EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AJCU FACT FILES
2011-2012

This summary highlights data from Jesuit colleges and universities for the 2011-2012 academic year, and includes some trends in that data since 2003-2004. Data was gathered with the assistance of institutional researchers on each campus, using information from each institution’s Common Data Set (CDS) and Fiscal Operations Report and Application to Participate (FISAP), as well as additional information requested by the AJCU office.

The summary is in two parts: (1) Capsule Statements and (2) Supporting Data

(1) Capsule Statements

Enrollment and Retention

- The grand total headcount of all students at AJCU schools increased slightly from 217,760 in 2010-11 to 218,710 in 2011-12. The total undergraduate enrollment also increased slightly from 134,421 in 2010-11 to 136,186 in 2011-12. (See I.a below)
- The female / male ratio for enrolled undergraduate students was 57 / 43 in 2011-12, remaining nearly the same since 2003-04. (See I.b below)
- The freshman admission rate was slightly more competitive this year than last year: in 2010-11, the average acceptance rate was 62.4%, while in 2011-12, the average acceptance rate was 61.1%. The acceptance rates in 2011-12 ranged from 18.1% to 83.8%. The average percentage of freshmen entering with a GPA of 3.0 or higher stayed roughly the same, from 88.2% in 2010-11 to 88.7% in 2011-12. (See II.a & II.b below)
- The percentage of total freshman students coming from Jesuit high schools in 2011-12 was 7.6%, staying roughly the same as 7.5% in 2010-11. (See II.c below)
- Schools were more selective in their acceptance of transfer applicants, accepting an average 43.3% in 2011-12; in 2010-11, 46.6% of transfer applicants were accepted. In 2011-12, an average 45.3% of admitted students enrolled. (See III below)
- For the Fall 2005 cohort, the average 6-year graduation rate in 2011-12 was 74.3%, with a range from 51.0% to 94.0%; the average stayed nearly the same as 74.4% in 2010-11. In 2011-12, the average 4-year graduation rate was 64.0%, ranging from 33.1% to 90.1%; the average is the same as 64.0% in 2010-11. (See page 3 in Fact Files)
- The average retention rate for freshmen has stayed at or above 85% since 2001-02. It was 86.1% in 2011-12, roughly the same as 86.6% in 2010-11. (See IV below)
- The average percentage of minority undergraduates increased slightly from 26.8% in 2010-11 to 27.9% in 2011-12. In 2011-12, the percentages ranged from 9.4% to 69.6%; in 2010-11, the percentages ranged from 8.4% to 66.1%. (See V below)

Student Life

- In 2011-12, an average 49.9% of freshmen and an average 45.5% of undergraduate students were from out of state. An average 86.8% of freshmen and 54.7% of undergraduate students lived in college-run housing. (See VI.a and VI.b below)
- In 2011-12, an average 52.3% of undergraduate students identified themselves as “Catholic,” ranging from 30.5% to 75.5%. On average, 14.4% identified themselves as “other Christian,” 1.1% marked “Jewish,” 1.3% marked “Muslim,” 22.9% marked “Undeclared” and 7.5% marked “Other.” (See VI.c below)
• In 2011-12, undergraduate students completed an estimated 1.98 million hours* of community service. On average, an estimated 55.5%* of undergraduate students participated in community service and an average 20.0% of undergraduate students were enrolled in a student service learning program in Fall 2011. (See VI.d below)

Faculty, Alumni, Trustees

• The total number of instructional faculty at AJCU schools for 2011-12 was 21,108; the percentage of minority faculty was 13.0%, an increase from 11.4% in 2010-11. In 2011-12, 46.6% of faculty were women, a slight decrease from 47.1% in 2010-11. The average student/teacher ratio was 13:1 in 2011-12. (See VII below)

• The percentage of Jesuits on faculty decreased slightly from 1.6% in 2010-11 to 1.5% in 2011-12. (See VII below)

• In 2011-12, AJCU schools reported 1,999,820 living alumni; the total number of living alumni at AJCU institutions has increased annually from 1,493,528 since 2001-02. (See VIII below)

• The average number of trustees for AJCU institutions in 2011-12 was 36. Each board has, on average, 7 Jesuits and 8 women. These two averages are exactly the same as in 2010-11. (See IX below)

Finances and Financial Aid

• In 2011-12, the average operational expenses for 27 of the 28 institutions were $266,867,397, while the average operational revenues were $272,767,988 (Due to a late audit closing date, one school did not submit financial data). (See X below)

• In 2011-12, the total endowments for 27 of the 28 institutions collectively added up to $9.2 billion, an increase from $8.8 billion in 2010-11. The average endowment for 27 of the 28 institutions in 2011-12 was $341 million, the same average as in 2010-11 (In both 2010-11 and 2011-12, one school did not submit endowment data). (See X below)

• The average percentage of alumni contributing to their schools decreased slightly, from 16.0% in 2010-11 to 15.4% in 2011-12. (See XI below)

• On average, tuition and fees rose 4.2% from 2011-12 to 2012-13, slightly less than the average increase of 4.4% from 2010-11 to 2011-12. The average tuition and fees for 2012-13 was $35,341, ranging from $25,640 to $44,336. (See XII below) The average tuition discount rate for freshman students increased from 46.8% in 2010-11 to 47.9% in 2011-12. (See page 18 in Fact Files) [Note: Tuition discount rates for 2010-11 were recalculated for the 2011-12 AJCU Fact Files for better accuracy and comparison.]

• The total amount of federal grants (combined Pell and SEOG) for all AJCU schools in 2011-12 was $141,739,610, a slight decrease from $146,929,479 in 2010-11 (See XIII.b below). The total amount of institutional grants distributed to full-time undergraduate students in 2011-12 was $1.4 billion, a slight increase from $1.3 billion in 2010-11. (See page 19 in Fact Files)

*Please note: Eight institutions did not submit data on 2011-12 cumulative undergraduate community service hours.

**Please note: Tuition and fees included in the 2011-12 AJCU Fact Files are for the 2012-13 academic year; all other pieces of data are from the 2011-12 academic year.