IPEDS 2025-26 Data Collection System

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Institutional Characteristics 2025-26

Institution: University of Akron Main Campus (200800)

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Overview

IC Overview

Welcome to the Institutional Characteristics (IC) survey component. This survey component collects directory information, including data that are key to reporting throughout the IPEDS data collection and must be completed and locked before any other survey can be started. Any errors in the IC survey component can lead to further errors in the data reporting process, so please be very careful in reporting these data correctly and contact the IPEDS Help Desk (877.225.2568) if you have any questions.

This survey component also collects basic institutional information including student services and athletic association.

The IC should be completed based on the current year. Some IC questions may require nothing more than a confirmation if nothing has changed. Please make changes as necessary, and complete items that do need a response (e.g., enrollment questions).

Remember, it is the responsibility of the keyholder to provide NCES with accurate data about the institution. Please never hesitate to call the IPEDS Help Desk at 1-877-225-2568 and ask for help to make sure that you are reporting correctly!

Because of the importance of the IC data in Section 1 (Header Information) in determining the screens you will receive in other survey components, be sure to report correctly, and to contact the IPEDS Help Desk if you have **ANY** questions about what you need to report.

The IC data in Section 1(Header Information) affect other survey components in the following ways:

- The Educational Offerings question verifies your institution's inclusion in IPEDS.
- The Control and Levels page is key to all survey components, especially to Finance (F) and Graduation Rates (GR). Additionally, this is important information for students, impacts many federal reports, and is used in placing institutions in appropriate net price groupings.
- · Calendar system selection impacts student charges data reported in Cost (CST), Fall Enrollment (EF), GR, and Student Financial Aid (SFA) data.
- Enrollment levels impact student charges in CST and enrollment categories in the EF survey component.
- · The operations question for new institutions determines reporting of 12-month Enrollment (E12).

Data Reporting Reminder:

· Report data to accurately reflect the time period corresponding with the IPEDS survey component, even if such reporting is seemingly inconsistent with prior-year reporting.

Changes to reporting:

The following changes have been made for 2025-26 collection:

- The Open Admissions question was moved to the Admissions survey component.
- The Academic Libraries expenses question was removed as the Academic Libraries survey component was discontinued.

Resources:

- To download survey materials package for this component: Survey Materials
- To access your prior year data submission for this component: Reported Data

If you have questions about completing the survey, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at 1-877-225-2568.

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Section 1- Header Information: Part A - Educational Offerings

1. Which of the following types of for-credit instruction/programs are offered by your institution? [Check one or more
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	☑ Occupational, may lead to a certificate, degree, or other recognized postsecondary credential
	✓ <u>Academic</u> , may lead to a certificate, degree, or diploma
	✓ Continuing professional (postbaccalaureate only)
	✓ Recreational or avocational (leisure) programs
	☐ <u>Adult basic</u> or developmental instruction or high school equivalency
	☐ Secondary (high school)
	□ <u>Developmental</u>

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Section 1- Header Information: Part B - Mission Statement

1. Provide the institution's mission statement *or* a web address (URL) where the mission statement can be found. Typed statements are limited to 2,000 characters or less. The mission statement will be available to the public on College Navigator.

Mission Statement URL:

(1) The university of Akron maintains a commitment to: (a) Provide learning opportunities for the full spectrum of students; (b) Create and discover knowledge through basic and applied research and creative activity; (c) Create a learning environment with emphasis on a full collegiate experience for each student, leading to opportunities for cognitive, social, and personal development; (d) Provide a forum for the examination of ideas and concepts and the generation of scholarly dialogue within the established principles

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Section 1- Header Information: Part B - Organization - Control and Levels

2. What is your institutional control or affiliation?

Be sure to select the correct control for your institution. Errors on this question have an impact throughout the IPEDS surveys, in federal reporting, in net price groupings, and on your institutions' appearance to students. If you reported incorrectly in a previous year, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at 877.225.2568 to correct the error.

Public - Select primary and/or secondary controls below			
	Primary control	Secondary control (if applicable)	
	State	Select One	~
0	Private for-profit		
0	Private not-for-profit independent (no religious affiliation)		
0	<u>Private not-for-profit</u> religious affiliation - Select affiliation below		
	Select One		_

3. What award levels are offered by your institution? [Check all that apply]

Award Levels reported should be completed based on the current year. When reporting award levels for subbaccalaureate certificates (levels 1a, 1b, 2, and 4), determine program length by the number of credit or clock hours.

The "Other" award level should not be used unless your program truly does not fit any of the other award levels. We expect very few institutions to fit the "Other" category.

Even though Teacher Preparation certificate programs may require a bachelor's degree for admission, they are considered subbaccalaureate undergraduate programs. Check the applicable award level 1a, 1b, 2, or 4, depending on the length of the Teacher Preparation program.

Award L	Award Level				
BELOW .	BELOW THE BACCALAUREATE:				
1a	ď	Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma of - less than 300 clock hours, or - less than 9 semester or trimester credit hours, or - less than 13 quarter credit hours			
1b	☑′	Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma of - 300-899 clock hours, or - 9-29 semester or trimester credit hours, or - 13-44 quarter credit hours			
2	¥	Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma of - at least 900 but less than 1,800 clock hours, or - at least 30 but less than 60 semester or trimester credit hours, or - at least 45 but less than 90 quarter credit hours			
3		Associate's degree			
4		Postsecondary award, certificate, or diploma of - 1,800 or more clock hours, or - 60 or more semester or trimester credit hours, or - 90 or more quarter credit hours			
BACCALA	UREATE AND	ABOVE:			
5		Bachelor's degree or equivalent			
6	☑′	Postbaccalaureate certificate			
7	☑′	Master's degree			
8	☑′	Post-master's certificate			
17	V	Doctor's degree - research/scholarship			
18		Doctor's degree - professional practice			
19		Doctor's degree - other			
12		Other (please specify in context box below)			

Yes, I confirm that I reviewed the award levels offered by my institution above.

(1) You may use the box below to provide additional context for the data you have reported above. Context notes will be posted on the College Navigator website. Therefore, you should write all context notes using proper grammar (e.g., complete sentences with punctuation) and common language that can be easily understood by students and parents (e.g., spell out acronyms).

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Section 1- Header Information: Part B - Organization - Calendar System

Your response to the next question determines how your institution reports Institutional CST student charges data in the fall, Student Financial Aid data in the fall/winter, and Graduation Rates data in the winter.

If the calendar system differs from prior year or requires a change, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at 877.225.2568.

1 4. What is the predominant calendar system at the institution? [Choose one]

Academic Year Reporting Method (Standard academic terms)

Selecting one of the following calendar types determines that your institution will provide Student Financial Aid and Graduation Rates data based on a <u>FALL COHORT</u>, and student charges data for a full <u>ACADEMIC YEAR</u>.

- Semester
- O Quarter
- O <u>Trimester</u>
- O 4-1-4 or similar plan

Program Reporting Method (Other calendar system)

Selecting one of the following calendar types determines that your institution will provide Student Financial Aid and Graduation Rates data based on a <u>FULL-YEAR COHORT</u>, and student charges data by <u>PROGRAM</u>.

- O Differs by program
- Continuous basis (every 2 weeks, monthly, or other period)

Hybrid/Mixed Reporting Method (Standard academic terms, other academic calendar)

Selecting the hybrid calendar type determines that your institution will provide Graduation Rates data based on a <u>FULL-YEAR COHORT</u>, student charges data for a full <u>ACADEMIC YEAR</u>, and Student Financial Aid data for students enrolling between August 1 and October 31.

O Hybrid (Other academic calendar)

Yes ◉

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Section 1- Header Information: Part B - Organization - Student Enrollment

5. Does your institution enroll any of the following types of students?

Include all levels offered by your institution, even if there are no students currently enrolled at that level.

Responses to these questions determine which screens will be generated for reporting academic year tuition charges, and for reporting Fall Enrollment during the Spring collection. Additionally, checking Yes for full-time, first-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate students determines that your institution must report cost of attendance data (on the Cost I component) and Student Financial Aid data for these students.

<u>Full-time</u>		<u>Part-time</u>		
<u>Undergraduate (academic or occupational programs)</u>	O No	Yes	O No	Yes
First-time, degree/certificate-seeking undergraduate	O No	Yes	O No	Yes
<u>Graduate (not including doctor's-professional practice)</u>	O No	Yes	O No	Yes

6. D

Checking Yes for this question will allow your institution to report graduate level students in Fall Enrollment. If you select Yes to enrolling students in one of the listed programs,	you will
also report tuition for the appropriate program(s).	

Full-time, first-time degree/certificate-seeking students from the 2019-20 Enrollment survey (GR Cohort)

 $\hfill\Box$ This institution was not in operation in 2019-20.

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Section 1- Header Information: Part B - Multi-institution or Multi-campus Organization

8. Multi-institution or multi-campus organization

Is the institution part of a multi-institution or multi-campus organization that owns, governs, or controls the institution? Do NOT indicate a religious affiliation here; that information is collected separately.

If you need assistance or need to make changes, contact the IPEDS Help Desk at 1-877-225-2568. You will not be able to lock your submission if this question is blank.

- No, this institution IS NOT a part of a multi-institution or multi-campus organization that owns, governs, or controls the institution.
- O Yes, this institution IS a part of a multi-institution or multi-campus organization that owns, governs, or controls the institution.

Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part A - Services and Programs for Servicemembers and Veterans

. Which of the following are available to veterans, military servicemembers, or their families?	
☑ <u>Yellow Ribbon Program</u> (officially known as Post-9/11 Gl Bill, Yellow Ribbon Program)	
✓ Credit for military training	
☑ Dedicated point of contact for support services for veterans, military servicemembers, and their families	
✓ Recognized student veteran organization	
Member of Department of Defense Voluntary Educational Partnership Memorandum of Understanding	
\square None of the above	
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Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part B - Student Services - Special Learning Opportunities

1. Does your institution accept any of the following? [Check all that apply]
✓ Credit for life experiences
✓ Advanced placement (AP) credits
□ None of the above
2. What types of special learning opportunities are offered by your institution? [Check all that apply]
☑ ROTC
✓ Army
□ Navy
☐ Marine option
✓ Air Force
✓ Study abroad
✓ Weekend/evening courses or programs
☑ Undergraduate research (co-curricula)
☑ 1 Teacher certification (for the elementary, middle school/junior high, or secondary level)
Do not include certifications to teach at the postsecondary level.
☑ Students can complete their preparation in certain areas of specialization
\square Students must complete their preparation at another institution for certain areas of specialization
☑ This institution is approved by the state for the initial certification or licensure of teachers
✓ Comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities
\square None of the above
3. If your institution grants a bachelor's degree or higher but does not offer a full 4-year program of study at the undergraduate level, how many years of completed college-level work are required for entrance?
Number of years: Select

Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part B - Student Services: Other Student Services

4. Which of the following selected student services are offered by your institution? [Check all that apply]
✓ Academic/career counseling services
✓ Placement services for program completers
☐ On-campus dependent care
\square None of the above
5. Which of the following academic library resources or services does your institution provide? [Check all that apply]
✓ Physical facilities
☑
✓ Access to Digital/electronic resources (databases, e-books, e-media, and e-serials)
☑ ① A staff trained to provide and interpret library materials
☑ Established library hours
☑ ① Access to library collections shared with other institutions
\square None of the above
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Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part B - Student Services - Distance Education

7. Please indicate at what level(s) your institution does or does not offer distance education courses and/or distance education programs. Check all that apply.

	<u>Distance education courses</u>	Distance education programs	Does not offer Distance Education
Undergraduate level	☑*		
Graduate level	₽′	₽′	

1 8. Are all the programs at your institution offered exclusively via <u>distance education programs</u> ?	1 8. Are all the program	s at your institution	offered exclusively vi	a <u>distance education p</u>	rograms?
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No

NoYes

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Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part B - Student Services: Disability Services

	e the percentage of all undergraduate students enrolled during Fall 2024 who w s (or the equivalent office).	vere formally registered as students with disabilities with the institu	ıtion's office of
.	ent or less han 3 percent: (enter up to 2 decimal places)	4.50 %	
400	he box below to provide additional context for the data you have reported above. notes using proper grammar (e.g., complete sentences with punctuation) and cor	·	

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Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part B - Noncredit Education Offered

10. Which of the following categories of <u>noncredit education</u> are offered by your institution? [Check all that apply] **Note:** Categories below may not be mutually exclusive.

V	Workforce Education
V	Contract Training/Customized Training
	<u>Developmental Education</u>
\	Recreational/Avocational/Leisure/Personal Enrichment
	Adult Basic Education
	Adult High School Diploma or Equivalent
	English as a Second Language
V	Continuing Professional Education
	None of the above

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Section 2 - Institutional Characteristics: Part C - Athletic Association

1. Is this institution a member of a national athletic association?			
0	No		
•	Yes - Check all that apply		
	✓ National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA)		
	$\ \square$ National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA)		
	$\ \square$ National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA)		
	$\ \square$ United States Collegiate Athletic Association (USCAA)		
	$\ \square$ National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA)		
	☐ Other		

2. If this institution is a member of the NCAA or NAIA, specify the conference FOR EACH SPORT using the pull-down menu.

Sport	NCAA or NAIA member	Conference
Football	O No ● Yes-Specify	Mid-American Conference
Basketball	○ No	Mid-American Conference
Baseball	○ No	Mid-American Conference
Cross country and/or track	○ No	Mid-American Conference

Summary

Institutional Characteristics Component Summary

The purpose of this summary is to provide you an opportunity to view some of the data that, when accepted through the IPEDS quality control process, will appear on the <u>College Navigator</u> website and/or your institution's Data Feedback Report (DFR). In addition, all data reported in IPEDS survey components become publicly available through the <u>IPEDS Use the Data</u> and appear as aggregated statistics in various Department of Education reports. <u>College Navigator</u> is updated approximately three months after the data collection period closes and DFRs will be available through the <u>IPEDS Use the Data</u>.

Please review your data for accuracy. If you have questions about the data displayed below or after reviewing the data reported on the survey screens, please contact the IPEDS Help Desk at: 1-877-225-2568 or ipedshelp@rti.org.

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Mission Statement	knowledge through basic and applied research and creative activity; (c) Create a learning environment with emphasis on a full collegiate experience for each student, leading to opportunities for cognitive, social, and personal development; (d) Provide a forum for the examination of ideas and concepts and the generation of scholarly dialogue within the established principles of academic freedom; (e) Encourage opportunities for interdisciplinary study and research; (f) Strive for continued improvement of the teaching and learning environment; (g) Prepare career oriented people for professional leadership roles in regional, national, and international organizations and institutions; and (h) Offer appropriate educational and professional services to its various constituencies within available resources and established continuing education and outreach philosophies. (2) In addition, the location of the university of Akron in the northeastern Ohio region mandates a concern for the unique higher educational, economic, and cultural needs of this area. (3) The university of Akron mission statement: the university of Akron, a publicly assisted metropolitan institution, strives to develop enlightened members of society. It offers comprehensive programs of instruction from associate through doctoral levels; pursues a vigorous agenda of research in the arts, sciences, and professions; and provides service to the community. The university pursues excellence in undergraduate education and distinction in selected areas of graduate instruction, inquiry, and creative activity.
Control	Public Primary control: State Postsecondary awards, certificates, or diplomas of less than 300 clock hours
Award Levels Offered	Postsecondary awards, certificates, or diplomas of 300-899 clock hours Postsecondary awards, certificates, or diplomas of at least 900 clock hours but less than 1,800 clock hours Associate's degree Bachelor's degree Postbaccalaureate certificate Master's degree Post-master's certificate Doctor's degree - research/scholarship Doctor's degree - professional practice
Reporter Type	Academic
Calendar System	Semester Full-time Undergraduate
Levels of Enrollment Offered	Full-time Gridergraduate Full-time First-time, degree/certificate-seeking Undergraduate Full-time Graduate (not including doctor's professional) Part-time Undergraduate Part-time First-time, degree/certificate-seeking Undergraduate Part-time Graduate (not including doctor's professional) Doctor's degree - professional practice programs
System	No system

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Student Services	Credit for life experiences
Credit Accepted	Advanced placement (AP) credits ROTC : Army - Air Force
Special Learning Opportunities	Study abroad Weekend/evening courses or programs Undergraduate research (co-curricula) Teacher certification (for the elementary, middle school/junior high, or secondary level) Students can complete their preparation in certain areas of specialization This institution is approved by the state for the initial certification or licensure of teachers Comprehensive transition and postsecondary program for students with intellectual disabilities
Years of college-level work required for BS/BA	orogram entry N/A Academic/career counseling services
Other Student Services	Employment services for current students Placement services for program completers

Physical facilities

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Academic library resources		An organized collection of printed materials Access to Digital/electronic resources (databases, e-books, e-media, and e-serials) A staff trained to provide and interpret library materials Established library hours Access to library collections shared with other institutions
Distance Education		
DE program le	vel(s)	Undergraduate and Graduate
DE course leve	el(s)	Undergraduate and Graduate Workforce Education
Noncredit Education		Contract Training/Customized Training Remedial Education Recreational/Avocational/Leisure/Personal Enrichment English as a Second Language Continuing Professional Education
Disability Services		More than 3 percent: 4.50%

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Edit Report

Institutional Characteristics

There are no errors for the selected survey and institution.