



The University of Wisconsin System

**2002-03 Minority and Disadvantaged
Student Annual Report**

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SUMMARY AND HIGHLIGHTS

Pre-college Initiatives and Activities

UW institutions support a large and diverse array of pre-college programs to enlarge the pool of multicultural and disadvantaged students in Wisconsin and prepare them for college. Through these pre-college programs, UW institutions provide opportunities for academic skills enrichment, introduction to college life, and career exploration. Funding for targeted students to attend pre-college programs is provided by a consortium of sources, including the UW System, federal TRIO programs, the Department of Public Instruction's (DPI) Minority Pre-college Scholarship Program, and private dollars. In 2002-03, 14,956 students participated in pre-college programs in UW System institutions.

Program Funding

The state and federal governments, through general program revenue, gifts, and grants, provide program funding for students of color and disadvantaged students. The 1987-89 Wisconsin Biennial Budget Act created an appropriation under Section 20.285 (4)(a) to provide funding for these programs (referred to as Fund 402). All UW institutions obtain extramural support to supplement government funding for these programs:

- In 2002-03, UW System institutions expended approximately \$35.2 million from all funding sources for students of color and disadvantaged student programs. Approximately \$19.7 million of these funds were raised by the institutions from extramural and non-government sources; and
- During 2002-03, slightly over \$7.8 million was expended from Fund 402.¹ Based on institutional estimates, Fund 402 dollars were distributed toward retention activities (62 percent, \$4.8 million); pre-college programs and activities (22 percent, \$1.7 million); and recruitment (16 percent, \$1.2 million).

Student Financial Aid

In addition to the general financial aid programs offered to students, two other financial aid sources are available to students of color and economically disadvantaged students: the Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (LUMRG) for undergraduate students; and the Advanced Opportunity Grant (AOP) for graduate students.

- **In 2002-03**, a total of 10,820 students of color in the UW System received financial assistance. Of these:
 - 2,250 students received LUMRG grants. The average LUMRG award was \$1,353. 2,234 of LUMRG recipients were students of color.
 - 531 students received AOP grants. The average AOP award was \$8,025. 422 of the AOP recipients were students of color.

SECTION I: UW SYSTEM M/D PRE-COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

¹ Fund 402 is defined in the state statutes under s.20.285 which states that (a) "The board shall allocate funds under s.20.285 (4)(a) to fund programs for recruiting minority and disadvantaged students and to fund programs for minority and disadvantaged students enrolled in the system."

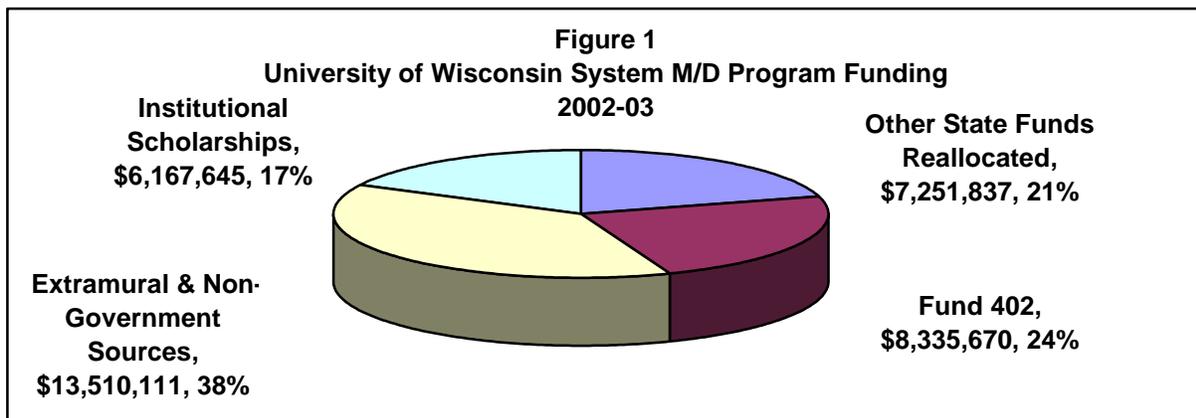
UW System institutions provide various pre-college, recruitment, and retention programs for students of color. Effective pre-college programs expand the pool of high school graduates who apply to the UW System. Participation in pre-college programs increases the probability of students of color graduating from high school.

Data from the 1998 Plan 2008 planning process stressed the importance of pre-college activities for all targeted groups, which include African Americans, Hispanic/Latinos, American Indians, and Asian Americans, with an emphasis on Southeast Asian Americans. College remains a seemingly unattainable goal for many youth of color in Wisconsin and nationally. A lower high school completion rate, inadequate financial aid, and a lack of pre-college opportunities contribute to low college enrollment and graduation rates for students of color. UW System institutions and the Multicultural Center for Educational Excellence (MCEE) have been working vigorously to provide youth of color with the necessary prerequisites, information, and academic skills for access to higher education through pre-college programs.

In 2002-03, UW institutions served 14,956 pre-college students and expended slightly above \$8.3 million in state Fund 402 dollars (Table 1). Approximately 22 percent of these dollars were expended on pre-college activities.

UW System Program Funding

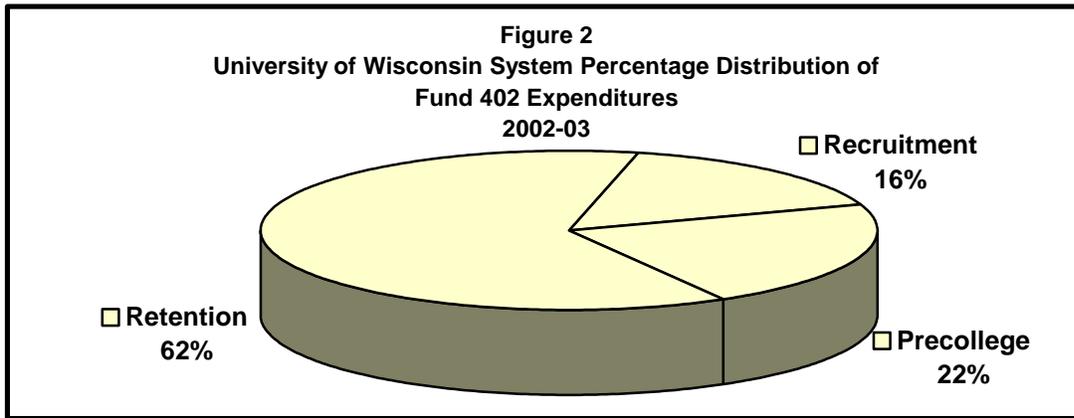
The state and federal governments, through General Program Revenue (GPR) and grants, provide program funding for students of color and disadvantaged students. The institutions also raise extramural funds (Table 1). The 1987-88 biennial budget act [Wis. Stats. 20.285 (4)(a)] created an appropriation designated as Fund 402, specifically for students of color and disadvantaged students. In 2002-03, the state budget allocation designated specifically for minority/ disadvantaged programs (Fund 402) was slightly over \$8.3 million. Table 1 lists all 2002-03 GPR and non-GPR funds expended for student of color and disadvantaged student programs, including institutional expenditures from the appropriation under Fund 402. Of all UW System minority/disadvantaged funding, \$19.7 million (55 percent) was raised by UW System institutions from institutional scholarships, extramural, and non-government sources. Twenty-four percent of Multicultural and Disadvantaged program dollars are from Fund 402, and are dedicated to diversity activities; the remaining 21 percent are state funds reallocated from existing base budgets (Figure 1).



Source: UW System Office of Budget and Planning.

Fund 402 includes funding for pre-college, recruitment and retention activities, and related administrative expenses. Pre-college activities encourage and prepare K-12 students to pursue post-secondary education. Recruitment activities increase new UW System student applications and, ultimately, enrollment. Retention activities assist students in making satisfactory academic progress and in completing their degrees. At UW institutions, Multicultural/Disadvantaged (M/D) offices and other institutional entities provide a wide variety of academic, co-curricular, pre-college, recruitment, retention, orientation, academic counseling, referral, tutorial services, and socio-cultural activities. M/D offices often serve as resource centers for students of color and disadvantaged students, as well as the larger campus community.

In 2002-03, 62 percent of Fund 402 dollars were expended on retention; 16 percent on recruitment, and 22 percent on pre-college activities (Figure 2).



Source: UW System Office of Budget and Planning.

TABLE 1
UW System Minority/Disadvantaged Program Funding ^(a)
2002-03 All Fund Expenditures

Institution	2001-02	2002-03					
	Total Program Funds & Scholarships	Total Program Funds & Scholarships	Fund 402 M/D Appropriation 20.285 (4) (a) Expenditures	Other State Funds Reallocated to M/D Programs	Extramural Funds	Total M/D Program Funds (b)	Institutional Scholarships (c)
Madison	\$8,793,611	\$11,080,470	\$1,751,560	\$3,881,071	\$938,669	\$6,571,300	\$4,509,170
Milwaukee	\$8,136,589	\$8,034,643	\$2,203,353	\$1,403,886	\$3,178,169	\$6,785,408	\$1,249,235
Eau Claire	\$2,201,753	\$2,179,972	\$232,816	\$348,377	\$1,435,819	\$2,017,012	\$162,960
Green Bay	\$1,153,204	\$1,100,887	\$149,738	\$99,593	\$743,928	\$993,259	\$107,628
La Crosse	\$2,427,415	\$2,093,860	\$219,415	\$486,268	\$1,388,177	\$2,093,860	\$0
Oshkosh	\$953,315	\$1,014,879	\$510,492	\$9,152	\$444,119	\$963,763	\$51,116
Parkside	\$844,950	\$931,971	\$354,201	\$145,185	\$396,227	\$895,613	\$36,358
Platteville	\$493,624	\$475,102	\$163,332	\$70,529	\$241,241	\$475,102	\$0
River Falls	\$818,725	\$832,342	\$174,183	\$26,800	\$631,359	\$832,342	\$0
Stevens Point	\$1,081,682	\$1,056,195	\$285,960	\$177,504	\$585,731	\$1,049,195	\$7,000
Stout	\$1,088,052	\$1,280,981	\$318,013	\$98,772	\$848,696	\$1,265,481	\$15,500
Superior	\$981,122	\$1,047,868	\$161,248	\$204,295	\$662,097	\$1,027,640	\$20,228
Whitewater	\$1,767,873	\$1,770,126	\$864,346	\$45,780	\$860,000	\$1,770,126	\$0
Colleges	\$1,158,412	\$1,128,368	\$281,940	\$58,930	\$779,048	\$1,119,918	\$8,450
Extension	\$129,723	\$125,782	\$100,418	\$25,364	\$0	\$125,782	\$0
Systemwide	\$1,081,277	\$1,111,817	\$564,655	\$170,331	\$376,831	\$1,111,817	\$0
Total	\$33,111,327	\$35,265,263	\$8,335,670	\$7,251,837	\$13,510,111	\$29,097,618	\$6,167,645

(a) Does not include fringe benefits. Also excludes Advanced Opportunity Program, Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grants, and other financial aid allocated by UW System to the institutions. Includes pre-college and institutional scholarships.

(b) Includes program revenue funds from auxiliaries and special courses.

(c) Reflects institution awarded scholarships that go through institutional accounts. Does not reflect scholarships administered by foundations.

Source: UW System Office of Budget and Planning.

SECTION II: STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial aid was one of the three highest priorities cited by UW System faculty, staff, students of color, and communities of color during the development of Plan 2008. It is crucial to the successful recruitment, retention, and graduation of students of color and economically disadvantaged students.

In 2002-03, 94,088 UW System students received average aid of \$6,620 (Table 2). In the UW System, 10,820 students of color received financial aid. The average aid provided for students of color was \$8,528; higher financial need among students of color results in higher aid awarded. Of the aid awarded to students of color, 48 percent is in the form of loans and 50 percent is in the form of grants with the remainder consisting of work aid. In contrast, 72 percent of aid is in the form of loans and 26 percent in the form of grants for white students.

Table 2
UW System Financial Aid Recipients' Need Profile by Race/Ethnicity
2002-03

	Number of Recipients	**Average Financial Aid Need	Average Financial Aid Received	* Percent of Aid in Grants	*Percent of Aid in Loans
Asian	3,461	\$11,359	\$8,147	54%	43%
African American	3,973	\$11,764	\$9,225	48%	51%
American Indian	899	\$10,596	\$8,679	62%	37%
Latino/Hispanic American	2,487	\$11,342	\$7,887	45%	53%
Subtotal	10,820	\$11,453	\$8,528	50%	48%
Unknown	2,188	\$11,539	\$6,432	39%	60%
White	81,080	\$8,236	\$6,371	26%	72%
Total	94,088	\$8,728	\$6,620	30%	68%

*Work aid comprised the remaining percentage of financial aid.

**Average financial need is based on students with need (defined by federal methodology).

Minority/Disadvantaged Financial Aid Programs

UW System administers two financial aid programs that target students of color and economically disadvantaged students. The Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (LUMRG) Program provides assistance to degree-seeking undergraduates, and the Advanced Opportunity Program (AOP) awards are for students seeking advanced degrees.

In 2002-03, the LUMRG program provided assistance to 2,250 undergraduates, with an average award of \$1353. The AOP program provided assistance to 531 graduate students seeking advanced degrees, with an average award of \$8,025 (Table 3).

Table 3
UW System Students of Color and Disadvantaged Student Financial Aid
Programs
2002-03

	Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (LUMRG)		Advanced Opportunity Program (AOP)	
	# Recipients	Average \$	# Recipients	Average \$
African American	820	\$ 1,442	185	\$ 8,862
Latino/Hispanic Amer.	546	\$ 1,368	110	\$ 9,006
American Indian	201	\$ 1,265	52	\$ 7,769
Asian American	667	\$ 1,254	75	\$ 6,547
Missing	9	\$ 1,177	5	\$ 8,674
Unknown	2	\$ 1,755	26	\$ 12,395
White	5	\$ 1,867	78	\$ 4,748
Total	2,250	\$ 1,353	531	\$ 8,025

Source: UW System Office of Policy Analysis and Research.

The Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant (LUMRG) Program

The LUMRG Program began in 1986-87, and provides need-based assistance to African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, and statutorily defined Southeast Asian American students. Eligible students may be sophomores, juniors, or seniors who are Wisconsin residents or Minnesota Compact students. Students must be enrolled in six or more credits. The LUMRG program replaces loan aid with grant aid when possible. For additional information on undergraduate financial aid, see Appendix A.

In 2002-03, students could receive LUMRG grants up to a maximum of \$2,500 per year, and are eligible for up to four years of LUMRG awards. Financial need for the LUMRG is determined by the standard federal methodology. LUMRG grants are awarded on a “last dollar” basis; all other grants or fellowships are awarded first. The total fund amount in 2002-03 was \$3.8 million.

For additional information on undergraduate level financial aid, see Appendix A.

The Advanced Opportunity Program (AOP)

The AOP Program began in 1973-74 to promote the recruitment and retention of students of color and disadvantaged students seeking degrees at the graduate and advanced professional levels. Eligible students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents, with preference given to Wisconsin residents. The total fund amount in 2002-03 was \$5.7 million.

For additional information on graduate level financial aid, see Appendix B.

APPENDICES

Appendix A

Undergraduate Financial Aid

Undergraduate		Financial Need		Total Aid		Grants		Loans	
Asian American	Dependent	1911	\$19,069,465	2142	\$16,367,253	1684	\$9,954,880	1360	\$5,755,010
	Independent	678	\$7,495,782	689	\$5,880,426	599	\$3,351,997	485	\$2,383,463
	Unknown	9	\$81,570	274	\$1,140,550	261	\$1,000,461	34	\$140,089
	Total	2598	\$26,646,817	3105	\$23,388,229	2544	\$14,307,338	1879	\$8,278,562
African American	Dependent	1742	\$17,915,497	1982	\$15,914,022	1533	\$8,476,892	1636	\$7,054,515
	Independent	1274	\$14,768,523	1301	\$12,735,736	1114	\$5,772,969	1140	\$6,837,002
	Unknown	3	\$30,720	159	\$1,235,790	146	\$1,109,156	20	\$126,634
	Total	3019	\$32,714,740	3442	\$29,885,548	2793	\$15,359,017	2796	\$14,018,151
American Indian	Dependent	290	\$2,164,107	407	\$2,915,454	324	\$1,838,754	257	\$1,049,277
	Independent	303	\$3,054,909	327	\$2,886,306	290	\$1,881,179	226	\$986,516
	Unknown	1	\$3,830	46	\$336,269	44	\$319,981	3	\$16,288
	Total	594	\$5,222,846	780	\$6,138,029	658	\$4,039,914	486	\$2,052,081
Latin Hispanic American	Dependent	1078	\$10,327,241	1358	\$9,590,607	946	\$4,419,363	1066	\$4,897,694
	Independent	584	\$6,080,538	603	\$5,165,225	501	\$2,392,376	501	\$2,704,081
	Unknown	12	\$151,705	185	\$765,503	178	\$707,044	12	\$58,459
	Total	1674	\$16,559,484	2146	\$15,521,335	1625	\$7,518,783	1579	\$7,660,234
Unknown	Dependent	368	\$2,782,582	551	\$2,756,618	292	\$837,250	391	\$1,837,414
	Independent	402	\$3,231,014	438	\$2,698,544	269	\$860,153	349	\$1,818,311
	Unknown	0	\$0	485	\$2,219,953	441	\$1,928,682	78	\$287,701
	Total	770	\$6,013,596	1474	\$7,675,115	1002	\$3,626,085	818	\$3,943,426
White	Dependent	36361	\$235,311,758	53621	\$298,198,858	22937	\$72,283,196	47303	\$216,568,521
	Independent	12828	\$121,977,622	13512	\$108,482,085	9644	\$39,756,197	11759	\$67,201,688
	Unknown	386	\$3,194,164	6625	\$21,461,081	6285	\$18,403,835	376	\$3,029,308
	Total	49575	\$360,483,544	73758	\$428,142,024	38866	\$130,443,228	59438	\$286,799,517

Appendix B

Graduate Financial Aid

		Total Need		Total Aid		Grants		Loans	
Graduate									
Asian	Dependent	0	\$0	3	\$11,128	3	\$11,128	0	\$0
	Independent	247	\$5,660,086	259	\$4,385,770	113	\$581,926	235	\$3,772,315
	Unknown	0	\$0	97	\$434,356	96	\$399,356	1	\$35,000
	Total	247	\$5,660,086	359	\$4,831,254	212	\$992,410	236	\$3,807,315
African American	Dependent	1	\$6,430	1	\$1,830	0	\$0	1	\$1,830
	Independent	418	\$7,719,546	449	\$6,164,648	181	\$1,455,123	423	\$4,690,146
	Unknown	0	\$0	82	\$600,772	81	\$598,772	1	\$2,000
	Total	419	\$7,725,976	532	\$6,767,250	262	\$2,053,895	425	\$4,693,976
American Indian	Dependent	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
	Independent	90	\$2,024,610	98	\$1,538,767	77	\$675,134	75	\$861,853
	Unknown	0	\$0	21	\$125,236	21	\$125,236	0	\$0
	Total	90	\$2,024,610	119	\$1,664,003	98	\$800,370	75	\$861,853
Latin Hispanic American	Dependent	1	\$9,225	2	\$27,543	2	\$12,283	1	\$15,260
	Independent	224	\$4,970,345	231	\$3,437,086	108	\$765,938	205	\$2,649,274
	Unknown	0	\$0	108	\$629,800	108	\$622,300	1	\$7,500
	Total	225	\$4,979,570	341	\$4,094,429	218	\$1,400,521	207	\$2,672,034
Unknown	Dependent	1	\$29,042	1	\$8,102	1	\$8,102	0	\$0
	Independent	253	\$5,432,657	265	\$4,228,068	75	\$489,945	251	\$3,698,394
	Unknown	0	\$0	331	\$854,472	324	\$700,474	9	\$153,998
	Total	254	\$5,461,699	597	\$5,090,642	400	\$1,198,521	260	\$3,852,392
White	Dependent	23	\$260,153	87	\$308,087	63	\$45,753	25	\$262,226
	Independent	6088	\$98,606,576	6551	\$87,486,721	1222	\$3,950,746	6371	\$82,675,868
	Unknown	0	\$0	797	\$1,890,646	771	\$1,637,678	26	\$252,968
	Total	6111	\$98,866,729	7435	\$89,685,454	2056	\$5,634,177	6422	\$83,191,062

Source: Office of Policy Analysis and Research