The University of Western Ontario

Year 1 Class, Entering Averages, and First-Year Grades

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Context

• Western continues Approach using “Standard Minimum Entrance Requirement”
  – Fall 2009 83.0%
  – Fall 2008 82.5%
  – Fall 2007 82.0%
  – Fall 2006 81.0%
  – Fall 2005 80.5%
  – Fall 2004 80.5%
  – Fall 2003 83.0% (peak Double Cohort year)
  – Fall 2002 79.5%
  – Fall 2001 77.0%
Student Profile:

Applicant Type and Geographical Origin

2009-10 Year 1 Students by Applicant Type

Total Year 1 = 4,453

- New Ontario Secondary School: 3,664 (82%)
- New All Others: 652 (15%)
- Returners: 137 (3%)

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New Year 1 “All Others” by Admit Type
2009-10
Total = 652

Geographical Origin of Year 1 Students
Entering Grades of New Ontario Secondary School Students

Average Entering Grade

- Western
- Ontario
Average Entering Grade
Difference Between Western and Ontario

-4%  -2%  0%  2%  4%  6%

85-86 86-87 87-88 88-89 89-90 90-91
91-92 92-93 93-94 94-95 95-96 96-97
97-98 98-99 99-00 00-01 01-02 02-03
03-04 04-05 05-06 06-07 07-08 08-09

Plot shows Western average entering grade less the overall Ontario average entering grade

Proportion with Entering Grades of 85% or More

70%  60%  50%  40%  30%  20%  10%

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Western

Ontario
Proportion with Entering Grades of 85% or More Difference Between Western and Ontario

Plot shows Western’s proportion of 85%+ students less the overall Ontario proportion of 85%+ students

Average Entering Grade Western and Affiliated University Colleges
Entering Grades of New Ontario Secondary School Students by University and Program

2008-09

2008-09 Average Entering Grade All Programs

Western Prior Year: Avg = 86.0% Rank = 2
2008-09 Average Entering Grade
Arts & Humanities / Social Science

2008-09 Average Entering Grade
BMOS / Commerce
2008-09 Average Entering Grade
Engineering

Western Prior Year: Avg = 85.5%  Rank = 4

2008-09 Average Entering Grade
Kinesiology

Western Prior Year: Avg = 83.6%  Rank = 5
2008-09 Average Entering Grade
Science

Retention Rates
Year 1 to Year 2 Retention Rates

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First-Year Courses at Western

Grade Distributions, by Faculty
First-Year Course Grade Distributions

% A’s & B’s