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For years, the University of California has sent an annual report to Los Angeles City College (LACC) on the academic performance of its transfers in their first semester and comparative data on all other California junior college transfers. In 1966-67, the report format was changed because of the switch to the quarter calendar and the use of a new data processing system. These changes produced some confusion before the process was debugged. Although some of the resulting data (especially for 1966-67) are incomplete and some in a form difficult to compare with earlier data, it is felt to be reliable within 5%. Tables of the findings show 1967-68 comparative data for LACC and other junior college transfers by number of entrants, GPA's at college and university, differentials in GPA's, number eligible and ineligible at high school graduation; a summary of data for the past 11 years; an analysis of transfers by campus to which they transferred; an analysis, by sex and college major, of transfers to the UCLA campus; and academic performance of transfers to UCLA by other selected categories. Among the nine conclusions is that, of all California junior college transfers to the university, those from LACC made an outstanding record. Thirty per cent made a B average or better; only 117 earned below a C. LACC transfers had a GPA of 2.65 at the university, .22 below their college average. The 3052 transfers from other colleges dropped their averages by .45. (HH)

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PURPOSE OF THE STUDY

To assess academic performance of L.A.C.C. transfers entering the University of California in 1967-68 and to compare with past performance.

PROCEDURE OF THE STUDY

The Office of Educational Relations of the University of California has sent for years an annual report to L.A.C.C. summarizing the academic performance of L.A.C.C. transfers in their first semester at the University and furnishing comparative data for all junior college transfers. Beginning with the 1966-67 academic year major changes were made in the format for reporting this information, due to "the advent of the quarter calendar and the availability of new data processing technology." The combination of these two innovations produced a not entirely unpredictable situation where some confusion reigned and considerable "debugging" of the process was necessary. As a result, some of the information (especially for 1966-67) is incomplete, and some is in a form difficult to compare with past years. Nevertheless, the findings in the next section, based on these University reports, are believed to be reasonably reliable (within 5%).

FINDINGS

Table I presents 1967-68 comparative data for all junior (community) college transfers and L.A.C.C. transfers entering the University of California in 1967-68. Figures given are: number of entrants, percent earning below a C average, percent earning a B average or above, grade point average at junior college (cumulative), grade point average at the University (all courses taken during any of the three quarters of 1967-68), and the differential in grade point averages. Figures are given for students who

FINDINGS (continued)

were eligible for the University at the time of high school graduation, for those ineligible at that time, and for the total.

Table 2 presents a summary over the last eleven years of the information described above. Prior to 1966-67 (the beginning of the quarter system at UCLA), U. C. grade point averages were based on first semester performance only. In 1966-67 and 1967-68, U. C. grade point averages were based on all courses taken during any of the three quarters.

Figures 1 and 2 present in graphical form some of the eleven year summary data.

Table 3 presents data on 1967-68 L.A.C.C. transfers analyzed by campus of transfer. Table 4 analyzes the transfers to UCLA (88% of the total) according to sex and college major. Table 5 presents some available information for UCLA Fall entrants only in 1966-67 and 1967-68 and for students who attended one quarter only in 1967-68.

TABLE 1 - Academic Achievement of L.A.C.C. Transfers and all Community College Transfers Entering the University of California, 1967-68

	L. A. C. C.			All Community Colleges*		
	Elig.	Inelig.	Total	Elig.	Inelig.	Total
Number of entrants	59	141	200	1542	1510	3052
% below C Average	10%	11%	11%	13%	14%	13%
% B average or above	39%	26%	30%	28%	20%	24%
Community Colleges GPA	2.97	2.83	2.87	3.03	2.86	2.95
U. C. GPA	2.79	2.59	2.65	2.58	2.41	2.50
Differential	-.18	-.24	-.22	-.45	-.45	-.45

* grade point averages based on Fall 1967 entrants only, numbers and percents on all 1967-68 entrants; all L.A.C.C. figures on all 1967-68 entrants

**TABLE 2 - Eleven Year Summary of Academic Performance of L.A.C.C. Transfers
In their First Year at the University of California**

ELIGIBLES	Y E A R	No. of Transfers	% Below "C"	% "B" or Above	G.P.A. L.A.C.C.	G.P.A. U C	Diff.	% Eligible
	1967-1968	59	10%	39%	2.97	2.79	-0.18	30%
	1966-1967	62	13%	15%	2.85	2.55	-0.30	26%
	1965-1966	62	24%	14%	2.81	2.33	-0.48	26%
	1964-1965	59	15%	24%	2.83	2.46	-0.37	24%
	1963-1964	53	19%	26%	3.01	2.48	-0.53	20%
	1962-1963	86	26%	28%	2.96	2.46	-0.50	38%
	1961-1962	87	25%	21%	2.86	2.43	-0.43	28%
	1960-1961	115	18%	25%	2.99	2.51	-0.47	37%
	1959-1960	129	19%	22%	2.93	2.50	-0.43	36%
ELIGIBLES	1958-1959	126	29%	21%	2.91	2.33	-0.58	36%
	1957-1958	122	22%	19%	2.95	2.36	-0.59	36%

INELIGIBLES	Y E A R	No. of Transfers	% Below "C"	% "B" or Above	G.P.A. L.A.C.C.	G.P.A. U C	Differential
	1967-1968	141	11%	26%	2.83	2.59	-0.24
	1966-1967	178	15%	25%	2.82	2.54	-0.28
	1965-1966	174	22%	19%	2.84	2.40	-0.44
	1964-1965	189	19%	26%	2.85	2.48	-0.37
	1963-1964	209	29%	17%	2.78	2.30	-0.48
	1962-1963	139	17%	18%	2.85	2.41	-0.44
	1961-1962	225	28%	14%	2.71	2.26	-0.45
	1960-1961	192	31%	14%	2.84	2.27	-0.57
	1959-1960	228	26%	15%	2.85	2.29	-0.56
INELIGIBLES	1958-1959	226	25%	19%	2.86	2.32	-0.54
	1957-1958	217	29%	16%	2.83	2.24	-0.59

ALL TRANSFERS	Y E A R	No. of Transfers	% Below "C"	% "B" or Above	G.P.A. L.A.C.C.	G.P.A. U C	Differential
	1967-1968	200	11%	30%	2.87	2.65	-0.22
	1966-1967	240	14%	22%	2.82	2.54	-0.28
	1965-1966	236	22%	18%	2.83	2.38	-0.45
	1964-1965	248	18%	26%	2.85	2.47	-0.38
	1963-1964	262	27%	19%	2.82	2.34	-0.48
	1962-1963	225	20%	22%	2.89	2.43	-0.46
	1961-1962	312	27%	16%	2.75	2.31	-0.44
	1960-1961	307	26%	18%	2.90	2.38	-0.52
	1959-1960	357	24%	18%	2.88	2.36	-0.52
ALL TRANSFERS	1958-1959	352	27%	20%	2.88	2.32	-0.56
	1957-1958	339	27%	17%	2.87	2.28	-0.59

Figure 1 - Number of L.A.C.C. Transfers to UC, 1957-1968

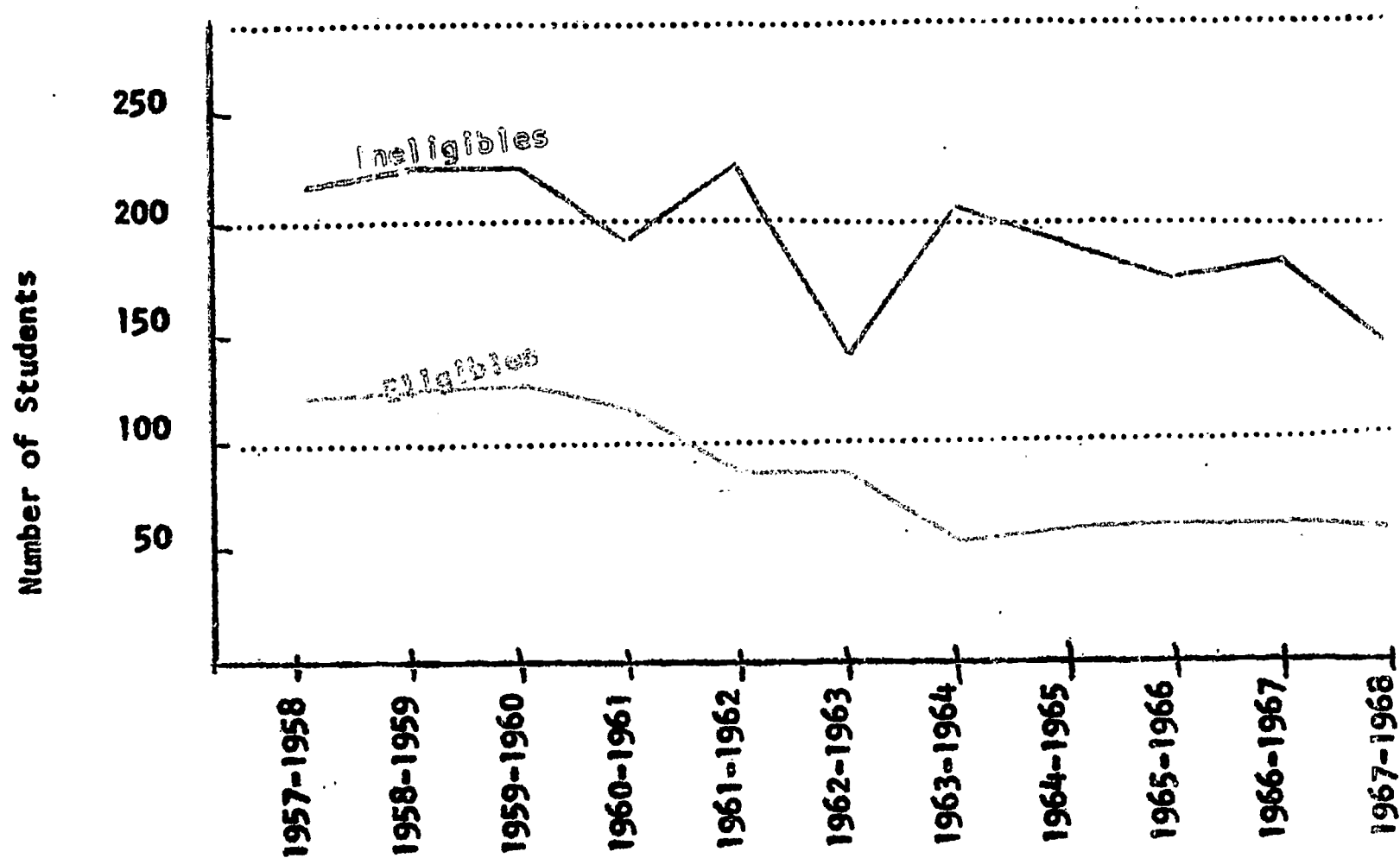


Figure 2 - Grade Point Average of L.A.C.C. Transfers to UC, 1957-1968

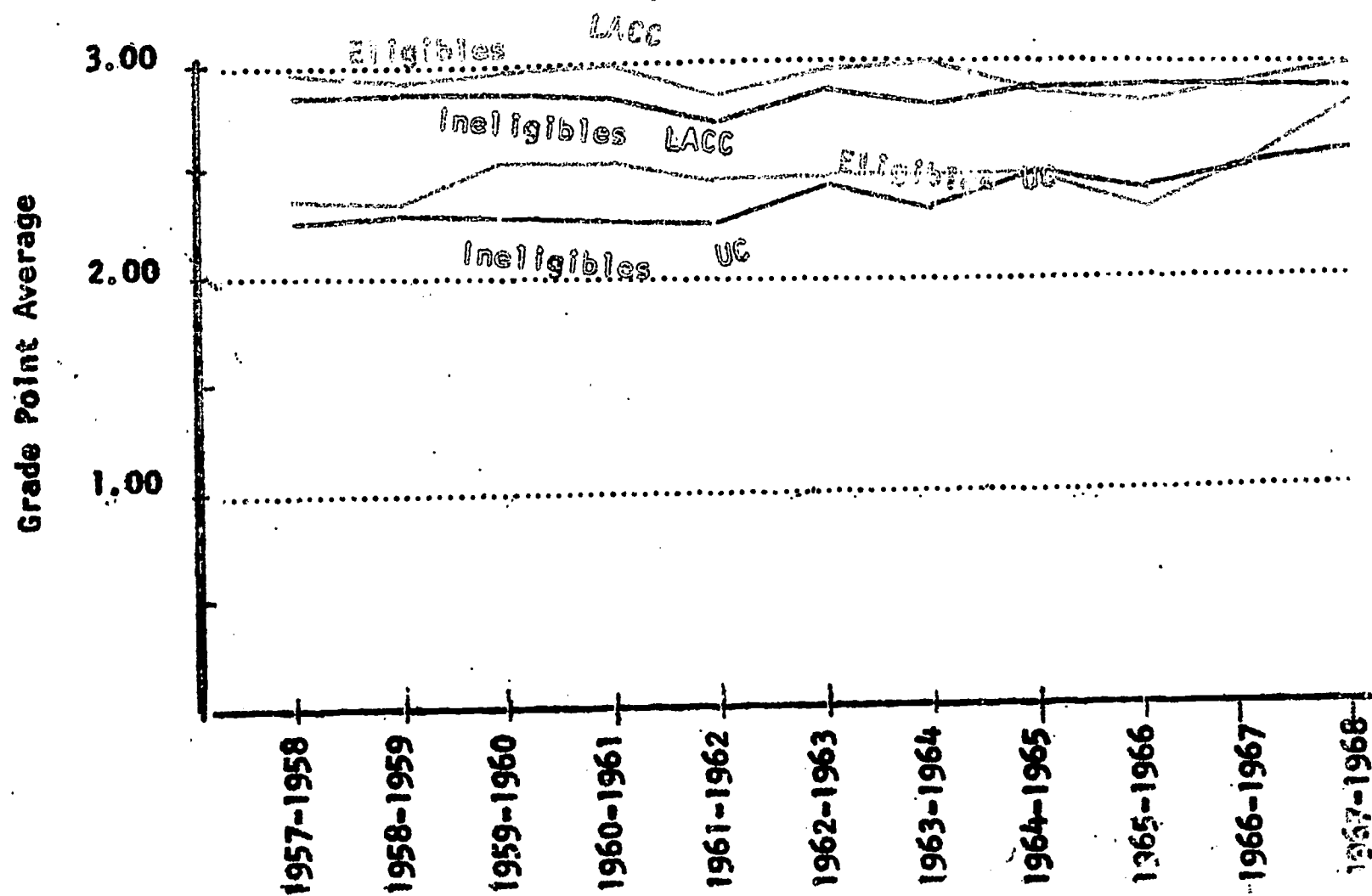


TABLE 3 - Academic Performance of L.A.C.C. Transfers Entering the University of California in 1967-68, by Campus

Campus	No.	Below C. Aver.		B Aver. or Above		LACC GPA	UC GPA	Differential
		No.	%	No.	%			
Los Angeles	49	5	10%	18	37%	2.95	2.77	-.18
Berkeley	5	0	0	3	60%	3.37	2.99	-.38
Santa Barbara	1	1	100%	0	0	2.69	1.57	-.12
San Diego	22	0	0	0	100%	3.12	3.34	+.22
Davis	2	0	0	0	0	2.41	2.64	+.23
Irvine	0	-	-	-	-	---	---	---
TOTAL	59	6	10%	23	39%	2.97	2.79	-.18

Los Angeles	127	15	12%	34	27%	2.85	2.60	-.25
Berkeley	10	1	10%	2	20%	2.64	2.49	-.15
Santa Barbara	3	0	0	0	0	2.63	2.44	-.19
San Diego	0	-	--	-	-	---	---	---
Davis	0	-	--	-	-	---	---	---
Irvine	1	0	0	0	0	2.76	2.67	-.09
TOTAL	141	16	11%	36	26%	2.83	2.59	-.24

Los Angeles	176	20	11%	52	30%	2.88	2.65	-.23
Berkeley	15	1	7%	5	33%	2.87	2.67	-.20
Santa Barbara	4	1	25%	0	0	2.64	2.26	-.38
San Diego	2	0	0	2	100%	3.12	3.34	+.22
Davis	2	0	0	0	0	2.41	2.64	+.23
Irvine	1	0	00	0	0	2.76	2.67	-.09
TOTAL	200*	22	11%	59	30%	2.87	2.65	-.22

TABLE 4 - Academic Performance of L.A.C.C. Transfers Entering UCLA in 1967-68
According to Eligibility, Sex and College Major

	Sex	No.	Below C Aver.		B Aver or Above		LACC GPA	UC G.P.A.	Diff.
			No.	%	No.	%			
ELIGIBLES									
L & S	M	20	3	15%	6	30%	2.86	2.56	-.30
	F	19	0	0	8	42%	3.22	2.95	-.27
	T	39	3	8%	14	36%	3.02	2.78	-.24
Fine Arts	M	1	0	0	1	100%	2.93	3.10	+.17
	F	3	1	33%	2	67%	3.00	3.09	+.09
	T	4	1	25%	3	75%	2.96	3.09	+.13
Engineering	M	5	1	20%	1	20%	2.52	2.53	+.01
	F	0	-	---	-	---	---	---	---
	T	5	1	20%	1	20%	2.52	2.53	+.01
Total	M	26	4	15%	8	31%	2.79	2.58	-.21
	F	23*	1	4%	10	43%	3.16	2.96	-.20
	T	49	5	10%	18	37%	2.95	2.77	-.18

*includes one student in Public Health

INELIGIBLES									
L & S	M	54	10	19%	8	15%	2.85	2.50	-.35
	F	52	4	8%	17	33%	2.88	2.65	-.23
	T	106	14	13%	25	24%	2.86	2.57	-.29
Fine Arts	M	5	0	0	5	100%	2.84	3.14	+.30
	F	9	1	11%	2	22%	2.74	2.68	-.06
	T	14	1	7%	7	50%	2.79	2.84	+.05
Engineering	M	7	0	0	2	29%	2.86	2.67	-.19
	F	0	-	---	-	---	---	---	---
	T	7	0	0	2	29%	2.86	2.67	-.19
Total	M	66	10	15%	15	23%	2.85	2.56	-.29
	F	61	5	8%	19	31%	2.86	2.65	-.21
	T	127	15	12%	34	27%	2.85	2.60	-.25

ALL STUDENTS									
L & S	M	74	13	18%	14	19%	2.86	2.51	-.35
	F	71	4	6%	25	35%	2.96	2.73	-.23
	T	145	17	12%	39	27%	2.90	2.62	-.28
Fine Arts	M	6	0	0	6	100%	2.86	3.12	+.26
	F	12	2	17%	4	33%	2.79	2.82	+.03
	T	18	2	11%	10	56%	2.81	2.92	+.11
Engineering	M	12	1	8%	3	25%	2.71	2.61	-.10
	F	0	-	---	-	---	---	---	---
	T	12	1	8%	3	25%	2.71	2.61	-.10
Total	M	92	14	15%	23	25%	2.84	2.57	-.27
	F	84	6	7%	29	35%	2.93	2.74	-.19
	T	176	20	11%	52	30%	2.88	2.65	-.23

TABLE 5 - Academic Performance of L.A.C.C. Transfers at UCLA, Selected Categories

	No.	% Below C	% B or Above	L.A.C.C. GPA	U C G.P.A.	Differential
1966-67 UCLA						
Fall entrants only						
Eligibles	35	14%	11%	2.84	2.52	-.32
Ineligibles	106	15%	25%	2.82	2.55	-.27
Total	141	14%	21%	2.83	2.54	-.29

1967-68 UCLA						
Fall entrants only						
Eligibles	29	10%	31%	2.92	2.71	-.21
Ineligibles	71	11%	23%	2.84	2.61	-.23
Total	100	11%	25%	2.87	2.64	-.23

1967-68 UCLA						
Students who attended one quarter only						
Eligibles	15	13%	27%	2.81	2.45	-.36
Ineligibles	46	15%	35%	2.84	2.57	-.27
Total	61	15%	33%	2.84	2.54	-.30

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

This study analyzes recent academic performance of L.A.C.C. transfers at UCLA, according to information received from the University of California Office of Educational Relations. Although some of the data is incomplete and in a form different from preceding years, the following conclusions appear justified:

- (1) 200 former L.A.C.C. students entered the University of California in the academic year 1967-68 and made an outstanding record: 30% earned a B average or above, with only 11% earning below a C average; average University of California grade point average was 2.65, only .22 below their junior college average, as compared with a drop of .45 for the 3,052 transfers from all California junior colleges.
- (2) The 59 students who were eligible for admission to the University at the time of high school graduation earned a 2.79 grade point average, with nearly 40% earning a B average or above. The 141 "ineligibles" also performed at a high level, averaging 2.59 with 26% earning a B average or above.
- (3) 1966-67 performance of entering transfers from L.A.C.C. (the first year of the quarter calendar) was only slightly below that of 1967-68, with a grade point average of 2.54 and a differential of -.28.
- (4) Only 30% of L.A.C.C. transfers were "eligibles", as compared with a statewide figure of 50%.
- (5) Although a new system of record keeping makes comparisons with previous years difficult, it is clear that 1967-68 performance is the best in recent years. Figures to document this observation include the lowest percent below a C average, the highest percent B average or above, the highest overall grade point average, and the lowest differential in eleven years. Evidence to cast doubt on the assertion is that UC performance includes all work undertaken by students during the three quarters of the year, while in prior years only first semester performance was recorded. However, a tabulation of records for 1967-68 UCLA entrants who completed only one quarter indicates little difference in performance from that of the total group.
- (6) 88% of the 1967-68 transfers entered UCLA, 8% Berkeley, with 4 other campuses accounting for the remaining 4%.
- (7) Students in the College of Fine Arts at UCLA averaged nearly a B average, higher than the L.A.C.C. average. Engineering transfers also performed at a high level.
- (8) Female performance at UCLA was clearly superior to male performance for students in the College of Letters and Science, clearly inferior in the

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS (continued)

School of Fine Arts where all six male transfers earned a B average or above. Overall female performances was superior.

- (9) The number of transfers in 1967-68 represented a drop of 17% from 1966-67, mainly in the "ineligibles" category.