



# RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE

## Institutional Research & Planning Report

### FALL 2018 ENROLLMENT

#### Overall Enrollment

A total of 7,771 students enrolled at Rhode Island College (RIC) for the fall 2018 semester. This number represents a decrease of 4.9% compared to last fall's **headcount** enrollment of 8,174 students and is lower than the projected enrollment for fall 2018. **FTE** dropped from 6,745 in fall 2017 to 6,429 this fall.

FALL	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Undergraduate</b>										
Hdct	7,883	7,778	7,762	7,553	7,505	7,518	7,446	7,398	7,080	6,688
FTE	6,425	6,372	6,388	6,235	6,265	6,275	6,231	6,249	6,024	5,664
<b>Graduate</b>										
Hdct	1,377	1,377	1,282	1,316	1,195	1,123	1,066	1,048	1,094	1,083
FTE	837	824	765	824	758	739	704	688	721	765
<b>Total</b>										
Hdct	9,260	9,155	9,044	8,869	8,700	8,641	8,512	8,446	8,174	7,771
FTE	7,262	7,196	7,153	7,059	7,023	7,014	6,935	6,937	6,745	6,429

#### Undergraduate Enrollment

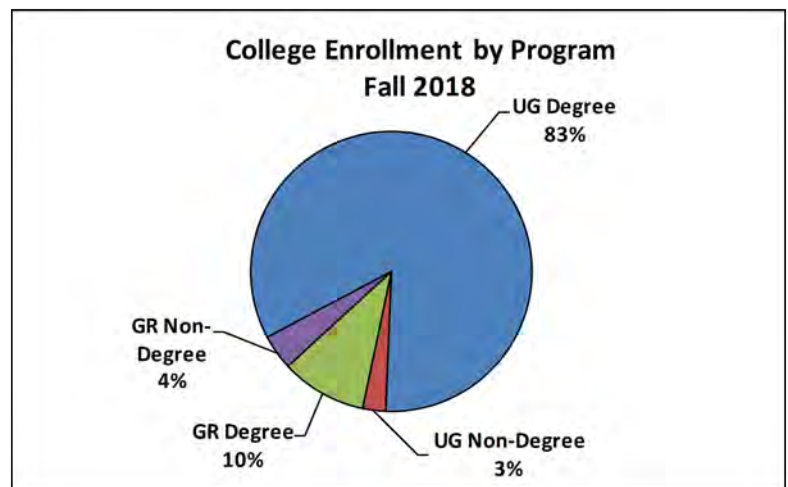
Undergraduate **headcount** enrollment for fall 2017 is 6,688, 5.5% down from last year. This decrease can be attributed both to a smaller number of returning students this fall compared to last and fewer new students. The number of students enrolled in **degree** programs (6,483) decreased by 6.1%, while **non-degree** enrollment increased, going from 177 to 205. Undergraduate **FTE** enrollment decreased from 6,024 in fall 2017 to 5,664 in fall 2018.

#### Graduate Enrollment

At 1,083, total graduate **headcount** enrollment this fall decreased slightly from last fall. In 2018, 767 students were enrolled as **degree** students, compared to 747 last fall. This fall's graduate **non-degree** enrollment (316) represents decrease of 8.9% from last year (347). Graduate **FTE** was 765 this fall, a 6.1% increase from last year.

#### Enrollment by Degree and FT/PT Status

**Undergraduate** students comprise 86% of the college's total student population, with students in degree programs representing 97%. **Graduate** students make up the remaining 14% of the student body, and students in degree programs account for 71% of the total graduate headcount.



At the **undergraduate** level, 78% of the degree candidates are **full-time**, compared to 22% of the **non-degree** students.

Sixty-seven percent of the **graduate** degree students, and 97% of graduate non-degree students, attend on a **part-time** basis.

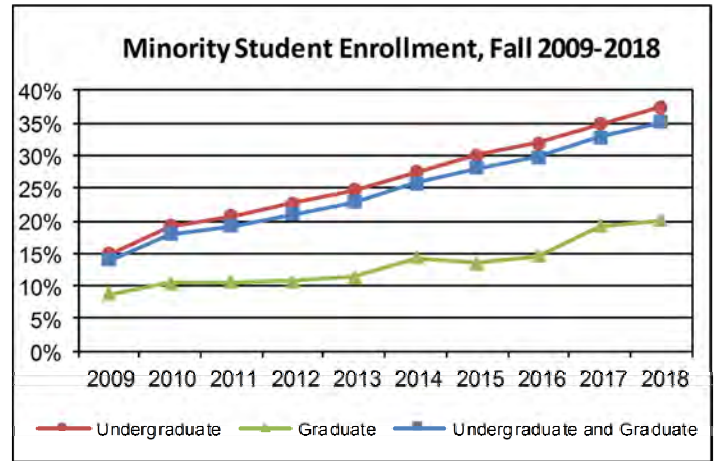
Full-time **undergraduate** degree candidates are enrolled in an average of 14.4 **credits** this fall, while part-time degree undergraduates average 7.5 credits. Full-time **graduate** degree students are enrolled in an average of 11.4 credits, and part-time graduate degree students take an average of 5.4 credits.

### Demographic Characteristics

Eighty-six percent of the **undergraduates** and graduates at the college are **Rhode Island residents**.

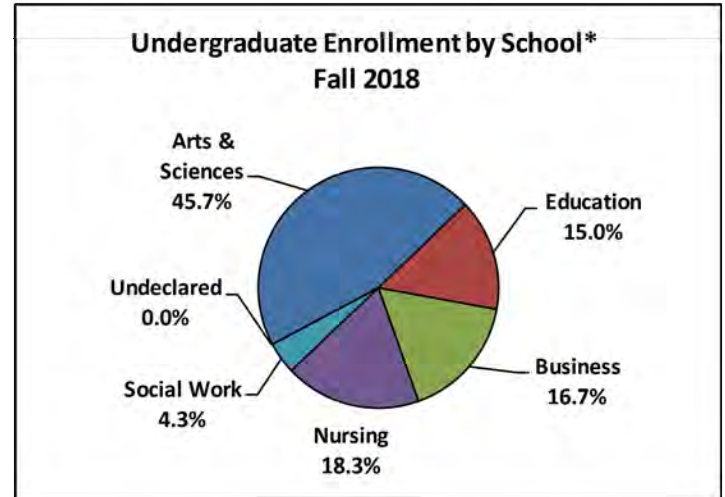
Sixty-nine percent of **undergraduate** students identify as **female**, while under one third identify as male. At the **graduate** level, 79% of the college's students identify as women.

Seventy-seven percent of the **undergraduate** students are **24 years of age or younger**, whereas 79% of the **graduate** students are over 25.



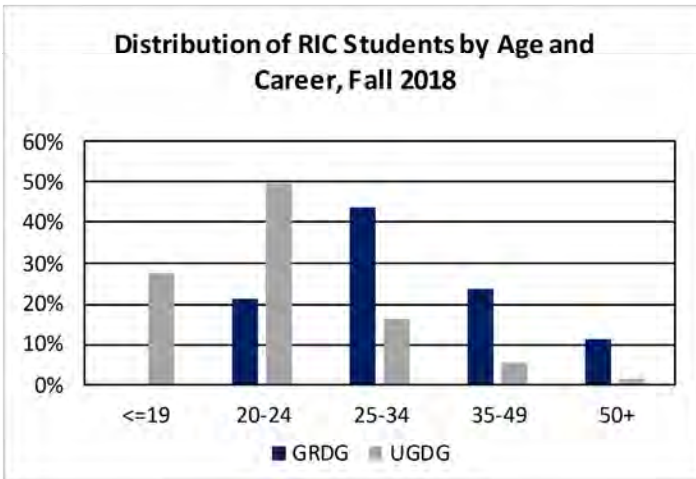
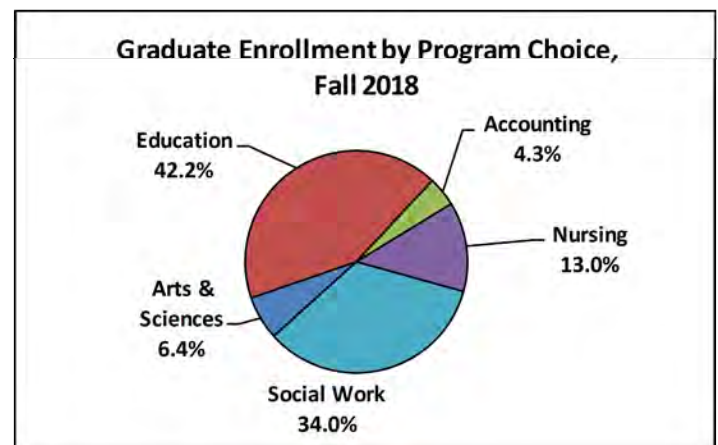
### Enrollment by School

As illustrated in the chart below, Arts & Sciences makes up 46% of undergraduate program enrollments, followed by Nursing,



\*Both Art Ed and Music Ed are included in the Arts and Sciences total. Intended majors are reported in the desired area of study.

At the **graduate** level, Education programs still account for the largest percentage of enrollments, but their share has been declining. Social Work enrolls another 34% of graduate students, while the remaining 24% are in Nursing, Arts & Sciences, and Business.



The number of **minority students** enrolled at the college continues to increase; this fall, over a third (35%) of RIC's student body identifies as minorities. Currently, 38% of **undergraduates** self-identify as minority students (a 3 percentage point increase from last fall), and 20% of **graduate** students report being a minority student. Hispanics are the largest minority group at RIC, representing almost 20% of the total student body, and the percentage increased by about two percentage points since last year. An additional 9.8% of students identify as Black, 2.9% as Asian, 2.2% as Two or more races, 0.4% as American Indian/Alaskan Native, and 0.1% as Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander. Fifty-eight percent of students identify as White, and 6.8% of the students did not report their race/ethnicity.