

STATEMENT OF NEED

**TABLE 6
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF LOW INCOME STUDENTS
AT BY ETHNICITY**

<u>Population</u>	<u>Total Number</u>	<u>Number Low Income</u>	<u>Percentage Low Income</u>
	4,087	1,951	
	17	13	
	123	40	
	101	63	
	188	118	
Total Ethnic Population:	429	234	54.5%
	3,314	1,722	
	344	63	
Source: Office of Admissions, 1996.			

First Generation.

First generation students face many obstacles in their quest for higher education and have a wide range of needs that must be addressed in order for them to successfully complete college. Issues such as lack of academic preparedness, single parent households, lack of peer support, and low self-esteem can impact their college progress and performance. The number and percentage of first generation students enrolled or accepted for enrollment at is very high. 84% of all students are first generation college students!

**TABLE 7
NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS AT
NEITHER OF WHOSE PARENTS HAVE ATTAINED A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE**

<u>Population</u>	<u>Total Number</u>	<u>Number First Gen</u>	<u>Percentage First Gen</u>
	4,087	3,392	
	5,343,000	4,119,453	
	3,086,000	2,666,304	
	260,341,000	20,749,177	
Sources: Data Base, 1995. US Census Bureau, 1990.			