
Fall 2020	1,142	2,095	1,047	5,322	887	200	1,968

Research Question # 2

In terms of headcounts, from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020, did we lose any racial/ethnic student groups at disproportionate rates?

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Fall Headcounts of Latinx Students in Comparison to All Other Students



Fall Headcounts of African American/ Black Students in Comparison to All Other Students



Fall Headcounts of African American/ Black Students in Comparison to All Other Students



Note: All students who checked off "African American" are counted as African American students, regardless of whether they also checked off an additional race or ethnicity (i.e., the Umoja way).

Fall Headcounts of White Students in Comparison to All Other Students



Fall Headcounts of Native American Students in Comparison to All Other Students



Data on Remaining Racial/Ethnic Student Groups

Percentage Change				
	Asian American Students	Non-Asian American Students		
F16 - F17	-2%	1%		
F17 - F18	4%	0.1%		
F18 - F19	-0.1%	-2%		
F19 - F20	-10%	-9%		

Percentage Change				
	Pacific Islander Students	Non-Pacific Islander Students		
F16 - F17	-4%	1%		
F17 - F18	-3%	1%		
F18 - F19	5%	-2%		
F19 - F20	-11%	-9%		

Percentage Change				
	Filipinx Students	Non-Filipinx Students		
F16 - F17	2%	1%		
F17 - F18	1%	1%		
F18 - F19	-6%	-2%		
F19 - F20	-4%	-9%		

Percentage Change				
	Multi-Racial Students	Non Multi- Racial Students		
F16 - F17	3%	0.5%		
F17 - F18	3%	1%		
F18 - F19	-7%	-2%		
F19 - F20	0.3%	-10%		

Conclusions

- 1. How has the racial and ethnic composition of the student body changed over the past five falls?
 - The percentages of each racial ethnic student group's make-up of the total student body have remained *roughly* stable.
 - However, Latinx students are showing a slow overall increase in their percentage of the student body and African-American/Black students are showing a slow overall decrease in their percentage of the student body.

Conclusions

2. In terms of headcounts, from Fall 2019 to Fall 2020, did we lose any racial/ethnic student groups at disproportionate rates?

- Yes. In Fall 2020, regardless of whether we count Black students the federal or Umoja way, we lost more Black students than non-Black students (Federal Way: percentage changes of -19% versus -8% and Umoja Way: percentage changes of -13% versus -8%).
- Possibly. In Fall 2020, we lost more Native American students (-26%) than non-Native American students (-9%).**Note: this is a very small population, so percentage change should be interpreted with caution. For groups of around 30, the difference in rates needs to be about 18% or more to be "counted" as a disproportionately impacted (DI) group. The difference for Native American students versus non-Native American students is 17 percentage points.*