

## Shelley Dempsey Ph.D. Director

We've had a great year in the Office of On Your Time Initiatives (OYT) fulfilling our mission of helping students graduate on time or even early! The Summer Semester and Winter Session continue to provide much needed opportunities for



students to earn credits to catch up, get ahead, or stay on track for graduation. Both programs are supported by academic and administrative units across our campus and could not be achieved without their commitment to serve our Carolina students

In addition, newer programs like the Accelerated Study Plans and Jump Start: Summer Transfer Program continue to support special student populations in navigating our larger campus. We remain grateful to our campus partners including the University Advising Center (UAC), Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE), and the Center for Integrative and Experiential Learning (CIEL). We all remain committed to serving students and helping them become Carolina alumni by graduating on time...or even early!

#### **Covid Response Initiatives**

Innovating to respond to the needs of our students in the midst of a pandemic has been at the forefront of the University for the past year. On Your Time Initiatives worked to implement practices to keep both staff and students safe, while moving forward toward degree completion.

### **OYT PROGRAMS**

#### **Summer Semester**

Summer Semester provides an opportunity for students to catch up or get ahead on coursework. There are hundreds of summer courses available with seven different sessions and many online options, so it's possible to be enrolled part-time or full-time from wherever you are.

#### Winter Session

Winter Session is a three week, 100% online session that takes place during the winter break. It's a great way to catch up or get ahead, or lighten the spring semester load to make time for practicums and internships.

#### **Jump Start Summer Transfer Program**

To increase academic success and retention amongst the transfer student population, the Jump Start Summer Transfer Program invites admitted transfer students to get an early start on their coursework and works to help students find a sense of belonging with the campus community.

#### Accelerated Study Plans (ASP)

ASP are designed to utilize Summer Semester and Winter Session to obtain a traditional 4-year degree in 3-3.5 years. There are also options to accelerate getting a bachelor's plus graduate degrees. Students may wish to graduate early to start a graduate program, start a career or simply save money.

#### Senior Citizens Tuition Waiver Program

SC residents over the age of 60 are eligible for the senior citizen tuition waiver. OYT coordinates this program and helps its students with navigation of the University's processes.

#### **Non-Degree Students**

OYT serves as the point of contact for non-degree-seeking students in helping them navigate the campus and University processes. This includes transient students, as well as many other student types.

#### **Summer Minors**

Summer Minors provides students an opportunity to complete the requirements of a minor in one summer. OYT has coordinated with academic departments to ensure that all courses required for participating minors are being offered in such a way that students may easily take the credits without scheduling conflicts.

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

• Shelley Dempsey Ph.D., Director, serves on the National Advisory Board for the University Innovation Alliance. Shelley was elected as UofSC's Staff Senate President and is a member of the President's Title IX Commission. She is also a member of UofSC's Human Resources Advisory Board on Classification and Compensation and a member of the President's University Strategic Planning Group. Shelley serves as Chair of NAASS National Conference 2022 Planning Committee and is a Regional Officer for NAASS. Shelley earned a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration in May 2021.

 Megan Ellison, Student Services Coordinator, was nominated for the M. Stuart Hunter Award for Outstanding Teaching in University 101.

- Helen Le, Academic Services Coordinator, presented at UofSC's 2021 Advisors' Conference Presentation, Offering Multiple Pathways to Graduation. She served as a program proposal reviewer for the NRC FYE National Conference on Students in Transition, 2021. Helen earned a Masters in Education, Higher Education and Student Affairs in December 2020. Helen is a member of the University Advisors Network and serves as OYT's UofSC Wellness Ambassador.
- Meghan Lipinoga, Data and Business Manager, was nominated for the M. Stuart Hunter Award for Outstanding Teaching in University 101. Meghan also led a working group on best practices in data collection and distribution for the North American Association of Summer Sessions.
- Amanda Therrell, Assistant Director, serves on UofSC's Transfer Student Advisory Council and is a member of the University Advisors Network.
   She served as a program proposal reviewer for the NRC FYE National Conference on Students in Transition, 2021. Amanda earned a Master of Public Administration in May 2021. Amanda also led a working group on best practices in transfer initiatives for the North American Association of Summer Sessions.

## **CAMPUS PARTNERSHIPS**

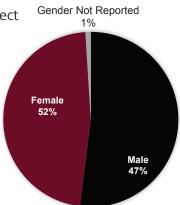




As OYT falls under the umbrella of the Office of the Provost, campus partnerships remain critical to the implementation and success of OYT's programs. The partnership between OYT and other Provost's offices. including, University Advising Center (UAC), Center for Teaching Excellence (CTE), and others, has been essential to the success of programs such as Winter Session, both for coordination and student support. OYT has worked with campus partners to make courses available during the seven different summer sessions of varying lengths. Being a data-driven department, OYT has also worked closely with the Office of Institutional Research, Assessment, and Analytics to build reports and utilize data in ways that are beneficial to our students and institution, as well as maintain Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) compliance. OYT maintains a close partnership with the UAC. OYT and UAC work together toward the goal of on-time student graduation. Additionally, OYT actively seeks to build new campus partnerships and finds ways to collaborate across departments, including new initiatives such as Summer Minors.

## **OYT PROGRAM DEMOGRAPHICS**

On Your Time Initiatives (OYT) strives to reflect the University's values of diversity, equity, and inclusion. OYT programs endeavors to reach marginalized student populations and extend the ability of every UofSC student to reach on-time graduation. OYT staff are committed to exploring and implementing ways to achieve a diverse academic setting.



#### **Diversity Demographics**

Data includes: Summer 2021 Undergraduate Enrollees, 2021 Winter Session Enrollees, 2020-2021 ASP Students & Summer 2021 Jump Start Students. Students were counted one time per program. Students were counted per each selected race.

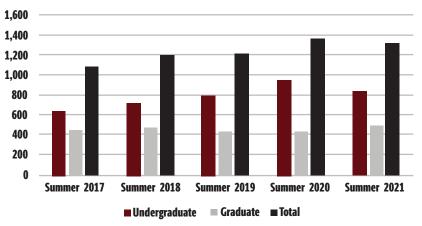
Asian	7%
Hispanic	5%
Native American	2%
Black	12%
Hawaiian	1%
White	71%
Race Not Reported	2%



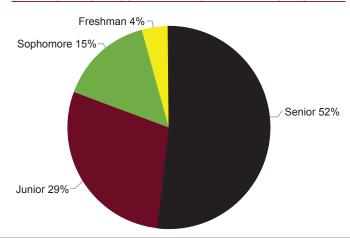
### **2021 SUMMER SEMESTER STATS & DATA**

UNDERGRADUATE HEADCOUNT: 7,412	<b>5%</b> Increase from 2017 to 2021	
TOTAL HEADCOUNT: 11,954	3.5% Increase from 2017 to 2021	
UNDERGRADUATE FTE:  *Full-Time Equivalent*	3,078	999
<b>UofSC COLUMBIA TOTAL FTE:</b> *Full-Time Equivalent*	5,385	
STUDENT TO INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF RATIO:	14:1	

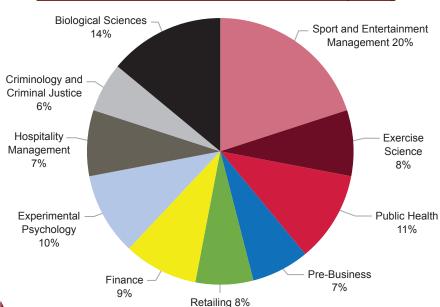
#### **STUDENTS ENROLLED IN 12+ CREDIT HOURS**



#### **UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER ENROLLMENT BY CLASS LEVEL**



#### **UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER ENROLLMENT BY MAJOR (TOP 10)**



#### **STUDENT RESIDENTIAL NUMBERS**



\*1% Resident Pending/Under Review\*

#### **SUMMER SEMESTER FINANCIAL AID**



**3.14%** Increase in Graduate/Professional Aid recipients

**21.0%** Increase in Undergraduate financial aid amount awarded

**66.67%** Increase in LIFE recipients

**69.40%** Increase in LIFE scholarship amount awarded

(5 Years)



4.49% Increase in Pell Grant recipients from summer 2020 to 2021

6.55% Increase in Pell Grant amount awarded between summer 2020 to 2021

"Good opportunity to graduate on time."

"It was a great class. I would recommend summer classes to all my peers."



\*Stats come from the 2021 Summer Semester at UofSC Satisfaction Survey\*

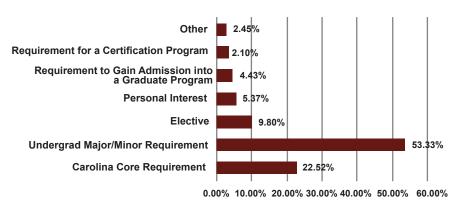
#### **REASONS FOR ENROLLING IN SUMMER AT UOFSC**



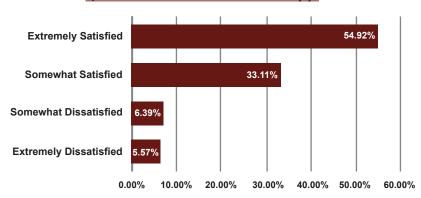
21% To Accelerate Degree Program

30% To stay on track

#### THE SUMMER COURSE(S) I TOOK WERE



## **HOW SATISFIED WERE YOU WITH THE QUALITY OF YOUR SUMMER COURSE(S)?**



**7.92%** Higher response rate to extremely satisfied than 2020.

### **SUMMER STUDENT SUCCESS STORY**



#### **Successful Summer Student Contessa Davis**

BA, Public Relations, Magna Cum Lade

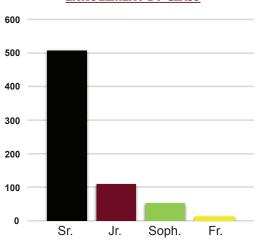
Contessa Davis was a student in the College of Information and Communication that graduated in 3 years with the high honor of Magna Cum Laude thanks to her time in Summer Semester! Here is what she had to say.

"During my three years, I served as a resident mentor, University 101 Peer Leader, Press Secretary to the Student Body Vice President, and Chapter President of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA). As far as graduating On My Time, it began when I was a senior in high school taking dual enrollment courses offered through my local technical college. In addition to the credits I earned from the institution, I took two summer courses during 2019 (end of freshman year) and four classes during summer 2020 before senior year."

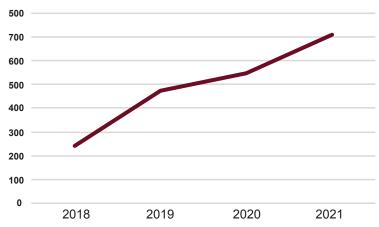


### **2021 WINTER SESSION STATS & DATA**

#### **ENROLLMENT BY CLASS**



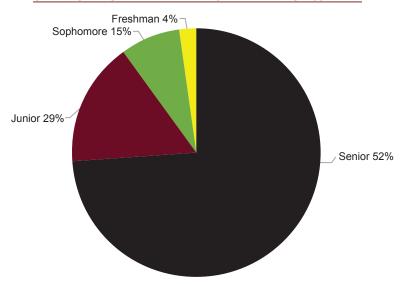
#### **WINTER SESSION: DUPLICATED HEADCOUNT**



Duplicated headcount has increased by 192% since the 2018 Pilot.

## 2021 WINTER SESSION STATS AND DATA:

#### **UNDERGRADUATE WINTER ENROLLMENT BY CLASS LEVEL**



**71%** of seniors enrolled in WS were able to apply for May 2021 graduation.

African American and Hispanic enrollment grew by **2%** from Winter Session 2020.

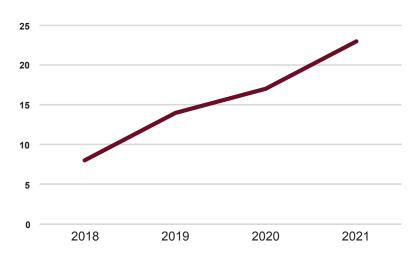
**187.5%** Increase in course offerings since 2018 Pilot.

"I liked how I was
able to stay
on track with my credits.
It is a great way
to keep working
towards graduation."



# 2021 WINTER SESSION STATS AND DATA:

#### **TOTAL NUMBER OF WINTER SESSION COURSES**



#### **SURVEY FEEDBACK**

97%

of WS students adequately prepared for the accelerated course pace

76%

of survey respondents stated that they were outside of the Columbia area during WS



## **2021 JUMP START SUMMER TRANSFER PROGRAM STATS AND DATA:**

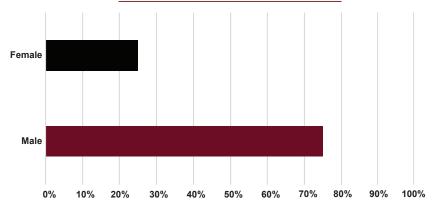
#### 100%

Retention rate of all Jump Start students (since 2019 pilot)

#### **AVERAGE GPA**

3.454

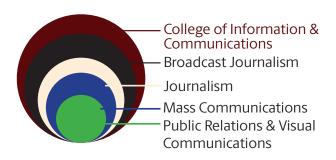
#### **JUMP START ENROLLMENT BY GENDER**

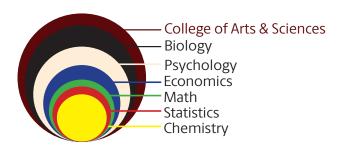


# 2021 JUMP START SUMMER TRANSFER STATS AND DATA:

#### **CURRENT JUMP START DEGREE PROGRAMS**



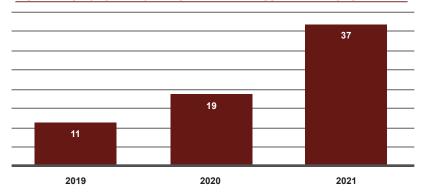






### **ACCELERATED STUDY PLAN (ASP) STATS & DATA:**

#### NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN AN ACCELERATED STUDY PLAN



1 ASP enrollee graduated after 3 years in May 2021

#### **ENROLLMENT BY GENDER:**

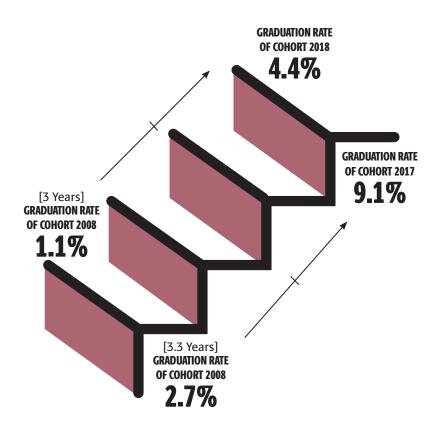
Female: **29** Male: **8** Gender Not Reported: **1** 

#### **AVERAGE GPA**

3.709

## **2021 ASP STATS AND DATA:**

## INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF UofSC STUDENTS GRADUATING IN 3 YEARS AND 3.3 YEARS



## **2021 ASP STATS AND DATA:**



#### **Accelerated Study Plan Student (ASP)**

Chase Jones: BA, Sport and Entertainment Management

Chase Jones joined ASP Fall of 2019 and graduated May of 2021. He is now committed to attending Florida State College of Law in Fall 2021. This is what he had to say.

"I wanted to graduate early to take advantage of my high school credits and save a year of schooling, knowing I wanted to go to post grad as well. I am very grateful I had the opportunity to graduate in 3 years."

## **2021 ASP STATS AND DATA:**

#### **ASP DEGREE PROGRAMS**

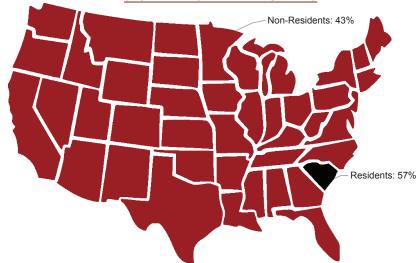


#### **ENROLLED ASP STUDENTS BY RACE**

2.7%
5.41%
18.92%
13.51%
70.27%
5.41%

\*Students were counted for each race they selected\*

#### **STUDENT RESIDENTIAL NUMBERS**









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