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Overview

IUPUI conferred a total of 4,056 degrees and certificates this year, down by just four degrees from last year's record figure. There were, however, more significant changes among degree levels, particularly in the number of certificates and professional degrees conferred.

The number of certificates earned increased dramatically this year with a net increase of 48 over last year. While this 45% increase was substantial, figures are still down from levels experienced five years ago. There was also an increase in the number of associate degrees conferred, which increased by 16 degrees or 3% over last year's figure.

Offsetting increases in certificates and associate degrees were decreases in conferrals at the master's and professional degree levels. The largest current year decline was in the number of professional degrees

conferred with a net decrease of 45 degrees, an eight-percent change from last year. This decline reverses the upward trend in the number of professional degrees experienced in recent years. While the number of master's degrees conferred is also down (22 conferrals or 3%) from last year's figure, it is the second highest number of master's degrees for the five-year period reviewed.

The number of degrees conferred at other levels remained relatively unchanged from last year's figures with baccalaureate degrees down by just one and no change in the number of doctoral degrees.

The following comments highlight recent trends by degree level and for various demographic variables. This report is followed by a five-year trend report that contains additional views of the data.

	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Total	3,810	3,879	3,985	4,060	4,056	1.6%	-0.1%
Total Exc Malaysia	3,797	3,870	3,985	4,060	4,056	1.7%	-0.1%
Certificate	220	186	106	107	155	-8.4%	44.9%
Associate	552	581	532	524	540	-0.5%	3.1%
AS Exc Malaysia	539	572	532	524	540	0.0%	3.1%
Baccalaureate	1,954	1,994	2,125	2,129	2,128	2.2%	0.0%
Masters	494	518	608	681	659	7.5%	-3.2%
Doctorate	30	28	31	32	32	1.6%	0.0%
Professional	560	572	583	587	542	-0.8%	-7.7%
*annualized average percentage change							

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Degree Type

Certificates

While up substantially (45%) over last year's figure, the number of certificates earned by IUPUI students has decreased by eight percent based on an annualized average percentage over the past five years. The current year figures reflect a significant increase in the number of certificates awarded by the School of Public and Environmental Affairs, specifically in their Executive Education Program.

Certificates awarded by the School of Business continue to decline with the phasing out of the Business Studies program. That program was replaced with the Business Foundations program that has not

attracted enrollments at the same level.

Certificates							
	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Total	220	186	106	107	155	-8.4%	44.9%
Business	100	73	44	49	36	-22.5%	-26.5%
Dentistry	23	14	20	20	21	-2.2%	5.0%
Public & Envir Aff	89	91	34	23	87	-0.6%	278.3%
All Others	8	8	8	15	11	8.3%	-26.7%
*annualized average percentage change							

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Associate Degrees

Fluctuating over the five-year period under review, the total number of associate degrees conferred increased slightly (3%) this year. The highest one-year increase occurred in the School of Engineering and Technology. This increase follows a significant decrease for the previous year although figures have not yet rebounded to levels experienced by the school five years ago. A significant one-year increase also occurred in the number of associate degrees conferred by the School of Continuing Studies, an extension of the school's recent upward trend. Associate degrees conferred by the School of Dentistry remain fairly stable with a slight upward trend over the five-year period.

One-year decreases occurred in the schools of Nursing and Allied Health. The number of associate degrees conferred in Nursing declined significantly this year (25%) following a substantial increase for the prior year. Associate degrees conferred in Nursing have only declined by about two percent over the five-year period based on an annualized percentage change. This year's decrease for Allied Health reflects the elimination of the associate program in Respiratory Therapy. For all other schools as a whole, the number of associate degrees also decreased this year but have fluctuated over the five years reviewed.

Associate Degrees							
	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Total	552	581	532	524	540	-0.5%	3.1%

Total Exc Maly**	539	572	532	524	540	0.0%	3.1%
Allied Health	52	56	57	53	43	-4.6%	-18.9%
Cont. Studies	90	94	83	96	115	6.3%	19.8%
Dentistry	46	44	49	49	50	2.1%	2.0%
Engr And Tech	197	200	206	132	177	-2.6%	34.1%
Nursing	112	120	100	140	105	-1.6%	-25.0%
All Others	55	67	37	54	50	-2.4%	-7.4%
*annualized average percentage change							
**total excluding phased out Malaysia programs							

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Baccalaureate Degrees

The total number of degrees conferred at the baccalaureate level has remained virtually unchanged over the last three years. Of the schools averaging 150 or more bachelors degrees during this time period, four schools - Allied Health, Continuing Studies, Education, and Public and Environmental Affairs - experienced increases in the number of bachelor degrees conferred this year. The School of Continuing Studies had the highest rate of growth both for the current year and over the last five years. The number of bachelor degrees conferred by the School of Education increased this year reaching the second highest point over the five years reviewed. The School of Public and Environmental Affairs continues to increase the number of baccalaureate degrees conferred and has the second highest annualized rate of growth over the five year period. While also showing an increase for this year, the number of degrees conferred by the School of Allied Health has fluctuated over recent years.

Liberal Arts experienced a significant decrease, 18%, in the number of baccalaureate degrees conferred this year after steadily increasing their numbers over the last four years. The number of bachelor degrees in Engineering and Technology also declined this year continuing their downward trend. Other schools to experience current year declines among this group include Business and Nursing. Figures for both schools decreased by about five percent this year.

Baccalaureate Degrees							
	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Total	1,954	1,994	2,125	2,129	2,128	2.2%	0.0%
Allied Health	161	121	221	208	217	7.7%	4.3%

Business	304	303	249	274	261	-3.7%	-4.7%
Cont. Studies	135	136	185	162	208	11.4%	28.4%
Education	222	211	230	207	228	0.7%	10.1%
Engr And Tech	256	252	247	229	206	-5.3%	-10.0%
Liberal Arts	173	188	213	233	191	2.5%	-18.0%
Nursing	262	303	275	287	274	1.1%	-4.5%
Public & Envir Aff	112	132	149	149	157	8.8%	5.4%
Science	155	174	176	179	179	3.7%	0.0%
All Others	174	174	180	201	207	4.4%	3.0%
*annualized average percentage change							

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Master's Degrees

For the first time in the five-year period under review, the number of master's degrees conferred decreased. Of those schools averaging at least 20 master's degrees over the last five years, all schools except Social Work, Dentistry, and Medicine had a decrease in the number of degrees conferred.

The School of Public and Environmental Affairs had the highest one-year percentage decrease, 22.5%, but still conferred more master's degrees this year than they did five years ago. The School of Nursing experienced the second highest one-year percentage decline (19.6%) as part of a five-year fluctuating trend. The School of Science also decreased significantly (10.2%) in the number of master's degree conferred this year. However, they experienced the highest rate of growth over the last five years. While not affecting the overall campus figures as they are officially counted at IU Bloomington, the number of MBA's also declined this year continuing a recent downward trend. Of the other schools reviewed, Education and Engineering and Technology also experienced a decline in master's degrees this year, but at much lower rates (less than 5%).

Continuing an upward trend, the School of Social Work had the highest one-year percentage increase in master's degrees conferred. The number of degrees conferred by the School of Medicine, via the Graduate School, at the master's level remained stable after a significant increase last year. The School of Dentistry, including degrees conferred through the Graduate School, also had an increase in master's degrees this year but remain below levels reached five years ago.

Master's Degrees							
Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change		
92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr	

Total	494	518	608	681	659	7.5%	-3.2%
Dentistry**	31	26	26	21	23	-7.2%	9.5%
Education	82	79	106	72	71	-3.5%	-1.4%
Engr And Tech	17	12	25	28	27	12.3%	-3.6%
Medicine**	27	23	28	42	44	13.0%	4.8%
Nursing	96	84	100	112	90	-1.6%	-19.6%
Public & Envir Aff	53	78	88	102	79	10.5%	-22.5%
Science**	40	60	65	98	88	21.8%	-10.2%
Social Work	133	142	143	175	203	11.2%	16.0%
All Others	15	14	27	31	34	22.7%	9.7%
Business***	106	113	178	147	113	1.6%	-23.1%

*annualized average percentage change

**figures include degrees conferred through the Graduate School for school majors

***MBA's are not included in the campus total. These degrees are officially counted at Bloomington.

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Doctoral and Professional Degrees

Officially, the overall number of doctoral degrees remained unchanged this year. However, when including all degrees earned by doctoral students in the School of Science, the figure increased by two degrees this year. (Note: Degrees earned by IUPUI students are credited to the Purdue West Lafayette Campus for several doctoral programs.)

Current increases for Dentistry and Nursing offset decreases for Medicine and, officially, Science.

The number of professional degrees fell by almost eight percent this year reflecting a significant decline in the number of degrees conferred by the Law School. Both Dentistry and Medicine experienced small increases this year.

Doctoral and Professional Degrees							
	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Doctoral Degrees							

Total	30	28	31	32	32	1.6%	0.0%
Dentistry**	2	0	1	1	4	18.9%	300.0%
Medicine**	15	15	25	26	22	10.0%	-15.4%
Nursing	13	10	5	4	6	-17.6%	50.0%
Science	0	3	0	1	0	****	-100.0%
Science-PWL***	4	2	1	4	6	10.7%	50.0%
Professional Degrees							
Total	560	572	583	587	542	-0.8%	-7.7%
Dentistry	76	80	78	74	78	0.7%	5.4%
Law	237	235	248	262	206	-3.4%	-21.4%
Medicine	247	257	257	251	258	1.1%	2.8%
*annualized average percentage change **figures include degrees conferred through the Graduate School for school majors ***Degrees counted at Purdue West Lafayette. Figures not included in campus total for IUPUI. ****unable to calculate							

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Gender and Ethnicity

Gender

Overall there was not much change in the number of degrees and certificates earned by men and women this year. The total figure for men increased slightly offsetting a slight decrease for women. Some changes have occurred in figures by degree school for both men and women. For women, schools with current year net increases of 15 or more degrees include Continuing Studies, Social Work, and Dentistry. Schools with net decreases of at least 15 included Nursing, Business and Law.

School figures for men that changed by at least 15 degrees include increases for Public and Environmental Affairs, Continuing Studies, Engineering and Technology, and Education and decreases for Law and Liberal Arts. Additional information about degrees conferred by gender can be found in [Appendix A](#).

	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Men	1,558	1,616	1,620	1,598	1,611	0.8%	0.8%
Women	2,252	2,263	2,365	2,462	2,445	2.1%	-0.7%
*annualized average percentage change							

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Ethnicity

The number of degree and certificate recipients from ethnic minority backgrounds increased again this year continuing the recent trend. This increase, for the most part, is due to an increase in the number of recipients from Asian/Pacific Islander backgrounds. There was also an increase in the number of recipients from Hispanic backgrounds, however their numbers remain relatively small. While there was no change in the total figure for African American students this year, net changes of 15 or more occurred for Continuing Studies with a net increase of 25 (119%) and a net decrease of 17 for the School of Business (63%). For additional information about degrees earned by students from ethnic minority backgrounds, please refer to [Appendix B](#).

Ethnicity							
	Degree Year (July 1-June 30)					% Change	
	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	Ave 5 Yr*	1 Yr
Total Minorities	359	340	373	389	411	3.4%	5.7%
African Amer	210	193	198	233	233	2.6%	0.0%
Am Ind/Alsk Natv	6	5	8	8	5	-4.5%	-37.5%
Asian/Pac Islndr	104	103	123	107	126	4.9%	17.8%
Hispanic	39	39	44	41	47	4.8%	14.6%
All Others	3,451	3,539	3,612	3,671	3,645	1.4%	-0.7%

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Degrees Awarded By Gender and School

		Degree Year (July 1 - June 30)					1 Yr Chng	
		92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	N	%
Men	Allied Health	37	52	55	67	56	-11	-16%
	Business	177	168	140	127	127	0	0%
	Continuing Studies	98	100	117	112	142	30	27%
	Dentistry	82	68	74	73	66	-7	-10%
	Education	36	48	55	54	73	19	35%
	Engr And Tech	384	361	375	304	325	21	7%
	Gerontology			1			0	**
	Herron School Of Art	25	23	29	35	28	-7	-20%
	Journalism	6	4	4	3	6	3	100%
	Law	134	133	148	158	124	-34	-22%
	Liberal Arts	63	86	94	114	74	-40	-35%
	Malaysia	7	5				0	**
	Medicine	180	185	180	191	186	-5	-3%
	Music					2	2	**
	Nursing	23	29	29	42	29	-13	-31%
	Physical Education	22	23	24	21	25	4	19%
	Public & Envir Affairs	167	203	155	140	189	49	35%
	Science	86	103	108	124	120	-4	-3%
Social Work	31	25	32	33	39	6	18%	
Total Men		1558	1616	1620	1598	1611	13	1%
Women	Allied Health	176	126	228	207	212	5	2%
	Business	227	208	153	196	170	-26	-13%
	Continuing Studies	141	143	166	161	193	32	20%
	Dentistry	98	98	101	95	113	18	19%
	Education	274	249	285	234	233	-1	0%
	Engr And Tech	87	103	103	85	85	0	0%

Gerontology	4	5	3	3	3	0	0%
Herron School Of Art	30	28	32	40	41	1	3%
Journalism	14	13	8	11	7	-4	-36%
Law	103	102	100	104	82	-22	-21%
Liberal Arts	126	123	137	140	139	-1	-1%
Malaysia	6	4				0	**
Medicine	109	110	130	128	140	12	9%
Music					3	3	**
Nursing	460	488	451	501	446	-55	-11%
Physical Education	24	23	14	38	35	-3	-8%
Public & Envir Affairs	96	113	131	152	150	-2	-1%
Science	109	134	133	154	147	-7	-5%
Social Work	168	193	190	213	246	33	15%
Total Women	2252	2263	2365	2462	2445	-17	-1%

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Note: Figures for Dentistry, Liberal Arts, Medicine, and Science include degrees conferred through the Graduate School

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Appendix B

Degrees Awarded By Ethnicity and School

		Degree Year (July 1 - June 30)					1 Yr Chng	
		92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	N	%
Afrn Amer	Allied Health	4	3	6	2	3	1	50%
	Business	32	25	16	27	10	-17	-63%
	Continuing Studies	12	13	21	21	46	25	119%
	Dentistry	6	4	1	1	4	3	300%
	Education	14	16	17	17	16	-1	-6%
	Engr And Tech	23	20	30	21	21	0	0%
	Gerontology	1					0	**
	Herron School Of Art	3	2		4	4	0	0%
	Journalism	2	1	3	1	2	1	100%
	Law	9	12	9	20	14	-6	-30%
	Liberal Arts	24	12	17	20	23	3	15%
	Medicine	8	6	7	6	10	4	67%
	Nursing	24	22	18	15	9	-6	-40%
	Physical Education	1	2	1		1	1	**
	Public & Envir Affairs	15	21	22	29	30	1	3%
	Science	12	8	12	14	13	-1	-7%
Social Work	20	26	18	35	27	-8	-23%	
Total Afrn Amer		210	193	198	233	233	0	0%
All Other	Allied Health	6	5	2	12	5	-7	-58%
	Business	22	13	12	8	16	8	100%
	Continuing Studies	5	6	5	8	11	3	38%
	Dentistry	19	10	11	10	15	5	50%
	Education	2	2	6	2	4	2	100%
	Engr And Tech	23	27	30	24	25	1	4%

Minorities*							
Herron School Of Art	4	5	2	1	2	1	100%
Journalism					1	1	**
Law	7	6	13	8	11	3	38%
Liberal Arts	3	6	7	11	7	-4	-36%
Medicine	20	26	38	30	31	1	3%
Music					1	1	**
Nursing	11	10	16	12	9	-3	-25%
Physical Education			2	2	3	1	50%
Public & Envir Affairs	7	9	11	9	11	2	22%
Science	18	18	14	11	18	7	64%
Social Work	2	4	6	8	8	0	0%
Total All Other Minorities	149	147	175	156	178	22	14%

*Asian Amer, Hispanic Amer, Native Amer

**unable to calculate

Note: Figures for Dentistry, Liberal Arts, Medicine, and Science include degrees conferred through the Graduate School

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For Further Details

This enrollment report and analysis provides an overview of recent trends at the IUPUI campus. The [Office of Information Management and Institutional Research](#) provides this analysis as part of its Fall Enrollment Report series. This series also includes a set of tables that contain many different views of the degree figures over the past five years for the campus. IMIR also generates the tables for each school. Copies of these reports are circulated to the executive administrators, school deans, and faculty and staff who serve on campus committees concerned with academic and student affairs.

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