

Enrollment Data Area Discussion: 5.0

Presenter: Jay Johnson, Assistant Director, HEI

Johnson reviewed the agenda he planned to discuss and asked for additional topics. The agenda was based on changes in the enrollment area in the previous year.

IPEDS Downloads

The IPEDS download features that are now available in the enrollment area are the Completions, Graduation Rate, and Fall Surveys. The later two are still being developed and Johnson requested volunteers to help test their accuracy.

High School of Graduation (HG) File to Replace Freshmen Remedial Enrollment (FE) File

The FE file will be replaced by the HG file. The HG file consists of a record of the high school of graduation for each new enrollment. It will be used, along with the Course Enrollment (CN) and Course Inventory (CI) files to create the Freshman Remediation Report, formerly produced by Ohio State University.

A participant asked if the HG file should include records of graduates from private high schools. Johnson did not know the answer then, but has since confirmed that graduates of private high school in Ohio will be requested in the HG file.

Another participant asked what code should be given to students who were home schooled. Johnson noted that the HG file is based on codes from ACT, so OBR will use whatever code ACT uses. If ACT does not have a code for home schooled students, OBR will create one.

Release of Remediation Report

The Freshman Remediation Report is now on the web for campus review and will be released to the public soon.

Resident Credit Center Clarification

A memo was distributed by Johnson clarifying a discrepancy between a primary edit in the RC file and the data submissions document. No changes were needed by campuses.

Changes announced in September 2000

In September a memo announced several changes in the enrollment area, which can be viewed at <http://www.regents.state.oh.us/hei/datasubdoc/memos/generalmemo.html#changes>.

▪ Eliminate Aggregated Enrollment (AE) File

Except in the case that a college or university will be audited, the AE file has been eliminated. A participant noted that the AE file does not point out which year the college or university should continue to submit. Johnson noted that it should be the year that will be audited. A change will be made to the AE file.

▪ High School Admission Area in Student Entrance (SE)

A participant asked if the Revised First Enrollment (RF) file would be phased out over time now that the High School Admission Area was in place. Many students who received an undergraduate (UND) admission area record with their Year and Term of First Enrollment indicating when they started as a high school student would not be out of the college's information system for four more years. Johnson recognized that the RF file would be phased out over time to accommodate these circumstances.

- **Senate Bill 53 Changes to Student Enrollment (SN) & Course Enrollment (CN) Files**

Students who live in a contiguous state but work in Ohio whose employer is paying for their tuition are eligible for subsidy under the provisions of Senate Bill 53. However those courses that are not covered in the contract are not eligible for subsidy. Participants noted that they do have such cases and it has been tough keeping track of these enrollments.

- **New Graduate Rank Definitions and Collection of Hours Earned in the SN**

One participant asked why this was now being collected. Johnson answered that the Instructional Subsidy Consultation and Graduate Funding Commission had made decisions on graduate ranks in varying program areas based on the Credit Hours Earned by the graduate student. The debate is not yet over, and the presence of this data element will eliminate the need for the Regents to request campuses to recreate years of history as were requested last summer for the Consultation and Commission.

This change in the SN has caused some troubles for colleges and universities trying to resubmit SN data for terms prior to autumn 2000. In that case the school needs to submit the changes according to the new file format and can place zeros in the Hours Earned field.

- **Special Cohort Tracking (SC) File Available**

One participant asked how the SC and CT files were different. Johnson noted that the CT is used for IPEDS purposes while the SC can be used for the college or university's own institutional planning purposes for populations other than the IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey.

- **SN Summary Edits**

New summary edits for the SN file have been created. Summary edits for the Course Inventory (CI), Course Enrollment (CN) and Student Entrance (SE) files will also be modified to the html format.

- **Credit Hours to Degree in Degree/Certificate Earned (DC)**

This was a clarification of an existing data element.