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OFF-CAMPUS ENROLLMENT INCREASES

CHARLESTON, IL.--Off-campus summer enrollment at Eastern Illinois University has increased 16.5 percent over last year, according to Eastern's Dean of the School of Adult and Continuing Education William Hine.

Preliminary figures indicate that the current off-campus enrollment is 617 compared to 530 at the end of last summer's term.

Hine said he expects a 30 percent growth in enrollment by the end of this summer term.

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"This great enrollment increase demonstrates the growing interest and needs of adults for higher education today. This growth will increase into the future if new resources can be found," Hine said.

He added that in the 1990's, the adult student will become the majority student in terms of numbers in higher education.

The School of Adult and Continuing Education offers onand off-campus credit and credit-free programming, in addition to the Board of Governors Bachelor of Arts degree program, a non-traditional degree program for adult students.

Since its inception, Hine noted that the School has expanded the number of locations and classes offered off-campus to meet the growing needs of the adult learner.

Credit classes are offered at area centers, including Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, Danville Area Community College, the Millikin Graduate Center in Decatur, Olney Central College, Parkland College in Champaign, Lincoln Trails College in Robinson, and Salem High School.

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