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Chapter 1

Students

1.1 Overview

The student log collects information on 3,112 students from 49 programs. Except where noted below, the following information is drawn from the student log. All percentages are computed based upon valid responses; that is, missing values are not include in the calculation.

1.2 Gender Distribution

There are approximately twice as many male students as female students across the participating programs:

N	%	Sex
2092	67.4	Male
1011	32.6	Female

1.3 Race/Ethnicity Distribution

Data on racial/ethnic affiliation is missing for 131 students. For those students for whom we do have racial/ethnic affiliation data, approximately 75% are white and 25% are from a racial or ethnic minority background:

N	%	Race/Ethnicity
2214	74.3	Caucasian or Euro-American
249	8.4	Black or African-American
106	3.6	Latino or Hispanic
404	13.6	Asian or Pacific Islander
8	0.3	American Indian or Alaskan Native

1.4 Areas of Concentration

Thirty-four areas of concentration are represented. A frequency distribution is available in the Codebook. Ordered by frequency, the distribution of primary area of concentration is as follows:

N	Area of Concentration
397	Christianity: New Testament/Christian Origins
372	Christian Theology: Constructive
322	Christianity: History
241	Christianity: Old Testament or Hebrew Bible
208	Christian Theology
195	Christian Theology: Practical
175	Christianity: Ethics
127	Judaism
103	Missiology and Evangelism
100	Christianity and Judaism in Antiquity
86	Philosophy of Religion
71	Christian Education
57	Bible Exposition, Liturgical Studies, and Preaching
56	Culture and Theory in Religion
53	Pastoral Care and Counseling/Religion and Personality
53	Buddhism/Japanese/East Asian Religions
51	History or Religions/Comparative Religions/Study of Religion
47	Social Scientific Studies
43	Hinduism/South Asian Religions
43	Ethics and Religion
33	Islam/West Asian Religions
32	Religion and Modernity; Religion and Social Change; Theology and Society
19	Theological Studies
18	American Religious History
16	Christianity
13	Religion in Antiquity
13	Bible and Theology
12	Confucianism/Chinese Religions
6	Middle East Studies
5	Interdisciplinary Studies
4	Rabbinics
3	Indigenous Traditions
2	African/African-Diaspora Religions
1	World Mission

For students with two stated areas of concentration, the most popular secondary areas are:

N	Area of Concentration
19	Christianity: New Testament/Christian Origins
9	Social Scientific Studies
5	Islam/West Asian Religions
3	Judaism
3	History or Religions/Comparative Religions/Study of Religion
2	Philosophy of Religion
2	Culture and Theory in Religion
2	American Religious History
1	World Mission
1	Christianity: Ethics
1	Christian Theology: Constructive

1.5 Minority Enrollment

Minority students – that is, females and/or race/ethnic minorities – constitute half (50.2%, N=1497) of total enrollment:

N	%	Minority Status
730	48.8	Caucasian or Euro-American Female
168	11.2	Black or African-American Male
81	5.4	Black or African-American Female
82	5.5	Latino or Hispanic Male
24	1.6	Latino or Hispanic Female
278	18.6	Asian or Pacific Islander Male
126	8.4	Asian or Pacific Islander Female
4	0.3	American Indian or Alaskan Native Male
4	0.3	American Indian or Alaskan Native Female

1.6 Completion Rates

Of those students who received a doctoral degree last year, 2/3rds were male and 1/3 were female. (This information is drawn from the main questionnaire, not the student log.)

N	%	Sex
336	69.7	Male
146	30.3	Female

Of those students who received a doctoral degree last year, the vast majority were white with Asians representing the next largest group. (This information is drawn from the main questionnaire, not the student log.)

N	%	Race/Ethnicity
349	73.3	Caucasian or Euro-American
38	8.0	Black or African-American
10	2.1	Latino or Hispanic
70	14.7	Asian or Pacific Islander
0	0.0	American Indian or Alaskan Native
9	1.9	Other

Chapter 2

Faculty

2.1 Overview

The faculty log collects information on 1,414 faculty members from 53 programs. Except where noted below, the following information is drawn from the faculty log. All percentages are computed based upon valid responses; that is, missing values are not include in the calculation.

2.2 Faculty Rankings

The vast majority of faculty members are Full, Associate, or Assistant Professors with a smaller number of Instructors, Lecturers, and Visiting Professors filling out the faculty. Among the participating programs, there are almost no adjunct faculty members:

N	%	Rank
654	47.1	Full Professor
342	24.6	Associate Professor
232	16.7	Assistant Professor
40	2.9	Instructor
84	6.1	Part-time/Lecturer
32	2.3	Visiting Professor
4	0.3	Adjunct Professor

2.3 Tenure Status

The vast majority of faculty members either have tenure or a on a tenure track. Approximately 14 percent of faculty members are not on a tenure track:

N	%	Tenure Status
855	68.2	Tenured
230	18.3	Tenure track
110	8.8	Non-tenure track
59	4.7	Contract

2.4 Gender Distribution

There are three times as many male faculty members as there are female faculty members:

N	%	Sex
1058	75.0	Male
352	25.0	Female

2.5 Age Distribution

Data on age is missing for 462 faculty members. For those faculty members for whom we do have age information, the majority are between the ages of 30 and 69:

N	%	Age
2	0.2	20-29
119	12.5	30-39
242	25.4	40-49
309	32.5	50-59
241	25.3	60-69
36	3.8	70-79
1	0.1	80-89
1	0.1	90-99

2.6 Race/Ethnicity Distribution

The vast majority of faculty members are white. Racial/ethnic minorities make up less than 10 of the faculty members across the participating institutions.

N	%	Race/Ethnicity
1228	90.4	Caucasian or Euro-American
67	4.9	Black or African-American
28	2.1	Latino or Hispanic
32	2.4	Asian or Pacific Islander
4	0.3	American Indian or Alaskan Native

2.7 Gender Distribution by Faculty Rank

At every ranking, there are many more male faculty members than female faculty members. While most male faculty members are full professors, female

faculty members are more equally distributed between Full, Associate, and Assistant professorships:

		Gender		
		M	F	Total
	Full	40.1	7.1	654
Rank	Assoc	15.9	8.8	342
	Asst	10.5	6.3	232
	Instr	2.1	0.8	40
	PT	4.3	1.7	83
	Visit	2.0	0.3	32
	Adj	0.3	0	4
	Total	1041	346	1387

2.8 Race/Ethnicity Distribution by Faculty Rank

Across all faculty ranks, the vast majority of faculty members are white:

		Race/Ethnicity					Total
		Whi	Blk	Hisp	API	Nat	
	Full	44.0	1.6	0.8	1.0	0.0	633
Rank	Assoc	21.9	1.6	0.3	0.4	0.0	324
	Asst	13.6	1.6	0.7	0.6	0.0	220
	Instr	2.8	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	40
	PT	5.6	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	84
	Visit	1.9	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.0	31
	Adj	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4
	Total	1207	67	27	32	3	1336