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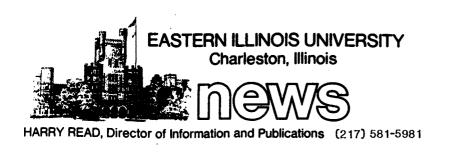
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CHARLESTON, IL--Official 1987 Spring Semester on-campus enrollment at Eastern Illinois University increased to 9567 students, up 56 over the Spring Semester of last year.

The increase was announced Thursday by President Stanley Rives, who said, "Eastern offers a quality education at a reasonable cost, and it is encouraging that we have experienced a slight increase in enrollment for Spring Semester as against last year."

Official enrollments for all Illinois institutions of higher education are established by the number of students enrolled in classes as of the tenth class day which was January 21 for EIU.

Enrollment by class for Spring is as follows: 2167 freshmen, 1959 sophomores, 2104 juniors, 2409 seniors, and 928 graduate students.

Enrollment increased the most in the senior class, up 160 over last year. Graduate enrollment increased by 95 students over the 833 enrolled last Spring Semester.

There are 8541 full-time students and 1026 part-time. Women outnumber men 5109 to 4458. Of those enrolled, 126 are new freshmen, 323 are undergraduate transfers, 53 graduate transfers, and 406 are former Eastern students who re-enrolled.

Official 1986 fall enrollment was 9982 students.