

Admissions and Financial Aid Committee  
Minutes 9/18/07

Betsy Porter presented a profile of the incoming freshman class and an update on recruitment for new students. Since 1995, applications have increased while acceptances and paid admits have decreased; this reflects the higher level of competition that the University of Pittsburgh has achieved. The Class of 2011 numbers 3419 with 300 qualified students on the waiting list. Applicants were from every state in the union, 25% of incoming students are from out of state. Ninety-four percent of this year's freshmen took honors or advanced courses in high school; 48% of them were in the top 10% of their graduating class; 25% of the class had a GPA higher than 4.0. The average SAT score for incoming freshmen has also risen steadily since 1995. Twenty percent of this year's class qualified for Honors College.

As to recruitment for next year's freshman class: 6160 high school seniors, with family members, have visited the campus; as of today, OAFAs have received 4395 applications for admission next year. Alumni, parents, and faculty volunteers are instrumental in recruiting; members of the committee were asked to disseminate the volunteer website ([www.part.pitt.edu/fast](http://www.part.pitt.edu/fast)) to faculty in their departments.

Topic and speaker suggestions we will pursue for future meetings during this year:

- Someone from Study Abroad
- Someone from marketing
- Report of freshmen surveys (Patty)
- Report on recruitment and update on financial aid (Betsy)

There will be no meeting in November as the third Tuesday falls during Thanksgiving week.