

# Missouri Western State University

## History

Missouri Western State University is a student-centered learning community preparing individuals for successful careers and lives of excellence through experiential learning. As Missouri's official applied learning university, Missouri Western gives students opportunities to gain real-world experience before graduation. The institution was founded in 1915 as the St. Joseph Junior College and became a four-year college in 1969. In 2005, it became a university and was designated by the state as the official applied learning institution in Missouri. The 723-acre campus features 11 academic buildings, six residence halls, numerous trails and ponds, and the Griffon Indoor Sports Complex (summer training camp home of the Kansas City Chiefs).

The University has a proud tradition of providing a high quality, affordable education to students in Missouri, throughout the United States and beyond. Missouri Western provides innovative programs that help students persist to graduation, such as Gold Fridays, the Center for Service and the Griffon Guarantee Scholarship. The University meets regional workforce development needs by connecting students to the community through unique opportunities such as the Law Enforcement Academy, Center for Entrepreneurship and Center for Franchise Development.

**Faculty:** 146 full-time, 106 part-time

## Leadership

Dr. Elizabeth Kennedy

## Location

St. Joseph



## TOP 5 Biggest Programs

Number of degrees & certificates awarded, FY 2021

**178**

Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services

**135**

Health Professions & Related Programs

**74**

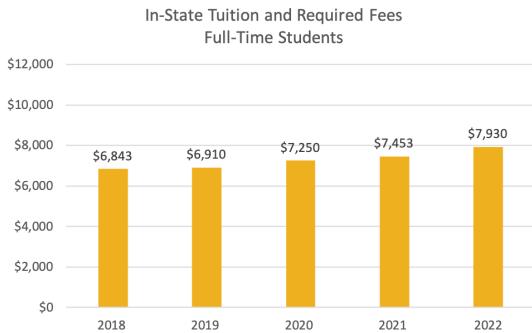
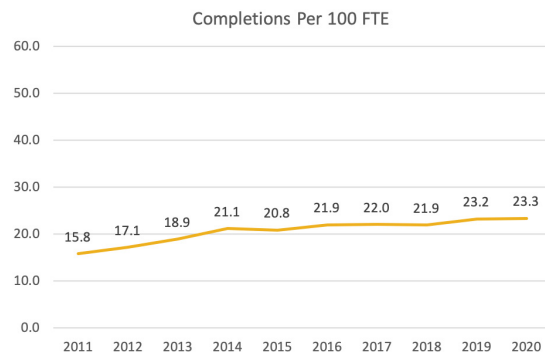
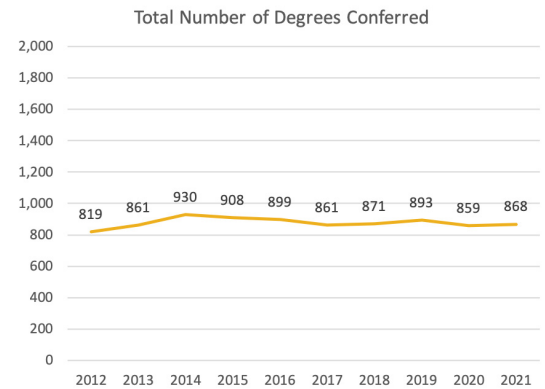
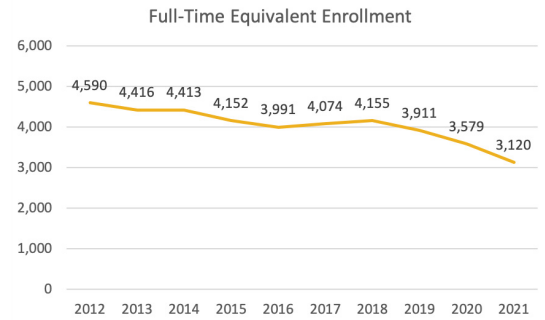
Education

**72**

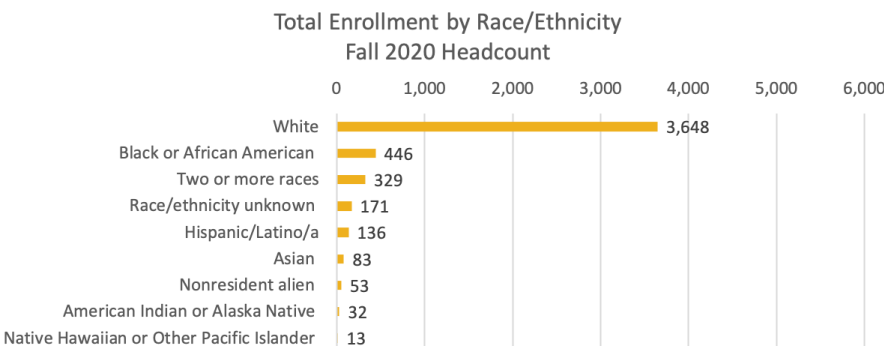
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, Fitness, and Kinesiology

**49**

Multi/Interdisciplinary Studies



**33%** OF UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS RECEIVE PELL GRANTS



**\$6,216** State Appropriation per Full Time Equivalent Student

**29.4%** Percent of Total Revenue from State Appropriation FY 2020

Based on Fall 2020 full-time equivalent enrollment, 2020-2021 degrees and certificates awarded, and FY 2021 appropriations, after expenditure restrictions.