

**Fifth National Conference on Best Practices in  
Black Student Achievement**

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# Entering Class of 2006

4,239 freshmen – 1,185 transfers

48% men

52% women

15% minority

10% African

American

3% Asian

American

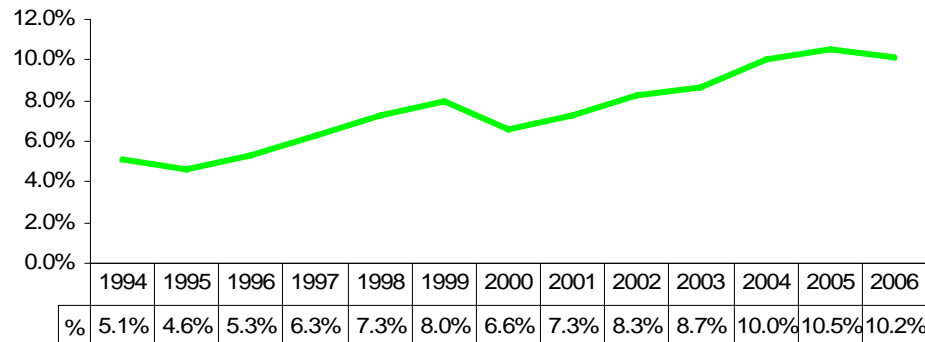
2% Hispanic



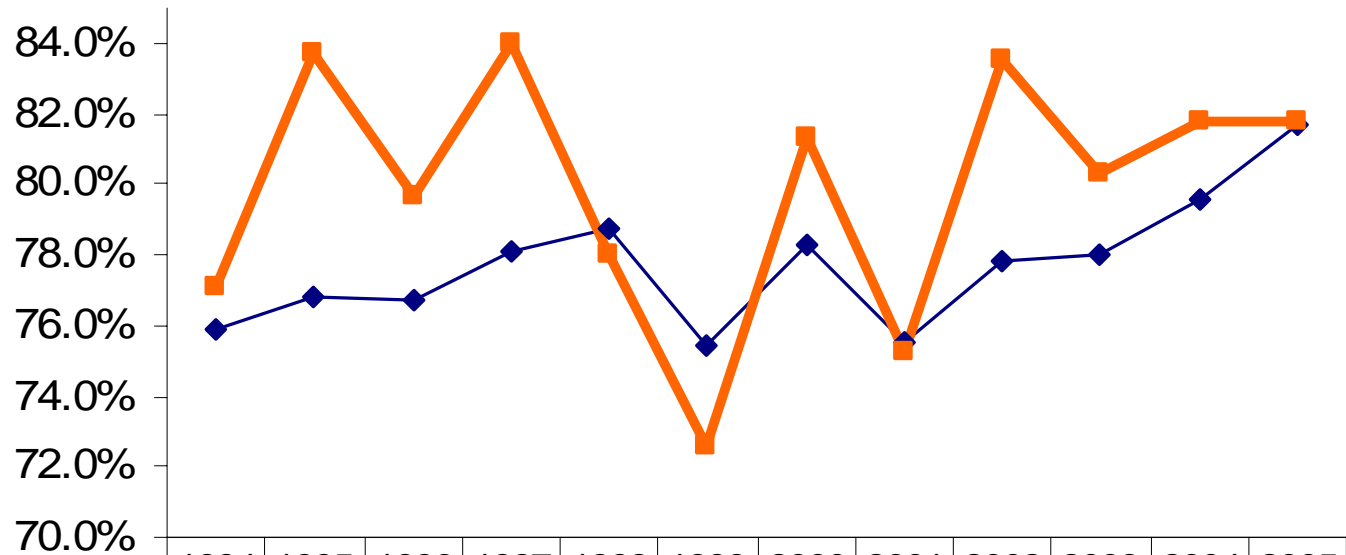
“The *Journal of Blacks in Higher Education* reported earlier this month that the black student population at UT jumped 1.9 percent between 2001 and 2004 -- the largest jump at any of the nation's flagship schools.”

Loren Crabtree, Chancellor

## Percentage of first time freshman African American enrollment over twelve year period



## First Year Retention Rates

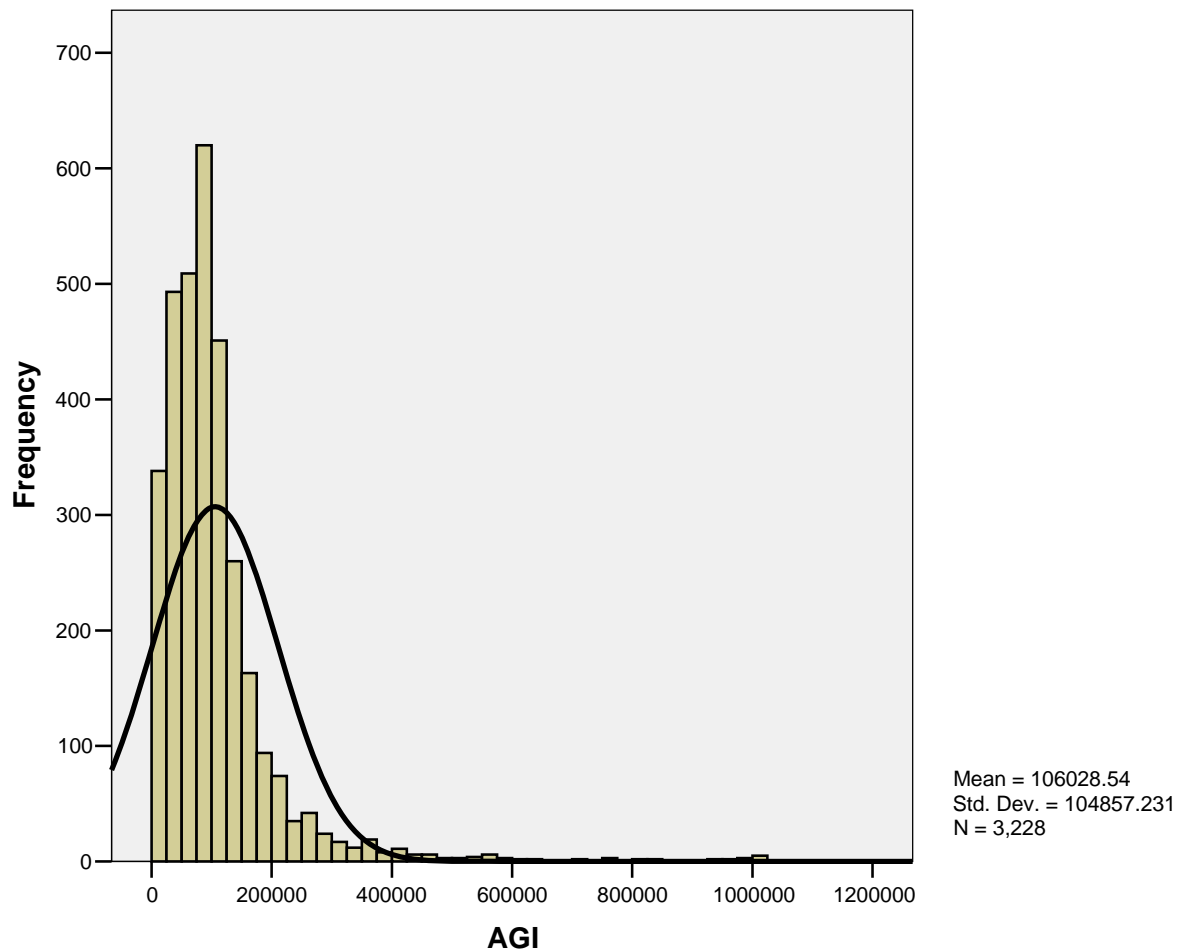


◆ All	75.9	76.8	76.7	78.1	78.7	75.4	78.3	75.5	77.8	78.0	79.6	81.7
■ African Am.	77.1	83.7	79.7	84.0	78.0	72.6	81.3	75.2	83.5	80.3	81.8	81.8

## **A spirit. A vision. A plan.**

- Providing access to and success in undergraduate, graduate, and professional education
  - Enrollment of underrepresented groups
  - Scholarship support per entering student
- [Scorecard.tennessee.edu](http://Scorecard.tennessee.edu)

# Income Distribution



# Commitment to Diversity and Access



THE UNIVERSITY of TENNESSEE

# Commitment to Diversity and Access in a *Post Geier* *World*

The *Tennessee Promise Scholarship* and the *Tennessee Pledge Scholarship*, reaffirm The University of Tennessee's commitment to diversity.

Specifically, they:

- Continue to diversify the campus

- Provide access to all Tennesseans

# Tennessee Promise

A scholarship intended to help students overcome the financial and non-financial barriers which may prevent them from enrolling at the University of Tennessee

## ***TENNESSEE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM***

Effective Fall 2007

# Tennessee Promise

- Apply for admission as a first-time, first-year entering freshman by February 1
- Graduate from a Tennessee Promise high school
- Tennessee resident
- Submit FAFSA prior to March 1
- Award of up to \$5,800 *including* HOPE and UT Scholarships
- Four-year award

# Tennessee Promise

- High School Designation Criteria
  - Five year historical enrollment pattern
  - Percent of economically disadvantaged students
  - Proficiency on Gateway examinations in English II and Algebra I
  - TN Report Card Status (not in good standing)

# Promise High Schools

<http://web.utk.edu/%7Efinaid/promise.html>

# Tennessee Pledge

The University of Tennessee now makes it possible for low-income students to attend and graduate from college

*“debt free.”*

***TENNESSEE PLEDGE  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM***

Continues for Fall 2006

# Tennessee Pledge

- Apply as a first-time, first-year entering freshman by February 1
- Family Adjusted Gross Income at or below 150% of Federal Poverty Level
- Tennessee resident
- Graduate from Tennessee high school
- Award based on all offered gift aid
- Four-year award
- Submit FAFSA prior to March 1

# Global Initiative

Curriculum  
Initiatives

Multicultural  
Programs

Enhanced Study Abroad Opportunities

Recruitment of International Students



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# Questions?

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