

Distance Education Enrollments at Illinois Colleges and Universities

Data for Fall 2019

Executive Summary

Illinois colleges and universities reported a total of 337,940 enrollments in online and blended courses during the Fall 2019 term. Online and blended courses reported by all institutions show an 11% increase from Fall 2018 and accounted for 98.91% of all distance education enrollments for Fall 2019.

Community Colleges accounted for the largest percentage of all distance education enrollments with 38.96%. Public universities were second with 32.33% of all distance education enrollments.

Distance Education Enrollments

Illinois colleges and universities reported **341,650** enrollments during the Fall 2019 term. This is an **11%** increase in enrollments from Fall 2018 when there were **306,535** enrollments.

Blended Courses

All Illinois institutions now provide data on blended courses. The **49,644** enrollments for Fall 2019 account for **14.53%** of all distance education enrollments. Blended and online enrollments accounted for **98.91%** of all distance education enrollments for Fall 2019.

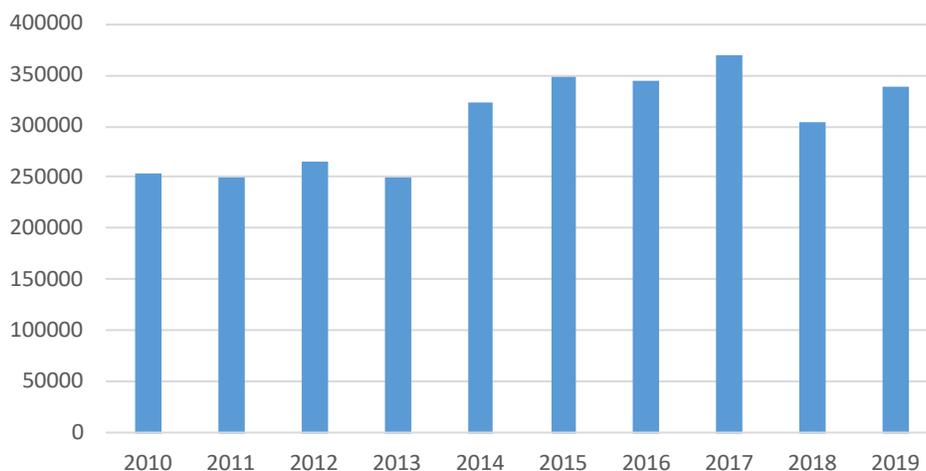
Online Enrollments by Sector

Community colleges account for the largest percentage of all online course enrollments at **38.85%** and **38.96%** of all distance education enrollments. Illinois Public Universities are second largest with **32.13%** of online enrollments and **32.33%** of all distance education enrollments for Fall 2019.

Enrollments in Online Courses

This graph shows online course enrollments reported by Illinois colleges and universities for the Fall terms since Fall 2010.

Enrollments in Online and Blended Courses at Illinois Colleges and Universities Fall 2010 through Fall 2019



* additional Independent For-Profit University began reporting data - Fall 2014 and stopped Fall 2018

Changes in Enrollment by Delivery Mode

Online Enrollment Percentage

Online enrollments accounted for **84.38%** of all distance education enrollments in the Fall 2019 term with blended enrollments accounting for another **14.53%** for a total of **98.91%** of all enrollments.

All Other Delivery Mode Percentage

Enrollments in all other delivery modes accounted for only **<2%** of all enrollments in the Fall 2019 term. Table 2 in the Appendix shows the change in distance education enrollments by delivery mode from Fall 2018 through Fall 2019.

Online Enrollments by Sector

Community College Enrollment

During the Fall 2019 term, community colleges reported **131,298** enrollments for **38.85%** of all online course enrollments.

Public University Enrollment

Public universities reported **108,569** enrollments for **32.13%** of all online course enrollments.

Independent For-Profit Colleges and Universities

Independent for-profit colleges and universities reported **64,672** enrollments for **19.14%** of all online course enrollments.

Independent Not-For-Profit Colleges and Universities

Independent not-for-profit colleges and universities reported **33,401** enrollments for **9.88%** of all online course enrollments.

Institutions With the Largest Online (Internet and Blended) Enrollments

The Illinois institutions reporting the largest online course enrollments during the Fall 2019 term in each sector of higher education in Illinois were:

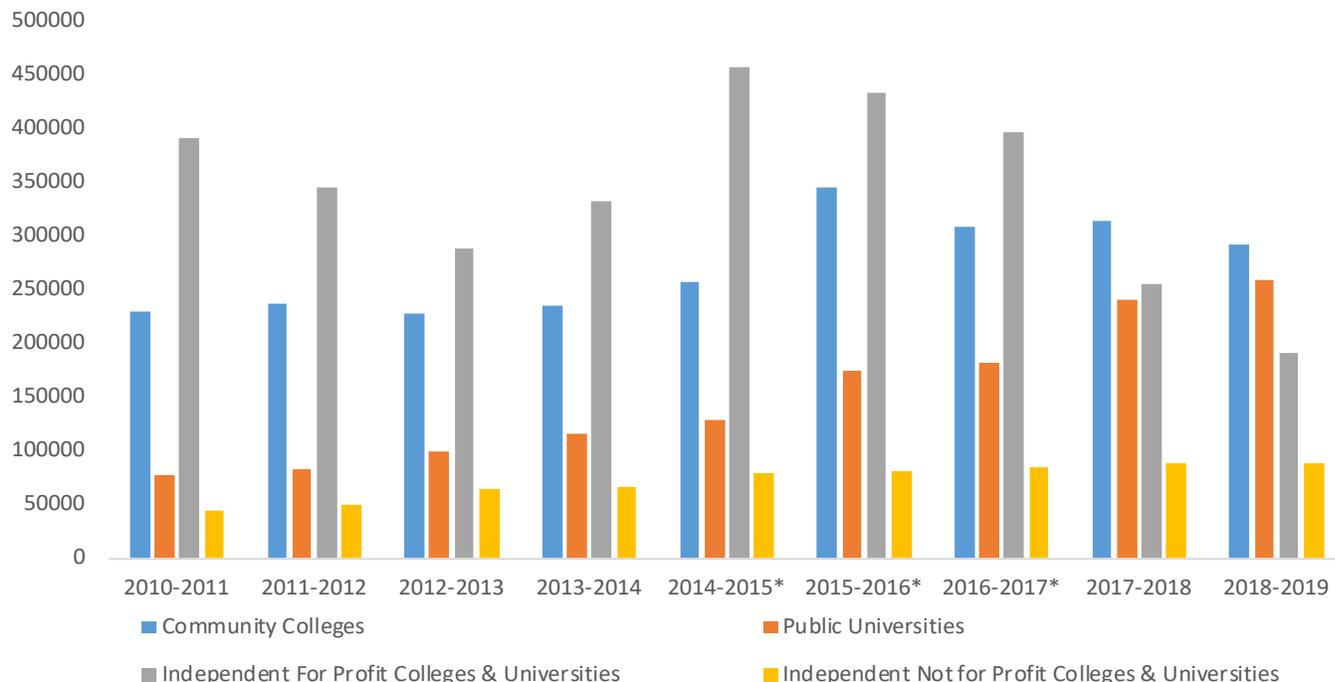
College of DuPage (14,979) and **City Colleges of Chicago (7,827)** from the community college system.

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (39,658) and **University of Illinois at Chicago (10,225)** from the public universities.

DeVry University (64,672) from the independent for-profit colleges and universities.

DePaul University (11,095) from the independent not-for-profit colleges and universities.

Online Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Sector



* additional Independent For-Profit University began reporting data - Spring 2015 and stopped Spring 2018

Online Enrollments by Residency

The vast majority of all online course enrollments reported by Illinois public colleges and universities were from students residing in the state. Independent colleges and universities had a majority of online course enrollments from students living in the USA but outside of Illinois.

The State of Illinois greatly appreciates the cooperative effort of all Illinois colleges and universities and the Illinois Community College Board (ICCB) in submitting the distance education course enrollment data for this report.

Appendix

The following tables show several different views of the course enrollments in distance education for the Fall Term 2019.

- Table 1** Distance Education Enrollments by Delivery Mode
- Table 2** Change in Distance Education Enrollments by Delivery Mode from Fall 2018 through Fall 2019
- Table 3** Enrollments in Online and All Distance Education Courses by Sector
- Table 4** Distance Education Enrollments by Sector and Delivery Mode
- Table 5** Distance Education Enrollments by Delivery Mode - Fall 2010 through Fall 2019
- Table 6** Distance Education Enrollments by Institution

Table 1
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Delivery Mode
Fall Term 2019

Delivery Mode	Number of Enrollments	Percentage of Total
Online	288,296	84.38%
Blended	49,644	14.53%
Stored Media	14	<0.01%
Interactive TV	3,588	1.05%
Correspondence	108	0.03%
Total	341,650	100.00%

Table 2
Change in Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Delivery Mode
from Fall Term 2018 to Fall Term 2019

Delivery Mode	Fall 2018	Fall 2019	Change in Enrollment	Percentage Change
Online with Blended	303,808	337,940	+34,132	+11%
Stored Media	7	14	+7	+50%
Interactive TV	2,594	3,588	+994	+38%
Correspondence	126	108	-18	-14%
All Distance Education	306,535	341,650	+35,115	+11%

Table 3
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Sector
Fall Term 2019

Sector	Online (Internet and Blended)		All Distance Education	
	Number of Enrollments	Percent of Total	Number of Enrollments	Percent of Total
Community Colleges	131,298	38.85%	133,107	38.96%
Public Universities	108,569	32.13%	110,449	32.33%
Independent For Profit Colleges and Universities	64,672	19.14%	64,672	18.93%
Independent Not For Profit Colleges and Universities	33,401	9.88%	33,422	9.78%
All Institutions	337,940	100.00%	341,650	100.00%

Table 4
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Sector and Delivery Mode
Fall Term 2019

Sector	Online	Blended	Stored Media	Interactive TV	Correspondence	Total
Community Colleges	102,182	29,116	14	1,717	78	133,107
Public Universities	94,982	13,587	0	1,871	9	11,449
Independent For Profit Colleges and Universities	63,203	1,469	0	0	0	64,672
Independent Not For Profit Colleges and Universities	27,929	5,472	0	0	21	33,422
All Institutions	288,296	49,644	14	3,588	108	341,650

Table 5
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Delivery Mode
Fall Term 2010 to Fall Term 2019

Term	Online	Blended	Stored Media	Interactive TV	Open Broadcast TV	Correspondence	All Distance Education
Fall 2010	254,200	NA	5,090	4,279	1,040	1,622	266,231
Spring 2011	277,879	NA	5,168	4,109	2,058	1,238	290,452
Summer 2011	211,208	NA	2,739	1,069	1,359	600	216,975
Fall 2011	250,053	NA	3,793	4,448	1,859	1,154	261,307
Spring 2012	265,359	NA	3,725	4,533	1,729	932	276,278
Summer 2012	199,662	NA	1,171	699	908	354	202,794
Fall 2012	254,300	10,991	1,752	3,843	1,510	745	273,141
Spring 2013	231,748	10,689	1,770	3,138	1,425	781	249,550
Summer 2013	179,843	4,009	840	401	793	613	186,499
Fall 2013	233,326	16,557	1,329	2,973	1,091	402	255,678
Spring 2014	236,101	12,732	1,821	2,170	1,088	709	254,621
Summer 2014	233,461	16,994	746	241	669	690	252,801
Fall 2014	282,505	40,891	1,182	3,557	966	374	329,475
Spring 2015	303,332	40,654	1,170	2,632	631	366	348,785
Summer 2015	237,535	16,840	504	328	451	67	255,725
Fall 2015	302,870	45,519	216	3,263	25	361	352,274
Spring 2016	318,183	44,066	579	3,438	0	128	366,394
Summer 2016	243,183	18,367	480	164	391	77	263,212
Fall 2016	301,599	43,407	467	2,976	25	69	348,543
Spring 2017	316,759	46,409	316	3,354	0	145	366,983
Summer 2017	250,566	14,697	311	540	0	63	266,177
Fall 2017	327,254	41,725	3,651	271	0	145	373,046
Spring 2018	273,856	43,316	3	3,368	0	120	320,663
Summer 2018	196,108	14,476	11	479	0	58	211,132
Fall 2018	258,655	45,153	7	2,594	0	126	306,535
Spring 2019	280,240	45,290	3	2,961	0	147	328,641
Summer 2019	190,215	14,558	3	937	0	75	205,788
Fall 2019	288,296	49,644	14	3,588	0	108	341,650

Table 6
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Institution
Fall Term 2019

Institution	Internet	Blended	Interactive TV	Stored Media	Correspondence	Total
Black Hawk College	2,479	831	210	0	0	3,520
Benedictine University	**	**	**	**	**	**
Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing	173	0	0	0	0	173
Bradley University	770	271	0	0	0	1,041
Carl Sandburg College	1,505	106	230	0	0	1,841
Chamberlain College of Nursing	**	**	**	**	**	**
City Colleges of Chicago*						
Harold Washington College	7,518	14	0	0	0	7,532
Harry S. Truman College	87	17	0	0	0	104
Kennedy-King College	4	0	0	0	0	4
Malcolm X College	8	27	0	0	0	35
Olive-Harvey College	9	64	0	0	0	73
Richard J. Daley College	31	0	0	0	0	31
Wilbur Wright College	21	27	0	0	0	48
Chicago State University	1,188	239	0	0	0	1,427
College of DuPage	11,046	3,933	0	0	0	14,979
College of Lake County	4,244	1,617	0	0	0	5,861
Danville Area Community College	1,456	384	0	0	0	1,840
DePaul University	9,256	1,839	0	0	0	11,095
DeVry University	63,203	1,469	0	0	0	64,672
Eastern Illinois University	4,296	1,161	0	0	0	5,457
Elgin Community College	2,658	607	0	0	0	3,265
Elmhurst College	885	536	0	0	0	1,421
Governors State University	3,859	373	0	0	0	4,232
Harper College	4,698	2,385	0	0	0	7,083
Heartland Community College	2,506	714	0	0	0	3,220
Highland Community College	789	553	0	0	0	1,342
Illinois Central College	3,281	798	0	0	0	4,079
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges						
Frontier Community College	277	209	0	0	19	505
Lincoln Trail Comm. College	580	0	14	0	8	602
Olney Central College	646	356	0	0	21	1,023
Wabash Valley College	334	414	0	0	2	750
Illinois Institute of Technology	1,373	0	0	0	0	1,373
Illinois State University	5,591	1,568	0	0	0	7,159
Illinois Valley Community College	975	44	0	14	0	1,033
John A. Logan College	1,987	484	30	0	0	2,501
John Wood Community College	1,710	379	0	0	0	2,089
Joliet Junior College	5,360	1,556	0	0	0	6,916
Judson College	77	446	0	0	0	523

Institution	Internet	Blended	Interactive TV	Stored Media	Correspondence	Total
Kankakee Community College	822	1,180	0	0	28	2,030
Kaskaskia College	2,246	796	239	0	0	3,281
Kishwaukee College	1,365	504	0	0	0	1,869
Lakeland College	3,459	283	96	0	0	3,838
Lewis and Clark Comm. College	1,060	327	0	0	0	1,387
Lewis University	2,759	521	0	0	0	3,280
Lincoln Land Community College	2,625	620	0	0	0	3,245
McHenry County College	3,267	1,086	0	0	0	4,353
Moody Bible Institute	3,156	0	0	0	21	3,177
Moraine Valley Comm. College	4,510	1,724	0	0	0	6,234
Morton College	727	471	0	0	0	1,198
Northeastern Illinois University	1,522	1,340	100	0	0	2,962
Northern Illinois University	8,350	1,165	0	0	0	9,515
Oakton Community College	3,615	627	0	0	0	4,242
Olivet Nazarene University	1,681	89	0	0	0	1,770
Parkland College	3,614	2,374	0	0	0	5,988
Prairie State College	1,059	63	10	0	0	1,132
Quincy University	924	0	0	0	0	924
Rend Lake College	843	317	313	0	0	1,473
Richland Community College	1,331	749	0	0	0	2,080
Rock Valley College	2,165	636	0	0	0	2,801
Roosevelt University	2,988	310	0	0	8	3,298
Rush University	**	**	**	**	**	**
Sauk Valley Community College	1,176	17	0	0	0	1,193
Shawnee Community College	545	121	318	0	0	984
South Suburban College	1,100	5	0	0	0	1,105
Southeastern Illinois College	1,371	562	31	0	0	1,964
Southern Illinois University Carbondale	7,258	326	0	0	0	7,584
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	4,871	2,461	23	0	0	7,355
Southwestern Illinois College	3,231	325	80	0	0	3,636
Spoon River College	924	376	146	0	0	1,464
Triton College	3,068	197	0	0	0	3,265
University of Illinois at Chicago	6,329	3,896	587	0	0	10,812
University of Illinois at Springfield	5,752	747	0	0	0	6,499
University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign	39,658	0	0	0	0	39,658
University of St. Francis	3,887	1,460	0	0	0	5,347
Waubonsee Community College	3,832	237	0	0	0	4,069
Western Illinois University	6,308	311	1,161	0	9	7,789
Totals	288,296	49,644	3,588	14	108	341,650

* All online students are course takers at HWC, but this population is dispersed among the seven home colleges.

** Indicates data not reported.