# Bethel University 2012-13 All Year Student Enrollment 

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## Enrollment:

A total of 6,637 unduplicated students registered for classes at Bethel University during the 2012-13 academic year (fall 2012 through summer 2013) an increase of nearly $2 \%$ from the prior year, surpassing the record unduplicated enrollment set in 2010-11 by 2 students. This increase was largely driven by large increases in the graduate school (a one-year increase of 250 students, nearly 18\%) and was assisted by strong growth in Seminary of the East as well.

However, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Adult \& Professional Studies, and the seminaries in Saint Paul and San Diego saw declines in enrollment, most noticeably at the seminary locations. Seminary enrollment has steadily declined for the past five years, with enrollment at the Saint Paul location down nearly $28 \%$ over that time period. And after four straight years of all-year enrollment records, the College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) dipped to 3,031 students for 2012-13, falling slightly below the enrollments of the past two years.

| Bethel University All-Year Enrollment | $\mathbf{0 7 - 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{0 8 - 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 9 - 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 - 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 - 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 - 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ year <br> change |
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| College of Arts \& Sciences (CAS)* | 2,932 | 2,955 | 3,009 | 3,043 | 3,067 | 3,031 | $\mathbf{- 1 . 2}$ |
| College of Adult \& Professional Studies <br> (CAPS) | 876 | 911 | 909 | 986 | 929 | 915 | $\mathbf{- 1 . 5 \%}$ |
| Graduate School (GS) | 1,187 | 1,257 | 1,275 | 1,424 | 1,423 | 1,673 | $17.6 \%$ |
| Bethel Seminary St. Paul (BSSP) | 920 | 958 | 942 | 870 | 770 | 694 | $-9.9 \%$ |
| Bethel Seminary San Diego (BSSD) | 268 | 285 | 268 | 305 | 303 | $\mathbf{2 7 0}$ | $-10.9 \%$ |
| Bethel Seminary of the East (BSOE) | 155 | 163 | 158 | 106 | 93 | 124 | $33.3 \%$ |
| DUPLICATED TOTAL | 6,338 | 6,529 | 6,561 | 6,734 | 6,585 | 6,707 | $1.9 \%$ |
| Unduplicated Total | 6,266 | 6,440 | 6,457 | 6,635 | 6,532 | 6,637 | $1.6 \%$ |

*In 2012-13, the CAS enrollment includes 106 high school students taking Bethel credit through "College in the Schools."


Sixty-nine students were enrolled in more than one school, as follows:

- 1 student in BSSP and BSOE
- 3 students in CAPS and BSSP
- 46 students in CAPS and GS
- 1 student in CAS and BSSP
- 3 students in CAS and CAPS
- 1 student in CAS, CAPS, and GS
- 12 students in CAS and GS
- 2 students in GS and BSSP

Total duplicated enrollment at Bethel University for 2011-12 was 6,707. (This counts each student once for each school in which they were enrolled.)

## Gender:

For the fourth consecutive year, the percentage of females inched upward, now approaching 60\% of Bethel's total student population (the norm of the previous few years had generally been around $57 \%$ to $58 \%$ female). The continued decrease in the percentage of male students is driven primarily by lower enrollments in the seminaries, which have historically enrolled more male than female students.


## Age:

CAS continues to maintain a median age of 20 , with about $96 \%$ of students being under the age of 25 . In contrast, ages at BSOE remain disproportionately high, with $60 \%$ of students age 45 or older. Median ages for the remainder of the schools remain in the mid-30's, with the median at BSSD falling to 33 (previously 35-37), making it the site with the second youngest population after CAS.


## Race/Ethnicity:

The percent of students of color at all Bethel schools inched up again in 2012-13 to a new high of $15.6 \%$ of students with a known race/ethnicity (excluding non-resident aliens).*


This increase is largely driven by increased racial and ethnic diversity in the graduate school (from 11.9\% students of color in 2011-12 to $14.4 \%$ in 2012-13). Racial and ethnic diversity also increased strongly at BSSP and slightly at BSSD, while remaining flat at CAS and CAPS. BSOE saw a slight decline in students of color for 2012-13, while still maintaining an enrollment of over $50 \%$ students of color.

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## Credit Levels:

Total registered credits for the entire university fell about $1 \%$ from the prior year even though median credit loads remained flat or increased slightly for each of the six schools of Bethel University (averages loads did dip slightly for some schools). ${ }^{\dagger}$ One influencing factor in this decline is that fewer students took 32 or more semester credits (down 3\% from the prior year in CAS). Another factor is changes in headcount enrollment, as programs with lower credit densities, in GS for example, have seen increased enrollment, while other highercredit schools like CAS had slight declines in headcount.


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## Marital Status:

In schools which record marital status for the majority of their students (CAS and the seminaries), there was little change in marital status from prior years. About 95\% of CAS students are single, while over 65\% of students in the seminary are married. As has historically been the case, marital status has not been asked of many CAPS and GS students, leaving about $75 \%$ at an unknown status.


## State and Country:

In 2012-13, Bethel University enrolled students from 49 states (all except West Virginia), the District of Columbia, and 31 foreign countries. The state with the largest contingent of Bethel students continues to be Minnesota (over 76\% of all enrollment, down slightly for the second year), followed by California (5\%), Wisconsin (4\%), Illinois (2\%), and lowa (2\%), with similar percentages to prior years in these states.

## Number of Students Enrolled by State - All Schools



## Denomination:

The percentage of Bethel University students affiliated with Converge Worldwide dropped from $16.6 \%$ the prior year to $15.4 \%$ in 2012-13, continuing 5 years of the downward trend from $25 \%$ in 2007-08. CAS and BSSP have a varied mix of denominations with about $30 \%$ of students identifying with a Baptist denomination. Fifty-one percent of all BSOE students identify themselves as a part of a Baptist denomination, down from $52 \%$ the prior year. Thirty-six percent of all BSSD students identify themselves as non-denominational, a continued increase from the prior years. ${ }^{\ddagger}$


## Note:

Additional data and graphs for all of the above categories, including longitudinal data back to the 2003-04 academic year, is in a separate Excel document, available upon request.

[^2]Appendix - Data Detail for 2012-13:

|  | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL Enrollment | 3031 | 915 | 1673 | 694 | 270 | 124 | 6707 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL Enrollment <br> Unduplicated |  |  |  |  |  | 6637 |  |  |


| GENDER | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Female | 1830 | 640 | 1084 | 282 | 113 | 43 | 3992 |
| Percent of Total | $60.38 \%$ | $69.95 \%$ | $64.79 \%$ | $40.63 \%$ | $41.85 \%$ | $34.68 \%$ | $59.52 \%$ |
| Male | 1201 | 275 | 589 | 412 | 157 | 81 | 2715 |
| Percent of Total | $39.62 \%$ | $30.05 \%$ | $35.21 \%$ | $59.37 \%$ | $58.15 \%$ | $65.32 \%$ | $40.48 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | $\mathbf{3 0 3 1}$ | $\mathbf{9 1 5}$ | 1673 | $\mathbf{6 9 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 0 7}$ |


| MARITAL STATUS | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single | 2753 | 65 | 152 | 156 | 107 | 18 | 3251 | 72.8\% |
| Married | 140 | 105 | 289 | 428 | 145 | 51 | 1158 | 25.9\% |
| Divorced/Separated | 5 | 4 | 17 | 11 | 8 | 6 | 51 | 1.1\% |
| Widowed | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 0.1\% |
| TOTAL Known | 2898 | 174 | 460 | 596 | 261 | 76 | 4465 |  |
| Unknown | 133 | 741 | 1213 | 98 | 9 | 48 | 2242 |  |


| AGE (as of Jan 1, 2012) | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mean | 20.52 | 38.31 | 36.26 | 38.07 | 38.51 | 46.89 | 29.77 |  |
| Median | 20 | 37 | 34 | 35 | 33 | 48 | 25 |  |
| Under 25 | 2899 | 42 | 150 | 55 | 31 | 2 | 3179 | 47.9\% |
| 25-34 | 89 | 326 | 688 | 276 | 111 | 18 | 1508 | 22.7\% |
| 35-44 | 24 | 278 | 414 | 159 | 36 | 29 | 940 | 14.2\% |
| 45-54 | 12 | 198 | 291 | 130 | 48 | 39 | 718 | 10.8\% |
| 55 and over | 6 | 51 | 89 | 72 | 41 | 34 | 293 | 4.4\% |
| TOTAL Known age | 3030 | 895 | 1632 | 692 | 267 | 122 | 6638 |  |
| Unknown | 1 | 20 | 41 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 69 |  |


| DENOMINATION | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |  |
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| Converge Worldwide (BGC) | 426 | 31 | 152 | 110 | 21 | 15 | 755 | 15.4\% |
| Other Baptist (sub total) | 352 | 34 | 60 | 83 | 29 | 40 | 598 | 12.2\% |
| American | 50 | 17 | 17 | 10 | 5 | 13 | 112 | 2.3\% |
| Conservative | 14 | 2 | 5 | 9 | 1 | 8 | 39 | 0.8\% |
| G.A.R.B | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Independent | 13 | 4 | 15 | 8 | 2 | 6 | 48 | 1.0\% |
| North American | 7 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 0.3\% |
| Other | 250 | 7 | 13 | 40 | 7 | 8 | 325 | 6.6\% |
| Southern | 18 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 10 | 5 | 57 | 1.2\% |
| Assembly of God | 90 | 16 | 20 | 28 | 14 | 5 | 173 | 3.5\% |
| Catholic | 151 | 53 | 130 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 343 | 7.0\% |
| Christian \& Missionary Alliance | 78 | 6 | 15 | 30 | 3 | 2 | 134 | 2.7\% |
| Covenant | 145 | 7 | 25 | 51 | 2 | 1 | 231 | 4.7\% |
| Evangelical Free | 356 | 21 | 47 | 53 | 8 | 3 | 488 | 10.0\% |
| Lutheran | 445 | 82 | 154 | 53 | 1 | 2 | 737 | 15.0\% |
| Mennonite | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0.1\% |
| Methodist | 42 | 11 | 25 | 15 | 3 | 3 | 99 | 2.0\% |
| Non-Denominational | 396 | 25 | 37 | 81 | 88 | 12 | 639 | 13.0\% |
| Presbyterian | 48 | 5 | 12 | 21 | 16 | 1 | 103 | 2.1\% |
| Other Protestant | 248 | 55 | 108 | 102 | 57 | 24 | 594 | 12.1\% |
| Jewish | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0\% |
| Buddhist* | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0.1\% |
| TOTAL Known Denomination | 2779 | 347 | 787 | 636 | 245 | 108 | 4902 |  |
| Unknown | 252 | 568 | 886 | 58 | 25 | 16 | 1805 |  |

* The one Buddhist CAS student was enrolled in "College in the Schools."

| RACE/ETHNICITY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hispanic/Latino | 54 | 15 | 31 | 16 | 20 | 4 | 140 | 2.1\% |
| American Indian / Alaska Native | 5 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 15 | 0.2\% |
| Asian | 81 | 39 | 56 | 21 | 51 | 5 | 253 | 3.9\% |
| Black / African-American | 74 | 152 | 109 | 57 | 22 | 47 | 461 | 7.1\% |
| Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 0.1\% |
| Two or More Races | 72 | 19 | 20 | 15 | 5 | 2 | 133 | 2.0\% |
| Non-Resident Alien | 10 | 6 | 32 | 19 | 8 | 0 | 75 | 1.2\% |
| Sub-Total | 297 | 235 | 253 | 130 | 109 | 59 | 1083 | 16.6\% |
| White | 2718 | 646 | 1319 | 544 | 152 | 57 | 5436 | 83.4\% |
| TOTAL Known Ethnicity | 3015 | 881 | 1572 | 674 | 261 | 116 | 6519 |  |
| Percent of Color/International | 9.9\% | 26.7\% | 16.1\% | 19.3\% | 41.8\% | 50.9\% | 16.6\% |  |
| Unknown | 16 | 34 | 101 | 20 | 9 | 8 | 188 |  |


| ENROLLMENT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total Registered Semester Credits <br> for Year (Quarter Credits converted <br> to Semester Credits) | 87285 | 15369 | 17588 | 9181 | 3263 | 1084 |
| Median Credit Load |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Avg. per enrolled student | 32 | 18 |  | 11 |  |  |


| Number of students who registered for: |  |  |  |  |  |  | Duplicated | Unduplicated |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 32 or more semester credits | 1598 | 30 | 18 | 9 | 4 | 0 | 1659 | 1656 |
| 24-31 | 822 | 224 | 94 | 82 | 33 | 1 | 1256 | 1244 |
| 16-23 | 221 | 312 | 397 | 242 | 70 | 26 | 1268 | 1246 |
| 8-15 | 215 | 194 | 431 | 136 | 63 | 39 | 1078 | 1053 |
| 4-7 | 122 | 96 | 279 | 89 | 38 | 22 | 646 | 640 |
| 1-3 | 46 | 59 | 255 | 87 | 16 | 19 | 482 | 481 |
| 0 | 7 | 0 | 199 | 49 | 46 | 17 | 318 | 317 |
| TOTAL | 3031 | 915 | 1673 | 694 | 270 | 124 | 6707 | 6637 |


| STATE | CAS | CAPS | GS | BSSP | BSSD | BSOE | TOTAL |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alabama | 1 |  | 1 | 4 |  |  | 6 | 0.1\% |
| Alaska | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 |  |  | 14 | 0.2\% |
| Arizona | 6 |  | 12 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 22 | 0.3\% |
| Arkansas |  |  |  | 5 |  |  | 5 | 0.1\% |
| California | 31 | 1 | 14 | 13 | 251 |  | 310 | 4.6\% |
| Colorado | 23 | 1 | 8 | 5 |  | 1 | 38 | 0.6\% |
| Connecticut | 5 | 1 | 3 | 5 |  | 21 | 35 | 0.5\% |
| D.C. |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 7 | 0.1\% |
| Delaware |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Florida | 3 | 1 | 6 | 2 |  |  | 12 | 0.2\% |
| Georgia | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |  | 9 | 0.1\% |
| Hawaii |  |  |  | 2 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Idaho |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Illinois | 100 | 2 | 20 | 21 |  |  | 143 | 2.1\% |
| Indiana | 3 |  | 9 | 5 |  |  | 17 | 0.3\% |
| Iowa | 73 |  | 14 | 28 | 1 |  | 116 | 1.7\% |
| Kansas | 3 |  |  | 4 |  |  | 7 | 0.1\% |
| Kentucky |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 0.0\% |
| Louisiana | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Maine | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |  | 3 | 7 | 0.1\% |
| Maryland |  |  | 1 | 4 |  | 31 | 36 | 0.5\% |
| Massachusetts | 2 |  | 3 | 3 | 1 | 35 | 44 | 0.7\% |
| Michigan | 11 |  | 3 | 6 |  |  | 20 | 0.3\% |
| Minnesota | 2414 | 884 | 1377 | 450 |  | 1 | 5126 | 76.4\% |
| Mississippi |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Missouri | 6 |  | 2 | 3 |  |  | 11 | 0.2\% |
| Montana | 5 |  |  | 3 |  |  | 8 | 0.1\% |
| Nebraska | 8 |  | 2 | 3 |  |  | 13 | 0.2\% |
| Nevada | 2 |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 4 | 0.1\% |
| New Hampshire | 2 |  | 1 |  |  | 4 | 7 | 0.1\% |
| New Jersey | 3 |  | 3 | 6 |  | 1 | 13 | 0.2\% |
| New Mexico | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| New York | 7 |  | 2 | 6 |  | 10 | 25 | 0.4\% |
| North Carolina | 1 | 1 | 17 | 1 |  |  | 20 | 0.3\% |
| North Dakota | 14 | 1 | 5 | 4 |  |  | 24 | 0.4\% |
| Ohio | 6 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |  | 11 | 0.2\% |
| Oklahoma | 2 | 1 |  | 1 |  |  | 4 | 0.1\% |
| Oregon | 5 |  | 3 |  | 1 |  | 9 | 0.1\% |
| Pennsylvania | 10 |  | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 25 | 0.4\% |
| Rhode Island | 1 |  |  | 1 |  | 2 | 4 | 0.1\% |
| South Carolina | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 0.0\% |
| South Dakota | 50 |  | 4 | 3 |  |  | 57 | 0.8\% |
| Tennessee | 5 |  | 5 | 3 |  |  | 13 | 0.2\% |
| Texas | 8 | 1 | 10 | 8 | 3 |  | 30 | 0.4\% |
| Utah |  |  | 1 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 0.0\% |
| Vermont | 3 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 4 | 0.1\% |
| Virginia | 4 |  | 4 | 7 |  | 3 | 18 | 0.3\% |
| Washington | 18 |  | 4 | 4 |  |  | 26 | 0.4\% |
| West Virginia |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wisconsin | 170 | 10 | 40 | 36 |  | 1 | 257 | 3.8\% |
| Wyoming |  |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 | 0.0\% |
| Sub-total, US | 3018 | 908 | 1592 | $670^{\prime}$ | 262 | 124 | 6574 | 98.0\% |
| Foreign Address* | 3 | 1 | 49 | 5 |  |  | 58 | 0.9\% |
| International (Visa) | 10 | 6 | 32 | 19 | 8 |  | 75 | 1.1\% |
| TOTAL Known | 3031 | $915{ }^{*}$ | 1673 | 694 | 270 | 124 | 6707 | 100.0\% |


| Total Number of States | 40 | 14 | 41 | 42 | 89 | 14 | 49 |
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The Left-hand (Visa) columns indicate students who are not US citizens and have visas to be in the US for a temporary time period (includes Visa statuses of $\mathrm{F}-1, \mathrm{~B}-2, \mathrm{~J}-2$, etc.)
The Right-hand (Other) columns indicate students who are not US citizens but are permanent residents, presumed permanent residents, or other eligible non-citizens (such as refugees). This column also includes US citizens who have a foreign address (this would include many M.K.'s)


[^0]:    * Starting in 2010-11, federal requirements adjusted the way institutions ask about and record race/ethnicity, correcting a prior underrepresentation of Hispanics/Latinos and allowing students to identify themselves as more than one race (now reported as "two or more races"). Due to the transition from the old reporting standards to the new race/ethnicity guidelines, the figures for $2010-2011$ and following use a combination of new and old race/ethnicity standards. The new race/ethnicity data has been used when available, but old data has been used if no new data is exists.

[^1]:    ${ }^{\dagger}$ Note: for comparison purposes, quarter credit hours in the seminary have been converted to semester equivalents.

[^2]:    $\ddagger$ Denominational data for CAPS and GS continues to be unreliable as is it is not asked of the majority of students, so it is not included in the above summary.

