

Distance Education Enrollments at Illinois Colleges and Universities

Data for Spring 2019

Executive Summary

Illinois colleges and universities reported a total of 325,530 enrollments in online and blended courses during the Spring 2019 term, this is an increase of 3% over the Spring 2018 term. Enrollments in all distance education courses totaled 328,641 for the Spring 2019 term, this is a 2% increase from the 320,663 enrollments for the Spring 2018 term.

Online Courses and Enrollments

Illinois colleges and universities reported **325,530** enrollments in online and blended courses during the Spring 2019 term. This is a **3%** increase in enrollments from Spring 2018 when there were **317,172** enrollments.

Blended Courses

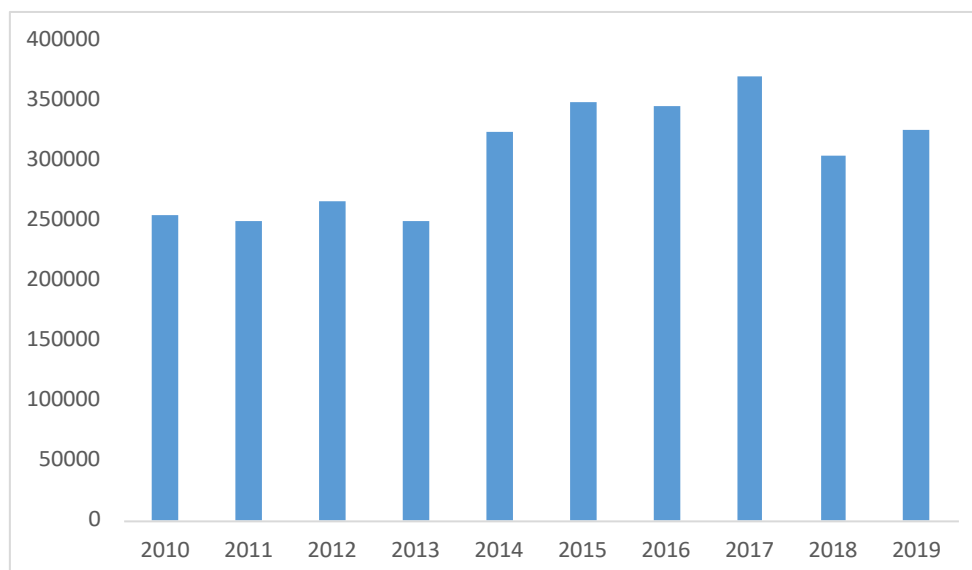
All Illinois institutions now provide data on blended courses. The data shows **45,290** enrollments that account for **13.78%** of all enrollments for Spring 2019. The definition used for blended during this term is 25-75% of the course at a distance.

Online Enrollments by Sector

Community colleges reported **119,046** enrollments in online and blended courses which account for **36.57%** of all enrollments for the Spring 2019 term. Public universities accounted for **32.50%**, independent not-for-profit institutions provided **10.87%** and independent for-profit institutions provided **20.06%** of enrollments for Spring 2019 term.

Enrollments in Online Courses

This graph shows online course enrollments reported by Illinois colleges and universities for the Spring terms from Spring 2010 to Spring 2019.



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

Changes in Enrollment by Delivery Mode

Online Enrollment Percentage

Online enrollments accounted for **85.27%** of all distance education enrollments in the Spring 2019 term with blended enrollments accounting for another **13.78%** for a combined total of **99.05%** of all enrollments.

All Other Delivery Mode Percentage

Enrollments in the Interactive TV delivery mode showed the only decrease for the Spring 2019 term, but accounted for only **0.90%** of enrollments. Broadcast TV has been removed as a delivery mode option due to no enrollments for several terms. Table 2 in the Appendix shows the change in distance education enrollments by delivery mode from Spring 2018 to Spring 2019.

Online Enrollments by Sector

Community College Enrollment

During the Spring 2019 term, community colleges reported **119,046** enrollments for **36.57%** of all online course enrollments.

Public University Enrollment

Public universities reported offering **105,790** enrollments for **32.50%** of all online course enrollments.

Independent For-Profit Colleges and Universities

Independent for-profit colleges and universities reported offering **65,295** enrollments for **20.06%** of all online course enrollments.

Independent Not-For-Profit Colleges and Universities

Independent not-for-profit colleges and universities reported **35,399** enrollments for **10.87%** of all online course enrollments.

Institutions With the Largest Online Enrollments

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

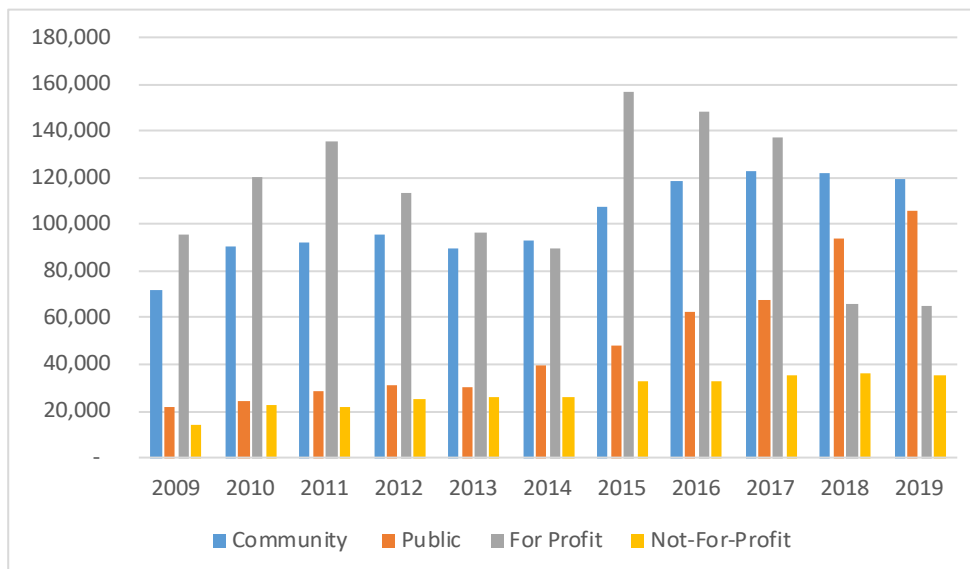
College of DuPage (14,687) and **City Colleges of Chicago (6,978)** from the community college system.

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (38,843) and **Northern Illinois University (9,344)** from the public universities.

DeVry University (64,898) from the independent for-profit colleges and universities.

DePaul University (12,070) from the independent not-for-profit colleges and universities.

Online Enrollments at Illinois Colleges and Universities by Sector from Spring 2009 to Spring 2019



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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 student course enrollments living in the USA, but outside of Illinois.

The residency of students enrolled in online courses varied by sector, with community colleges having the highest percentage of Illinois residents (**97.59%**), followed by the independent not-for-profit colleges and universities (**77.92%**), and the public universities (**74.59%**).

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 Spring Term 2019.

- Table 1** Distance Education Enrollments by Delivery Mode
- Table 2** Change in Distance Education Enrollments by Delivery Mode from Spring 2018 to Spring 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 to Spring 2019
- Table 6** Distance Education Enrollments by Institution

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

Delivery Mode	Number of Enrollments	Percentage of Total
Online	280,240	85.27%
Blended	45,290	13.78%
Stored Media	3	0.00%
Interactive TV	2,961	0.90%
Correspondence	147	0.05%
Total	328,641	100.00%

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

Delivery Mode	Spring 2018	Spring 2019	Change in Enrollment	Percentage Change
Online with Blended	317,172	325,530	+8,358	+3%
Stored Media	3	3	0	0%
Interactive TV	3,368	2,961	-407	-12%
Correspondence	120	147	+27	+22%
All Distance Education	320,663	328,641	+7,978	+2%

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

Sector	Online (Internet and Blended)		All Distance Education	
	Number of Enrollments	Percent of Total	Number of Enrollments	Percent of Total
Community Colleges	119,046	36.57%	120,799	36.76%
Public Universities	105,790	32.50%	107,124	32.60%
Independent For Profit Colleges and Universities	65,295	20.06%	65,295	19.86%
Independent Not For Profit Colleges and Universities	35,399	10.87%	35,423	10.78%
All Institutions	325,530	100.00%	328,641	100.00%

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

Sector	Online	Blended	Stored Media	Interactive TV	Correspondence	Total
Community Colleges	93,030	26,016	3	1,644	106	120,799
Public Universities	94,475	11,315	0	1,317	17	107,124
Independent For Profit Colleges and Universities	63,340	1,955	0	0	0	65,295
Independent Not For Profit Colleges and Universities	29,395	6,004	0	0	24	35,423
All Institutions	280,240	45,290	3	2,961	147	328,641

Table 5
Distance Education Enrollments
at Illinois Colleges and Universities
by Delivery Mode
Fall Term 2010 to Spring 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	224,346
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	255,161
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

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

Institution	Internet	Blended	Interactive TV	Stored Media	Correspondence	Total
Black Hawk College	3,019	768	170	0	0	3,957
Benedictine University	**	**	**	**	**	**
Blessing-Rieman College of Nursing	138	0	0	0	0	138
Bradley University	1,211	368	0	0	0	1,579
Carl Sandburg College	1,469	127	238	0	0	1,834
Chamberlain College of Nursing	**	**	**	**	**	**
City Colleges of Chicago*						
Harold Washington College	6,978	0	0	0	0	6,978
Harry S. Truman College	37	1	0	0	0	38
Kennedy-King College	3	0	0	0	0	3
Malcolm X College	9	0	0	0	0	9
Olive-Harvey College	11	1	0	0	0	12
Richard J. Daley College	37	6	0	0	0	43
Wilbur Wright College	92	13	0	0	0	105
Chicago State University	1,115	210	0	0	0	1,325
College of DuPage	11,184	3,503	0	0	0	14,687
College of Lake County	4,331	1,576	0	0	0	5,907
Danville Area Community College	1,740	212	0	0	0	1,952
DePaul University	9,902	2,168	0	0	0	12,070
DeVry University	62,943	1,955	0	0	0	64,898
Eastern Illinois University	4,168	1,155	0	0	0	5,323
Elgin Community College	2,416	568	0	0	0	2,984
Elmhurst College	780	375	0	0	0	1,155
Governors State University	3,753	499	0	0	0	4,252
Heartland Community College	2,528	851	0	0	0	3,379
Highland Community College	914	620	0	0	0	1,534
Illinois Central College	3,407	526	0	0	0	3,933
Illinois Eastern Community Colleges						
Frontier Community College	204	254	0	0	24	482
Lincoln Trail Comm. College	614	292	0	0	27	933
Olney Central College	726	288	0	0	25	1,039
Wabash Valley College	288	456	0	0	3	747
Illinois Institute of Technology	1,202	0	0	0	0	1,202
Illinois State University	5,925	1,304	0	0	0	7,229
Illinois Valley Community College	928	50	0	3	0	981
John A. Logan College	2,332	512	0	0	0	2,844
John Wood Community College	1,551	196	0	0	0	1,747
Joliet Junior College	5,262	1,201	0	0	0	6,463
Judson College	113	334	0	0	0	447
Kankakee Community College	945	1,063	0	0	27	2,035

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Kaskaskia College	2,480	736	205	0	0	3,421
Kishwaukee College	1,561	405	0	0	0	1,966
Lake Land College	3,793	0	93	0	0	3,886
Lewis and Clark Comm. College	941	172	0	0	0	1,113
Lewis University	2,700	365	0	0	0	3,065
Lincoln Land Community College	3,004	392	0	0	0	3,396
McHenry County College	3,230	975	0	0	0	4,205
Midstate College	397	0	0	0	0	397
Moody Bible Institute	2,609	0	0	0	20	2,629
Moraine Valley Comm. College	4,552	2,013	25	0	0	6,590
Morton College	734	547	0	0	0	1,281
Northeastern Illinois University	1,681	1,682	105	0	0	3,468
Northern Illinois University	7,999	1,345	0	0	0	9,344
Oakton Community College	**	**	**	**	**	**
Olivet Nazarene University	1,789	181	0	0	0	1,970
Parkland College	4,160	2,213	0	0	0	6,373
Prairie State College	750	120	0	0	0	870
Quincy University	926	0	0	0	0	926
Rend Lake College	940	379	393	0	0	1,712
Richland Community College	1,183	783	0	0	0	1,966
Rock Valley College	2,254	631	0	0	0	2,885
Roosevelt University	1,651	283	0	0	4	1,938
Rush University	2,043	0	0	0	0	2,043
Sauk Valley Community College	1,307	94	0	0	0	1,401
Shawnee Community College	642	194	311	0	0	1,147
South Suburban College	295	22	0	0	0	317
Southeastern Illinois College	1,583	309	65	0	0	1,957
Southern Illinois University Carbondale	7,529	250	0	0	0	7,779
Southern Illinois University Edwardsville	5,932	1,634	0	0	0	7,566
Southwestern Illinois College	3,244	279	44	0	0	3,567
Spoon River College	1,100	358	100	0	0	1,558
Triton College	**	**	**	**	**	**
University of Illinois at Chicago	5,653	2,206	513	0	0	8,372
University of Illinois at Springfield	5,825	824	0	0	0	6,647
University of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign	38,843	0	0	0	0	38,843
University of St. Francis	4,331	1,930	0	0	0	6,261
Waubonsee Community College	4,227	213	0	0	0	4,440
Western Illinois University	6,054	206	699	0	17	6,976
William Rainey Harper College	25	2,097	0	0	0	2,122
Totals	280,240	45,290	2,961	3	147	328,641

** Indicates data not reported.

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