

Institutional Research & Planning Report

Fall 2021 Enrollment

Overall Enrollment

A total of 6,334 students enrolled at Rhode Island College (RIC) for the fall 2021 semester. This number represents a decrease of 10.4% compared to last fall's **headcount** enrollment 7,072 of students and a 29% decline over ten years. Total **FTE** dropped 10.3% from 5,869 in fall 2020 to 5,266 this fall.

FALL	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	1 yr% change	10 yr % change
Undergraduate												
Hdct	7,553	7,505	7,518	7,446	7,398	7,080	6,688	6,440	5,998	5,255	-12.4%	-30.4%
FTE	6,235	6,265	6,275	6,231	6,249	6,024	5,664	5,523	5,160	4,506	-12.7%	-27.7%
Graduate												
Hdct	1,316	1,195	1,123	1,066	1,048	1,094	1,083	1,091	1,074	1,079	0.5%	-18.0%
FTE	824	758	739	704	688	721	765	755	708	760	7.3%	-7.8%
Total												
Hdct	8,869	8,700	8,641	8,512	8,446	8,174	7,771	7,531	7,072	6,334	-10.4%	-28.6%
FTE	7,059	7,023	7,014	6,935	6,937	6,745	6,429	6,278	5,869	5,266	-10.3%	-25.4%

Undergraduate Enrollment

Undergraduate **headcount** enrollment is down 12.4% from last year and 30% since 2012. The number of students enrolled in **degree** programs (5,109) decreased by 13% between 2020 and 2021, while **non-degree** enrollment increased slightly, going from 127 to 146. Undergraduate **FTE** decreased by 12.9% for degree students compared to an 8.5% increase for non-degree seeking students.

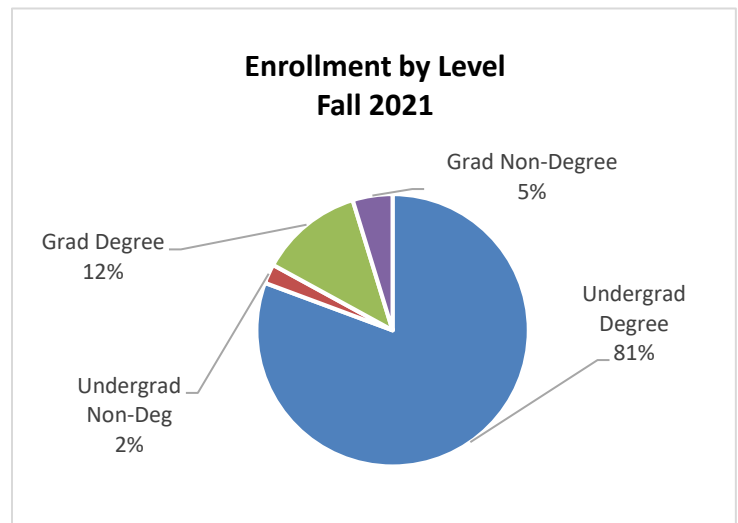
Graduate Enrollment

At 1,079, total graduate **headcount** enrollment increased slightly from last fall but is still down by 18% compared to ten years ago. Degree students increased by 30 students compared to last year, while non-degree students decreased by 25. Graduate **FTE** increased by 7.3%.

Enrollment by Degree and FT/PT Status

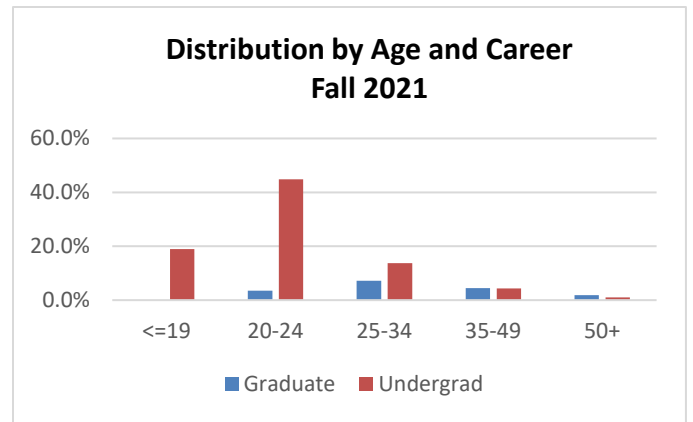
Undergraduate students comprise 83% of the college's total students, with 97% of students in degree programs. **Graduate** students make up 17% of the student body, and students in degree programs account for 72% of the total headcount.

Full-time **undergraduate** degree candidates are enrolled in an average of 15.0 **credits** this fall. Full-time **graduate** degree students are enrolled in an average of 11.0 credits, and part-time graduate degree students take an average of 5.0 credits.



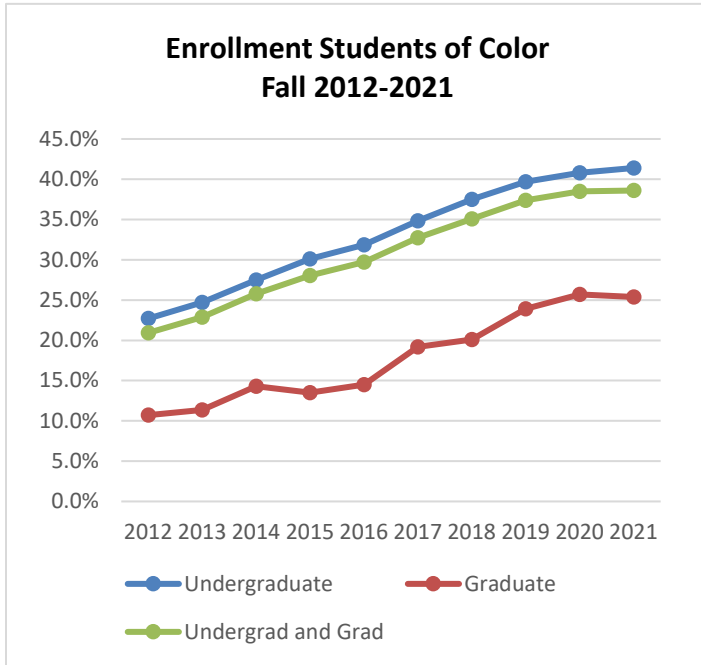
Demographic Characteristics

Rhode Island residents comprise 86% of RIC's undergraduate student body and 87.1% of graduate students. Over two thirds (68.9%) of undergraduate and 77.8% of graduate students identified as **female**; 27 students did not identify themselves using traditional gender categories. More than three quarters (76.9%) of **undergraduates** are **24 or younger**, while a similar percentage (73.6%) of **graduate** students are **over 25** years old.



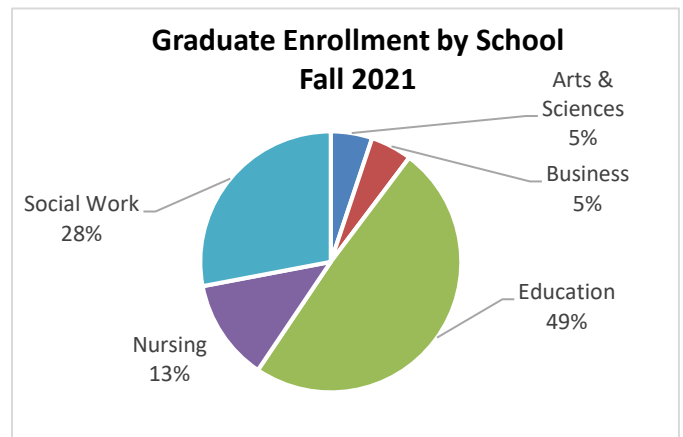
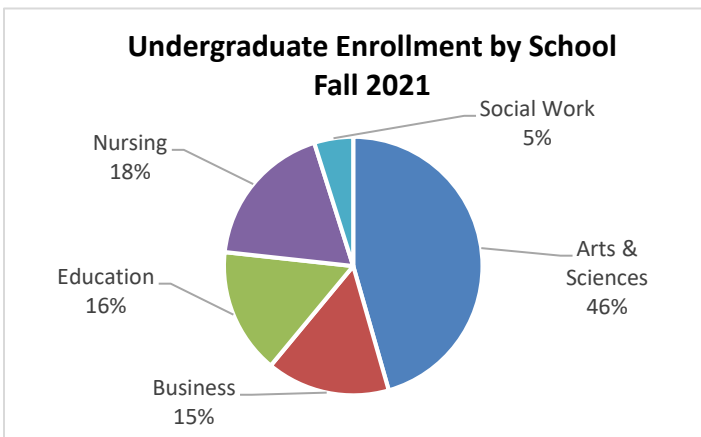
Based on students who submitted FAFSA, **First-generation** students account for 45.1% of undergraduates this fall. **Pell eligible** students comprise 43.7% of undergraduates.

This fall 38.6% of RIC's student body identifies as **students of color** (41.4% of **undergraduates** and 25.4% of **graduate** students). Among **students of color**, Hispanic/Latino is the largest group at RIC, representing 23.1% of the total student body (25% of undergraduates). An additional 9.9% of students identify as Black/African American, 3.2% as Asian, 1.9% as Two or more races, 0.4% as American Indian/Alaskan Native, and .03% as Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander. Roughly 55% of students are White, 6.3% of the students did not report their race/ethnicity, and 0.2% are nonresident aliens.



Degree-Seeking Enrollment by School and Level

As illustrated below, Arts & Sciences makes up 46% of **undergraduate degree-seeking** enrollments, followed by Nursing, Education, Business and Social Work. At the **graduate** level, Education programs account for the largest percentage of enrollments in degree programs. Social Work enrolls 28% of graduate students, while the remaining are in Nursing, Arts & Sciences, and Business. In Fall 2021 the % of graduate students in Education increased by 4% while the other areas experienced small decreases or remained the same.



**Both Art Ed and Music Ed are included in the Arts and Sciences total. Intended majors are reported in the desired area of study. Based on 1st majors only.*