Subpopulation Fact Sheets

The Student Affairs Division at Utah Valley University houses a variety of programs, initiatives, and offices that provide services through the lens and experiences of historically underrepresented or underserved populations. These services are available to all UVU students. As a result, Student Affairs provides the fact sheets below as an annual update on the impact of these areas.

The demographics served by these initiatives include:

- Female Students
- Students of Color
- International Students
- First Generation Students
- Military-Connected Students

These initiatives utilize both public funds and private donations to improve the experiences of all students at UVU. Through programming, scholarships, and mentorships, our initiatives have positively impacted the retention, persistence, and completion of our students.

The metrics discussed in these fact sheets include:

- Retention: Percentage of students in a fall cohort of first-time, full-time, bachelor degree-seeking students who enroll in the following fall semester.
- 6-Year Graduation: Percentage of students in a fall cohort of first-time, full-time, bachelor degree-seeking students who earn their bachelor's degree within 6 years of initial enrollment.
- 8-Year Outcome Measure: Percentage of students in a full-year cohort (any admission or enrollment type) who receive any award within 8 years of initial enrollment at UVU.
Graduation Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students who graduate within 6 years of initial enrollment.

Retention Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students from each fall semester cohort who return the following fall semester.

Outcome Measure: percentage of students who graduate with a degree or certification within 8 years of initial enrollment.

The Women’s Success Center awarded 155 scholarships in 2022-23 with an average award of $2,569. The total amount awarded was $398,250.

Women of UVU members consistently report their top reasons for joining include a desire to get involved on campus, to meet new people, and because of prior experiences with the community.
UVU Institutional Research identifies Adult Learners as those who are 25 years of age and older.

27% of post-high school undergraduates are 25 years or older. At least 14% of undergraduates support one or more children.

Graduation Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students who graduate within 6 years of initial enrollment.

UVU Established the Adult Learner Support Services in 2023. This office seeks to connect Adult Learners with the resources and community needed to excel at UVU.

Retention Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students from each fall semester cohort who return the following fall semester.

78% of students 25 years or older are transfer students, compared to 35% for students 24 years or younger.

Outcome Measure: percentage of students who graduate with a degree or certification within 8 years of initial enrollment.

Sources: UVU BIRS Internal Dashboards
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International students are required to demonstrate English proficiency and provide an affidavit of financial support to attend UVU.

International Student Council hosted over 250 events during the 2022-23 academic year. Students who participated in these events were retained at higher rates than their peers.

UVU hosted 520 students from 70 countries in Fall 2023.

International students contribute around $6M in annual tuition revenue to UVU.

UVU has had no immigration suits or federal audit findings over the last 17 years.

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First-Generation students account for more than one third of all students at UVU for any given semester. These students are more than 1.5 times more likely to be Pell-eligible than their peers.

First-Generation students have strong intersections with BIPOC and Adult Learner student populations.

The First-Generation Success Center has received a $2.9M endowment. Additional funding has also been secured to support First-Generation students across campus.

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Students of Color are identified using the IPEDS racial and ethnic groups. This includes American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Hispanic, or multi-racial.

The BIPOC population of post-high school students at UVU has grown by 1,769 at UVU from 4,480 in Fall 2014 to 6,249 in Fall 2023.

Graduation Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students who graduate within 6 years of initial enrollment.

BIPOC students were 24.5% of the enrollment in the College of Public Health Services and 23.4% of the enrollment in the Smith College of Engineering and Technology.

Retention Rate: percentage of first-time, full-time, bachelor’s degree seeking (FT-FT-BT) students from each fall semester cohort who return the following fall semester.

The Multicultural Student Services office provided students with over 100 events and programs in 2022-23.

Outcome Measure: percentage of students who graduate with a degree or certification within 8 years of initial enrollment.
Military-connected students include service members in an active duty/reserve/national guard component, veterans, and their dependents.

UVU has consistently been recognized as a Military Friendly® institution. It is ranked #5 in the nation among large public schools for veterans.

The center first opened its doors in 2015 and currently assists around 800 military veteran students and 2,400 military dependents in utilizing their military benefits to fund their education at UVU.

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The Veterans Success Center has certified $55 million in VA educational benefits to military-connected students since 2015.

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