

# ■ Academic Preparation: A Decade of Change

Academic preparation indicators of incoming freshmen, as measured by high school GPA and SAT scores, have remained high over the past five years. The average SAT score in 2016 is 1271, and the average GPA is 4.05.

Table 24.

## Freshman Cohort by HS GPA and SAT Score Averages Fall Quarter

First-Time Freshmen	2006	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
• HS GPA <sup>1</sup>	3.93	3.96	4.00	4.06	4.08	4.08	4.05
• SAT Reasoning <sup>2</sup> (Critical Reading & Math)	1243	1233	1278	1282	1295	1318	1271
• SAT Reasoning (Critical Reading, Math & Writing)	1851	1840	1908	1909	1931	1962	1893

<sup>1</sup> GPAs may exceed 4.0 with credit given for honors courses.

<sup>2</sup> SAT Reasoning Test scores reflect the higher of ACT scores converted to SAT Scores.

Table 25.

## Freshman Cohort by Academic Indicator Ranges Fall Quarter

High School GPA Range	Percentage in Range				SAT Reasoning (Critical Reading & Math) Composite Score Range				
	2006	2016			2006	2016			
• 4.0 - High	45%	69%	] 91%	] 96%	• 1500 - 1600	3%	7%	] 67%	] 70%
• 3.90 - 3.99	14%	11%			• 1300 - 1499	36%	42%		
• 3.60 - 3.89	32%	16%			• 1200 - 1299	28%	21%		
• 3.30 - 3.59	9%	4%			• 1000 - 1199	27%	24%		
• Low - 3.29	1%	1%			• Low - 999	6%	7%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>			<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>		

  

Number of Honors Courses: 10th & 11th Grade	Percentage in Range				Number of College Preparatory (A-G) Courses*		Percentage in Range		
	2006	2016			2006	2016			
• More than 8	4%	5%	] 23%	] 19%	• More than 50	31%	45%	] 92%	] 95%
• 7 - 8	5%	5%			• 46 - 50	33%	31%		
• 5 - 6	14%	10%			• 41 - 45	28%	20%		
• 1 - 4	57%	43%			• 36 - 40	8%	5%		
• 0	20%	38%			• 30 - 35	1%	<1%		
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>			<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>100%</b>		

\* The G requirement went into effect in 2003.

Figure 15.

## Academic Preparation: 2006-2016 Comparison Fall Quarter

