

Women take the lead

Women have recently become the largest portion of the student population at 11 of the state's 15 public universities. The following chart is based on the total number of students attending each school.

WOMEN
MEN
TOTAL

All but 4 of state's colleges enroll more female students

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Women outnumber men on 11 of Michigan's 15 public four-year university campuses.

That is especially true among blacks, a group in which women had a whopping 64 percent majority, according to a State Department of Education report.

Among whites, women are 52 percent of total enrollment -- about the same as the statewide average of 52.5 percent women.

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LAST BASTIONS of male dominance are the University of Michigan's Ann Arbor campus, Ferris State University, Michigan Technological University and Lake Superior State University.

They tend to emphasize graduate, professional, engineering or technical programs. U-M has a single board of regents and president, but

its campuses in Ann Arbor, Dearborn and Flint are treated as separate universities for budget and statistical purposes.

Members of the State Board of Education, who received the report recently, made almost no comment except to note that enrollment rates are different from graduation rates.

The report, submitted by Superintendent of Public Instruction Donald L. Remis, covered only fall enrollments, not graduations. It offered no reasons for the trends.

WOMEN HAVE outnumbered men on two-year community college campuses since the late 1970s. Last fall they were nearly 57 percent of all community college students.

But women majorities on Michigan's four-year university campuses are a relatively recent phenomenon.

Of the four-year universities, Remis' report said, "The number of women enrolled grew slightly faster up 1.9 percent from 1989, than the number of men up 1.5 percent."

Women have maintained a slight edge in university enrollments for several years, particularly evident in the part-time student numbers.

It added "Each minority racial category showed a slight increase in enrollment at public universities in 1990 compared to 1989. Blacks made up 7.7 percent of the total enrollment in 1990. Asian student numbers reached 2.5 percent."

FOR THE STATE as a whole, public four-year universities held their own against private colleges in the late 1980s. From fall 1985 to fall 1990:

- Public four-year universities increased 13.5 percent from 229,029 to 259,925.

- Independent colleges increased enrollment 13.4 percent from 73,661 to 83,545.

- Public community colleges increased 10.6 percent from 204,171 to 225,833.

Combined, the three groups enrolled 569,500.

In the last year, however, private college enrollment rose 2.2 percent compared to 1.7 percent for public universities. State board member Donald L. Remis of Rochester noted that Oakland University, at her backyard, held down enrollment because of funding shortages.

MADONNA COLLEGE of Livonia rose to No. 3 in enrollment among private four-year colleges with 4,392 students last fall.

No. 1 and falling was the University of Detroit at 5,702. Lawrence Tech University in Southfield was second at 4,492 and increasing slightly.

No. 4 was Calvin College of Grand Rapids with 4,260. Until last year it had been No. 3.

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