

## **C-2. AUBURN UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT POLICIES**

Over the years, the University has experienced greater demand for admission than its facilities and resources were able to support effectively. This surplus of demand has made it possible to manage growth, to be selective in the admissions process, and to win recognition for enrolling students of outstanding quality and providing them with an exceptional student experience.

While growth may sometimes produce economies of scale, sound enrollment policy begins with a commitment to maintain high levels of quality in all programs offered. Enrollment at the University should never exceed resources required to provide students with the excellent faculty, facilities, and support services that the University has provided throughout its history. Further, the University has long been known for its personable, warm campus atmosphere, welcoming not only Alabama residents but also many students from the rest of the nation and the world.

### **ENROLLMENT POLICY FOR AUBURN, ALABAMA CAMPUS**

Given these considerations, the University has adopted the following policy with respect to undergraduate enrollment at the Auburn, Alabama campus (“Auburn University”):

1. total undergraduate enrollment will be maintained at approximately 25,000 students;
2. each new freshman cohort should comprise not more than approximately 5,000 students;
3. Alabama residents should compose approximately 60% of each new freshman cohort;
4. qualified undergraduate transfer students should continue to be recruited and admitted; and
5. when enrollment at the Auburn, Alabama campus is unavailable, qualified undergraduate applicants should be invited and encouraged to consider application to Auburn Montgomery.

### **ENROLLMENT POLICY FOR OTHER UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES**

The specific enrollment policies for all University campuses and extensions other than the Auburn, Alabama campus will be determined on a case-by-case basis taking into account the relevant facts, circumstances, and resources available.

### **PROGRAM-LEVEL ENROLLMENT POLICIES**

As stated above, the University’s general enrollment policies are based upon “a commitment to maintaining the highest possible levels of quality in all programs and disciplines offered, and enrollment should never exceed the available resources required to ensure all students are afforded access to exceptional faculty, facilities, libraries, support services and other academic necessities.”

Consistent with this stated desire to maintain the highest possible level of quality and excellence throughout these areas, it will also be the policy of the University for the University President to approve enrollment plans for each of the programs, schools, colleges, and campuses that comprise the University. Accordingly, the University President, based upon the input and suggestions of the Provost and the deans of the various schools and colleges, will review and implement an enrollment plan designed around the following considerations:

- student demand;
- programmatic goals;
- faculty resources;
- instructional facilities;
- equipment and library requirements;
- program accreditation criteria and standards; and
- budgetary support.

The University President shall report to the Board of Trustees annually with a written report on approved enrollment plans for the current and most recently completed school years, actual enrollment for such periods, and the proposed enrollment plans for the upcoming school year.

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