

# PROFILE OF THE 2013-2014 GRADUATING CLASSES

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## Summary Points

- Between July 1, 2013 and June 30, 2014, 263 degrees were awarded: 17 Associates, 228 Bachelor's, and 18 Master's degrees.
- Undergraduate degree recipients were 51% female, 80% White, with an average age of 25 years.
- 52% entered Hilbert as first-time-college students with almost three-quarters of those (74%) entering in the Fall of 2010 or 2011 and graduating "on-time" in four years or less.
- 3% of graduates had out-of-state addresses.
- The average entering High School GPA of first-time-college graduates was 85.6.
- 7% of graduating students had identified as a student with a disability and received services from the Academic Services Center.
- 34% graduated with honors.
- First-time-college graduating students represented 66 different high schools with the largest numbers from Frontier (10), Orchard Park (10), and Lancaster (7) High Schools. Transfer-in graduates had attended 11 different two-year and 22 four-year colleges and universities with the largest number transferring from Erie Community College (40%).
- Master's degree recipients were 50% female and 78% White with an average age at graduation of 31 years. Five (28%) were previous Hilbert graduates.

## Introduction

During the 2013-2014 academic year (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014) a total of 263 students received degrees from Hilbert College (see Table 1). Ninety-three percent of undergraduate degrees were awarded at the bachelor's level. For this report the term and year of graduation is based on the graduation date as recorded by Student Records. Academic year is defined per IPEDS as July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

**Table 1. Degrees awarded during the 2012-2013 academic year.**

	Percent	Totals
Associates (AA, AAS)	6%	17
Bachelors (BA, BS)	87%	228
Masters (MPA, MS)	7%	18
Totals	100%	263

Table 2 shows the distribution of degree programs for associate and bachelor degree recipients. Criminal Justice majors represented 59% of Associate degrees, 35% of Bachelor degrees and 34% of all degrees awarded to undergraduates.

**Table 2. Undergraduate degrees by academic programs**

	DEGREE		Total
	ASSOCIATES	BACHELORS	
AC	0	1	1
ACC5YR	0	3	3
ACCCOM	0	2	2
ACCECI	0	1	1
BUS	1	15	16
CJ	10	79	89
CSDR	0	3	3
CSIA	0	9	9
DMCART	0	7	7
DMCMKT	0	6	6
DMCORG	0	1	1
DMCWRT	0	1	1
CURRICULUM			
ECS	0	1	1
ENG	0	3	3
FSI	0	44	44
HUM	1	21	22
HUM6	0	1	1
LEG	3	9	12
LIB	2	0	2
LS	0	1	1
OD	0	3	3
PS	0	5	5
PSY	0	10	10
RS	0	2	2
Total	17	228	245

## Undergraduate Degree Recipients (Associate’s and Bachelor’s)

Of the 245 undergraduate degree recipients, 51% were female and 49% were male. The majority (80%) were White (see Table 3.)

Table 3. Ethnicity of undergraduate degree recipients

	Frequency	Percent
American Native	2	.8
Asian	1	.4
Black	16	6.5
Black or African American	1	.4
Hispanic	3	1.2
Native Hawaiian	1	.4
Nonresident Alien	1	.4
Two or more	7	2.9
Unknown	18	7.3
White	195	79.6
Total	245	100.0

The average age at graduation was 25 years with a range from 20 to 67 years. Three-quarters (75%) were 24 years and younger, while 9% were aged 30 and older.

Most degree recipients listed New York as their state of residence (97%) with 74% of those being from Erie County. Seven graduates gave out-of-state home addresses including Florida (1), Maryland (1), New Jersey (2), Ohio (1), Pennsylvania (1), and Tennessee (1).

## First-Time-College Graduates

Just over half (52%) of the undergraduates earning degrees entered Hilbert College as first-time-college students (FTC). Among the 116 FTC graduates, 116 (91%) received a bachelor’s degree and 11 (9%) received an Associate’s degree.

Among those undergraduates receiving a bachelor’s degree, 74% entered in the Fall 2010 or 2011 First-Time-College cohorts and received their degrees “on-time” within the expected four years. Another 22% entered between Fall 2008 and Spring 2010, earning bachelor’s degrees in 150% expected

time. Altogether, 96% of graduates completing bachelor’s degrees who were first-time-college students did so in 6 years or less.

The average high school grade point for graduates who were first-time-college was 85.6, with a range of 68.1 to 96.9 and a standard deviation of 5.7.

Ninety (71%) of the 127 graduates who entered as FTCs submitted SAT scores at the time of admission (see Table 4).

**Table 4. Entering SAT scores for first-time-college graduates**

Test	Mean Score	Range
SAT – Verbal	474	270 - 700
SAT – Math	474	260 - 700
SAT – Writing*	446	0 - 620
SAT - Total	948	530 - 1240

\*SAT-Writing scores were reported by 88 students.

Twenty-six FTC students (21%) submitted ACT scores with a mean composite score of 21, and a range of 14 – 28.

Eighteen (7%) of the undergraduates were identified as a student with disabilities receiving services through the Academic Services Center.

Eighty-two undergraduates graduated with honors (see Table 5).

**Table 5. Students graduating with honors**

Honors	Frequency	Percent of Graduates
cum laude: 3.6 – 3.74	22	9.0%
magna cum laude: 3.75 – 3.89	37	15.10%
summa cum laude: 3.9 – 4.0	23	9.4%
Total	72	33.5%

Sixty-six different high schools were listed as the primary school for first-time-college cohort graduating students; 22 of those were represented by more than one graduate. Frontier High School had the most graduates at 10 (see Table 6).

**Table 6. High Schools attended by first-time-college cohort graduates**

<b>N = 10</b>	<b>N = 7</b>	<b>N = 6</b>	<b>N = 4</b>	<b>N = 3</b>	<b>N = 2</b>
Frontier HS	Lancaster HS	W. Seneca W.	E. Aurora HS	Iroquois HS	Avon Central
Orchard Park HS			Eden Central HS	Kenmore West HS	Bennett HS
			Hamburg HS	Lake Shore Central	Cassadaga Valley
			Lackawanna HS		Lockport HS
			Springville-Griffith		N. Collins HS
					St. Francis HS
					Sweet Home HS
					Tonawanda HS
					W. Seneca East
					Williamsville South

Among transferred-in graduates, 67.5% had previously attended a two-year college and 32.5% had attended a four-year college or university (see Tables 7 and 8). One graduating transfer student had received previous college credits primarily through military education.

**Table 7. Two-year colleges last attended by graduating transfer students**

Erie Community College	47
Niagara County Community College	5
Jamestown Community College	5
Bryant & Stratton College	4
Finger Lakes Community College	4
Genesee Community College	3
Duchess Community College	2
Burlington Community College	1
Hudson Valley Community College	1
Monroe Community College	1
Trocaire College	1

**Table 8. Four-year colleges previously attended by graduating transfer students**

SUNY at Buffalo	7
Buffalo State College	7
SUNY at Fredonia	4
Daemen College	3
St. Bonaventure	3
LeMoyne College	2
Mercyhurst College	2
Alfred University	1
Art Institute of Pittsburgh	1
Ashford University	1
Central Michigan University	1
D'Youville College	1
Ithaca College	1
John Carroll University	1
Medaille College	1
St. Andrews Presbyterian College	1
SUNY College Tech Alfred	1
Tiffin University	1
University of Texas Pan-American	1
US Military Academy	1
Waynesburg University	1
West Virginia University - Morgantown	1

### **Graduate Degree Recipients (MPA and MS)**

The second class of graduate students at Hilbert College graduated six students with the Masters in Criminal Justice Administration and nine students with the Masters in Public Administration. Graduates were evenly divided between men (9) and women (9). Fourteen (78%) identified their ethnicity as “White” with one each identifying as “Black”, and “Two or More Ethnicities.” One graduate was a “Nonresident Alien” from Hungary and a final student chose not to disclose his ethnicity. The average age at graduation was 31 years with a range from 22 to 59 years. Seven were over the age of 30 at graduation.

Five (28%) of the graduating students were previous Hilbert College undergraduates. Other graduate students entered with degrees from University at Buffalo (4), Buffalo State College (3), SUNY at Fredonia (2), Bryant and Stratton College (1), Canisius College (1), Endicott College (1), and University of Veszprem (1).