

# First Generation Students at NWOSU: Data and Trends

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Fall 2016 Student Data=Total  
2,218 students (NWOSU Factbook)

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- Freshmen 603 students
- Sophomores 309 students
- Juniors 398 students
- Seniors 539 students
- Graduate 168 students
- Unclassified Undergrads 146 students

# Based on 2016 Student Data: First Generation Students=390

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- These were first time, full-time, degree seeking students. Of these 390 students, 368 were awarded one or more of the following financial assistance sources:
  - Federal Work Study
  - Student Loans
  - Pell Grants
  - Other Grants, Loans, and Scholarships
- **This is well over half of the Freshmen Class.** These students have very little financial support to attend college. These are students from families with little to no knowledge of the costs of college attendance. It is likely that these families do not understand what constitutes “fees”, what constitutes “tuition”, or what books cost!

# Financial Aid Break-Down for Fall 2016

## Total Enrollment=2,218

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703 Students Awarded Pell Grants (35%)

836 Students Awarded Loans (41.7%)

Of the 390 First Time, Full Time Freshmen 133 were awarded a Pell Grant

Of the 390 First Time, Full Time Freshmen 134 were awarded a Loan

Of the 390 First Time, Full Time Freshmen 246 paid in-state tuition

144 paid out-of-state tuition

# Ranger Preview Data Analysis

## Current Enrollment Analysis

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- 2015 Attendees            468 Attended, 225 First Generation
- 2016 Attendees            399 Attended, 128 First Generation
- 2017 Attendees            514 Attended, 276 First Generation
  
- **Currently, the number of students who consider themselves First Generation College Attendees is at 417 students. This is the estimated count for Self Identified, Spring 2018-Students (all classifications).**

# Minority Enrollment (Racial & Ethnic)

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- Based on NWOSU Fact Book Data from 2016 (Student Self Identification)
- 6.04% Black
- 8.03% Hispanic
- .72% Asian
- .41% Pacific Islander
- 6.72% American Indian
- 6.76% International
- 1.04% Two or Racial/Ethnicities Declared

# What Constitutes Diversity at NWOSU?

NWOSU recognizes that diversity is the presence and valued participation of individuals who differ and are similar by characteristics including race, age, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, national origin, human capacity, community affiliation, religious and spiritual identity, sexual orientation and/or sexual identity and socio-economic status.

# Diversity Reporting—Things to Remember:

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- Every academic discipline recognizes and engages diverse groups and individuals in a different way. This institution provides opportunities for growth in awareness, respect, acceptance, and global exposure to our students through our academic programs, student services programs, student housing, athletics programs, and through community engagement opportunities.
- As an institution which receives federal and state funding, we are not only required, but ethically obligated to recognize the differences between and among groups and individuals.
- We need to work diligently to insure that our rural, small-town, homogeneous, students have exposure to human differences which will enable them to succeed in a rapidly evolving global economy.
- We need to support the students who come to us from major metropolitan areas or different countries so that they understand the human values expressed and appreciated here at NWOSU. We value all students at NWOSU.



**Thank you for your interest and attendance!**

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**Please feel free to contact Dr. Kay Decker, Chair of  
Diversity if you have questions.**