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As is the case each fall semester on its Berrien Springs campus, Andrews University is once again taking the measure of current enrollment trends and reviewing and celebrating some of its remarkable recent national (and Michigan) university rankings.

Enrollment

On the Berrien Springs main campus, an official census was taken on Oct. 3, 2022, which showed 3,389 students enrolled at (or through) the main campus—298 students more than last year's fall enrollment of 3,091.

Those numbers represent an overall undergraduate enrollment of 1,434 students and graduate enrollment of 1,955 students who are studying on or through the Berrien Springs main campus.

The number of international students enrolled on the main campus grew slightly, with 960 international students enrolled this year compared to 950 last year.

An additional 377 students are also studying at international campus partners and programs this fall semester. "We are carefully evaluating this year's results, especially in the context of significant increase in applications and acceptances compared to last year," says Tony Yang, vice president for Strategy, Marketing & Enrollment and Chief Communication Officer. "We're responding by carefully analyzing both external and internal factors and actively making adjustments, wherever needed, to help ensure strong spring and next fall semesters in 2023.

"Our way forward, I believe, is driven by a common goal as we recruit and welcome each one of our students-whether they are new or returning students in future semesters—and that is to ensure a World Changing Experience. Every Student. Every Time." says Yang. "I'm convinced that our enrollment strategies and plans will succeed as we work together as an Andrews family to continue to adapt to shifting attitudes toward Adventist higher education, challenges for Adventist families who struggle with affordability, and the dynamic and rapidly changing expectations on how we best communicate with and reach students and families."

In the most recent IPEDS (Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System) report, Andrews' 2021–2022 annual unduplicated headcount report showed a total of 4,307 students registered (including online courses), which is up 190 students over the 2020–2021 unduplicated headcount report. This headcount does not include all students who are studying internationally or non-degree students.

Rankings

In the 2022–2023 U.S. News Best Colleges rankings released this September, Andrews University continues to be the only Adventist university included in the rankings of nearly 400 national universities. Andrews University was tied (with University of Hawaii-Hilo) for the nation's #1 most diverse national university campus and was also included in the Top Ten rankings among national universities for the number of international students.

Although the U.S. News Best Colleges is the best-known university rankings report, Andrews also performed well in Niche.com's 2023 Best Colleges in America rankings. Niche has been ranking universities for 20 years. Its rankings are based on rigorous analysis of academic, admissions, financial and student life data from the U.S. Department of Education along with reviews from students and alumni. More than 1,500 institutions were included in this year's list.

Niche's Best Colleges in America 2023 rankings presented a particularly favorable picture, ranking Andrews University as the top private, Christian and small college in Michigan, the 11th top Christian university in America, the only Adventist university to be ranked in the top 100 Christian universities, and ranked Andrews highly in several other categories (including #2 most diverse colleges in America and top 10 percent for best college food).

In the 2023 College Factual Best Colleges rankings, Andrews University moved up nearly 400 spots to #454 out of 2,241 ranked institutions, or the top 20 percent of all schools ranked. This ranking also included Andrews as #11 out of 57 Michigan colleges, in the top 20 percent of all institutions ranked for the state of Michigan.

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