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## IU Kokomo sets spring enrollment record

**KOKOMO, Ind.** — A record-breaking 3,261 students enrolled for the spring semester at Indiana University Kokomo, continuing the campus' growth trend and increasing by 3.5 percent from the previous spring.

The strongest growth was in graduate programs, up nearly 40 percent, while undergraduate enrollment increased by 3.6 percent.

The campus also set a record for spring credit hours taken, at 31,662, and continued its trend of increasing minority enrollment.

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Minority students now represent 11.2 percent of the student population.

“Our minority enrollment has grown significantly since 2008,” said Norma Fewell, director of information management. “About 10.8 percent of the population of our region is minorities. We are doing a good job recruiting, to reflect our region.”

Fewel, credits part of the graduate school growth to the recruitment of 15 MBA students from Saudi Arabia. They've also contributed to an increase in the number of full-time graduate students, to nearly 50 percent.

“That is a phenomenal number,” Fewell said. “We have doubled enrollment in that program.”

IU Kokomo offers master's degrees in nursing, business, public management, and liberal studies.

Nearly 70 percent of undergraduates are now full-time, an increase of 2.2 percent, which will help the campus achieve its goal of students graduating in four years.

“Students who are enrolled full-time are much more likely to earn their degrees in four years,” Fewell said. “This is a good indicator that our students are hearing our message and taking it seriously.”

Other areas of growth include:

- Freshman +5.2 percent
- Hispanic +10.2 percent
- Non-resident alien +340 percent
- Male +1.6 percent
- Female +4.5 percent

IU Kokomo offers more than 70 degree programs, more online and Friday courses, and additional funding for scholarships and financial aid. It also has a vibrant student life program, including NAIA volleyball, basketball and cross country teams. The campus also has many opportunities to get involved with activities such as Cougar News, Crescendos choir, drama productions, and the newest activity, club soccer.

*Indiana University Kokomo serves north central Indiana.*

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