



Institutional Factbook

The Factbook contains a wide variety of data relating to Fitchburg State University. Included is information on admissions, enrollment, degrees conferred, retention and graduation rates, faculty and staff, and finances.

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Admissions



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New Undergraduate Students: Admissions Yield

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Applicants (completed application)	4,638	4,224	4,279	3,861	3480
Accepted	3,565	3,274	3,486	3,382	3103
Enrolled	1,113	1,140	1,120	1,108	1014
Acceptance Rate	76.9%	77.5%	81.5%	87.6%	89.2%
Yield Rate	31.2%	34.8%	32.1%	32.8%	32.7%

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New Undergraduate Students: Gender, Race/Ethnicity
Fall 2019

Race or Ethnicity	First-time Freshmen			Transfers			All New Students		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Hispanic	41	53	94	20	29	49	61	82	143
American Indian/Alaskan Native	1	1	2	1	0	1	2	1	3
Asian	16	10	26	7	2	9	23	12	35
Black or African-American	36	43	79	22	19	41	58	62	120
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
White	210	231	441	95	132	227	305	363	668
More than one	9	16	25	2	6	8	11	22	33
Unspecified	4	1	5	0	0	0	4	1	5
Non-resident Alien	1	1	2	4	1	5	5	2	7
Total:	318	356	674	151	189	340	469	545	1014

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New Freshmen: SAT Distribution
Fall 2019

Percent of first-time, first-year (freshman) students with scores in each range:

Score Range	Percentage in Range
> 1120	19.7
1081-1120	10.7
1041-1080	8.5
1001-1040	10.8
961-1000	8.3
920-960	4.5
<920	6.1
Did not submit SAT	31.4

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New Freshmen: Top Feeder High Schools
Fall 2019

High School	Location
Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical High School	Fitchburg, MA
Leominster High School	Leominster, MA
Fitchburg High School	Fitchburg, MA
North Middlesex Regional High School	Townsend, MA
Oakmont Regional High School	Ashburnham, MA
Worcester Technical High School	Worcester, MA
Narragansett Regional High School	Baldwinville, MA
Nashoba Valley Technical High School	Westford, MA
North High School	Worcester, MA
Auburn High School	Auburn, MA
Gardner High School	Gardner, MA
Lawrence High School	Lawrence, MA
Ralph C. Mahar Regional High School	Orange, MA

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New Transfer Students: Top Feeder Colleges
Fall 2019

College	City
Mount Wachusett Community College	Gardner, MA
Quinsigamond Community College	Worcester, MA
Middlesex Community College	Lowell and Bedford, MA
Massachusetts Bay Community College	Wellesley Hills, MA
Worcester State University	Worcester, MA
Massasoit Community College	Brockton, MA
Bunker Hill Community College	Charlestown, MA
North Shore Community College	Lynn, MA

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New Undergraduate Student Count

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Freshmen	790	763	757	715	674
Transfer	323	377	365	393	340
Total	1113	1140	1122	1108	1014

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New Undergraduate Students by Major

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Biology	97	72	89	70	58
Business Administration	113	124	125	125	122
Chemistry	5	8	5	8	6
Communications/Media	135	155	144	105	101
Computer Information Systems	11	11	14	12	13
Computer Science	43	36	39	37	29
Criminal Justice	86	140	144	136	120
Early Childhood Ed.	30	43	25	29	22
Economics	2	8	2	6	5
Elementary Ed.	34	34	42	31	41
English Studies	22	25	20	15	14
Environmental and Earth Science	6	3	7	8	8
Environmental and Public Health	-	-	-	-	1
Exercise and Sport Science	60	55	57	69	50
Game Design	46	41	48	56	48
Geographic Science and Technology	1	2	0	1	0
History	14	18	21	15	7
Human Services	19	19	25	22	9
Industrial Technology	48	44	37	26	40
Interdisciplinary Studies	8	14	9	16	6
Mathematics	10	8	12	9	6
Middle School Ed.	16	10	10	6	11
Nursing	129	111	109	182	167
Political Science	10	12	18	10	8
Psychological Sciences	37	33	40	38	55
Sociology	3	3	9	7	4
Special Ed.	21	31	33	22	15
Technology Ed.	3	4	2	1	3
Vocational Ed.	14	6	12	8	9
Pre-major	90	70	22	38	36
Total:	1,113	1,140	1,120	1,108	1014

Enrollment



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Undergraduate Students: Count, Full-time/Part-time, Gender

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Headcount	4,270	4,162	4,117	4,163	4,044
Full-time Equivalent	3,659.0	3,622.7	3,591.0	3,570.5	3,421.2
Full-time	3,466 (81.2%)	3,428 (82.4%)	3,386 (82.2%)	3,319 (79.7%)	3,164 (78.2%)
Part-time	804 (18.8%)	734 (17.6%)	731 (17.8%)	844 (20.3%)	880 (21.8%)
Male	1,960 (45.9%)	1,955 (47.0%)	1,940 (47.1%)	1,954 (46.9%)	1,895 (46.9%)
Female	2,310 (54.1%)	2,207 (53.0%)	2,177 (52.9%)	2,209 (53.1%)	2,149 (53.1%)

*Full-time Equivalent ("FTE") is calculated at 15 credits per student.

*Full-time status is 12 or more credits/Part-time is less than 12 credits.

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Undergraduate Students, Race/Ethnicity, Gender

Fall 2019

	Men	Women	Total	
Non-resident Alien	13	10	23	0.6 %
Black or African-American	199	227	426	10.5 %
American Indian/Alaskan Native	3	4	7	0.2 %
Hispanic or Latino	209	291	500	12.4 %
White	1315	1474	2789	69.0 %
Unknown	30	16	46	1.1 %
Two or More	66	80	146	3.6 %
Asian	59	47	106	2.6 %
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1	0	1	-
Total:	1895	2149	4044	

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Residence Hall Occupancy

Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
1,694	1,630	1,680	1,558	1,405

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Undergraduate Students by First Major

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Biology	279	259	258	248	210
Business Administration	497	504	475	472	460
Chemistry	12	25	23	26	23
Communications/Media	524	514	496	455	410
Computer Info. Systems	47	56	65	64	56
Computer Science	102	91	95	101	104
Criminal Justice	284	325	364	391	389
Early Childhood Education	93	110	101	106	92
Economics	9	16	19	19	13
Education Studies	-	-	-	-	10
Elementary Education	82	85	99	99	96
English Studies	110	105	96	81	82
Environmental and Earth Science	20	25	32	35	30
Environmental and Public Health	-	-	-	-	4
Exercise and Sport Science	241	220	187	195	172
Game Design	117	138	162	174	166
Geographic Science and Technology	7	9	8	8	8
History	66	62	68	58	50
Human Services	131	123	128	119	103
Industrial Technology	189	183	165	141	136
Interdisciplinary Studies	129	129	142	129	142
Mathematics	40	41	41	32	26
Middle School Education	34	38	30	25	28
Nursing	444	394	390	484	505
Occupational/Vocational Education	76	50	65	58	67
Political Science	40	50	56	50	39
Pre-major	99	78	60	68	83
Psychological Sciences	181	190	195	188	191
Sociology	30	26	25	33	28
Special Education	111	100	88	81	63
Technology Education	7	11	10	10	10
Vocational Technical	15	8	9	5	11

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Undergraduate Students: Age Distribution

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
< 18	124	87	66	79	59
18 - 19	1327	1374	1364	1295	1214
20 - 24	2097	2068	2060	2056	1984
25 – 34	374	342	320	361	380
35 – 44	170	161	147	188	203
45 – 54	139	97	117	136	151
55 - 64	35	29	37	42	47
> 65	1	3	5	6	6
Unknown	3	1	1	0	0
Total:	4270	4162	4117	4163	4044

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Undergraduate Students by Earned Credits
Fall 2019

90+	1,031
60-89	1,012
30-59	814
0-29	950
Non-degree	237
Total:	4,044

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Annual Unduplicated Headcount

(Fiscal Year, July 1 through June 30)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Undergraduate	4,844	4,765	4,794	4,880	4,813
Graduate	6,520	6,643	6,672	6,216	5,937
Both	24	26	30	34	43
Total	11,388	11,434	11,496	11,130	10,793

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Annual FTE

(Fiscal Year, July 1 through June 30)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Undergraduate	3,688.6	3,681.4	3,645.2	3,631.0	3,471.1
Graduate	1,433.8	1,488.8	1,739.8	1,582.0	1,895.3
Both	12.5	19.5	25.3	29.4	31.5
Total	5,134.8	5,189.7	5,410.2	5,512.4	5,397.9

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Annual Registered Credits

(Fiscal Year, July 1 through June 30)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Undergraduate	110,657	110,442	109,356	108,930	104,134
Graduate	34,410	35,731	41,754	44,448	45,487
Both	346	551	697	816	875
Total	145,413	146,724	151,807	154,194	150,496

Degrees Awarded



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Degrees Awarded: Count, Race/Ethnicity, Gender
2020

(Fiscal Year, July 1 through June 30)

	Nonresident alien	Hispanic Latino	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	White	Two or more Races	Race/ethnicity unknown	Total
Bachelor's degree										
Men	1	30	0	7	35	1	287	13	9	383
Women	1	54	0	7	45	0	370	17	4	498
Total	2	84	0	14	80	1	657	30	13	881
Post-Baccalaureate certificates										
Men	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
Women	0	1	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	13
Total	0	1	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	16
Master's degree										
Men	15	20	0	15	15	0	201	4	8	278
Women	14	38	0	19	37	0	437	9	17	571
Total	29	58	0	34	52	0	638	13	25	849
Post-Master's certificates										
Men	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	4
Women	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	0	15
Total	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	0	0	19
Grand Total Men	16	50	0	22	51	1	494	17	17	668
Grand Total Women	15	93	0	26	82	0	834	26	21	1097
Grand Total	31	143	0	48	133	1	1328	43	38	1765

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Undergraduate Degrees Awarded By Program
(July 1 through June 30)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
B.A. Biology	0	0	3	2	7
B.A. English Studies	6	3	7	3	6
B.A. History	3	3	1	1	0
B.A. Interdisciplinary Studies	2	1	1	1	2
B.A. Mathematics	0	0	0	0	1
B.A. Political Science	0	0	0	1	0
B.A. Psychological Sciences	0	0	0	0	1
B.A. Sociology	0	1	0	3	0
B.S. Biology	39	53	49	49	41
B.S. Business Administration	108	114	98	92	106
B.S. Chemistry	0	1	6	4	6
B.S. Communications/Media	116	137	108	102	113
B.S. Computer Information Systems	12	11	13	16	18
B.S. Computer Science	8	11	8	9	14
B.S. Criminal Justice	63	59	57	54	76
B.S. Earth Science	4	1	8	5	15
B.S. Economics	6	3	7	4	2
B.S. Educational Studies	-	-	-	-	2
B.S. English Studies	23	21	17	19	23
B.S. Exercise and Sport Science	41	68	50	34	40
B.S. Game Design	10	19	26	27	38
B.S. Geography	2	3	3	3	4
B.S. History	13	15	10	13	14
B.S. Human Services	39	38	35	31	38
B.S. Industrial Technology	37	49	25	42	20
B.S. Interdisciplinary Studies	57	64	82	65	71
B.S. Mathematics	9	9	10	5	7
B.S. Nursing	106	90	88	92	102
B.S. Occupational/Vocational Educ.	11	5	12	12	7
B.S. Political Science	8	3	9	13	14
B.S. Psychological Sciences	40	44	47	44	36
B.S. Sociology	6	10	7	5	9
B.S.E. Early Childhood Education	3	8	14	15	18
B.S.E. Elementary Education	8	5	12	9	14
B.S.E. Middle School Education	4	5	2	1	6
B.S.E. Special Education	21	8	6	6	9
B.S.E. Technology Education	2	0	0	1	1
Total:	807	862	821	783	881

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Graduate Degrees Awarded By Program
(July 1 through June 30)

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Masters					
M.A. Biology	1	1	1	1	1
M.A. English	13	4	2	1	5
M.A. History	3	1	4	3	0
M.A.T. Biology	3	3	2	1	1
M.A.T. English	8	1	4	1	9
M.A.T. History	1	0	4	1	0
M.S. Communications	7	18	8	3	3
M.S. Computer Science	21	33	21	23	16
M.S. Counseling	10	13	17	14	18
M.S. Criminal Justice	-	-	-	3	7
M.S. Forensic Nursing	4	8	10	9	5
M.Ed. Arts Education	5	4	2	2	3
M.Ed. Curriculum and Teaching	142	131	134	168	165
M.Ed. Early Childhood Education	9	7	13	11	8
M.Ed. Education Leadership and Management	6	5	2	4	25
M.Ed. Elementary Education	6	9	11	8	5
M.Ed. Middle School Education	7	5	6	1	2
M.Ed. 5-12	-	-	-	-	7
M.Ed. Occupational Education	18	17	9	4	8
M.Ed. Science Education	1	5	0	1	4
M.Ed. Secondary Education	3	0	0	0	0
M.Ed. Special Education	52	61	86	106	118
M.Ed. Technology Education	3	3	2	0	0
M.B.A., Master of Business Administration	48	56	88	319	439
Total Masters:	371	385	426	684	849

Certificates of Advanced Graduate Study					
C.A.G.S. Education Leadership and Management	4	8	7	14	14
C.A.G.S. Interdisciplinary Studies	15	12	12	8	5
Total C.A.G.S.:	19	20	19	22	19

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Retention Rates

(First-time, full-time freshmen)

Cohort Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	5-Year
Number in Cohort	720	781	759	751	713	3,724
Number Retained Following Fall	540	587	595	551	525	2,798
Retention Rate	75.0%	75.2%	78.4%	73.4%	73.6%	75.1%

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Six Year Graduation Rates

(First-time, full-time freshmen)

Cohort Year	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	5-Year
Number in Cohort	721	689	738	790	719	3,657
Number Graduating Within 6 Years	389	411	450	456	414	2,120
Graduation Rate	53.95%	59.65%	60.97%	57.72%	57.57%	57.97%

Faculty, Administration and Staff



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Full-time Employees

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Faculty	204	204	203	200	206
Staff	347	311	309	336	346
Total	551	515	512	536	552

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Full-time Employee by Gender

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
Male	258	246	235	238	243
Female	293	269	277	298	309
Total:	551	515	512	536	552

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Full-time Employee by Race/Ethnicity

	Fall 2015	Fall 2016	Fall 2017	Fall 2018	Fall 2019
American Indian/Alaskan Native	2	0	0	0	0
Asian	16	16	17	22	25
Black or African American	15	14	14	21	24
Hispanic	11	13	19	23	28
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	1	1
White	499	463	454	468	473
More Than One	6	9	8	0	0
Non-resident Alien	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown	2	0	0	1	1
Total:	551	515	512	536	552

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Full-time Faculty: Gender, Rank

	Fall 2015			Fall 2016			Fall 2017			Fall 2018			Fall 2019		
	Male	Male	Female	Total	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Professor	50	24	74	44	23	67	42	28	70	43	28	71	42	28	70
Assoc. Professor	27	27	54	27	26	53	30	29	59	27	35	62	32	34	66
Assist. Professor	33	40	73	36	42	78	31	33	64	31	30	61	23	37	60
Instructor	0	3	3	0	6	6	3	7	10	0	6	6	1	9	10
Total:	110	94	204	107	97	204	106	97	203	101	99	200	98	108	216

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Full-time Faculty, Tenure, Rank

	Fall 2015			Fall 2016			Fall 2017			Fall 2018			Fall 2019		
	Tenure	Non-tenure	Total	Tenure	Non-tenure	Total	Tenure	Non-Tenure	Total	Tenure	Non-Tenure	Total	Tenure	Non-Tenure	Total
Professor	72	2	74	67	0	67	70	0	70	71	0	71	70	0	70
Assoc. Professor	54	0	54	50	3	53	50	3	53	58	4	62	59	7	66
Assist. Professor	1	65	66	1	71	72	1	62	63	1	60	61	0	60	60
Instructor	0	10	10	0	12	12	3	14	17	0	6	6	0	10	10
Total:	127	77	204	118	86	204	124	79	203	130	70	200	129	77	206

University Finances



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Undergraduate Tuition and Fees

Annual Day-school in-state student charges

Academic Year	Tuition and Fees
2015 - 2016	\$9,935
2016 - 2017	\$10,135
2017 - 2018	\$10,175
2018 - 2019	\$10,405
2019 - 2020	\$10,555

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Revenues

(Fiscal Year July 1 – June 30)

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Tuition and Fees	\$31,651,220.	\$34,192,551.	\$36,762,378.	\$39,528,610	\$41,989,830
State Appropriations	\$36,197,548.	\$37,159,087.	\$38,873,231.	\$39,403,569	\$43,794,742
Federal Operating Grants and Contracts	\$1,093,842.	\$1,158,346.	\$935,421.	\$776,751	\$952,747
State Operating Grants and Contracts	\$2,697,878.	\$2,664,528.	\$2,570,582.	\$2,694,582	\$2,762,514
Local and Private Operating Grants and Contracts	\$449,397.	\$491,587.	\$612,995.	\$1,217,353	\$980,662
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises	\$9,444,114.	\$9,430,318.	\$9,805,413.	\$10,824,177	\$15,066,730
Other	9,002,929.	\$9,122,072.	\$10,067,456.	\$10,867,766	\$10,903,765
Total:	\$90,536,928.	\$94,218,489.	\$99,627,476.	\$105,312,808	\$116,450,990

Fitchburg State University Expenditures

(Fiscal Year July 1 – June 30)

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Instruction	\$43,833,015.	\$45,616,516.	\$49,013,180.	\$49,271,372	\$50,818,499
Research	\$1,373.	\$2,816.	\$12,339.	\$120,071	\$106,694
Public Service	\$506,954.	\$599,972.	\$631,869.	\$673,502	\$1,045,002
Academic Support	\$7,399,835.	\$8,175,098.	\$8,468,627.	\$9,570,580	\$11,348,998
Student Services	\$14,013,929.	\$14,076,890.	\$14,536,879.	\$14,885,496	\$19,023,660
Institutional Support	\$10,775,651.	\$13,006,204.	\$14,433,157.	\$15,111,677	\$14,385,211
Scholarship and Fellowships	\$2,056,995.	\$2,148,658.	\$2,346,313.	\$3,041,550	\$3,238,869
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$9,466,890.	\$9,211,394.	\$9,971,565.	\$10,865,020	15,631,433
Other Expenses and Deductions	\$1,376,109.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,847,476
Total:	\$89,430,751.	\$92,837,548.	\$99,413,929.	\$103,539,268	\$117,445,842