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## ABSTRACT

The purpose of this report is to describe characteristics of students enrolled at Miami-Dade Community College (Florida) campuses and centers during the fall term 1999, and to highlight enrollment changes. Campus and center enrollment includes any student taking a course at that location, while college-wide data give an unduplicated count of students for the term. Highlights include: (1) the fall term 1999 credit enrollment was 46,888, a 1.2% decrease from fall 1998 (this represents 576 fewer students); (2) notable decreases in enrollment occurred for white non-Hispanics (-562 students), males (-380), full-time students (-448), U.S. citizens (-525), students in the 21-25 years-old age range (-406), and students with a native language of English (-1,174); (3) increases occurred for Hispanics (+131 students), students with a native language of Spanish (+643), students in the 36 years and older age ranges (+290), and foreign/visa students (+153); (4) 59% of students were taking primarily Associate in Arts courses, 20% Associate in Science courses, and 16% were enrolled primarily in college preparatory courses; (5) fall term enrollment has decreased steadily across the past five years, and there were 4,131 fewer students in fall 1999 than in fall term 1995. (JA)

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College-Wide Results

Credit Students: Overview

Table 1 shows that the Fall Term 1999 credit enrollment was 46,888, a 1.2% decrease from last Fall. This represents 576 fewer students.

Notable decreases in enrollment occurred for: White non-Hispanics (-562 students), males (-380), full-time students (-448), U.S. citizens (-525), students in the 21-25 years old age range (-406), and students with a native language of English (-1,174). Increases occurred for: Hispanics (+131 students), students with a native language of Spanish (+643), students in the 36 years and older age ranges (+290), and foreign/visa students (+153).

As a result of these shifts, overall ethnic proportions are now 64% Hispanic, 21% Black non-Hispanic, and 13% White non-Hispanic. The part-time proportion has increased to 69.5%. U.S. citizens have dropped to 55.9% of the enrollment, and only 43% of our students have a native language of English. The average age of students has increased to 27.11 years. In spite of the loss of full-time students, however, average credit load remained steady at 8.68.

Because of data problems with the transition to Odyssey in Fall 1999, matriculation code data are not reliable. A new variable called course emphasis classifies students based on the majority of their course credits. For Fall 1999, 59% were primarily taking Associate in Arts courses, 20% Associate in Science courses, and 16% were primarily enrolled in college preparatory courses.

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## Credit Students: Five Year Trends

Fall Term enrollment has **decreased steadily** across the past five years, and we now have 4,131 fewer students than in Fall Term 1995 (Table 2). Credits have dropped by 39,391 in the same period. These changes represent an 8% drop in students but a 9% drop in credits. Credit load has gone from 8.75 in Fall Term 1995 to 8.68 in Fall Term 1999.

## Non-Credit Students: Overview

Table 3 shows characteristics of Postsecondary Adult Vocational (PSAV), Continuing Workforce Education (Supplemental), Adult Basic, GED Prep, and Vocational Prep students.

There were 2,743 **PSAV** students enrolled Fall Term 1999, a sharp decrease from last Fall (-53.4%). This was due to the phasing out of VSI courses in the PSAV area. The **loss** was greatest for Hispanics (-2,300 students), females (-2,002), and the younger age groups. As a result of these shifts, overall PSAV **ethnic** proportions are now 57% Hispanic, 32% Black non-Hispanic, and 10% White non-Hispanic. **Males** are now 39% of the enrollment, and **average age** has increased to 35.26.

**Continuing Workforce Education (Supplemental)** enrollment was 8,027 for Fall Term 1999, a decrease of 4.2%. This is still the **highest enrollment of any non-credit category**. The decrease was primarily for males and non-Hispanics, while Hispanic enrollment increased by 12%. Supplemental students have the **highest proportion of White non-Hispanics** (22%) and are the **oldest** (mean age 38.51) of any matriculation category.

There were 937 **Adult Basic** students enrolled Fall Term 1999, an increase of 30%. The increase was notable for Blacks (+85%), non-Florida residents (+256), and students in the older age ranges. **Mean age** has increased to 28.62, and only 58% of students show a Florida **residency**.

**GED Prep** enrollment was 444 students Fall Term 1999, a drop of 27% (-160 students). The decrease was most notable for Hispanics (-168 students), females (-126), Florida residents (-206), and students in the older age ranges. **Average age** has decreased to 25.91, making this the **youngest group at the College**.

**Vocational Prep** enrollment was 1,144 for Fall Term 1999. This is a new category and has no comparison data. **Ethnic** proportions are almost even between Blacks (46%) and Hispanics (45%), while the **proportion of Whites (7%) is the lowest** of any category. **Average age** of these students is 31.52, reflecting the older vocational student.

## Non-Credit Students: Five Year Trends

Non-credit enrollment has shown a generally **increasing trend** across the past five Fall terms, with a drop in 1999 when VSI courses were phased out of the PSAV category. Adding all of the non-credit categories together yields 13,295 students for Fall Term 1999, an increase of 182 students from 1995. There were 42,168 non-credit equivalents generated by these students in Fall Term 1999, 9,923 more than in 1995.

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**TABLE 1**  
**CREDIT ENROLLMENT**  
**COLLEGE-WIDE**  
**(Unduplicated)**

	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>47,464</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>46,888</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-576</b>	<b>-1.2%</b>
White Non-Hispanic	6,448	13.6%	5,886	12.6%	-562	-8.7%
Black Non-Hispanic	10,082	21.2%	9,991	21.3%	-91	-0.9%
Hispanic	29,968	63.1%	30,099	64.2%	131	0.4%
Other	966	2.0%	912	1.9%	-54	-5.6%
Female	28,122	59.2%	27,926	59.6%	-196	-0.7%
Male	19,342	40.8%	18,962	40.4%	-380	-2.0%
Florida	45,704	96.3%	44,835	95.6%	-869	-1.9%
Non-Florida	1,760	3.7%	2,053	4.4%	293	16.6%
Full-Time	14,740	31.1%	14,292	30.5%	-448	-3.0%
Part-Time	32,724	68.9%	32,596	69.5%	-128	-0.4%
Under 18	786	1.7%	684	1.5%	-102	-13.0%
18-20	12,013	25.3%	11,944	25.5%	-69	-0.6%
21-25	15,106	31.8%	14,700	31.4%	-406	-2.7%
26-30	6,984	14.7%	6,886	14.7%	-98	-1.4%
31-35	4,590	9.7%	4,393	9.4%	-197	-4.3%
36-40	3,321	7.0%	3,463	7.4%	142	4.3%
Over 40	4,664	9.8%	4,812	10.3%	148	3.2%
Unknown	0	0.0%	6	0.0%	6	-
New Freshmen	6,791	14.3%	6,762	14.4%	-29	-0.4%
New Transfer	1,757	3.7%	2,119	4.5%	362	20.6%
Continuing	33,878	71.4%	30,888	65.9%	-2,990	-8.8%
Former	4,243	8.9%	3,846	8.2%	-397	-9.4%
High School Dual Enrollee	781	1.6%	706	1.5%	-75	-9.6%
Other	14	0.0%	96	0.2%	82	585.7%
Unknown	0	0.0%	2,471	5.3%	2,471	-
<b><u>Course Emphasis:</u></b>						
Associate in Arts	28,709	60.5%	27,634	58.9%	-1,075	-3.7%
Associate in Science	9,793	20.6%	9,204	19.6%	-589	-6.0%
College Preparatory	6,774	14.3%	7,487	16.0%	713	10.5%
Mixed Studies	2,187	4.6%	2,462	5.3%	275	12.6%
Other	1	0.0%	101	0.2%	100	10000.0%

**TABLE 1 (continued)**  
**CREDIT ENROLLMENT**  
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U.S. Citizen	26,738	56.3%	26,213	55.9%	-525	-2.0%
Resident Alien	15,632	32.9%	15,554	33.2%	-78	-0.5%
Refugee/Asylee	3,730	7.9%	3,579	7.6%	-151	-4.0%
Foreign/Visa	1,233	2.6%	1,386	3.0%	153	12.4%
Other	131	0.3%	156	0.3%	25	19.1%
English	21,318	44.9%	20,144	43.0%	-1,174	-5.5%
Spanish	21,784	45.9%	22,427	47.8%	643	3.0%
French/Creole	2,921	6.2%	2,897	6.2%	-24	-0.8%
Other	1,441	3.0%	1,420	3.0%	-21	-1.5%
Credits:	411,913		407,013		-4,900	-1.2%
Average Credit Load:	8.68		8.68			
Mean Age:	26.94		27.11			
<b>Campus and Center Enrollment: Duplicated Across Locations</b>						
North	14,702		14,435		-267	-1.8%
Kendall	18,393		17,729		-664	-3.6%
Wolfson	9,065		8,865		-200	-2.2%
Medical Center	2,186		2,722		536	24.5%
Homestead	1,695		1,696		1	0.1%
InterAmerican	3,852		4,095		243	6.3%
Hialeah	1,883		2,036		153	8.1%
Entrepreneurial	143		352		209	146.2%

Data Source: SDB and IRS40.

**TABLE 2**  
**CREDIT STUDENTS, CREDITS,**  
**AND AVERAGE CREDIT LOAD**

Fall Term	Students	Percent		Credits	Load
		Change	Change		
1995	51,019	-1,693	-3.2%	446,404	8.75
1996	49,836	-1,183	-2.3%	433,046	8.69
1997	48,853	-983	-2.0%	425,306	8.71
1998	47,464	-1,389	-2.8%	411,913	8.68
1999	46,888	-576	-1.2%	407,013	8.68

Data Source: IRS40.

**TABLE 3**  
**NON-CREDIT ENROLLMENT**  
**COLLEGE-WIDE**  
**(Unduplicated)**

**POSTSECONDARY ADULT VOCATIONAL**

	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>5,886</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,743</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-3,143</b>	<b>-53.4%</b>
White Non-Hispanic	665	11.3%	268	9.8%	-397	-59.7%
Black Non-Hispanic	1,267	21.5%	864	31.5%	-403	-31.8%
Hispanic	3,853	65.5%	1,553	56.6%	-2,300	-59.7%
Other	101	1.7%	58	2.1%	-43	-42.6%
Female	3,684	62.6%	1,682	61.3%	-2,002	-54.3%
Male	2,202	37.4%	1,061	38.7%	-1,141	-51.8%
Florida	5,618	95.4%	2,686	97.9%	-2,932	-52.2%
Non-Florida	268	4.6%	57	2.1%	-211	-78.7%
Under 18	98	1.7%	9	0.3%	-89	-90.8%
18-20	552	9.4%	242	8.8%	-310	-56.2%
21-25	1,184	20.1%	496	18.1%	-688	-58.1%
26-30	921	15.6%	416	15.2%	-505	-54.8%
31-35	880	15.0%	337	12.3%	-543	-61.7%
36-40	737	12.5%	357	13.0%	-380	-51.6%
Over 40	1,505	25.6%	881	32.1%	-624	-41.5%
Unknown	9	0.2%	5	0.2%	-4	-44.4%
Mean Age:	33.47		35.26			

**CONTINUING WORKFORCE EDUCATION (SUPPLEMENTAL)**

	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>8,380</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8,027</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-353</b>	<b>-4.2%</b>
White Non-Hispanic	2,248	26.8%	1,735	21.6%	-513	-22.8%
Black Non-Hispanic	1,251	14.9%	1,047	13.0%	-204	-16.3%
Hispanic	4,465	53.3%	5,011	62.4%	546	12.2%
Other	416	5.0%	234	2.9%	-182	-43.8%
Female	4,336	51.7%	4,463	55.6%	127	2.9%
Male	4,044	48.3%	3,564	44.4%	-480	-11.9%
Florida	7,898	94.2%	6,083	75.8%	-1,815	-23.0%
Non-Florida	482	5.8%	1,944	24.2%	1,462	303.3%
Under 18	28	0.3%	58	0.7%	30	107.1%
18-20	286	3.4%	326	4.1%	40	14.0%
21-25	817	9.7%	813	10.1%	-4	-0.5%
26-30	1,228	14.7%	1,136	14.2%	-92	-7.5%
31-35	1,316	15.7%	1,259	15.7%	-57	-4.3%
36-40	1,274	15.2%	1,241	15.5%	-33	-2.6%
Over 40	3,401	40.6%	3,175	39.6%	-226	-6.6%
Unknown	30	0.4%	19	0.2%	-11	-36.7%
Mean Age:	38.45		38.51			

Data Source: SDB

**TABLE 3 (continued)**  
**NON-CREDIT ENROLLMENT**  
**COLLEGE-WIDE**  
*(Unduplicated)*  
**ADULT BASIC**

	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>29.6%</b>
White Non-Hispanic	76	10.5%	76	8.1%	0	0.0%
Black Non-Hispanic	135	18.7%	250	26.7%	115	85.2%
Hispanic	504	69.7%	586	62.5%	82	16.3%
Other	8	1.1%	25	2.7%	17	212.5%
Female	446	61.7%	571	60.9%	125	28.0%
Male	277	38.3%	366	39.1%	89	32.1%
Florida	587	81.2%	545	58.2%	-42	-7.2%
Non-Florida	136	18.8%	392	41.8%	256	188.2%
Under 18	60	8.3%	51	5.4%	-9	-15.0%
18-20	205	28.4%	228	24.3%	23	11.2%
21-25	183	25.3%	185	19.7%	2	1.1%
26-30	100	13.8%	134	14.3%	34	34.0%
31-35	68	9.4%	106	11.3%	38	55.9%
36-40	46	6.4%	86	9.2%	40	87.0%
Over 40	60	8.3%	140	14.9%	80	133.3%
Unknown	1	0.1%	7	0.7%	6	600.0%
<b>Mean Age:</b>	<b>25.80</b>		<b>28.62</b>			

**GED PREP**

	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>-160</b>	<b>-26.5%</b>
White Non-Hispanic	54	8.9%	61	13.7%	7	13.0%
Black Non-Hispanic	132	21.9%	122	27.5%	-10	-7.6%
Hispanic	414	68.5%	246	55.4%	-168	-40.6%
Other	4	0.7%	15	3.4%	11	275.0%
Female	369	61.1%	243	54.7%	-126	-34.1%
Male	235	38.9%	201	45.3%	-34	-14.5%
Florida	464	76.8%	258	58.1%	-206	-44.4%
Non-Florida	140	23.2%	186	41.9%	46	32.9%
Under 18	39	6.5%	31	7.0%	-8	-20.5%
18-20	172	28.5%	148	33.3%	-24	-14.0%
21-25	145	24.0%	99	22.3%	-46	-31.7%
26-30	80	13.2%	58	13.1%	-22	-27.5%
31-35	52	8.6%	42	9.5%	-10	-19.2%
36-40	53	8.8%	21	4.7%	-32	-60.4%
Over 40	62	10.3%	44	9.9%	-18	-29.0%
Unknown	1	0.2%	1	0.2%	0	0.0%
<b>Mean Age:</b>	<b>26.68</b>		<b>25.91</b>			

Data Source: SDB

**TABLE 3 (continued)**  
**NON-CREDIT ENROLLMENT**  
**COLLEGE-WIDE**  
*(Unduplicated)*  
**ADULT BASIC**

	<b>VOCATIONAL PREP</b>					
	Fall Term 1998		Fall Term 1999		Change	Percent Change
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
<b>College Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,144</b>	-
<b>White Non-Hispanic</b>	0	0.0%	86	7.5%	86	-
<b>Black Non-Hispanic</b>	0	0.0%	528	46.2%	528	-
<b>Hispanic</b>	0	0.0%	517	45.2%	517	-
<b>Other</b>	0	0.0%	13	1.1%	13	-
<b>Female</b>	0	0.0%	638	55.8%	638	-
<b>Male</b>	0	0.0%	506	44.2%	506	-
<b>Florida</b>	0	0.0%	1,051	91.9%	1,051	-
<b>Non-Florida</b>	0	0.0%	93	8.1%	93	-
<b>Under 18</b>	0	0.0%	8	0.7%	8	-
<b>18-20</b>	0	0.0%	153	13.4%	153	-
<b>21-25</b>	0	0.0%	276	24.1%	276	-
<b>26-30</b>	0	0.0%	186	16.3%	186	-
<b>31-35</b>	0	0.0%	163	14.2%	163	-
<b>36-40</b>	0	0.0%	123	10.8%	123	-
<b>Over 40</b>	0	0.0%	234	20.5%	234	-
<b>Unknown</b>	0	0.0%	1	0.1%	1	-
<b>Mean Age:</b>	-		<b>31.52</b>			





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