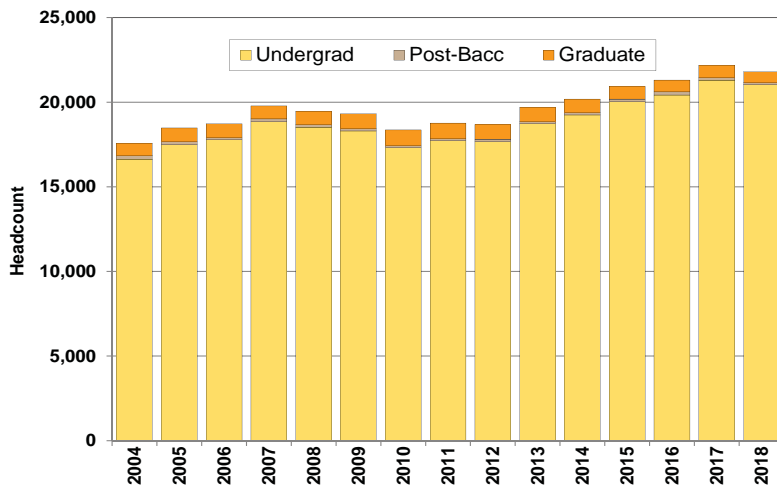# Fall 2018 Census
Enrollment

INFO BRIEF

Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo

UNIVERSITY HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT

Cal Poly's total headcount enrollment decreased in fall 2018 to 21,812 students, a 1.7% decrease from fall 2017.

Undergrad headcount enrollment decreased by 1.2% to 21,037 students.

Post-Bacc headcount, which is comprised mostly of credential students, decreased by 22.6% to 127 students.

Graduate enrollment decreased by 10.9% to 648 students.

Notes: *Post-Bacc category consists of credential and non-degree-seeking students. Graduate category consists of students who are pursuing master's degrees.*
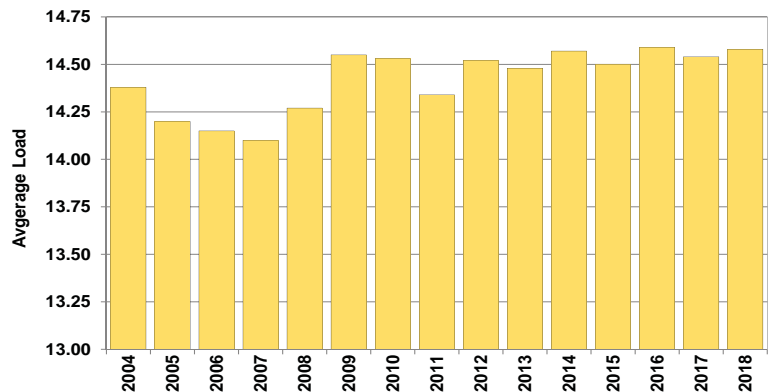
Fall Term	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Undergrad	16,636	17,488	17,777	18,842	18,516	18,302	17,332	17,725	17,680	18,739	19,246	20,049	20,426	21,297	21,037
Post-Bacc	200	197	145	167	167	141	120	118	124	134	143	135	183	164	127
Graduate	746	790	800	768	788	882	908	919	875	830	797	760	697	727	648
TOTAL	17,582	18,475	18,722	19,777	19,471	19,325	18,360	18,762	18,679	19,703	20,186	20,944	21,306	22,188	21,812

AVERAGE UNDERGRADUATE LOAD

The fall 2018 undergraduate average unit load of 14.58 is a 0.3% increase from last year's average of 14.54.

The fall 2018 graduate student average unit load of 11.30 is a 3.1% decrease from last year's average of 11.65.

The fall 2018 total average unit load combined with the total headcount enrollment resulted in a full-time equivalent students (FTES) of 21,204.20, a decrease of 1.5% over Fall 2017 FTES of 21,528.50.
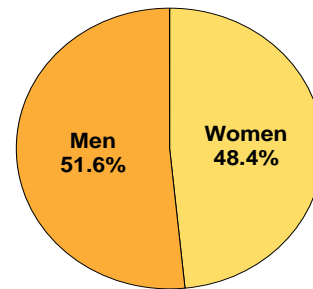

Fall Term	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Undergrad	14.38	14.20	14.15	14.10	14.27	14.55	14.53	14.34	14.52	14.48	14.57	14.50	14.59	14.54	14.58
Post-Bacc	13.02	12.87	13.32	13.17	13.24	14.39	14.27	14.63	14.68	14.46	15.54	16.74	16.37	16.41	16.73
Graduate	10.40	10.58	10.82	11.05	11.29	10.98	11.26	11.58	11.52	11.44	11.72	11.29	11.10	11.65	11.30
TOTAL	14.20	14.03	14.00	13.97	14.14	14.39	14.36	14.21	14.38	14.35	14.47	14.39	14.50	14.46	14.50

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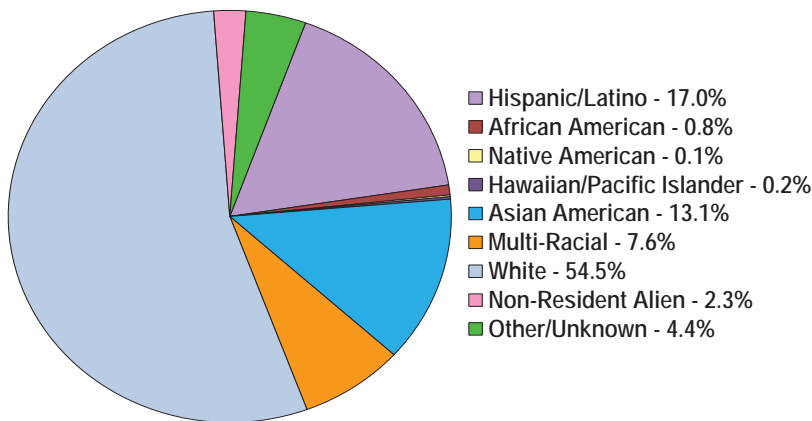
TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY GENDER

Gender proportions do not change much from year to year. Of the fall 2018 total student population (undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate), 48.4% are women. This is an increase of 0.5 percentage points compared to fall 2017.

- 48.3% of fall 2018 **undergraduate** students are women
- 69.3% of fall 2018 **post-baccalaureate** students are women
- 48.0% of fall 2018 **graduate** students are women

TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY ETHNIC ORIGIN

- Hispanic/Latino - 17.0%
- African American - 0.8%
- Native American - 0.1%
- Hawaiian/Pacific Islander - 0.2%
- Asian American - 13.1%
- Multi-Racial - 7.6%
- White - 54.5%
- Non-Resident Alien - 2.3%
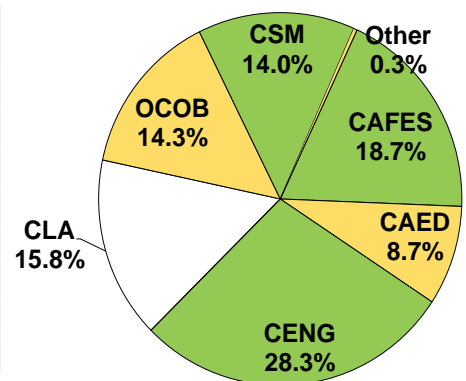- Other/Unknown - 4.4%

Of the fall 2018 total student population, 17.0% identify themselves as Hispanic/Latino and 13.1% identify themselves as Asian American.

Note: As of Summer 2009, Cal Poly converted to the new federal standards for collecting and reporting ethnicity. Among the changes is a new option for students to identify themselves in multiple races. Because of the new "multi-racial" category, we no longer aggregate students into a "non-white" category.

TOTAL ENROLLMENT BY COLLEGE

College	Undergrad	Post-Bacc	Graduate	Total	Avg. UG Unit Load
Ag., Food & Env. Sciences	4,005	—	73	4,078	14.56
Architecture & Env. Design	1,840	—	48	1,888	14.97
Engineering	5,921	—	250	6,171	14.45
Liberal Arts	3,348	—	91	3,439	14.81
Orfalea College of Business	3,088	—	36	3,124	14.62
Science & Math	2,784	112	150	3,046	14.38
Other	51	15	—	66	12.61
Total	21,037	127	648	21,812	14.58

The College of Engineering continues to enroll the largest number of Cal Poly majors, with 28.3% of all fall 2018 students. The College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences follows, with 18.7% of all fall 2018 students. The College of Engineering also has the most graduate (master's) students (250). The College of Architecture and Environmental Design has the highest average undergraduate unit load. Conversely, Engineering has the lowest average undergraduate unit load.

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