F.T.E. FORMULAS

F.T.E. Student (Instructional Activity)

Total undergraduate credit hours divided by 15 (full-time load for undergraduate students) plus total graduate hours divided by 9 (full-time load for graduate students) except for Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) graduate hours where the total DNP hours are divided by 5. These numbers added together result in the F.T.E. student count. The primary method has been used since Fall 1986 and was revised in Fall 2013 to report DNP full-time equivalent status based on instructional activity in the same manner as reported to the Department of Education.

F.T.E. Staff

Part-time staff are converted to a full-time equivalent by dividing the number of hours worked annually by 2,080. For example, a staff member who works 20 hours a week for 52 weeks a year works 1,040 hours divided by 2,080 = 0.500 F.T.E. A staff member who works 40 hours a week for 9 months a year works 1,560 hours divided by 2,080 = 0.750 F.T.E.

Student-to-Faculty Ratio F.T.E.

Students – full-time students plus one-third of part-time students (excluding students in graduate only departments). Undergraduate students taking 12 or more hours are considered full-time for headcount purposes. As of Fall 2014, graduate students taking 6 or more hours are considered full-time students for headcount purposes with the following exceptions: students taking thesis or dissertation hours are counted as full-time regardless of the number of credit hours taken and Doctor of Nursing Practice students are considered full-time for headcount purposes if taking 5 or more credit hours.

Faculty – full-time faculty plus one-third of part-time faculty (excluding faculty in graduate only departments and graduate teaching assistants).

The student-to-faculty ratio is calculated by dividing the student F.T.E. by the Faculty F.T.E. described immediately above.